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The Curse of Crow Hollow - Billy Coffey 2015-08-04

With the "profound sense of Southern spirituality" he is known for (Publishers Weekly), Billy Coffey draws us into a town where good and evil—and myth and reality—intertwine in unexpected ways. Everyone in Crow Hollow knows of Alvaretta Graves, the old widow who lives in the mountain. Many call her a witch; others whisper she's insane. Everyone agrees the vengeance Alvaretta swore at her husband's death hovers over them all. That vengeance awakens when teenagers stumble upon Alvaretta's cabin, incurring her curse. Now a sickness moves through the Hollow. Rumors swirl that Stu Graves has risen for revenge. And the people of Crow Hollow are left to confront not only the darkness that lives on the mountain, but the darkness that lives within themselves. "Coffey spins a wicked tale . . . [The Curse of Crow Hollow] blends folklore, superstition, and subconscious dread in the vein of Shirley Jackson's 'The Lottery.'" —Kirkus Reviews

Why Men Won't Ask for Directions - Richard C. Francis 2013-12-03

Much of the evolutionary biology that has grabbed headlines in recent years has sprung from the efforts of sociobiologists and evolutionary psychologists to explain sexual features and behavior—even differences

between how men and women think—as evolutionary adaptations. They have looked to the forces of natural selection to explain everything from the mimicry of male mockingbirds to female orgasms among humans. In this controversial book, Richard Francis argues that the utility of this approach is greatly exaggerated. He proposes instead a powerful alternative rooted in the latest findings in evolutionary biology as well as research on the workings of our brains, genes, and hormones. Exploring various sexual phenomena, Francis exposes fundamental defects in sociobiology and evolutionary psychology, which he traces to their misguided emphasis on "why" questions at the expense of "how" questions. Francis contends that this preoccupation with "why" questions (such as, "Why won't men ask for directions"?) results in a paranoid mindset and distorted evolutionary explanations. His alternative framework entails a broader conception of what constitutes an evolutionary explanation, one in which both evolutionary history, as embodied in the tree of life, and developmental processes are brought to the foreground. This alternative framework is also better grounded in basic biology. Deeply learned, consistently persuasive, and always engaging, this book is a welcome antidote to simplistic sociobiological

exegeses of animal and human behavior.

Field Guide to Urban Wildlife - Julie Feinstein 2011-01-13

Identify and understand the wildlife most commonly found living near humans--and how they've adapted to thrive in cities and suburbs.

[A Billy Coffey Collection](#) - Billy Coffey 2015-05-19

Now available in one volume—three novels from Billy Coffey. When Mockingbirds Sing What marks the boundary between a miracle from God and the imagination of a child? Leah is a child from Away, isolated from her peers because of her stutter. But then she begins painting scenes that are epic in scope, brilliant in detail, and suffused with rich, prophetic imagery. When the event foreshadowed in the first painting dramatically comes true, the town of Mattingly takes notice. Leah attributes her ability to foretell the future to an invisible friend she calls the Rainbow Man. Some of the townsfolk are enchanted with her. Others fear her. But there is one thing they all agree on—there is no such thing as the Rainbow Man. But then a dramatic and tragic turn of events leaves the town reeling and places everyone's lives in danger. Now the people of Mattingly face a single choice: Will they cling to what they know . . . or embrace the things Leah believes in that cannot be seen? The Devil Walks in Mattingly For the three people tortured by their secret complicity in a young man's untimely death, redemption is what they most long for . . . and the last thing they expect to receive. It has been twenty years since Philip McBride's body was found along the riverbank in the dark woods known as Happy Hollow. His death was ruled a suicide. But three people have carried the truth ever since—Philip didn't kill himself that day. He was murdered. Yet what cannot be laid to rest is bound to rise again. These three will be drawn together for a final confrontation between life and death . . . between truth and lies. In the Heart of the Dark Wood A motherless girl hungry for hope . . . and the dream that could be leading her astray. Almost two years have passed since twelve-year-old Allie Granderson's beloved mother, Mary, disappeared into the wild tornado winds. Her body has never been found. Now, Allie and her best friend Zach leave the city behind and push into the inky forest on the outskirts of Mattingly. For

Allie, the journey is more than a ghost hunt: she is rejoining the mother she lost—and finding herself with each step deeper into the heart of the dark wood. Brimming with lyrical prose and unexpected discoveries, In the Heart of the Dark Wood illustrates the steep transition we all must undergo—the moment we shed our childlike selves and step into the strange territory of adulthood.

The Kindred Life - Christine Marie Bailey 2022-05-17

Even though technology makes us more “connected” than ever, we still hunger for authentic relationships—with the natural world, our creator, and one another. But how do we find them, especially when we've lost touch with many of the foundational rhythms that draw us together? The Kindred Life is a rallying cry for real connection in a time when we need to recapture what's been lost. In this collection of stories, photos, and recipes from her home on Kindred Farm in Santa Fe, Tennessee, sustainable farmer Christine Bailey shares both the beautiful and gritty moments as she grew from a hopeful urban gardener to co-owner of a farm full of produce, bees, chickens, and flowers that provides meaningful experiences for friends, family, and hundreds of guests each year. Kindred means “tribe” or “family,” and at the center of The Kindred Life is an invitation to pursue the experiences that unite us, like spending time in the dirt, slowing down, and joining in a simple meal under the stars. We were all created with the ability to carve out a life of connection, and it's worth every bit of sweat it takes to get there. We can slow down. We can step forward in bravery to do hard things well. And we can be intentional about gathering with and investing in others. Discover the beauty of community, the magic of coming together around the table, and the lessons the land can teach you as you unearth your very own Kindred Life—right where you are.

Why Do Bluebirds Hate Me? - Mike O'Connor 2013-10-15

A collection of humorous Q&As about everything you've always wanted to ask about birds and birding Mike O'Connor knows bird watchers as well as he knows birds. He knows that if you're even slightly interested in identifying birds or attracting them to your backyard with a feeder, then you've also had your share of strange and silly questions about birds

and their sometimes inexplicable behavior. In *Why Do Bluebirds Hate Me?*, O'Connor applies his deep knowledge of all things avian to answer the questions that keep birders up at night. Questions like · Should you clean your birdhouses? · Do swallows have a feather fetish? · How much does it cost to run a heated birdbath? · Is drinking coffee bad for birds? Other questions O'Connor covers range from the practical (Should I rotate the seed in my feeder?) to the quirky (Why are vultures eating my vinyl screen door?) to the just plain adorable (Are those birds kissing or feeding each other?). And he also explains why bluebirds just don't seem to like some people. From the Trade Paperback edition.

Snow Day - Billy Coffey 2010-10-11

In this debut novel, Peter is a simple man who lives by a simple truth--a person gains strength by leaning on his constants. To him, those constants are the factory where he works, the family he loves, and the God who sustains him. But when news of job cuts comes against the backdrop of an unexpected snowstorm, his life becomes filled with far more doubts than certainties. With humor and a gift for storytelling, Billy Coffey brings you along as he spends his snow day encountering family, friends, and strangers of his small Virginia town. All have had their own battles with life's storms. Some have found redemption. Others are still seeking it. But each one offers a piece to the puzzle of why we must sometimes suffer loss, and each one will help Peter find a greater truth--our lives are made beautiful not by our big moments, but our little ones.

An Epoch of Miracles - 2011-07-01

"Mr. Allan Burns, I am here to tell you an example, the example of the Hunchbacks." So said Paulino Yamá, traditionalist and storyteller, to Allan Burns, anthropologist and linguist, as he began one story that found its way into this book. Paulino Yamá was just one of several master storytellers from the Yucatán Peninsula of Mexico from whom Burns learned not only the Mayan language but also the style and performance of myths, stories, riddles, prayers, and other forms of speech of their people. The result is *An Epoch of Miracles*, a wonderfully readable yet thoroughly scholarly set of translations from the oral literature of the Yucatec Maya, an important New World tradition never before

systematically described. *An Epoch of Miracles* brings us over thirty-five long narratives of things large, small, strange, and "regular" and as many delightful short pieces, such as bird lore, riddles, and definitions of anteaters, rainbows, and other commonplaces of the Mayan world. Here are profound narratives of the Feathered Serpent, the mighty Rain God Chac and his helpers, and the mysterious cult of the Speaking Cross. But because these are modern, "Petroleum Age" Maya, here too are a discussion with Cuba's Fidel Castro and a greeting to former president Richard Nixon. All pieces are translated ethnopoetically; examples of several genres are presented bilingually. An especially valuable feature is the indication of performance style, such as pauses and voice quality, given with each piece.

The Mockingbird's Song - Wanda E. Brunstetter 2020-08-01

Where Is the Hope in Grief for a Young Amish Widow? Sylvia has been nearly paralyzed with grief and anxiety since the tragic death of her husband, father, and brother in a traffic accident. She tries to help in the family's greenhouse while caring for her two young children, but she prefers not to have to deal with customers. Her mother's own grief causes her to hover over her children and grandchildren, and Sylvia seeks a diversion. She takes up birdwatching and soon meets an Amish man who teaches her about local birds. But Sylvia's mother doesn't trust Dennis Weaver, and as the relationship sours, mysterious attacks on the greenhouse start up again.

The Fascination of Birds - William Young 2014-05-05

This captivating collection of 99 essays offers a well-researched but easy-to-read look at birds as familiar as the sparrow and as seldom-seen as the albatross, from dancing varieties (crane) to sacred ones (ibis) to those associated with practical jokes and assassinations (snipe). The book combines extensive field experience with reflections drawn from biology, literature, music, history, politics, and other areas.

Remarkable Birds - Mark Avery 2016-09-13

Everything you didn't know about the avian world: a fascinating compendium showcasing the extraordinary wonders of birds, illuminated with exquisite ornithological illustrations, prints, and drawings Humans

share the Earth with more than 10,000 species of birds and have always been enchanted by them. Birds can be a sign of the changing seasons, a symbol of freedom, or simply a breathtaking vision of beauty.

Remarkable Birds approaches these fascinating creatures thematically across eight sections covering all aspects of humans' relationship with birds. "Songbirds" celebrates the greatest bird virtuosi, such as the nightingale, while "Birds of Prey" includes majestic hunters such as the harpy eagle. "Feathered Travelers" describes astounding journeys made by birds including tiny hummingbirds that migrate huge distances. "The Love Life of Birds" illuminates the most brilliant displays upon which different species rely to find a mate—notably the extravagant plumage and dances of birds of paradise. "Avian Cities" explores the spectacular, large colonies of species such as the flamingo, while "Useful to Us" examines the diverse ways we find birds valuable, such as the turkey or the canary. "Threatened & Extinct" describes some species that have been lost forever, and others on the brink. Birds have also had great mystical significance and "Revered & Adored" considers such species as the sacred ibis, believed by the ancient Egyptians to represent the god Thoth.

Song for Papa Crow - Marit Menzin 2012

Although his father assures Little Crow that he loves his son's voice, Little Crow wants to sing like the other birds, and after meeting Mockingbird he thinks he has the solution, in a story with information about birds and their songs.

The Devil Walks in Mattingly - Billy Coffey 2014-03-18

For the three people tortured by their secret complicity in a young man's untimely death, redemption is what they most long for . . . and the last thing they expect to receive. It has been twenty years since Philip McBride's body was found along the riverbank in the dark woods known as Happy Hollow. His death was ruled a suicide. But three people have carried the truth ever since—Philip didn't kill himself that day. He was murdered. Each of the three have wilted in the shadow of their sins. Jake Barnett is Mattingly's sheriff, where he spends his days polishing the fragile shell of the man he pretends to be. His wife, Kate, has convinced

herself the good she does for the poor will someday wash the blood from her hands. And high in the mountains, Taylor Hathcock lives in seclusion and fear, fueled by madness and hatred. Yet what cannot be laid to rest is bound to rise again. Philip McBride has haunted Jake's dreams for weeks, warning that he is coming back for them all. When Taylor finds mysterious footprints leading from the Hollow, he believes his redemption has come. His actions will plunge the quiet town of Mattingly into darkness. These three will be drawn together for a final confrontation between life and death . . . between truth and lies. "Coffey has a profound sense of Southern spirituality. His narrative moves the reader from . . . [a] false heaven to a terrible hell, then back again to a glorious grace." —Publishers Weekly "The Devil Walks in Mattingly . . . recalls Flannery O'Connor with its glimpses of the grotesque and supernatural." —BookPage

I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings - Maya Angelou 2010-07-21

Here is a book as joyous and painful, as mysterious and memorable, as childhood itself. I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings captures the longing of lonely children, the brute insult of bigotry, and the wonder of words that can make the world right. Maya Angelou's debut memoir is a modern American classic beloved worldwide. Sent by their mother to live with their devout, self-sufficient grandmother in a small Southern town, Maya and her brother, Bailey, endure the ache of abandonment and the prejudice of the local "powhitetrash." At eight years old and back at her mother's side in St. Louis, Maya is attacked by a man many times her age—and has to live with the consequences for a lifetime. Years later, in San Francisco, Maya learns that love for herself, the kindness of others, her own strong spirit, and the ideas of great authors ("I met and fell in love with William Shakespeare") will allow her to be free instead of imprisoned. Poetic and powerful, I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings will touch hearts and change minds for as long as people read. "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings liberates the reader into life simply because Maya Angelou confronts her own life with such a moving wonder, such a luminous dignity."—James Baldwin From the Paperback edition.

The Cardinal - June Osborne 1995-01-01

The author follows a year in the life of the Northern Cardinal with fact-filled text and glowing color photographs. Full of intriguing facts, the book also recounts how cardinals cope with predators and parasites, serve as surrogate parents for other species, and survive adverse weather and shortages of food. For backyard bird watchers, she suggests ways to attract cardinals and gives recipes for cardinal foods.

Finding a Song - Colleen E. Jones 2018-07-26

Monica is a mockingbird. She lives in her tall tree in a quiet yard in a small neighborhood. Mockingbirds are supposed to sing the songs of other birds. They're copycats, so Monica sings the songs of the robin, turtledove, skylark, and more. Imagine her surprise when all the birds in the neighborhood get mad at her for stealing their songs! She vows never to sing again. Without singing, Monica feels very sad. Her doctor makes a suggestion: it's time for Monica to take a trip and find her song. She travels to the beach and forest and meets all kinds of birds she's never met before. No matter how hard she tries, though, she can't find her song. She's just borrowing other birds' music, but then, she hears something miraculous. A group of humans sing a special song about a Father in Heaven called God. He loves everyone, even the birds in the sky. Monica is honored that such a God loves her. When she returns home, she does indeed have a brand new tune to sing one that praises her loving Father. Even the other birds bow their heads in respect. Monica the Mockingbird has found her song at last!

Wildlife of Virginia and Maryland and Washington, D.C. - Charles Fergus 2003

Natural history narratives for more than 375 species of mammals, birds, reptiles, and amphibians found in Virginia and Maryland.

Into the Nest - Laura Erickson 2015-04-21

See the intimate lives of birds as never before! Laura Erickson and Marie Read document the family lives of more than 50 common North American birds through breathtaking close-up photography. Stunning images of hummingbirds, owls, tanagers, and more showcase different stages of avian development and capture the loving bond that exists within each bird family. Bird enthusiasts of all feathers will cherish these beautiful

images of courting, nest construction, eggs, nestlings, feeding time, and much more.

When Mockingbirds Sing - Billy Coffey 2013

Led by an invisible friend called the Rainbow Man, stuttering child Leah finds her voice through beautiful paintings, but her psychologist father, the town pastor, and the town of Mattingly unravel when her paintings begin to tell the future.

Thoughts Along the Way - Ronald McKnight 2016-05-31

Thoughts Along the Way by Ronald McKnight Thoughts Along the Way includes poems from author Ronald McKnight's point of view. He is one that sees beneath what is on the surface of items when looking at them. This you will notice as you read his different poems. Some people can look at a tree and see a tree. Others can look at the same tree and see its color, its height, and what it is useful for. When you read McKnight's poems you will see more than what is on the surface. When he writes a poem, he sees laughter, sadness, and longs to see a better tomorrow than today. He hopes others will see what he sees and share it with others.

Then Sings My Soul - Amy K. Sorrells 2019

1904, Chudniv, Ukraine. Playing hide-and-seek in bucolic fields of sunflowers, young Jakob never imagines the horrific secrets he will carry as he and his brother escape through genocide-ridden Eastern Europe. 1994, South Haven, Michigan. At age 94, time is running out for any hope that Jakob can be free from his burden of guilt. When Jakob's wife dies, he and his daughter, Nel, are forced to face the realities of his worsening dementia--including a near-naked, midnight jaunt down the middle of main street--as well as emerging shadows Nel had no idea lay beneath her father's beloved, curmudgeonly ways. While Nel navigates the restoration and sale of Jakob's dilapidated lake house, her high school sweetheart shows up in town, along with unexpected correspondence from Ukraine. And when she discovers a mysterious gemstone in Jakob's old lapidary room, Jakob's condition worsens as he begins having flashbacks about his baby sister from nearly a century past. As father and daughter race against time to discover the truth

behind Jakob's fragmented memories, the God they have both been running from shows that he redeems not only broken years, but also the future.

[The Mockingbird Next Door](#) - Marja Mills 2015-05-05

New York Times Bestseller "A winning, nuanced portrait. . . . It seems unlikely we'll ever have a better record of a remarkable American life." —USA Today "There are many reasons to be grateful for *The Mockingbird Next Door*....A zesty account of two women living on their own terms yet always guided by the strong moral compass instilled in them by their father.... It is also an atmospheric tale of changing small-town America; of an unlikely, intergenerational friendship between the young author and her elderly subjects; of journalistic integrity; and of grace and fortitude.... The world [Mills] depicts is sadly gone, but—lucky for us—she caught it just in time."—Washington Post *To Kill a Mockingbird* is one of the best loved novels of the twentieth century. Yet for the last fifty years, the novel's celebrated author, Harper Lee, known to her friends as Nelle, has said almost nothing on the record. But in 2001, Nelle and her sister, Alice Finch Lee, opened their door to Chicago Tribune journalist Marja Mills. It was the beginning of a long conversation—and a wonderful friendship. Mills was given a rare opportunity to know Nelle, to be a part of the Lees' life in Alabama, and to hear them reflect on their upbringing, their corner of the Deep South, and how *To Kill a Mockingbird* affected their lives.

Mockingbird - Natalie Lunis 2011-08-01

Describes how mockingbirds communicate with each other and how the sounds they make help them survive, and discusses their habitat, diet, and behavior.

Paper Angels - Billy Coffey 2011-11-09

Andy Sommerville seems no different than others in his rural Virginia community, but what sets him apart is that his best friend is an angel. The angel is God's answer to a childhood prayer Andy offered to a twinkling star that his deceased mother once called "the door to heaven." The first angelic proclamation instructs Andy to find the wooden keepsake box in his grandparents' attic. Over the years, he directs Andy

to fill it with apparently meaningless objects from twelve people with who Andy randomly crosses paths. Andy's world is turned upside down when a brutal attack leaves Andy burned and the boy he loved as a son dead. At this crucial juncture, the angel abandons him to loneliness and pain. All that remains is the wooden box Andy has always kept safe, and a new angel, who will use its contents to reveal truth to him as a result, he discovers the defining truth of his life, new hope in the community he loves, and greater trust in the God who sustains him. The story is told from Andy's hospital bed, where he awakes feeling God has abandoned him. Without being preachy or saccharine, the author brings the small town to life and reveals a spiritual secret--the presence of angels--that helps a wounded man discover the defining truth of his life, place new hope in the community he loves, and trust totally in the God who sustains him.

Some Small Magic - Billy Coffey 2017-03-14

From acclaimed author Billy Coffey comes *Some Small Magic*, "a story of determination and love . . . that deserves to be read" (RT Book Reviews). All Abel wants is a little bit of magic in his life. Enough money so his mom doesn't cry at night. Healing for his broken body. And maybe a few answers about his past. When Abel discovers letters to him from the father he believed dead, he wonders if magic has come to the hills of Mattingly, Virginia, after all. But not everything is as it seems. With a lot of questions and a little bit of hope, Abel decides to run away to find the truth. But danger follows him from the moment he jumps his first boxcar, forcing Abel to rely on his simpleminded friend Willie—a man wanted for murder who knows more about truth than most—and a beautiful young woman they met on the train. From Appalachia to the Tennessee wilds and through the Carolina mountains, the name of a single small town beckons: Fairhope. That is where Abel believes his magic lays. But will it be the sort that will bring a broken boy healing? And is it the magic that will one day lead him home? "Unforgettable. Evocative as memory, haunted as the South. *Some Small Magic* is big story magic written on the heart. Don't read if you're not prepared to be broken and awestruck at once." —Tosca Lee, New York Times bestselling author

Listening to a Continent Sing - Donald Kroodsma 2016-05-03

A birdsong expert's poignant and beautifully illustrated memoir of a bicycle journey across America with his son. Join birdsong expert Donald Kroodsma on a ten-week, ten-state bicycle journey as he travels with his son from the Atlantic to the Pacific, lingering and listening to our continent sing as no one has before. On remote country roads, over terrain vast and spectacular, from dawn to dusk and sometimes through the night, you will gain a deep appreciation for the natural symphony of birdsong many of us take for granted. Come along and marvel at how expressive these creatures are as Kroodsma leads you west across nearly five thousand miles—at a leisurely pace that enables a deep listen.

Listening to a Continent Sing is also a guided tour through the history of a young nation and the geology of an ancient landscape, and an invitation to set aside the bustle of everyday life to follow one's dreams. It is a celebration of flowers and trees, rocks and rivers, mountains and prairies, clouds and sky, headwinds and calm, and of local voices and the people you will meet along the way. It is also the story of a father and son deepening their bond as they travel the slow road together from coast to coast. Beautifully illustrated throughout with drawings of birds and scenes and featuring QR codes that link to audio birdsong, this poignant and insightful book takes you on a travel adventure unlike any other—accompanied on every leg of your journey by birdsong.

East Wind Melts the Ice - Liza Dalby 2009-02-17

"To read East Wind Melts the Ice is to slip into a time stream that is both as long and sinuous as history and as ephemeral as the present moment. Drawing inspiration from the thousand year old history of Japanese poetic diaries, and form from the ancient Chinese almanac that she uses to contain her musings, Liza Dalby has accomplished the seemingly impossible task of translating the sensibility of the Heian Court of 11th century Japan into the context of contemporary America. The result is a stunning chronicle of the beauty of time passing and an evocation of the transient and whimsical nature of all things."—Ruth Ozeki, author of My Year of Meats and All Over Creation "I imagine Liza Dalby writing this book in an ancient library, a lion sleeping at her side, as in the paintings

of Saint Jerome. As she collects and layers arcane and fascinating pieces of knowledge, she builds her own very personal almanac packed with the wonder of loving two cultures, the intense inner life of each season, and boundless curiosity of the scholar/child. This is a book to dip in and out of throughout the year."—Frances Mayes, author of Under the Tuscan Sun "Liza Dalby's memoir of the seasons is as fresh and captivating as springtime. A very special book."—Michael Pollan, author of The Omnivore's Dilemma "This beautiful book awakens the senses. A journal, an almanac of the seasons, and a series of reflections on ancient Eastern Chinese and Japanese cultures, here you will find subtle observations of rain and heat, tangerines, mulberries and paulownia trees, crickets and doves forming a rich tapestry as they are woven with evocative fragments of history—stories of geishas, of salesmen who sold bulk fireflies, of the wood that was used for kimono chests, of emptiness in the tea ceremony. Like a lush garden, this book is meant to savor."—Susan Griffin, author of The Book of the Courtesans

The Singing Life Of Birds - Donald Kroodsma 2015-02-17

Listen to birds sing as you've never listened before, as the world-renowned birdsong expert Donald Kroodsma takes you on personal journeys of discovery and intrigue. Read stories of wrens and robins, thrushes and thrashers, warblers and whip-poor-wills, bluebirds and cardinals, and many more bird. Learn how each acquires its songs, how songs vary from bird to bird and place to place, how some birds' singing is especially beautiful or ceaseless or complex, how some do not sing at all, how the often quiet female has the last word, and why. Hear a baby wren and the author's own daughter babble as each learns its local dialect. Listen to the mockingbird by night and by day and count how many different songs he can sing. Marvel at the exquisite harmony in the duet of a wood thrush as he uses his two voice boxes to accompany himself. Feel the extraordinary energy in the songs just before sunrise as dawn's first light sweeps across this singing planet. Hear firsthand the unmistakable evidence that there are not one but two species of marsh wrens and two species of winter wrens in North America. Learn not only to hear but to see birds sing in the form of sonagrams, as these visual

images dance across the pages while you listen to the accompanying audio. Using your trained ears and eyes, you can begin your own journeys of discovery. Listen anew to birds in your backyard and beyond, exploring the singing minds of birds as they tell all that they know. Join Kroodsma not only in identifying but in identifying with singing birds, connecting with nature's musicians in a whole new way. Please note: this ebook includes embedded audio files. You will only be able to access these files from a device that supports embedded audio.

Steal Away Home - Billy Coffey 2018-01-02

"This is a powerful story of grief, love, forgiveness, and holy mystery, and I loved it. Billy Coffey is a master storyteller." —Lauren Denton, USA

Today bestselling author of *The Hideaway* Owen Cross grew up with two loves: one a game, the other a girl. One of his loves ruined him. Now he's counting on the other to save him. Owen Cross's father is a hard man, proud in his brokenness, who wants nothing more than for Owen to succeed where he failed. With his innate talents and his father's firm hand guiding him, Owen goes to college with dreams of the major leagues—and an emptiness full of a girl named Micky Dullahan. Owen loved Micky from the first time they met on the hill between their two worlds: his middle-class home and her troubled Shantytown. Years later he leaves her for the dugouts and the autographs, but their days together follow him. When he finally returns home, he discovers that even peace comes at a cost. And that the hardest things to say are to the ones we love the most. From bestselling author Billy Coffey comes a haunting story of small-town love, blinding ambition, and the risk of giving it all for one last chance. "In one evening, a single baseball game, Coffey invites us into a lifetime. With lyrical prose and aching description we join Owen Cross on a journey of love, loss, faith, the unexpected—and America's favorite pastime." —Katherine Reay, author of *Dear Mr. Knightley* and *The Austen Escape*

Birdsong for the Curious Naturalist - Donald Kroodsma 2020

Birdsong made easy to understand, lavishly illustrated with color photos, and accompanied by more than 700 online recordings. From a leading expert, *Birdsong for the Curious Naturalist* is a basic, how-to guide that

teaches anyone—from beginner to advanced birder—how to listen. In understandable and appealing language, Kroodsma explains why and how birds sing, what various calls mean, and what to listen for from the birds around us. The descriptions are accompanied by color photos of the birds, as well as QR codes that link to an online collection of more than 700 recordings. With these resources, readers are prepared to recognize bird sounds and the birds that make them. Kroodsma encourages readers to find the joy of birdsong and curiosity—to observe, listen intently, be curious, ask questions, and realize that many unanswered questions about birdsong don't have to rely on scientists for answers but can be answered by any curious naturalist.

The Backyard Birdsong Guide Eastern and Central North America - Donald Kroodsma 2016-04-12

Back by popular demand with more than 300,000 copies sold, the Cornell Lab of Ornithology is proud to re-release the widely acclaimed and bestselling bird audio field guide series, *Backyard Birdsongs*, from award-winning Ornithologist and Author, Donald Kroodsma. *Backyard Birdsongs* is an interactive handbook of birds and their songs for beginning bird-watchers. With a touch-button electronic module housing common vocalizations of 75 species from across Eastern and Central North America, this volume offers a truly sensory way to identify and get to know local birds. Crisply detailed and scientifically accurate illustrations accompany each entry, and up-to-date range maps provide clear geographical reference points. Complete with an introduction to birdsongs that will inspire readers to look out their kitchen windows and venture out in the field, this unique book provides an exciting entryway into the subtle art of birding. This second edition includes a much-requested new Sound Track Index (to help make watching and listening to birds easier), and a download of the award-winning MERLIN™ Bird ID App available FREE on iTunes and Android stores (no code necessary). 35% of the net proceeds from the sale of *Backyard Birdsongs* supports projects at the Cornell Lab, such as children's educational and community programs.

To Kill a Mockingbird - Harper Lee 2014-07-08

Voted America's Best-Loved Novel in PBS's The Great American Read Harper Lee's Pulitzer Prize-winning masterwork of honor and injustice in the deep South—and the heroism of one man in the face of blind and violent hatred One of the most cherished stories of all time, *To Kill a Mockingbird* has been translated into more than forty languages, sold more than forty million copies worldwide, served as the basis for an enormously popular motion picture, and was voted one of the best novels of the twentieth century by librarians across the country. A gripping, heart-wrenching, and wholly remarkable tale of coming-of-age in a South poisoned by virulent prejudice, it views a world of great beauty and savage inequities through the eyes of a young girl, as her father—a crusading local lawyer—risks everything to defend a black man unjustly accused of a terrible crime.

When Mockingbirds Sing - Billy Coffey 2013-06-11

Billy Coffey has been compared to both Flannery O'Connor and Shirley Jackson. Journey with him to Mattingly, VA, and discover what marks the boundary between a miracle from God and the imagination of a child. Leah is a child from Away, isolated from her peers because of her stutter. But then she begins painting scenes that are epic in scope, brilliant in detail, and suffused with rich, prophetic imagery. When the event foreshadowed in the first painting dramatically comes true, the town of Mattingly takes notice. Leah attributes her ability to foretell the future to an invisible friend she calls the Rainbow Man. Some of the townsfolk are enchanted with her. Others fear her. But there is one thing they all agree on—there is no such thing as the Rainbow Man. Her father, the town psychologist, is falling apart over his inability to heal his daughter . . . or fix his marriage. And the town minister is unraveled by the notion that a mere child with no formal training may be hearing from God more clearly than he does. While the town bickers over what to do with this strange child, the content of Leah's paintings grows darker. Still, Leah insists that the Rainbow Man's heart is pure. But then a dramatic and tragic turn of events leaves the town reeling and places everyone's lives in danger. Now the people of Mattingly face a single choice: Will they cling to what they know . . . or embrace the things Leah believes in that cannot

be seen? "Billy Coffey is one of the most lyrical writers of our time . . . we leave his imaginary world hungry for more, eager for another serving of Coffey's tremendous talent." —Julie Cantrell, New York Times bestselling author of *Into the Free* Includes a sneak peek at Coffey's new novel *The Curse of Crow Hollow*.

In the Heart of the Dark Wood - Billy Coffey 2014-11-18

A motherless girl hungry for hope . . . and the dream that could be leading her astray. Almost two years have passed since twelve-year-old Allie Granderson's beloved mother, Mary, disappeared into the wild tornado winds. Her body has never been found. Allie clings to memories of her mother, just as she clings to the broken compass she left behind, the makeshift Nativity scene in the front yard, and her best friend Zach. But even with Zach at her side, the compass on her wrist, and the Nativity right outside the window, Allie cannot help but feel lost in all the growing up that must get done. When the Holy Mother disappears from the yard, Allie's bewilderment is compounded by the sudden movement of her mother's compass. Following the needle, Allie and Zach leave the city behind and push into the inky forest on the outskirts of Mattingly. For Allie, the journey is more than a ghost hunt: she is rejoining the mother she lost—and finding herself with each step deeper into the heart of the dark wood. Brimming with lyrical prose and unexpected discoveries, *In the Heart of the Dark Wood* illustrates the steep transition we all must undergo—the moment we shed our childlike selves and step into the strange territory of adulthood.

When the Mockingbird Won't Sing - Victoria Murata 2019-06-28

It's 1855 in Oregon City. Twelve year-old Bidy has survived an intolerable life of indenture by remembering two things: adults can't be trusted, and it's best to be invisible. Due to an early trauma, she's mute with no memory of her past. The man who holds her contract for indenture has evil plans for her, and he will stop at nothing to ensure his schemes come to fruition. Things look hopeless for Bidy until she meets two school teachers, Brenna and Emily. From that moment on, these three lives become intricately entwined. Bidy's new champions take desperate measures to ensure her safety. Life and death choices are

made and these accelerate into an unanticipated conclusion. As is often the case in life, what was wished for is granted in a most unexpected way. Victoria Murata has again embraced history to tell an enduring story of love and loss in our country's not too distant past.

The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes (A Hunger Games Novel) - Suzanne Collins 2020-05-19

Ambition will fuel him. Competition will drive him. But power has its price. It is the morning of the reaping that will kick off the tenth annual Hunger Games. In the Capitol, eighteen-year-old Coriolanus Snow is preparing for his one shot at glory as a mentor in the Games. The once-mighty house of Snow has fallen on hard times, its fate hanging on the slender chance that Coriolanus will be able to outcharm, outwit, and outmaneuver his fellow students to mentor the winning tribute. The odds are against him. He's been given the humiliating assignment of mentoring the female tribute from District 12, the lowest of the low. Their fates are now completely intertwined - every choice Coriolanus makes could lead to favor or failure, triumph or ruin. Inside the arena, it will be a fight to the death. Outside the arena, Coriolanus starts to feel for his doomed tribute . . . and must weigh his need to follow the rules against his desire to survive no matter what it takes.

Robby Robin Learns To Sing - Joanne Dale 2020-09-24

Robby Robin liked music class. He loved to hear the young birds sing, and everyone seemed so happy when they were singing. Best of all, Mister Owl, the music teacher, was great. But one day Robby heard the mockingbirds whispering behind his back. They didn't like his voice and thought it sounded funny. So Robby stopped singing. Mister Owl didn't scold him. Instead, he told him something to think about. Find out what Robby decided to do.

Mockingbirds Don't Sing - Liz Spear 2001

There Will Be Stars - Billy Coffey 2016-05-03

"IN A LIFE FULL OF LIES, HE FINALLY SETTLED FOR THE TRUTH."
No one in Mattingly ever believed Bobby Barnes would live to see old age. Drink would either rot Bobby from the inside out or dull his senses

just enough to send his truck off the mountain on one of his nightly rides. Although Bobby believes such an end possible—and even likely—it doesn't stop him from taking his twin sons Matthew and Mark into the mountains one Saturday night. A sharp curve, blinding headlights, metal on metal, his sons' screams. Bobby's final thought as he sinks into blackness is a curious one—There will be stars. Yet it is not death that greets him beyond the veil. Instead, he returns to the day he has just lived and finds he is not alone in this strange new world. Six others are trapped with him. Bobby soon discovers that this supposed place of peace is actually a place of secrets and hidden dangers. Along with three others, he seeks to escape, even as the world around him begins to crumble. The escape will lead some to greater life, others to endless death . . . and Bobby Barnes to understand the deepest nature of love.

Slow Birding - Joan E. Strassmann 2022-10-25

A one-of-a-kind guide to birding locally that encourages readers to slow down and notice the spectacular birds all around them. Many birders travel far and wide to popular birding destinations to catch sight of rare or "exotic" birds. In *Slow Birding*, evolutionary biologist Joan E. Strassmann introduces readers to the joys of birding right where they are. In this inspiring guide to the art of slow birding, Strassmann tells colorful stories of the most common birds to be found in the United States—birds we often see but might not have considered deeply before. For example, northern cardinals thrive in the city, where they are free from predators. White brows on a male white-throated sparrow indicate that he is likely to be a philanderer. This essential guide to the fascinating world of common, everyday birds features: detailed portraits of individual bird species and the scientists who have discovered and observed them advice and guidance on what to look for when slow birding, so that you can uncover clues to the reasons behind specific bird behaviors bird-focused activities that will open your eyes more to the fascinating world of birds *Slow Birding* is the perfect guide for the birder looking to appreciate the beauty of the birds right in their own backyard, observing keenly how their behaviors change from day to day and season to season.