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A Quiet Flame-Philip Kerr 2009 Detective Bernie Gunther flees to Peron-era Argentina in the wake of wrongful accusations about his war time activities and reluctantly investigates the double case of a murdered girl and a missing banker's daughter.

A Quiet Flame-Philip Kerr 2008-10-02 Argentina, 1950: Bernie Gunther arrives in Buenos Aires only to be caught up in the hunt for a killer. A young girl has been murdered in circumstances that strongly resemble those of Bernie's final case as a Berlin homicide detective, a case he didn't solve. The local chief of police is convinced that the killer is to be found among the several thousand ex-Nazis who have come to Argentina since 1945. So who better than Bernie Gunther to help track him down?

A Quiet Flame-Philip Kerr 2009-03-19 Bernie Gunther returns to trail a serial killer in 1950's Buenos Aires When he introduced Bernie Gunther in the original Berlin Noir trilogy, Philip Kerr immediately established himself as a thriller writer on par with Raymond Chandler. His new Bernie Gunther novels have won him comparisons with Alan Furst, John le Carré, and Graham Greene. A Quiet Flame finds Gunther in Argentina, circa 1950, where he-falsely accused of Nazi war crimes-has been offered a new life and a clean passport by the Perón government. But the tough, fast-talking detective doesn't have the luxury of laying low when a serial killer- whose crimes may reach back to Berlin before the war-is mutilating young girls. Taut, gritty, and loaded with evocative historical detail, A Quiet Flame is among Kerr's best work yet.

If the Dead Rise Not-Philip Kerr 2010-03-18 Detective Bernie Gunther navigates two corrupt regimes in this "richly satisfying mystery...that evokes the noir sensibilities of Raymond Chandler and Ross Macdonald while breaking new ground of its own"(Los Angeles Times). Berlin, 1934. Former policeman Bernie Gunther, now a hotel detective, finds himself caught between warring factions of the Nazi apparatus as Hitler and Avery Brundage, the head of the U.S. Olympic Committee, connive to soft-pedal Nazi anti-Semitism before the 1936 Olympiad... Havana, 1954. Batista, aided by the CIA, has just seized power; Castro is in prison; and the American Mafia is gaining a stranglehold on Cuba's exploding gaming and prostitution industries. Bernie, after being kicked out of Buenos Aires, has resurfaced with a relatively peaceful new life. But he discovers that he cannot truly outrun his past when he collides with an old love and a vicious killer from his Berlin days...

Prague Fatale-Philip Kerr 2012-04-17 A Kirkus Reviews Top Ten Crime Novel for 2012 September 1941: Reinhard Heydrich is hosting a gathering to celebrate his appointment as Reichsprotector of Czechoslovakia. He has chosen his guests with care. All are high-ranking Party members and each is a suspect in a crime as yet to be committed: the murder of Heydrich himself. Indeed, a murder does occur, but the victim is a young adjutant on Heydrich's staff, found dead in his room, the door and windows bolted from the inside. Anticipating foul play, Heydrich had already ordered Bernie Gunther to Prague. After more than a decade in Berlin's Kripo, Bernie had jumped ship as the Nazis came to power, setting himself up as a private detective. But Heydrich, who managed to subsume Kripo into his own SS operations, has forced Bernie back to police work. Now, searching for the killer, Gunther must pick through the lives of some of the Reich's most odious officials. A perfect locked-room mystery. But because Philip Kerr is a master of the sleight of hand, Prague Fatale is also a tense political thriller: a complex tale of spies, partisan terrorists, vicious infighting, and a turncoat traitor situated in the upper reaches of the Third Reich.

The One from the Other-Philip Kerr 2009 Bernie Gunther, Kerr's beloved protagonist, takes center stage in this fast-paced, twist-filled historical thriller that turns his acclaimed German trilogy into a surprise-laden quartet. The Pale Criminal-Philip Kerr 2005-06-28 Hard-boiled detective Bernie Gunther takes on a depraved serial killer terrorizing 1930's Berlin in the second gripping mystery in Philip Kerr's New York Times bestselling series. In the sweltering summer heat wave of 1938, the German people anxiously await the outcome of the Munich conference, wondering whether Hitler will plunge Europe into another war. Meanwhile, private investigator Bernie Gunther has taken on two cases involving blackmail. The first victim is a rich widow. The second is Bernie himself. Having been caught framing an innocent Jew for a series of vicious murders, the Kripo—the Berlin criminal police—are intent on locating the real killer and aren't above blackmailing their former colleague to get the job done. Temporarily promoted to the rank of Kommissar, Bernie sets out to solve the dual mysteries and begins an investigation that will expose him to the darkest depths of humanity...

March Violets-Philip Kerr 2004-07-27 THE FIRST NOVEL IN PHILIP KERR'S ACCLAIMED HISTORICAL MYSTERY SERIES When private investigator Bernie Gunther agrees to track down some stolen jewels, his search takes him down the dangerous streets of pre-World War 2 Berlin and into the path of the most influential players in Nazi Germany... Wisecracking cop turned private investigator Bernie Gunther specializes in missing persons, and as the Third Reich's power has grown, Bernie has become a very busy man. But as he takes on cases involving millionaire industrialists, stolen diamonds, and Hitler's most powerful cronies, Bernie finds himself mired in the brutality and corruption of a country on the brink of war. Hard-hitting, fast-paced, and richly detailed, March Violets is noir writing at its blackest and best.

Field Gray-Philip Kerr 2011-04-14 This Edgar® Award-nominated novel in Philip Kerr's New York Times bestselling Bernie Gunther series reveals the cynical, hard-boiled detective's harrowing history as an unwilling SS officer in World War 2. During his eleven years working homicide in Berlin's Kripo, Bernie Gunther learned a thing or two about evil. Then he set himself up as a private detective—until 1940 when Heydrich dragooned him into the SS's field gray uniform and the bloodbath that was the Eastern Front. Spanning twenty-five tumultuous years, Field Gray strides across the killing fields of Europe, landing Bernie in a divided Germany at the height of the Cold War—revealing a treacherous world where the ends justify the means and no one can be trusted...

A Man Without Breath-Philip Kerr 2013-04-16 Bernie Gunther enters a dangerous battleground when he investigates crimes on the Eastern Front at the height of World War 2 in this gripping historical mystery from New York Times bestselling author Philip Kerr. Berlin, 1943. A month has passed since Stalingrad. Though Hitler insists Germany is winning the war, morale is low and commanders on the ground know better. Then Berlin learns of a Red massacre of Polish troops near Smolensk, Russia. In a rare instance of agreement, both the Wehrmacht and Propaganda Minister Goebbels want irrefutable evidence of this Russian atrocity. And so Bernie Gunther is dispatched. In Smolensk, Bernie finds an enclave of Prussian aristocrats who look down at the wise-cracking, rough-edged Berlin bull. But Bernie doesn't care about fitting in. He only wants to uncover the identity of a savage killer—before becoming a victim himself.

Metropolis-Philip Kerr 2020-05-05 In his final book, New York Times bestselling author Philip Kerr treats readers to his beloved hero's origins, exploring Bernie Gunther's first weeks on Berlin's Murder Squad. Summer, 1928. Berlin, a city where nothing is verboten. In the night streets, political gangs wander, looking for fights. Daylight reveals a beleaguered populace barely recovering from the postwar inflation, often jobless, reeling from the reparations imposed by the victors. At central police HQ, the Murder Commission has its hands full. A killer is on the loose, and though he scatters many clues, each is a dead end. It's almost as if he is taunting the cops. Meanwhile, the press is having a field day. This is what Bernie Gunther finds on his first day with the Murder Commission. He's been taken on because the people at the top have noticed him—they think he has the makings of a first-rate detective. But not just yet. Right now, he has to listen and learn. Metropolis is a tour of a city in chaos: of its seedy sideshows and sex clubs, of the underground gangs that run its rackets, and its bewildered citizens—the lost, the homeless, the abandoned. It is Berlin as it edges toward the new world order that Hitler will soothe in. And Bernie? He's a quick study and he's learning a lot. Including, to his chagrin, that when push comes to shove, he isn't much better than the gangsters in doing whatever her must to get what he wants.

A German Requiem-Philip Kerr 2015-11-01 'For Christmas, I would like all of Philip Kerr's Berlin Noir novels.' Sam Mendes, Guardian 'Philip Kerr is the contemporary master of the morally complex thriller...' New York Observer The third in Philip Kerr's universally loved 'Berlin Noir' trilogy, A German Requiem sees detective Bernie Gunther enter the new and terrifying world of post-war Vienna. In the bitter winter of 1947 the Russian Zone is closing ever more tightly around Berlin. So when an enigmatic Russian colonel asks Bernie Gunther to go to Vienna, where his ex-Kripo colleague Emil Becker faces a murder charge, Bernie doesn't hesitate for long. Despite an unsavory past, Gunther is convinced that the shooting of an American Nazi-hunter is one crime Becker didn't commit. But Vienna is not the peaceful haven Bernie expects it to be. Communism is the new enemy, and with the Nuremberg trials over, some strange alliances are being forged against the Red Menace - alignments that make many wartime atrocities look lily-white by comparison. Vividly evoking the atmosphere of postwar Vienna, A German Requiem brings all Philip Kerr's pace and mordant wit to the tangle of guilt, suspicion, and double-dealing that laid the foundations for the Cold War.

Greeks Bearing Gifts-Philip Kerr 2019-03-12 An NPR Book of the Year A Crime Reads Best Crime Book of 2018 A vicious murder puts Bernie Gunther on the trail of World War 2 criminals in Greece in this riveting historical thriller in Philip Kerr's New York Times bestselling series. Munich, 1956. Bernie Gunther has a new name, a chip on his shoulder, and a dead-end career when an old friend arrives to repay a debt and encourages "Christoph Ganz" to take a job as a claims adjuster in a major German insurance company with a client in Athens, Greece. Under the cover of his new identity, Bernie begins to investigate a claim by Siegfried Witzel, a brutish former Wehrmacht soldier who served in Greece during the war. Witzel's claimed losses are large, and, even worse, they may be the stolen spoils of Greek Jews deported to Auschwitz. But when Bernie tries to confront Witzel, he finds

that someone else has gotten to him first, leaving a corpse in his place. Enter Lieutenant Leventis, who recognizes in this case the highly grotesque style of a killer he investigated during the height of the war. Back then, a young Leventis suspected an S.S. officer whose connection to the German government made him untouchable. He's kept that man's name in his memory all these years, waiting for his second chance at justice... Working together, Leventis and Bernie hope to put their cases—new and old—to bed. But there's a much more sinister truth to acknowledge: A killer has returned to Athens...one who may have never left.

Hitler's Peace-Philip Kerr 2006-08-01 The New York Times bestselling author of the Bernie Gunther novels reimagines the end of World War 2 in this gripping standalone spy thriller. Autumn 1943. Since Stalingrad, Hitler has known that Germany cannot win the war. The upcoming Allied conference in Teheran will set the ground rules for their second front-and for the peace to come. Realizing that the unconditional surrender FDR has demanded will leave Germany in ruins, Hitler has put out peace feelers. (Unbeknownst to him, so has Himmler, who is ready to stage a coup in order to reach an accord.) FDR and Stalin are willing to negotiate. Only Churchill refuses to listen. At the center of this high-stakes game of deals and doubledealing is Willard Mayer, an OSS operative who has been chosen by FDR to serve as his envoy. A cool, self-absorbed, emotionally distant womanizer with a questionable past, Mayer has embraced the stylish philosophy of the day, in which no values are fixed. He is the perfect foil for the steamy world of deception, betrayals, and assassinations that make up the moral universe of realpolitik. With his sure hand for pacing, his firm grasp of historical detail, and his explosively creative imagination about what might have been, Philip Kerr has fashioned a totally convincing thinking man's thriller in the great tradition of Eric Ambler and Graham Greene.

The Lady from Zagreb-Philip Kerr 2015-04-07 From New York Times–bestselling author Philip Kerr, the much-anticipated return of Bernie Gunther in a series hailed by Malcolm Forbes as "the best crime novels around today." A beautiful actress, a rising star of the giant German film company UFA, now controlled by the Propaganda Ministry. The very clever, very dangerous Propaganda Minister—close confidant of Hitler, an ambitious schemer and flagrant libertine. And Bernie Gunther, former Berlin homicide bull, now forced to do favors for Joseph Goebbels at the Propaganda Minister's command. This time, the favor is personal. And this time, nothing is what it seems. Set down amid the killing fields of Ustashe-controlled Croatia, Bernie finds himself in a world of mindless brutality where everyone has a hidden agenda. Perfect territory for a true cynic whose instinct is to trust no one.

Alamein-Stephen Bungay 2013-02-25 El Alamein was the World War II land battle Britain had to win. By the summer of 1942 Rommel's German forces were threatening to sweep through the Western Desert and drive on to the Suez Canal, and Britain was in urgent need of military victory. Then, in October, after 12 days of attritional tank battle and artillery bombardment, Montgomery's Eighth Army, with Australians and New Zealanders playing crucial roles in a genuinely international Allied fighting force, broke through the German and Italian lines at El Alamein. It was a turning-point in the war after which, in Churchill's words, "we never had a defeat". Stephen Bungay's book is as much at home analysing the crucial logistics of keeping desert armies supplied with petrol and tank parts as it is reappraising the combat strategies of Montgomery and Rommel, and ranges widely from the domestic political pressures on Churchill to the aerial siege of Malta, key to the control of the Mediterranean. And in a chapter on "The Soldier's War", Bungay graphically evokes the phantasmagoric blur of thunderous cannonade and tormenting heat that was the lot of the individual men who actually fought and died in the desert. The Other Side of Silence-Philip Kerr 2017-03-07 "From New York Times–bestselling author Philip Kerr, the much anticipated return of Bernie Gunther in a series hailed by The Daily Beast as "the best crime novels around today.""

A Philosophical Investigation-Philip Kerr 2010-04-27 A terrifyingly prescient cult classic by the bestselling author of the Bernie Gunther series. "Chilling...absorbing...part techno-thriller, part futuristic detective story, part diary of a serial killer."—The New York Times Book Review LONDON, 2013. Serial killings have reached epidemic proportions—even with the widespread government use of DNA detection, brain-imaging, and the "punitive coma." Beautiful, whip-smart, and driven by demons of her own, Detective Isadora "Jake" Jacowicz must stop a murderer, code-named "Wittgenstein," who has taken it upon himself to eliminate any man who has tested positive for a tendency towards violent behavior—even if his victim has never committed a crime. He is a killer whose intellectual brilliance is matched only by his homicidal madness.

The Damned and the Destroyed-Kenneth Orvis 2012-07-01 In this fascinating, frighteningly realistic novel Maxwell Dent becomes enmeshed in the harrowing world of narcotics. His desperate quest to get to The Man, to somehow shut off the supply that has hooked lovely, wealthy Helen Ashton takes him into the center of one of the most viciously successful crime syndicates in the world. Before you finish this book, you will now the degradation, the debasement, the lust for just one more fix that drives the junkie into a nether world of living death.

The Thief-Clive Cussler 2012-03-06 Turn-of-the-century detective Isaac Bell matches wits with a German spy just as the world inches closer to global warfare in this novel in the #1 New York Times–bestselling series. It's 1910 and Chief Investigator Isaac Bell, along with fellow Van Dorn detective, Archie Abbott, is escorting a Wall Street stock swindler to his trial in New York aboard the ocean liner Mauretania. Pair intend to enjoy the open sea and make use of the leisure time to plan Bell's wedding to Miss Marion Morgan, but are forced to change plans when two European scientists are nearly abducted and forced overboard. Bell springs into action just in time to stop the kidnapping, but his new charges are convinced they are still at risk. There's something in their possession, an historic invention, and there's a German munitions trust that will stop at nothing to steal it. For war clouds are looming, and a ruthless espionage agent has spotted an opportunity to give the German Empire an edge in the coming conflict. What's worse, Bell's already a step behind. He's made the mistake of assuming it's some sort of war machine. But not all weapons are meant for the battlefield...

Prussian Blue-Philip Kerr 2018-03-13 Bernie Gunther, once Commissar of the Third Reich, is on the run from Erich Mielke, the deputy head of Stasi, and reminisces about a case he investigated seventeen years earlier in which someone shot an engineer on the terrace of Hitler's private residence.

Dark Matter-Philip Kerr 2010-04-28 I swore not to tell this story while Newton was still alive. 1696, young Christopher Ellis is sent to the Tower of London, but not as a prisoner. Though Ellis is notoriously hotheaded and was caught fighting an illegal duel, he arrives at the Tower as assistant to the renowned scientist Sir Isaac Newton. Newton is Warden of the Royal Mint, which resides within the Tower walls, and he has accepted an appointment from the King of England and Parliament to investigate and prosecute counterfeiters whose false coins threaten to bring down the shaky, war-weakened economy. Ellis may lack Newton's scholarly mind, but he is quick with a pistol and proves himself to be an invaluable sidekick and devoted apprentice to Newton as they zealously pursue these criminals. While Newton and Ellis investigate a counterfeiting ring, they come upon a mysterious coded message on the body of a man killed in the Lion Tower, as well as alchemical symbols that indicate this was more than just a random murder. Despite Newton's formidable intellect, he is unable to decipher the cryptic message or any of the others he and Ellis find as the body count increases within the Tower complex. As they are drawn into a wild pursuit of the counterfeiters that takes them from the madhouse of Bedlam to the squalid confines of Newgate prison and back to the Tower itself, Newton and Ellis discover that the counterfeiting is only a small part of a larger, more dangerous plot, one that reaches to the highest echelons of power and nobility and threatens much more than the collapse of the economy. Dark Matter is the latest masterwork of suspense from Philip Kerr, the internationally bestselling and brilliantly innovative thriller writer who has dazzled readers with his imaginative, fast-paced novels. Like An Instance of the Fingerpost, The Name of the Rose, and Kerr's own Berlin Noir trilogy, Dark Matter is historical mystery at its finest, an extraordinary, suspense-filled journey through the shadowy streets and back alleys of London with the brilliant Newton and his faithful protégé. The haunted Tower with its bloody history is the perfect backdrop for this richly satisfying tale, one that introduces an engrossing mystery into the volatile mix of politics, science, and religion that characterized life in seventeenth-century London. From the Hardcover edition.

Ace Is Wild-Penny McCall 2008-08-05 The frigid Rocky Mountain air is nothing compared to the chill between a gorgeous scientist and a hardened FBI agent. But out in the middle of nowhere, all it takes is body heat to melt the snow. Alex Scott has been doing just fine on her own, studying mountain lions and living alone in a log cabin seventy-five miles from anywhere. The last thing she needs is some cocky guy, even one with looks to die for, falling from the sky. All FBI agent Tag Donovan wants is to find the mobster who killed his partner. But when he finds himself pushed off a low-flying plane, only to land face-down in the snow in a hail of bullets, survival is the only thing on his mind. Until he gets a good look at the beauty who drags him to safety. Ignoring each other isn't going to work when there's no one else around—especially when Alex could be the key to solving Tag's mystery. And though Tag's aching body wants nothing but bed rest, Alex's smoky voice makes him think of more exciting uses for the bed. And the table. And—well, after all, he's no snow-angel.

Finding the Quiet-Paul Wilson 2009-07-23 A powerful book to help you move from chaos into tranquility, from hecticness into peace, and from stress into joy-written by the man known as "the guru of calm." The Quiet" is a place where you can't be touched by the noise and tensions of the modern world. A place where, no matter what's happening around you, you have time and space to breathe. Some people spend a lifetime of meditation practice and spiritual studies searching for it. The practices in Finding the Quiet are based on four simple steps that

transform the way you feel and what you get out of life. Following these techniques can lead to: * peace of mind * clarity of thought * emotional stability * physical well-being We are also including A Piece of the Quiet, which provides fast and easy highlights for when you need a quick moment of calm. Whether you are a novice at meditation or a lifetime practitioner, the strategies presented in Finding the Quiet are powerful tools to take you where you want to be.

Prayer-Philip Kerr 2015-04-07 An intense psychological thriller from the New York Times bestselling author of the Bernie Gunther series Acclaimed for his historical mysteries, Philip Kerr seamlessly shifts to a present-day setting with Prayer. Gil Martins, an agent with the FBI's Domestic Terrorism Unit in Houston, sees the violence wrought by extremists of all kinds. Gil has always been on the side of justice?until he learns something that shakes his faith in the system, in himself, and in God. Desperate, he prays, begging to know God is there. When a serial killer begins targeting the morally righteous at the same time that a number of secular icons come under attack, Gil realizes that his prayers are being answered in a most terrifying way.

Fear Is Just a Four-Letter Word-Tracy Tutor 2020-07-14 From the first female real estate broker on Million Dollar Listing LA, a no-bullshit guide to analyzing big egos, deflecting power plays, and taking control of any room. Behind Tracy Tutor's entertaining on-screen persona is an uncanny knack for projecting confidence in the most intimidating of circumstances. The breezy, tough-talking, utterly inimitable LA real estate broker has rivaled her male co-stars to land increasingly high-profile deals. Now Tracy is leveraging her years of experience to write the go-to manual for women who struggle to convince people they're in charge. The first step in Tracy's system for confidence is to figure out what people want and how they operate. From there, simply push the right levers of influence. Through candid, hilarious stories of her rise through the male-dominated world of high-end real estate (text message screen shots from creeps included), Tracy offers a crash course in the psychology of power dynamics and social signaling. You'll walk away knowing: - What five things you should always find out about someone before you're in a room with them - How to communicate confidence with any outfit, even if you're dressing on a budget - The different types of humor you can use to lighten up and empower yourself in any meeting This book is a must-read for any ambitious woman who wants to learn not only how to be in important rooms but how to run them.

Perón and the Enigmas of Argentina-Robert D. Crassweller 1987 A study of the life of Juan Peron, discussing his achievements and the unique bond that united Peron and his fellow Argentinians in a relationship of unusual loyalty

A German Requiem-Philip Kerr 2006-08-29 Post-World War 2, Bernie Gunther investigates the murder of an American Nazi-hunter amongst the ruins of the Third Reich in this riveting thriller in Philip Kerr's bestselling historical mystery series. Vienna, 1947. Bernie Gunther had his first brush with evil as a policeman in 1930s Berlin and came to know it intimately as a private eye under the Nazis, when each case drew him deeper into the enormities of the regime. Now the war is over and Bernie is in Vienna, trying to clear an old friend and ex-Kripo colleague of the murder of an American officer. Amid decaying imperial splendor Bernie traces concentric circles of evil that lead him to a former head of the Gestapo and to a legacy that makes the atrocities of the war seem lily-white in comparison...

Berlin Noir-Philip Kerr 1994-01-01 Now in one volume—the first three novels in Philip Kerr's New York Times bestselling historical mystery series starring hard-boiled detective Bernie Gunther... "A Chandleresque knight errant caught in insane historical surroundings. Bernie walks down streets so mean that nobody can stay alive and remain truly clean."—John Powers, Fresh Air (NPR) Ex-policeman Bernie Gunther thought he'd seen everything on the streets of 1930s Berlin. But then he went freelance, and each case he tackled sucked him further into the grisly excesses of Nazi subculture. And even after the war, amidst the decayed, imperial splendour of Vienna, Bernie uncovered a legacy that made the wartime atrocities look lily-white in comparison...

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100 Most Popular Contemporary Mystery Authors: Biographical Sketches and Bibliographies-Bernard A. Drew 2011-05-18 Provide your mystery fans with background information on their favorite writers and series characters, and use this as a guide for adding contemporary titles to your collections. • Provides interesting and informative profiles of 100 popular, contemporary mystery and crime writers as well as overviews of their series characters • Contains over 60 author photographs • A bibliography lists information on each author's works as well as supporting source materials for the profiles

The Winter Horses-Philip Kerr 2015-02-10 Kalinka, a Ukrainian Jewish girl on the run from the Nazis, finds unlikely help from two rare Przewalski horses.

Gridiron-Philip Kerr 2011-01-31

The Girl She Used to Be-David Cristofano 2009-03-19 When Melody Grace McCartney was six years old, she and her parents witnessed an act of violence so brutal that it changed their lives forever. The federal government lured them into the Witness Protection Program with the promise of safety, and they went gratefully. But the program took Melody's name, her home, her innocence, and, ultimately, her family. She's been May Adams, Karen Smith, Anne Johnson, and countless others—everyone but the one person she longs to be: herself. So when the feds spirit her off to begin yet another new life in another town, she's stunned when a man confronts her and calls her by her real name. Jonathan Bovaro, the mafioso sent to hunt her down, knows her, the real her, and it's a dangerous thrill that Melody can't resist. He's insistent that she's just a pawn in the government's war against the Bovaro family. But can she trust her life and her identity to this vicious stranger whose acts of violence are legendary?

Loserthink-Scott Adams 2019 What is loserthink? If you've been on social media lately, or turned on your TV, you

may have noticed there are a lot of dumb ideas floating around out there. "We know when history will repeat and when it won't." "We can tell the difference between evidence and coincidences." "The simplest explanation is usually true." "Stay in your channel." Wrong, wrong, dangerous, and wrong! These false beliefs are the result of what Scott Adams, the creator of the Dilbertcomic and a lifelong student of group psychology, calls loserthink. Loserthink is the epidemic of sneaky mental habits trapping its victims in their own bubbles of reality. Even the smartest and most educated among us can slip into its seductive grasp. If we're not careful, loserthink would have us believe that every Trump supporter is a bigoted racist, addicts should be responsible for fixing the opioid epidemic, any form of gun control is a slippery slope to full confiscation, and that your relationship fell apart simply because you chewed with your mouth open. This book will teach you how to spot and avoid loserthink before it starts to influence you—and will give you scripts to respond when it's being brandished against you, whether by well-intentioned friends, strangers on the internet, or political pundits. You'll learn the best defense against emotionally powerful but vacuous arguments and how to spot the underlying causes of loserthink, like the inability to get ego out of your decisions, thinking with words instead of reasons, failing to imagine alternative explanations, and making too much of coincidences. Using his patented blend of humor and social satire, along with candid examples of falling prey to loserthink from his own past, Adams offers elegant analytical frameworks for clear thinking, evoking the mental models of scientists, economists, entrepreneurs, and artists. Your bubble of reality doesn't have to be a prison. This book will show you how to break free—and, what's more, to be among the most perceptive and respected thinkers in every conversation.

The Second Angel-Philip Kerr 2000-05-01 The year is 2069. Plagues have destroyed major food sources, and a virus has infected the vast majority of earth's inhabitants. The virus can be overcome, but only through complete blood transfusion. This is why blood has become the new currency: it is banked, traded, and speculated in. But only by the few who are wealthy enough to have a clean source. The moon is now a penal colony, a sexual pleasure dome, and home to the most important blood bank around. This bank is watched over by one massive computer, and that computer's security systems were devised by one man: Dallas. Playing by the system's rules, Dallas has become wealthy. But then his daughter is struck down by a blood disease requiring repeated transfusions. Nowhe is the security risk, and the perfect player has become a target.

The Most Frightening Story Ever Told-Philip Kerr 2016-09-06 Roald Dahl meets R. L. Stine in this spine-tingling and hilarious tale from a bestselling author! Billy Shivers doesn't have a lot of excitement in his life. He prefers to spend his days reading alone in the Hitchcock Public Library. So it is a bit out of character when he finds himself drawn to the Haunted House of Books, and a competition daring readers to survive an entire night spent inside. The Haunted House of Books is a cross between a bookstore and a booby trap. It's a creaky old mansion full of dark hallways and things that go bump in the night, and the store's ill-tempered owner, Mr. Rapsallion, only adds to the mystery. But the frights of the store itself are nothing compared to the stories it holds. These stories are so ghastly, so terrifying, so shocking that once you've read them, you'll never be the same. Does Billy dare begin? Do you? "Not for the faint of heart, oscillating between spooky and mysterious, this will appeal to readers looking for a fright." —School Library Journal

All Quiet on the Western Front-Center for Learning Network Staff 1992-01-01

The World at Night-Alan Furst 2007-12-18 "First-rate research collaborates with first-rate imagination. . . .

Superb."—The Boston Globe Paris, 1940. The civilized, upper-class life of film producer Jean Casson is derailed by the German occupation of Paris, but Casson learns that with enough money, compromise, and connections, one need not deny oneself the pleasures of Parisian life. Somewhere inside Casson, though, is a stubborn romantic streak. When he's offered the chance to take part in an operation of the British secret service, this idealism gives him the courage to say yes. A simple mission, but it goes wrong, and Casson realizes he must gamble everything—his career, the woman he loves, life itself. Here is a brilliant re-creation of France—its spirit in the moment of defeat, its valor in the moment of rebirth. Praise for The World at Night "[The World at Night] earns a comparison with the serious entertainments of Graham Greene and John le Carré. . . . Gripping, beautifully detailed . . . an absorbing glimpse into the moral maze of espionage."—Richard Eder, Los Angeles Times "[The World at Night] is the world of Eric Ambler, the pioneering British author of classic World War II espionage fiction. . . . The novel is full of keen dialogue and witty commentary . . . Thrilling."—Herbert Mitgang, Chicago Tribune "With the authority of solid research and a true fascination for his material, Mr. Furst makes idealism, heroism, and sacrifice believable and real."—David Walton, The Dallas Morning News

Research-Philip Kerr 2014-06-30 If you want to write a murder mystery, you have to do some research... In a luxury flat in Monaco, John Houston's supermodel wife lies in bed, a bullet in her skull. Houston is the world's most successful novelist, the playboy head of a literary empire that produces far more books than he could ever actually write. Now the man who has invented hundreds of best-selling killings is wanted for a real murder and on the run from the police, his life transformed into something out of one of his books. And in London, the ghostwriter who is really behind those books has some questions for him too...

False Nine-Philip Kerr 2015-11-05 Just because football is a game, it doesn't mean you have to play fair. Football manager Scott Manson needs a new job, but finding one in the star-studded world of international football isn't easy. A new position in Shanghai turns out to be part of an elaborate sting operation - and in Barcelona, he's not hired as a football manager, but as a detective. Barca's star player is missing, and Scott has a month to track him down. As Scott follows the trail from Paris to Antigua, he encounters corrupt men, wicked women, and the rotten heart of the beautiful game...

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