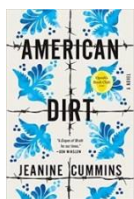


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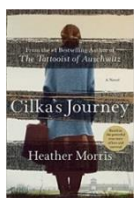
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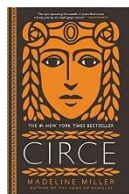
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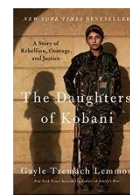
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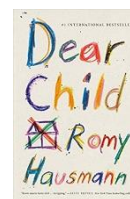
Wyoming game warden Joe Pickett must accompany a Silicon Valley CEO on a hunting trip--but soon learns that he himself may be the hunted. Meanwhile, Joe's closest friend, Nate Romanowski, and his own daughter Sheridan learn of the threat to Joe's life and follow him into the woods. In a stunning final showdown, the three of them come up against the worst that nature--and man--have to offer.

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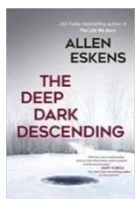


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family swears that she isn't their Lena.

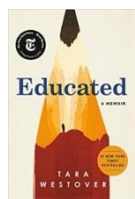


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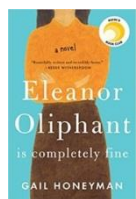


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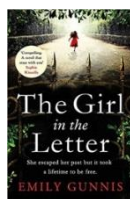


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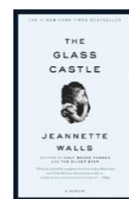


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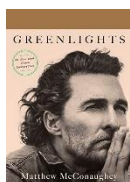
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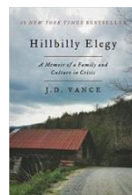


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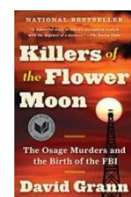


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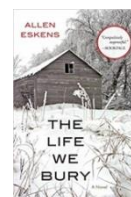


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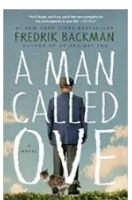
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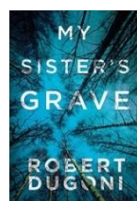


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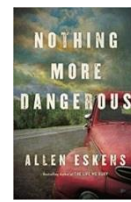
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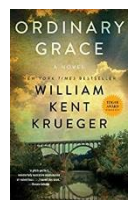
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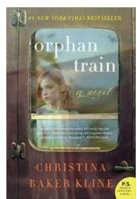
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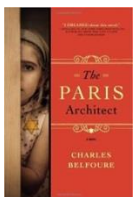


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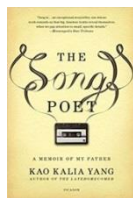


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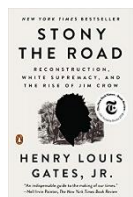


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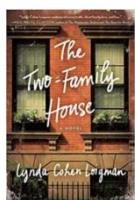


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Lisa Power is a tortured ghost of her former self. The author of a

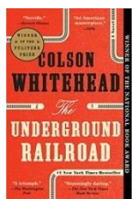
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bestselling thriller called Thief River Falls, named after her rural Minnesota hometown, Lisa is secluded in her remote house as she struggles with the loss of her entire family. Then a nameless runaway boy shows up at her door with a terrifying story - he's just escaped death after witnessing a brutal murder - a crime the police want to cover up. *Additional Formats: Large Print, Audiobook*



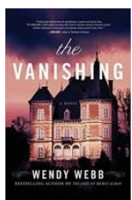
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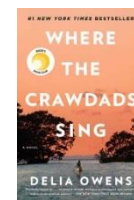
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