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July 2024

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Abiola Bello

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Can Emily Knight defeat Neci once and for all?

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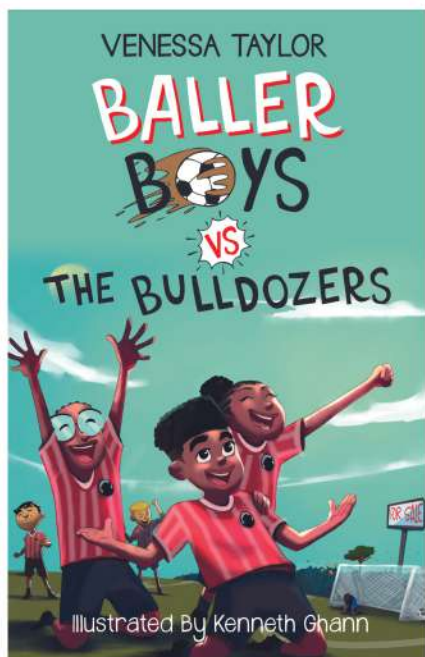
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Baller Boys vs The Bulldozers

Venessa Taylor
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Book 2 of the bestselling Baller Boys series!
Best friends Shay and Frankie realise that nothing ever stays the same, and change is a part of life whether they like it or not. With new team members, the threat of losing their precious home turf, and changes afoot in their family lives too, can the boys work together to stay on track?

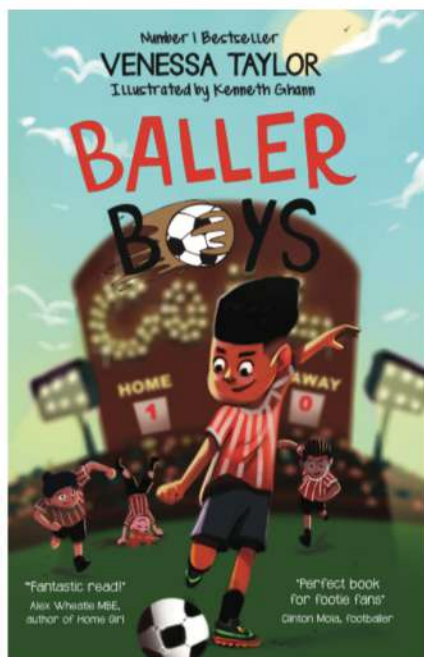
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Baller Boys

Venessa Taylor
Illustrated by Kenneth
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2021 and 2023

Shay and Frankie are best friends and football crazy! AC United is the best club and Shay and Frankie want to play for them. Can their friendship survive the competitiveness of football?

CHILDREN'S

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VENESSA TAYLOR

Venessa brings two decades of experience as an inner-city primary school teacher and assistant headteacher to the creation of the Baller Boys series.

Featured in

National Literacy Trust. The Bookseller, Good Housekeeping, Brixton Buzz, Culture Whisperer, Melan Magazine, CUB Magazine, KiddyCharts, WritersOnline, The Family Grapevine, Daily Star Sunday, Chat Magazine, Heart Radio, Daily Express and many more...

KENNETH GHANN

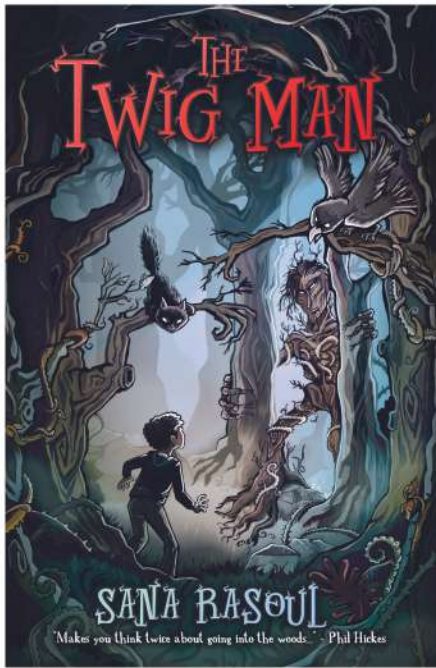
Kenneth is London based Artist/Animator. He is a character artist with a passion for Animation and Character Design. He was further inspired by Artists and Animators who designed cartoon shows like Tom and Jerry, Dexter's Laboratory and many more from Cartoon Network, Disney, Anime and DreamWorks animated features.

Featured in

National Literacy Trust. The Bookseller, Good Housekeeping, Brixton Buzz, Culture Whisperer, Melan Magazine, CUB Magazine, KiddyCharts, WritersOnline, The Family Grapevine, Daily Star Sunday, Chat Magazine, Heart Radio, Daily Express and many more...

Middle-Grade





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The Twig Man

Sana Rasoul

Winner of the Readers Choice
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Shortlisted for The Diverse
Book Awards 2023,
Breakthrough Children's Book
of Year -The Week Junior
Book Awards 2023

October Debut Book of the
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It's been a year since Ari's older sister, Lana, ran away. Except Ari knows what really happened. She was taken by the Twig Man, the creepy monster that's haunted the woods for a hundred years. No one will listen, so it's down to Ari to save her. But he had better hurry, as Ari finds himself next on The Twig Man's list...

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SANA RASOUL

Sana is a Kurdish Politics graduate and teacher in the heart of London. She never misses a Formula One race and when she isn't teaching or writing she is busy drinking gallons of coffee and watching anything horror-related.

Featured in

The Week Junior, VIP November Book Box



A Head Full of Magic

Sarah Morrell

Nominated for 2024 The
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Fleur is used to balancing her two different cultures but when she discovers that she can talk to animals she finds herself in a whole new world! Can her new powers help her take down Celeste 'The Best' the hockey-loving, ankle-smashing new girl, once and for all?

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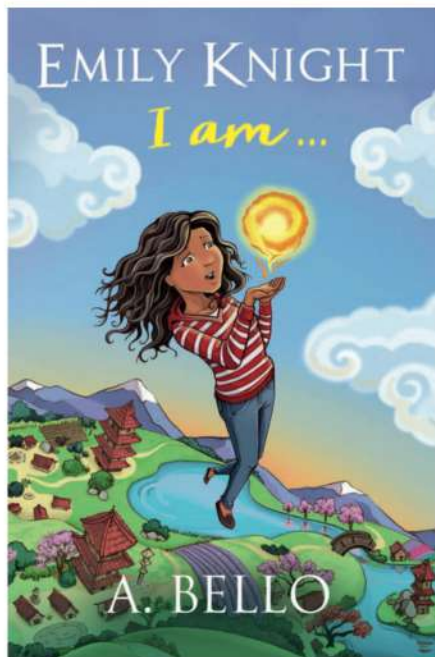
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SARAH MORRELL

Sarah lives in Yorkshire and used to be a Criminologist until she fell in love with writing and quickly swapped a life with crime for a life with rhyme!

Featured in

A Coffee Break Interview on UK Mums,
recommended summer read of Family
Grapevine, World Book Day UK Giveaway



Emily Knight I am...

Abiola Bello

Featured in Cosmopolitan
Magazine

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Teenage warrior Emily is far from ordinary and she hates it. She's the daughter of a heroic warrior and the press's favourite problem child. When Emily encounters an old face, she has to find a way to choose between the two people that she loves. The wrong choice could destroy warriors everywhere.

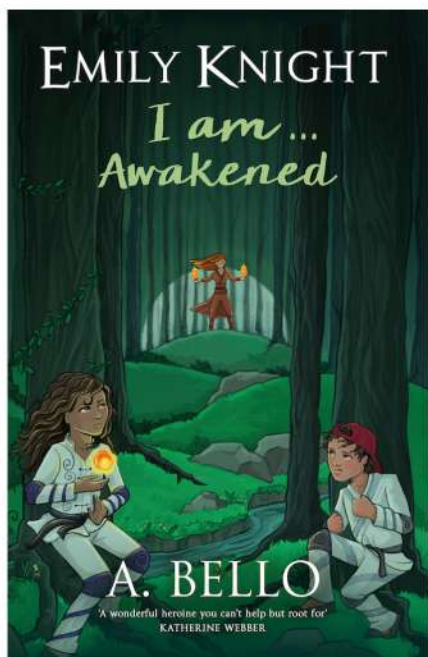
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Emily Knight I am Awakened...

Abiola Bello

Winner of London's Big
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Carnegie Medal 2019
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Book Prize 2019

Top 100 Coming of Age
Young Adult books

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The race is on to find the missing warrior first. It's the only way to prevent a war from happening. Emily Knight has to get sharper, stronger and faster because Neci has made her a target and someone is going to great lengths to hurt her. Can Emily win the race?

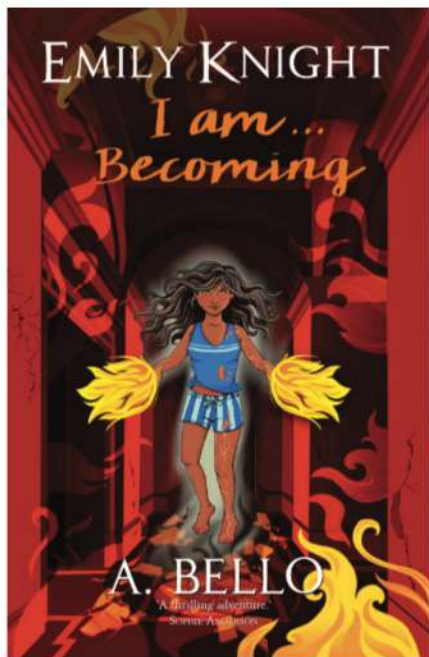
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Emily Knight I am...Becoming

Abiola Bello

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in Magical Realist Fiction
for Young Adults

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The Knights are finally reunited and ready to defeat Neci once and for all. But Neci is one step ahead and is targeting them one by one. When one of Emily's best friends is kidnapped, Emily leads the elite team on a rescue mission but nothing can prepare them for what Neci has planned...

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ABIOLA BELLO

Abiola is a Nigerian-British, bestselling, prize-winning children's and YA author who was born and raised in London. She is an advocate for diversity in books for young people. The Very Merry Murder Club (Farshore) was a Waterstones Children's Book of the Month. Her YA debut Love In Winter Wonderland (S&S) was a Guardian best book and featured on an Amazon billboard for Black History Month. Abiola won The London Book Fair Trailblazer Awards 2018. Her next book Only For The Holidays, published by Simon & Schuster is out this autumn.

Featured in

The Voice Newspaper, Margate Bookie, The Guardian, Esquire, Mslexia, Yahoo! News, BBC Radio, WeAreTheCity, FemaleFirst, The Bookseller, Hackney Gazette.

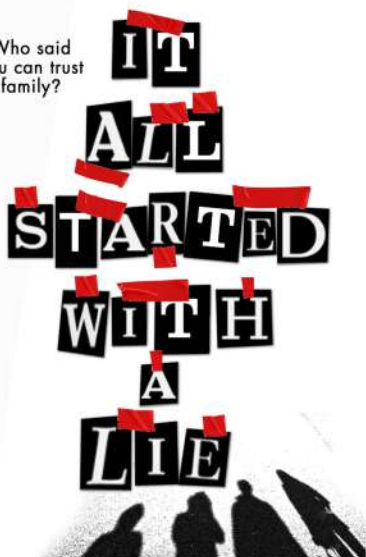
Young Adults



DENISE BROWN

It All Started With A Lie

Who said
you can trust
family?



Denise Brown

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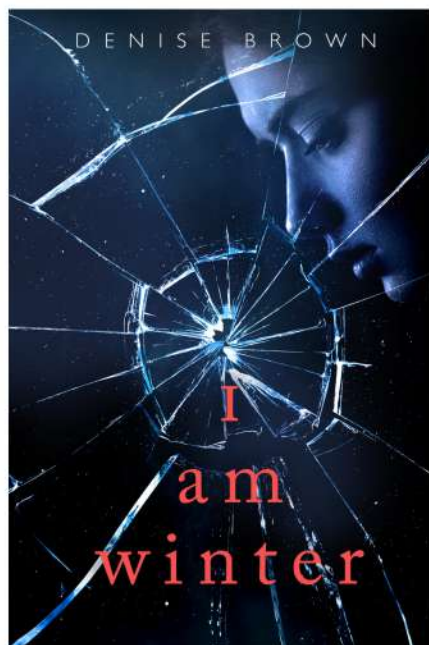
When Pearl discovers a newspaper clipping showing a picture of her dad holding the baby he found abandoned outside a hospital, it sets off a chain of events of betrayal, obsession, murder. And it all started with a lie. Perfect for fans of Cynthia Murphy and Holly Jackson.

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I am Winter

Denise Brown

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When Summer's best friend Cee dies from cardiac arrest after both girls have taken pills, the accusations on social media begin, but as the bullying intensifies, Summer grows closer to revealing the secret both families are harbouring.

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DENISE BROWN

Denise is a writer, housekeeper, and single parent of five children. Her debut novella *Devil on Your Back* was published by Salt in 2014, and her short stories have featured in various online publications. In 2019 she was longlisted for the Bath Novel Award. Her next YA book is *It All Started With A Lie*, out in 2024.

Featured in

Book Clubs in Schools - Secondary Book Chat, The Table Read Magazine, Part of UK YA Author Week November 2021



Ten Steps To Us

Attiya Khan

Finalist for the National
Indie Excellence Awards

2023

Top 3 Amazon bestseller
Islamic Fiction for Young
Adults

Aisha has always felt invisible, so no one is more surprised than her when Darren, the hot new boy in school, takes an interest. But Aisha is a devout Muslim and Darren is firmly off limits. If only there was a way to keep the boy and her faith. Maybe there is... all it takes is ten steps...

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ATTIYA KHAN

Attiya is a mother of three and works as a GP in East London. She holds an MA in Modern Literature from Birckbeck, from where she graduated with merits.

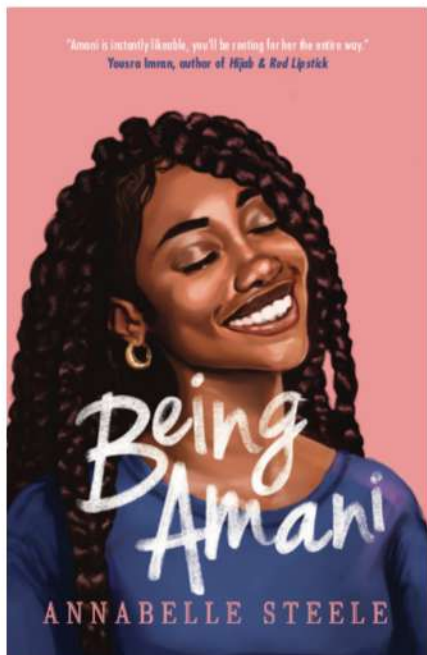
Featured in

YALC, The Bookseller ('Hashtag BLAK falls for Khan's Muslim teen romance'), Eastern Eye, Bad Form Review, BookBrunch, Gal-Dem, Women's Health Magazine, Beyond the Big 5, TBHonest, MammaMummyMum and more...

Being Amani

Annabelle Steele

Longlisted for The Diverse
Book Awards 2022
Top 30 books about
Depression, Mental Illness &
Physical and Emotional Abuse
Fiction for Young Adults



It's been over a year since that night and Amani hopes that starting all over again will help her move on from the past. So, when she moves to a new city, Amani wants to focus on her new life, but everything is falling apart and Amani finds herself looking for happiness in all the wrong places.

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ANNABELLE STEELE

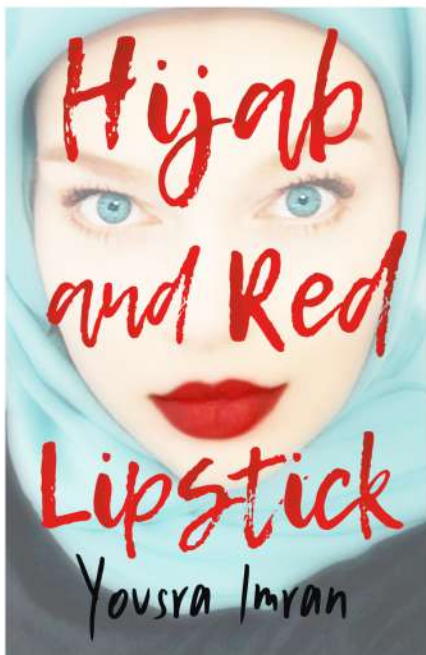
Annabelle is a primary school teacher in Manchester. She's been writing poetry and YA and children's fiction since her own primary school days. She's a mother to three young boys.

Featured in

Renaissance Accelerated Reader Book of the week

*BBC Radio Merseyside

*As seen in Closer Magazine, Manchester World, BookMachine, BookBrunch, The Bookseller, Race Relations At Work Podcast, Book Boys Podcast, Bad Form Review, and more...



Hijab and Red Lipstick

Yousra Imran

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When Sara and her family move from London to the Arabian Gulf, it feels like every door is being closed on Sara's future. Can Sara find her voice again? Will she ever be free?

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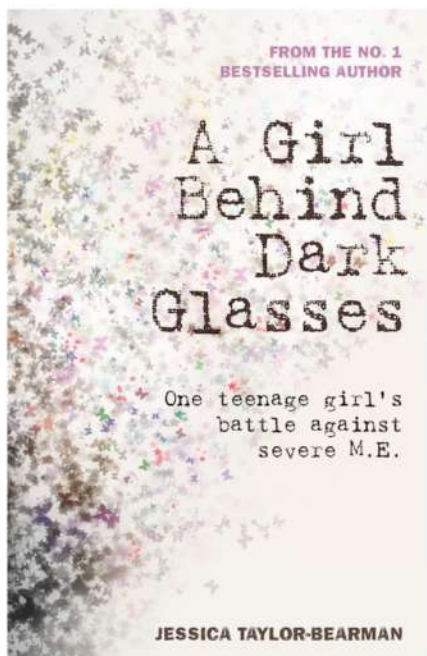
Yusra is half-English and half-Egyptian and grew up between London and the Arabian Peninsula. Yusra has had articles published in a number of printed and online publications in the Middle East and UK. Yusra was the winner of Hashtag Press 2020 competition and won a book deal for her debut book.

Featured In

Vogue, Harper's Bazaar, Elle, The Bookseller, The New Arab, BBC, Refinery29, The Financial Times, The Yorkshire Post, The Telegraph & Argus, LoveReading, Bookish Magazine, The Candid Book Club, Frost Magazine, The Bookseller and many more...

Non-Fiction





A Girl Behind Dark Glasses

Jessica Taylor-Bearman

Number 1 bestseller Amazon
& Waterstones

Winner for Best Non-Fiction
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From a darkened world, bound by four walls, a young woman called Jessica tells the tale of her battle against the M.E Monster.

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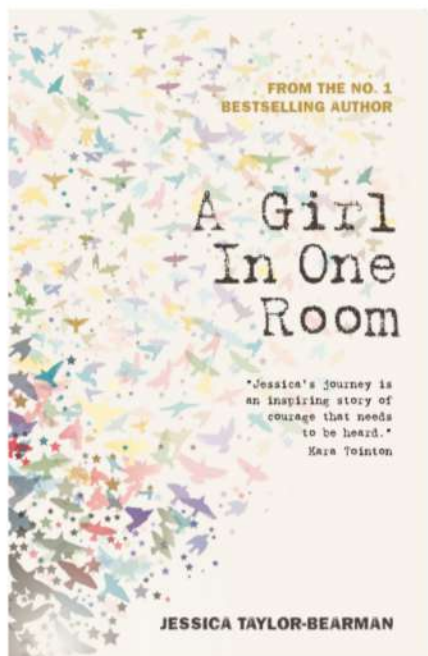
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A Girl In One Room

Jessica Taylor-Bearman

Number 1 bestseller Amazon



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Jessica returns home after four years in hospital. Everyone has moved on, but her battle with the M.E. Monster is far from over. Jessica wants to show the world that she is more than what they see... and this time they will see her.

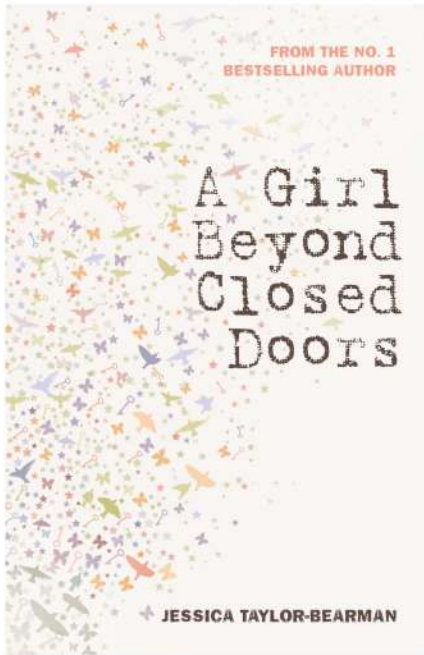
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A Girl Beyond Closed Doors

Jessica Taylor-Bearman

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Part three of the number 1 bestselling series. After twelve years of being trapped in the world of one room by the M.E. Monster, Jessica's dreams start to come true. She's pregnant! But Jessica has to adjust to being a disabled mum in an inaccessible world and face the critics who doubt her abilities. Balancing parenthood and chronic illness, expectations versus reality, Jessica discovers alternative fairytale endings are possible...

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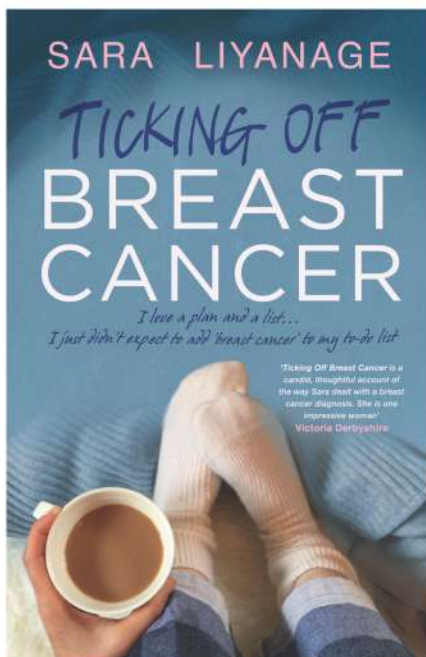
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JESSICA TAYLOR-BEARMAN

Jessica became acutely unwell with an illness called M.E. aged 15. She was continuously hospitalised from 2006 to 2010, suffering with a severe form of the condition. This included her being bedridden, unable to move, speak, eat and more. Since she left hospital, Jessica's journey with severe M.E. has continued to be very challenging. Her last book in the series *A Girl Beyond Closed Doors* is out October 2023.

Featured in

The Sun, Kent Online, Braintree & Witham Times, Hysterical Women, Institute of Optimum Nutrition Magazine, On Talk Radio, Speakers For Schools, BBC Radio and many more...



Ticking Off Breast Cancer

Sara Liyanage

Number 1 Amazon bestseller
Top 20 Waterstones
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Finalist for The People's Book
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Sara is a married, mother of two and part-time lawyer in London, Sara managed her life by to-do list after to-do list. However, when breast cancer appeared on her list, Sara's life as she previously knew it, was thrown upside down. Ticking Off Breast Cancer provides thoughtful, helpful advice for every step of the way.

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SARA LIYANAGE

Sara lives in Hertfordshire with her husband and two children. In October 2016, Sara was diagnosed with breast cancer at the age of forty-two. Towards the end of her treatment, Sara wrote her bestselling debut book *Ticking Off Breast Cancer. After Breast Cancer, A recovery handbook* is out now, published by Sheldon Press.

Featured in

Prima Magazine, Huffington Post, NCT.org.uk, Herts Advertiser, UK Fundraising, Women's Radio Station, BBC Radio, HonestMum, Prosperity Kitchen Podcast, Life Death Whatever, Sainsburys Magazine



Silver Linings

Jess Impiazzi

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Reality TV star, actress and model bares all including supporting her alcoholic father, losing her 13-month-old nephew to meningitis while he was in her care, her mum's sudden blindness, being betrayed by ex-husband, England rugby international Denny Solomona, and her own mental health issues and her attempted suicide.

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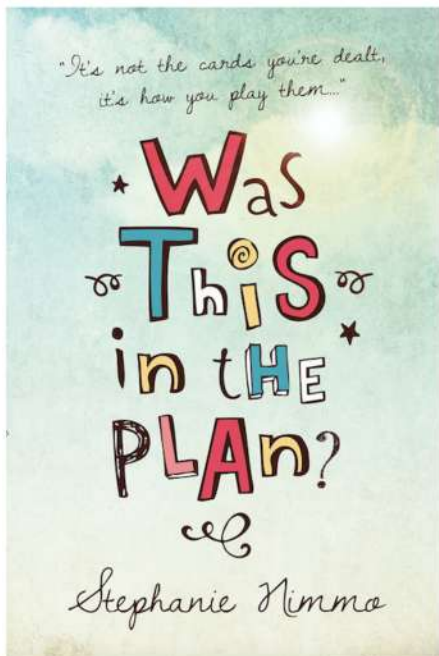
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JESS IMPIAZZI

Jess is a regular on the small and big screens and is one of the OG Reality TV stars having starred in *The Only Way Is Essex* (2012), MTV's *Ex on the Beach* (series 2 and series 5) and *Celebrity Big Brother* (2018) among many other shows. She's a model and an actress.

Featured in

The Sun, The Mirror, Daily Mail, OK! Magazine, Metro, Celebrity Angels, The Bookseller, Heart Radio, Let's Get Talking podcast, The Jolly Diaries podcast.



Was This in the Plan?

Stephanie Nimmo

Top 10 Amazon bestseller

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From having to give up a successful career to care for her fragile, life limited daughter, to learning how to cope with the challenges of her sons' autism diagnoses and the final cruel blow of Andy's terminal cancer, Steph learned very early on that it's not the cards you are dealt in life but how you play them.

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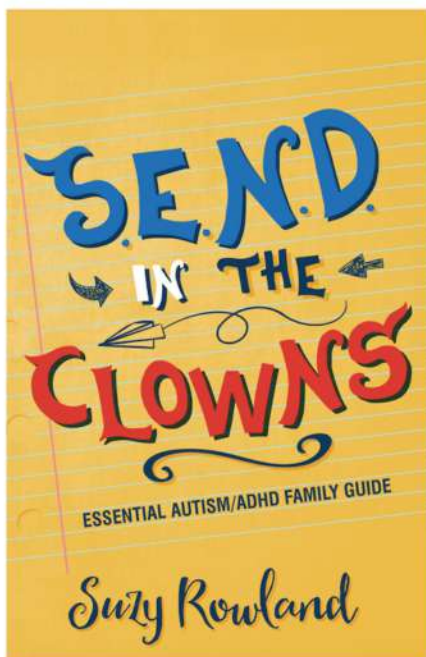
STEPHANIE NIMMO

Stephanie Nimmo is a London-based writer, mother, widow and bereaved parent.

Stephanie started writing about her life (caring for her youngest daughter who had a rare genetic condition) as a way of documenting what was happening. The blog grew and grew in popularity and is now read by tens of thousands of people around the world. Her next book, *Anything for My Child: Making Impossible Decisions for Medically Complex Children*, published by Jessica Kingsley Publishers is out this autumn.

Featured in

Huffington Post, Malestrom, ParentTalk, Sainsbury's Magazine, KMTV, Daily Express, Daily Mirror, Daily Record, Patient.info, Daily Mirror Eire.



S.E.N.D. in the Clowns: Essential Autism/ADHD Family Guide

Suzy Rowland
Top 50 Amazon bestseller in
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Is your child autistic or ADHD? S.E.N.D. in the Clowns is a family guide to help you through the primary education years, and the run-up to secondary school. With clear explanations, practical ideas and friendly advice, this book guides you through the post-diagnosis fog.

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Suzy is an author, speaker, Autism & ADHD Advocate, and a poet. Suzy's son was diagnosed with Asperger's and ADHD aged nine, and, after years of unsatisfactory experiences with schools, she set up the HIS (#happyinschool) project. Suzy's next book 'I can't go to school!': The School Non-Attender's Workbook is out now, published by Jessica Kingsley Publishers.

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