

Annie Lyons

Writer

Having worked in the worlds of book selling and publishing, Annie Lyons decided to have a go at book writing. Following a creative writing course, lots of reading and an extraordinary amount of coffee, she produced *Not Quite Perfect*, which went on to become a number one bestseller. Her second book, *The Secrets Between Sisters*, was nominated in the best eBook category at the 2014 Festival of Romance and *Life or Something Like It* was a top ten bestseller.



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The Happiness List Life is about to change forever...

2018

HQ Digital

Heather is finally back on Hope Street after running from the memories for so long. She hasn't bumped into many neighbours yet but with her upcoming wedding to plan there's plenty to keep her busy!

Fran is still trying to get used to a life without her husband by her side. It's hard enough raising two children on her own – she doesn't have time to even think about dating...

Pamela is fed up with being taken for granted by her grown-up children and grumbling husband. She's ready to shake things up a little, but will her family even notice?

So when the three women hear about a 'happiness course' starting on Hope Street, surely it's the perfect opportunity to let their hair down, laugh with new friends and maybe even change their lives in ways they never expected...

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The Choir on Hope Street 2017 HQ Digital	<p>Natalie's husband has just dropped a bombshell she never expected. Six little words no woman ever wants to hear - 'I don't love you anymore' - and her whole world has been turned upside-down.</p> <p>Caroline's difficult mother has been kicked out of her nursing home! And with no one else able to take her in, she's going to have to put the past behind her and invite her to stay.</p> <p>Nat and Caroline might live just a few doors away from each other but the two neighbours couldn't be more different! Yet when the beloved Hope Street community hall is threatened with closure, only the community choir can save the day - if they can just find the perfect song in time...</p> <p>A gorgeously uplifting romantic comedy to make your heart sing!</p>
Life Or Something Like It 2015 HQ Digital	<p>Step into someone else's shoes for a day... And it will change you for a lifetime.</p> <p>Cat is very good at her job. She runs a PR company with her best friend (and secret crush) Jesse, and is never happier than when her high-profile celebrities are glittering in the spotlight.</p> <p>But when her footballer client gets in the press for all the wrong reasons, Cat's career takes a sudden nosedive. So when her brother Andrew unexpectedly needs her to look after his kids for a few weeks, she can hardly say no. She's happily single, hasn't exactly been the 'World's Best Auntie' over the years, and what she knows about looking after children would fit on the back of a postage stamp. But it's only temporary until she gets her real life back on track - isn't it?</p>
The Secrets Between Sisters 2014 HQ Digital	<p>Lizzie and Bea Harris were always very close. They were sisters and nothing could tear them apart. Until Bea dies, leaving her sister twelve letters, one for every month.</p> <p>Alone for the first time Lizzie is left trying to pull together the pieces of a life she has for so long ignored and find a place for herself...out from under the shadow of her sister.</p> <p>But the letters are revealing a sister Lizzie isn't sure she recognises, and she's beginning to wonder if she ever really knew Bea? As Lizzie delves deeper into her sister's life she begins to uncover secrets that could tear her and her family apart.</p>
Not Quite Perfect 2013 HQ Digital	<p>Sometimes having it all isn't enough...</p> <p>Emma has everything she's ever wanted. Her boyfriend's just proposed and her career has finally taken off. And so what if her latest client just happens to be downright gorgeous? She's getting married. Isn't she?</p> <p>Rachel's married with 2.4 children (well, actually, 3) and life is all about trying to leave the house in a non-stained top. Once it was about skinny cappuccinos, cocktails and dynamic ad agency meetings. She wants her old life back, but can it ever be the same?</p> <p>A gripping and laugh-out-loud story of two sisters and how often you don't know what you've got until it's gone.</p>

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**EUDORA
HONEYSETT IS
QUITE WELL,
THANK YOU**

2020

Harper

Collins/Audible (UK)
and William Collins
(US)

Infused with the emotional power of *Me Before You* and the irresistible charm of Eleanor Oliphant *Is Completely Fine* and *Be Frank with Me*, a moving and joyous novel about an elderly woman ready to embrace death and the little girl who reminds her what it means to live.

Eudora Honeysett is done with this noisy, moronic world--all of it. She has witnessed the indignities and suffering of old age and has lived a full life. At eighty-five, she isn't going to leave things to chance. Her end will be on her terms. With one call to a clinic in Switzerland, a plan is set in motion.

Then she meets ten-year-old Rose Trewidney, a whirling, pint-sized rainbow of color and sparkling cheer. All Eudora wants is to be left alone to set her affairs in order. Instead, she finds herself embarking on a series of adventures with the irrepressible Rose and their affable fellow neighbor, the recently widowed Stanley--afternoon tea, shopping sprees, trips to the beach, birthday celebrations, pizza parties.

While the trio of unlikely BFFs grow closer and anxiously await the arrival of Rose's new baby sister, Eudora is reminded of her own childhood--of losing her father during World War II and the devastating impact it had on her entire family. In reflecting on her past, Eudora realizes she must come to terms with what lies ahead.

But now that her joy for life has been rekindled, how can she possibly say goodbye?

**THE AIR RAID
BOOK CLUB**

2023

Headline

As the bombs began to fall, the book club kept their hopes alive...

London, 1938. Bookseller Gertie Bingham is facing difficult times, having just lost her beloved husband, Harry, and with a lingering sadness at never having been able to have a child of her own. Struggling to face running the bookshop she and Harry opened together, Gertie is preparing to sell up and move away when she is asked if she would be willing to take in a young Jewish refugee from Germany. Gertie is unsure and when sullen teenager Hedy Fischer arrives, Gertie fears she has nothing left to give the troubled girl.

But when the German bombers come and the lights go out over London, Gertie and Hedy realise that joining forces will make them stronger, and that books have the power to bring young and old together and unite a community in need in its darkest hour...
