

Helping readers find their next great book

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A reader-centred approach


The best book in the world is quite simply the one you like best and that is something you can discover for yourself, but we are here to help you find it.

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What is reader development?

Reader development means **active intervention** to:

- increase people's enjoyment of reading
 - open up reading choices
 - offer opportunities to share the reading experience
 - raise the status of reading as a creative activity
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**Reader-
centred**
library spaces
and
collections

**Staff
training**

Engaging
**readers
online**

**Reader-
centred**
events and
programs



Reader-centred library spaces and collections





ARTS + CULTURE



BIOGRAPHY



BUSINESS + IT



FOOD + DRINK



HEALTH



HISTORY + SOCIETY



HOME + LIFESTYLE



LITERATURE



SCIENCE + NATURE



TRAVEL

Travel

Geography, travel

910 - 919

Business and IT

IT	003 - 006
Finance, Economics	330 - 339
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Management, careers, marketing	650 - 659

Home and Lifestyle

Household management, gardening, pets	630 - 636
Insect culture, hunting	638 - 640
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Cleaning	667
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Interiors	747
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Junior Zones

Animals

Fun facts

People and Places

Science and Nature

Tales and Rhymes

Things to make and do



TAKE ME HOME

READ ME

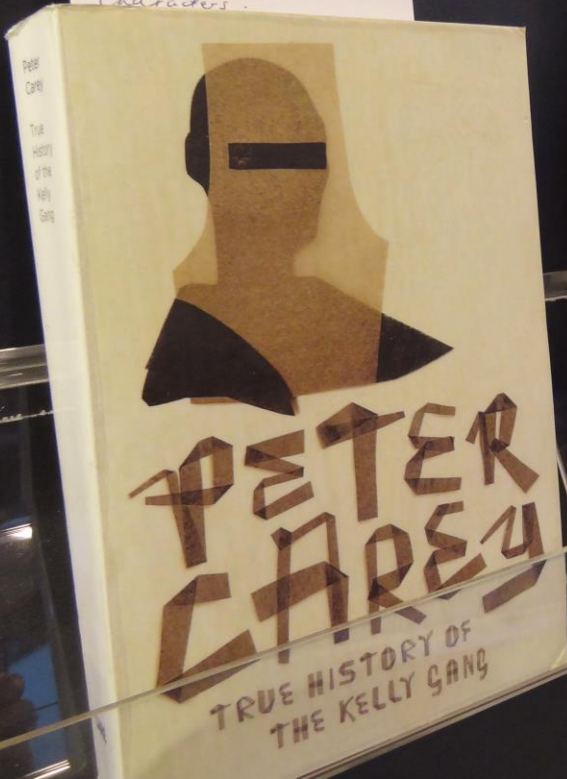
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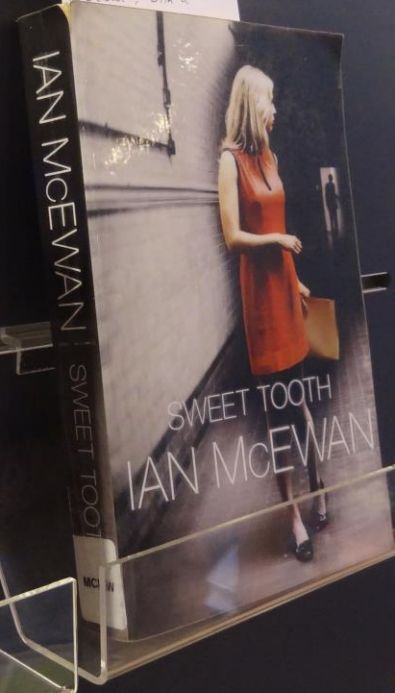
READ ME

*Serious fun.
A rollicking tale full
of energy and colourful
characters.*



READ ME

*A literary page-turner.
All the beautiful
prose you'd expect from
McEwan, with a*



**LOVED IT/
LOATHED IT**
What do you
think?



We want to know which books you love and which books you loathe. Go to our website, visit our libraries or join in the social media conversations #lovedloathed

LOVED IT

TELL US WHY:

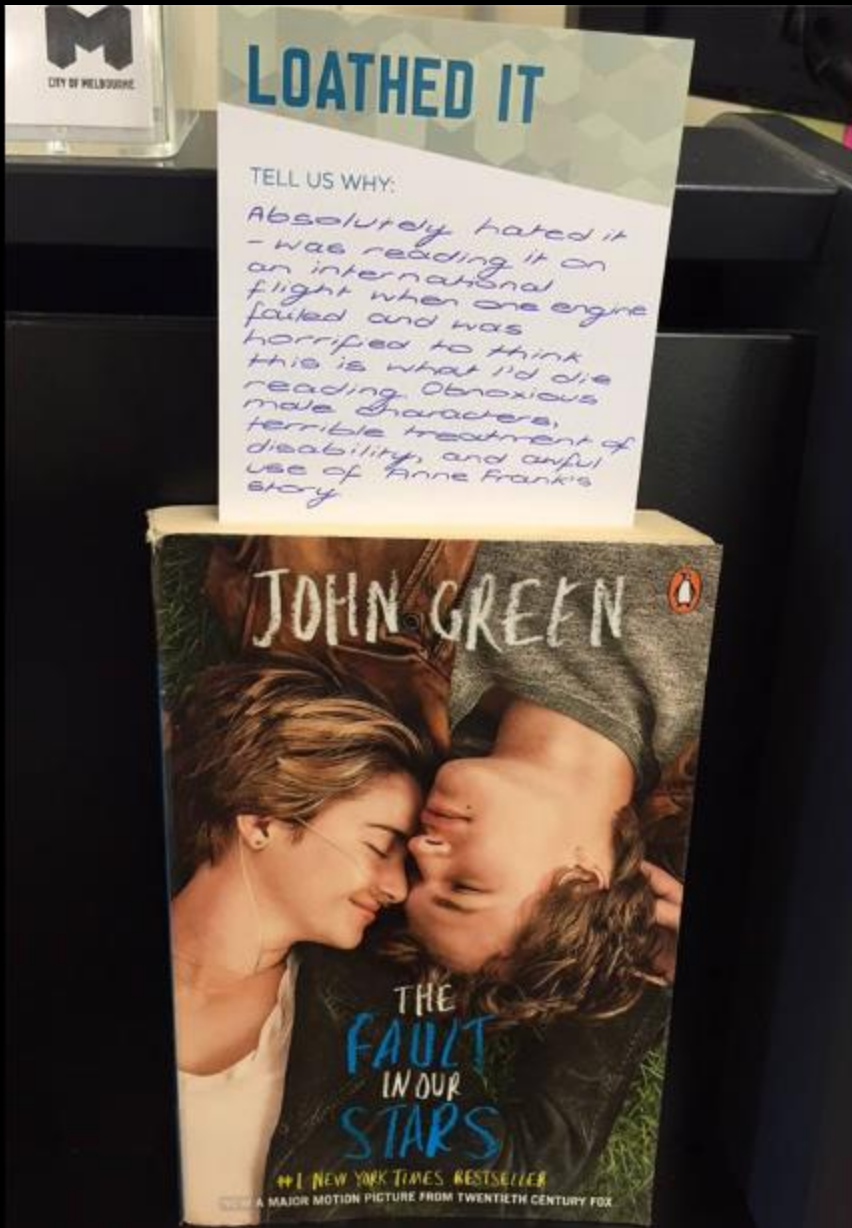
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Page Liked · November 20, 2015 ·

Have you read 'The Fault In Our Stars' by John Green? Most of us adored it, but it seems someone loathed it enough to write this scathing review! Did you love it, or loathe it? #lovedloathed

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31 shares



Amanda Witt It's great that there's this loath option. Too often all the reviews are about loves and likes.

Like · Reply · 7 · November 20, 2015 at 10:41am



Melbourne Library Service Amanda Witt, if you're visiting one of our branches in November, make sure you visit the Loved it/Loathed it trolley and add a review! Or you can write one here on Facebook and I'll write it up and put it in the library for you.

Like · Reply · 2 · November 20, 2015 at 10:47am



Chrissy Brandy Lewin Didn't like it either but I'm in the minority. I don't love John Green's style or romanticising cancer. It's too close to home.

Like · Reply · 4 · November 20, 2015 at 11:00am



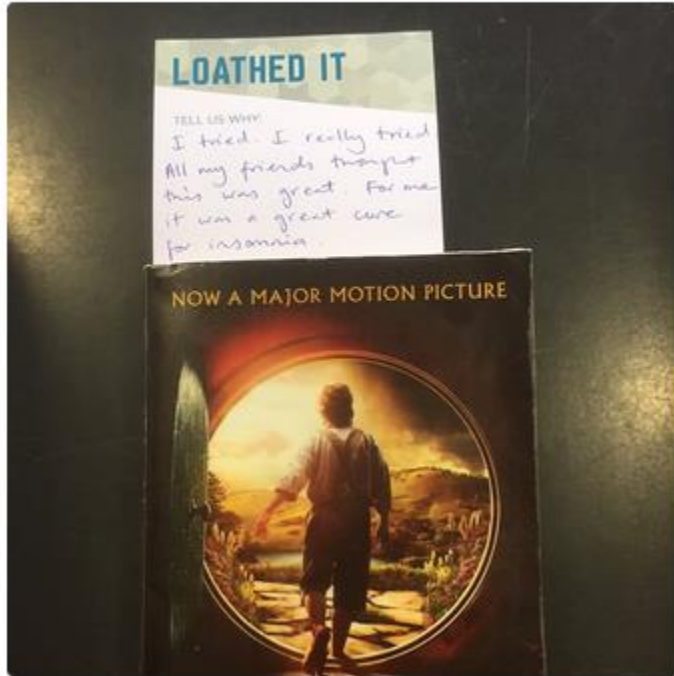
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Melbourne Library @melbibrary · 29 Nov 2015

Can you believe someone wrote a Loathed It review for 'The Hobbit' by J.R.R. Tolkien? #lovedloathed



4 replies 4 likes

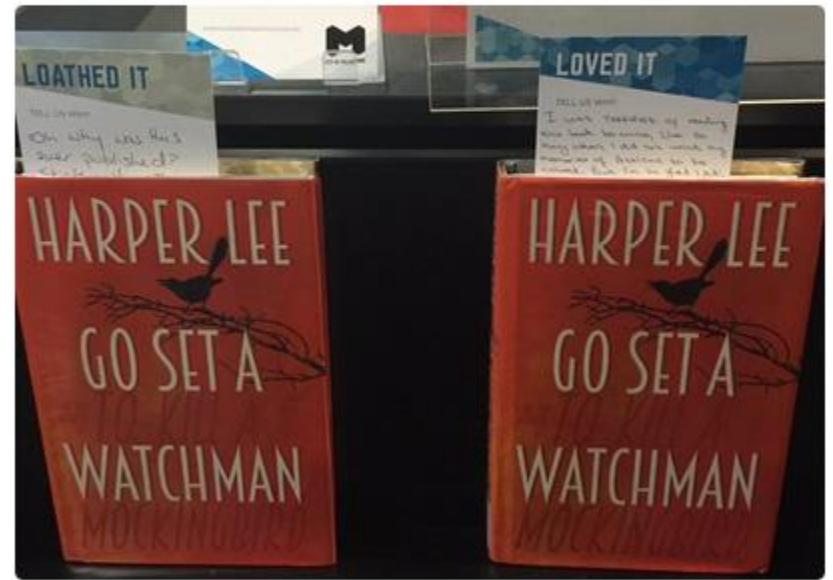


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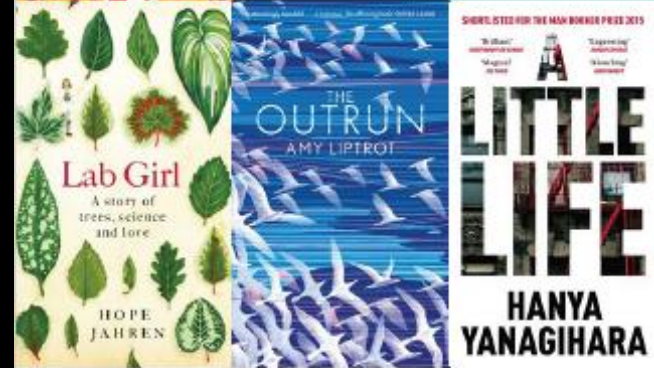
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Where do YOU stand on #GSAW and why?

#lovedloathed



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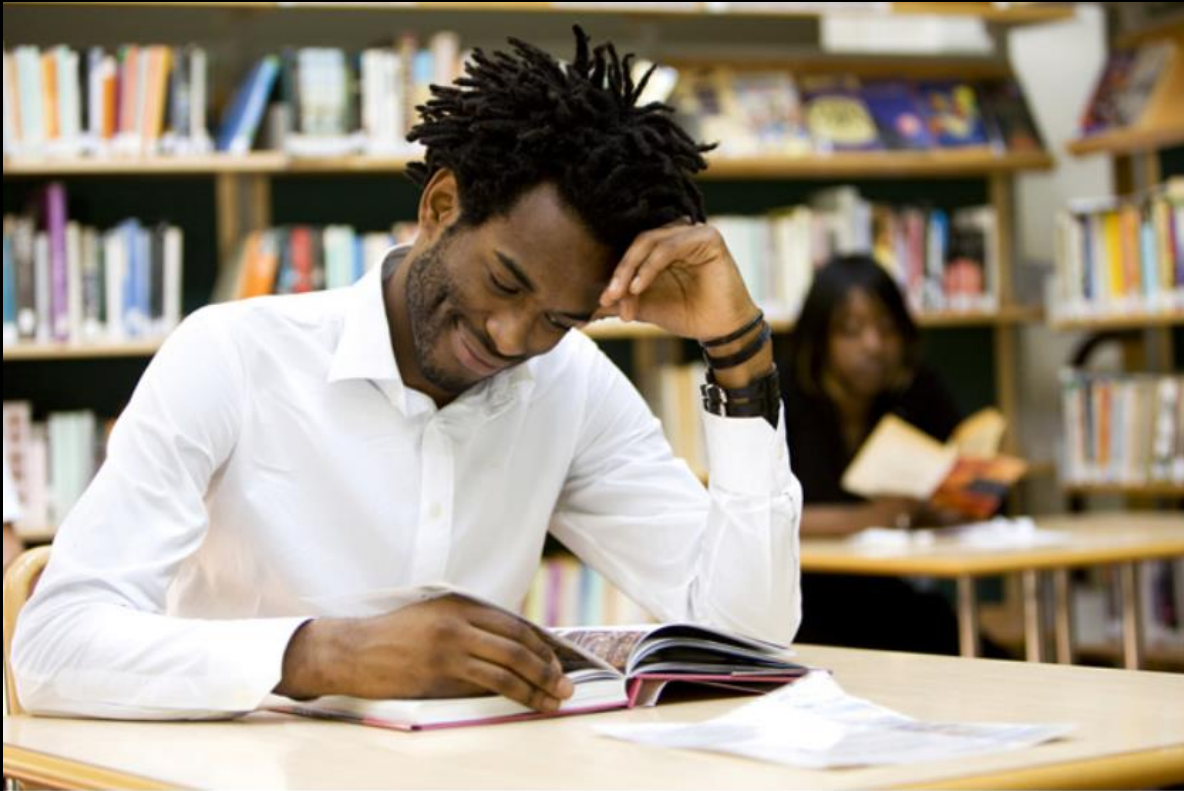


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IRRISISTIBLE SUMMER READS

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Frontline Standard

Staff training

Engaging with Readers

Managing First Impressions

Merchandising the Bookshelves

Creating Powerful Promotions

Increasing Book Knowledge

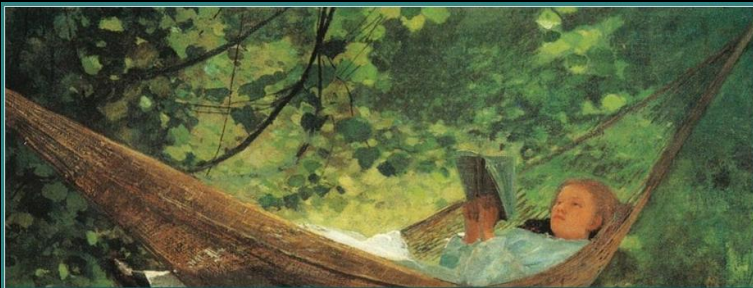


Frontline Professional



- Part one: The role of the library
- Part two: Cover messages
- Part three: Display skills
- Part four: Reader-centred promotions
- Part five: Evaluation tools

COLLECTIONS



- Part one: Putting readers first
- Part two: The status of reading
- Part three: Opening up choices
- Part four: Making readers visible

READERS



- Part one: Understanding merchandising
- Part two: Applying merchandising
- Part three: Managing new books
- Part four: New ways of working
- Part five: Make a change

CHANGES

Engaging readers online

Read

Our libraries help you discover your next book.

Join a book club, listen to our podcast, chat about books online and meet other readers.

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[Books that make us laugh](#)

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[Dear Reader](#)

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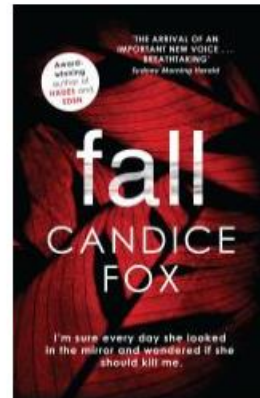
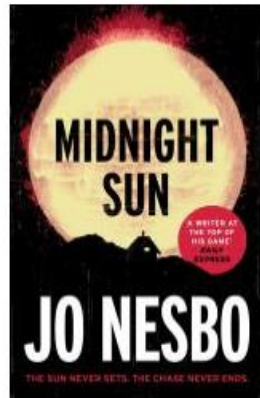
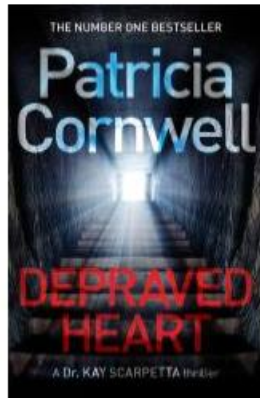
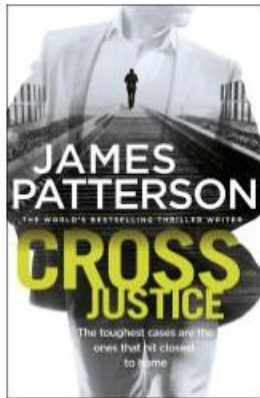
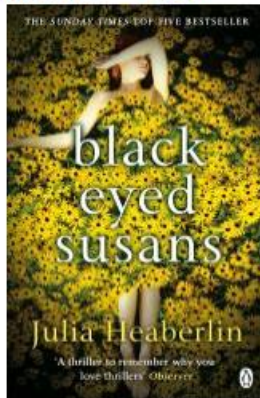
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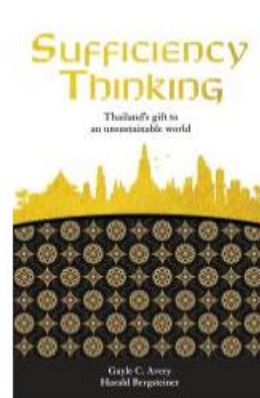
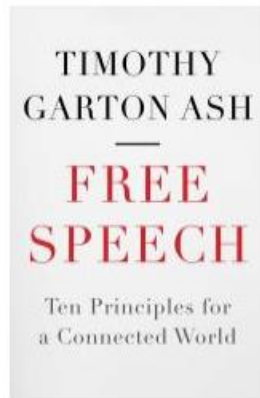
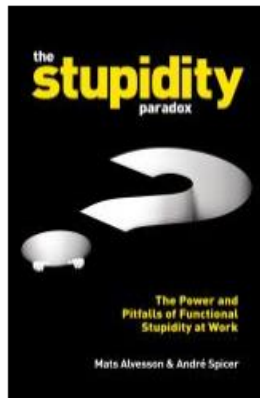
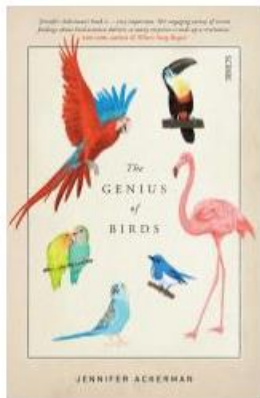


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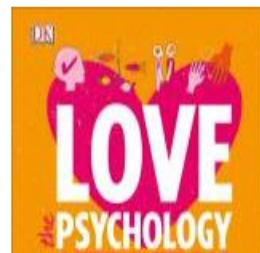
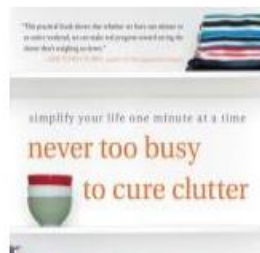
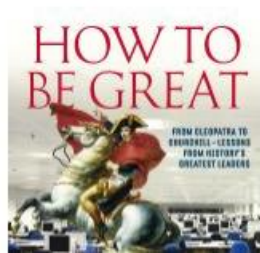
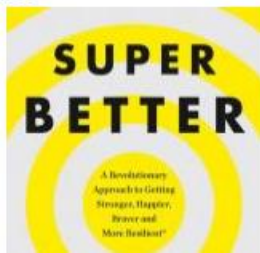
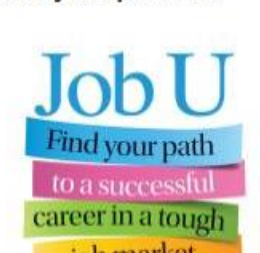
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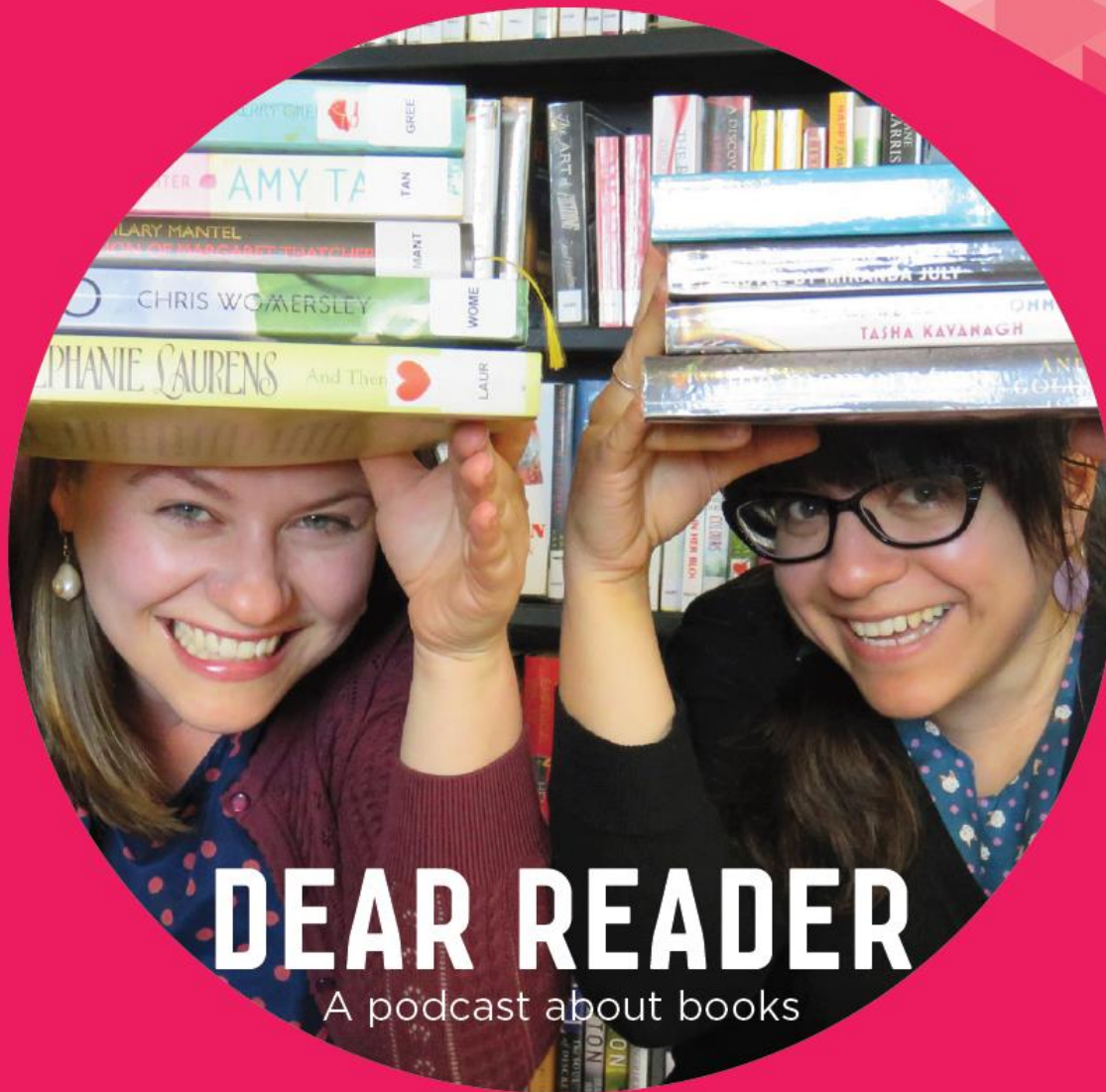


The logo for Goodreads, featuring the word "goodreads" in a lowercase, sans-serif font. The background of the logo area is a light beige color with a pattern of grey and white geometric shapes (hexagons and squares) on the right side. Below the logo is a horizontal line of various books of different colors and sizes.

goodreads

Join the **Melbourne Library Service**
goodreads group.

Ask a question, start a conversation, find a book club or reading circle
and discover your next great read.



DEAR READER

A podcast about books



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110

♥ Likes

5

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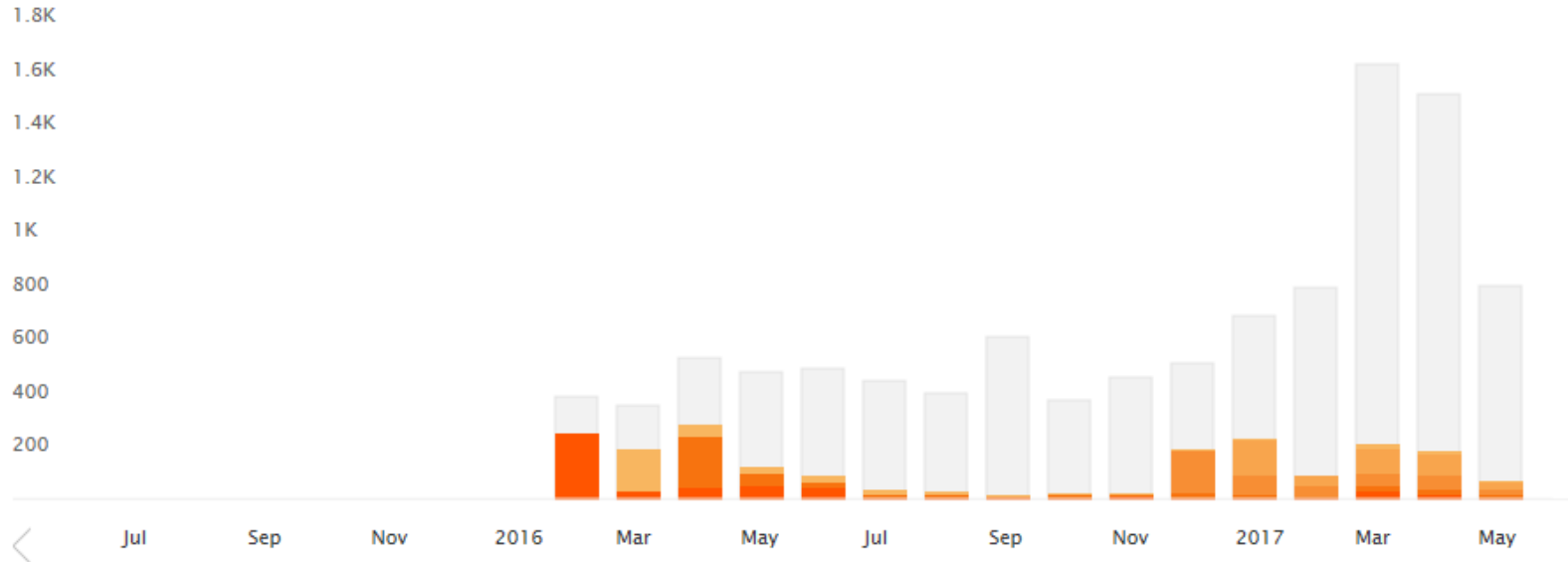
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Top countries

Top cities



Australia
8,785

United States	944
United Kingdom	192
New Zealand	39
Egypt	38
Germany	36

Who played the most



User 187567408
2,023

homosapienamy	28
丁旭	22
Mandy Meng	14
Philip Kuo	11
Briana Guerin	10

Customer Reviews

This could be the start of something ★★★★★

by Bueyhohang

When the library comes to you ★★★★★

by Kaydee44

Fun & Informative ★★★★★

by Miyagi.ph

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TO TUESDAY
30 JUNE

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9 MAY

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Fill in our specially designed questionnaire and
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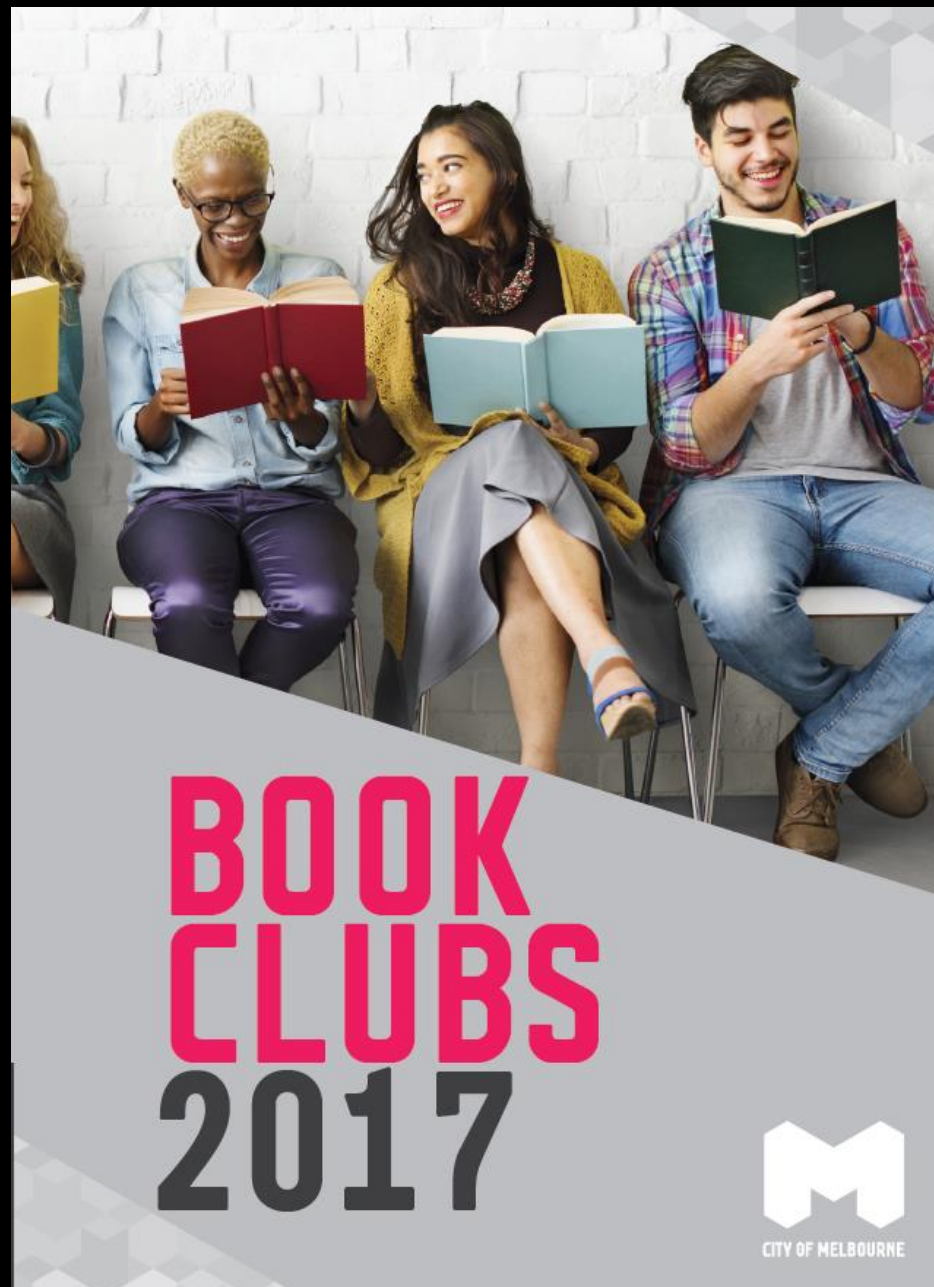
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his-to-ry (hɪs-tər-i) n., pl. -ies
knowledge that records and analyses
adjectivally: a history book
of the life or develop
3. Abbr. H

HISTORY LOVERS' BOOK CLUB

at Kathleen Syme Library

3 FEB, 3 MAR,
7 APR, 5 MAY,
2 JUN,
6PM-7PM

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MELBOURNE BOOK CLUB

Bookings essential.

ANY BOOK BOOK CLUB

FROM 1 FEBRUARY, 6PM-7PM

Share your love of reading and get inspiration about what to read next.

The Any Book Book Club does not have a set book. Instead, each person shares what they are currently reading.

The Any Book Book Club runs at East Melbourne on the first Tuesday of the month, Kathleen Syme Library on the first Wednesday of the month, Library at The Dock on the second Tuesday of the month and Southbank Library on the fourth Wednesday of the month.

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CLASSICS BOOK CLUB

18 AUG, 15 SEP,
20 OCT, 17 NOV
AND 15 DEC
6PM-7PM

A book club for people who want to read or re-read the classics. From traditional to modern to cult.

Each month we read a classic book and then get together to chat about it.

Held on the third Thursday of the month.

City Library, 253 Flinders Lane, Melbourne
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STORIES STORY LOUNGE

Story Lounge is a storytime for adults. Hand-picked stories and poems read aloud in a relaxed setting. Slow down and enjoy the simple pleasure of listening.

Story Lounge happens twice a month at East Melbourne Library with a repeat at Library at The Dock.

EAST MELBOURNE LIBRARY
Second Monday of the month, 10.30 to 11.30am.
9 Feb, 13 Apr, 11 May.

LIBRARY AT THE DOCK
Fourth Wednesday of the month, 12.30 to 1.30pm.
25 Feb, 25 Mar, 22 Apr, 27 May, 24 Jun.

Free. No bookings required. All welcome.
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coffee and books

Melbourne, coffee, books and history

Join us for a leisurely walk around North Melbourne and hear some stories about the history of coffee and Melbourne. We will finish with coffee, cake and a chat about books.
Saturday 3 May, 2pm to 3.30pm
Meet at North Melbourne Library

Speed date a book

Love coffee? Love books? Meet the Library at the Dock team at Coffee Gauge. We'll be bursting with lots of book recommendations to help you decide what to read next—all in the time it takes to drink a coffee!
Monday 5 May, 10am to 11am and 3pm to 4pm
Coffee Gauge, 825 Bourke Street, Docklands

Caffeine-fuelled book clubs

Fancy a lively book chat over a free coffee? Come to either, or both, of the Saturday book clubs at East Melbourne Library and get a free coffee and muffin from George Street Café.
Saturday 10 May, 10am and 11am
East Melbourne Library

Slurp. Swoosh. Spit.

Boyd Community Hub, in partnership with KereKere Café, will host a cupping night at Southbank Library. Bring your taste buds and get ready to slurp, swoosh and spit.
Thursday 29 May, 7.15pm
Southbank Library

See our website for bookings and more details



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WINE AND BOOKS

SPARKLING

Feel good, fun.

The hundred-foot journey
Richard C Morais
Seven letters from Paris
Samantha Verant
Lucky us
Amy Bloom

Riesling

Lean, clear, direct.

Foreign soil
Maxine Beneba Clarke
The good life
Hugh Mackay
The hen who dreamed she could fly
Sun-mi Hwang



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Only the animals
Ceridwen Dovey
My brilliant friend
Elena Ferrante
When God was a rabbit
Sarah Winman

PINOT NOIR

Ethereal, elegant,
haunting.

Picnic at Hanging Rock
Joan Lindsay
A spy in the house of love
Anais Nin
Creepy & Maud
Dianne Touchell

Cabernet

Gripping, muscular,
physically holds you.

Gorky Park
Martin Cruz Smith
The orphan master's son
Adam Johnson
The handmaid's tale
Margaret Atwood

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**SATURDAY
12 MARCH,
2PM-4PM**

DELICIOUS READS: READ WITH CHEESE

Readers, get your palates ready as we bring you four amazing cheeses and their literary counterparts.

Milk the Cow and Melbourne Library Service invite you on a guided cheese flight matched to perfection with selected reads to tantalize your taste buds.

Bookings essential.

Kathleen Syme Library
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**TUESDAY 6
DECEMBER
6PM-7PM**

DESERT ISLAND BOOKS WITH MYF WARHURST

Which books would you want with you if you were stranded on a desert island?

Hear much-loved Melbourne broadcaster Myf Warhurst chat to a librarian about the books she couldn't live without.

Bookings essential.

Library at The Dock, 107 Victoria Harbour Promenade, Docklands

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**THURSDAY
23 MARCH,
6PM-7.30PM**

DESERT ISLAND BOOKS WITH ALAN BROUGH

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Hear much-loved Melbourne broadcaster Alan Brough talk about the books he couldn't live without.

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Kathleen Syme Library, 251 Faraday Street, Carlton

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MELBOURNE WRITERS FESTIVAL

THE ART OF STORYTELLING

Learn how to bring your own true stories to life at Library at The Dock. Sarah Winman will perform a story, and memoirist Lee Kofman will show you how to turn your real-life experience into stories...and perform them. Bookings essential.

**SATURDAY
22 AUGUST,
2PM-3.30PM**

MELBOURNE WRITERS FESTIVAL
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**SATURDAY 3
SEPTEMBER,
2PM TO 3.30PM**

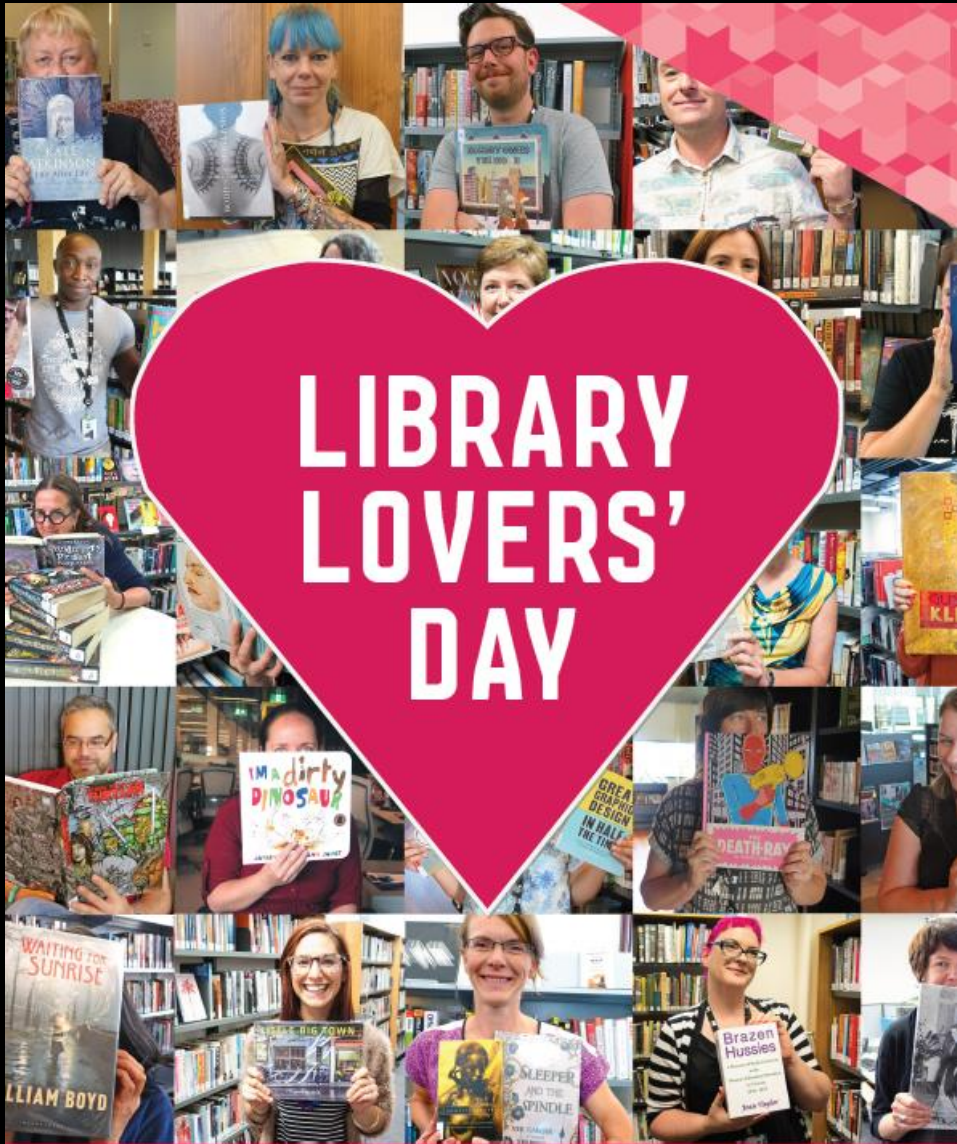
MELBOURNE WRITERS FESTIVAL

STORYTELLING AT THE DOCK

How do you tell your own stories - live? Earlier this year Lee Kofman mentored a class on memoir writing at Library at The Dock. Join Kofman, Miles Franklin winner, Sofie Laguna, and the writers as they perform their stories on stage, followed by a 'storytelling' conversation between Kofman and Laguna. Bookings essential.

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LIBRARY LOVERS' DAY



For everyone

SATURDAY 14 FEBRUARY

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