

# The Numbers Game A Gripping Crime Thriller

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**One Left Behind** Carla Kovach 2021-07-15 Music and loud voices echo through the woods surrounding her. Wiping her tears, she hears the rustle of leaves close by. Footsteps. She has no time to scream before a hand covers her mouth and her entire world goes black. In a patch of forest on the outskirts of a small town, five teenage school friends prepare to spend a night away from home. Carrying their tents and sleeping bags, they laugh and joke as they make their way into the darkest part of the woods, away from prying eyes. But as the sun rises the following morning, only four are left alive. Devastated, Leah's friends all swear they didn't see or hear anything. Her best friend sobs as she recounts what she remembers from that night - dancing, roasting marshmallows, sipping warm cans of beer by the fire - but is it grief, or is she hiding something? What happened to Naomi in the hour that no one can account for? And what troubled past lies behind the perfect manners of the boy who organised the trip, and who is prepared to lie to keep it buried? As the cracks in their stories grow, it's clear one of them is lying, and one of them is next... Perfect for fans of Angela Marsons, Cara Hunter and Clare Mackintosh, *One Left Behind* is a thrilling crime novel that will have you hooked from the very first page! What readers are saying about *One Left Behind*: ██████ 'Wow! What can I say about this book in one word? Tremendous!... This book was definitely on another level!!' NetGalley reviewer ██████ 'An absolute cracker!... This book is just fabulous!' Fiction Café Book Club ██████ 'Nope, nope, nope! I did not see that coming!... Can't-put-down thrill ride that you'll keep reading all night long.' Unrepentantbibliovores ██████ 'Wow, wow, wow... A fabulous read that left you wanting more... I almost had a heart attack and fell over when I found out who had done it and why... A roller coaster that I never wanted to get off... From the beginning, it kept me so engrossed and entertained.' Goodreads reviewer ██████ 'Kept me on the edge of my seat from the beginning until the end. I just loved every word on every page' NetGalley reviewer ██████ 'Great book! Wow, so many twists and turns! This book had intrigue, suspense action and lots of crazy plot twists!' sassySouthernbook/Ana's guest reviewer ██████ 'It had me gripped from when I started and I didn't want to put it down.' NetGalley reviewer ██████ 'Five-star fun! Mystery lovers will LOVE this series!' NetGalley reviewer ██████ 'Fantastic. Five stars from me.' NetGalley reviewer ██████ 'This is a must-read.' Goodreads reviewer ██████ 'I just wish I could give it more than five stars.' Goodreads reviewer ██████ 'Thrilling, tense and exciting... This book was fantastic and full of surprises and shocks.' Goodreads reviewer ██████ 'I was up late reading as this book was absolutely unputdownable!' Goodreads reviewer ██████ 'Kept me on the edge of my seat. Definitely recommend!' Goodreads reviewer ██████

**The Art of Running** Daisy Edzel 2017-03-27 "How an out of shape, exercise-hating beginner can transform to an impressive long distance runner within months" Looking to go from couch potato to a physically fit and healthy runner - heck even a FULL marathon finisher? This book has it all! It contains all the resources for a complete beginner (up to novice level), to succeed at this physically and mentally demanding sport! You will be armed with techniques (outergame) and psychological tools for motivation (innergame), to help you keep up with the inner turmoil, motivation related issues and other hardships, especially in long distance runs where every part of your being just wants to give up! I will not waste your precious time with useless information you won't use. Instead, I'll provide practical and straight forward solutions, daily and weekly plans (resources section) and the best practices to help you succeed. You will be armed to the teeth with everything you could ever need to finish your first long distance races and beyond. Here's what you can expect to learn from this course: What it Takes to Run a Marathon Timeframe Beginner Stage Intermediate Level Advanced Level Mental Preparation Setting Goals Running Alone Versus Running with a Buddy How to Use Running Gadgets Get Enough Rest Distinguishing Between Good Pain and Bad Pain Having a Proper Form and Breathing Technique Which Part of Your Foot Should Strike The Ground First? Different Training Styles Training Gear Clean Bill of Health Warming Up and Cooling Down Marathon Race Strategies Running Motivations How to fall in love with running Avoid running injuries Running schedules and plans Marathon Specific Training Trail Running Tips and Mistakes to Avoid Uphill and Downhill Running Running and Losing Weight Heart Rate Training And much, much more... Grab your copy here...

**Catch Your Death** Kierney Scott 2019-04-15 The scene played over and over in his mind. He only had one choice left. He had to die. Behind the high and imposing gates of a prestigious college, five students have taken their lives. All of them friends, all of them good kids, all of them dead within months of each other. When FBI Agent Jess Bishop is called in to investigate, what she discovers will make her just as vulnerable as the students she's trying to protect. As Jess begins to unravel the secrets behind the deaths, she uncovers something much more sinister at the school and she is determined to find out who is at the centre of it. Though her team think they're closing in on the ringleader, Jess becomes convinced they're going after the wrong person, forcing her to investigate on her own. Desperate to stop any more deaths, she risks everything by putting herself in the firing line. But just how far would she go to save the lives of those around her? An absolutely gripping thriller that will have your pulse racing. *Catch Your Death* is perfect for fans of Robert Dugoni, Karin Slaughter and Lisa Gardner. What readers are saying about *Kierney Scott*: 'All the #OMFGs... It grabbed me from the start, chewed me up and spat me out at the other end crying for more!... Will keep you engrossed until the very end!' Chapter in My Life, 5 stars 'Stunning... I'm a mess of emotions right now. Still having to process what I just experienced through the intense pages of this book. Good grief... how am I supposed to get through the rest of my day/week/year? Well done Kierney Scott!' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'Wowzers, what a book this was... Before you know it, you are hooked... Grabs you by the throat and won't let you go. I became so addicted to this book that it came everywhere with me and I couldn't put it down.' Ginger Book Geek, 5 stars 'Wow! What a fabulous book. I read this in 24 hours because I could not put it down... Blew me away.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'WOW! WOW! WOW! I LOVED this FABULOUS thriller... I was hooked from the start... There were twists and turns and moments when my stomach churned and if I could have sat in my chair and read it in one go I certainly would have done.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'Absolutely love Jess Bishop, what a woman! She certainly is unlike any other character I've read.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'Loved this book. Kept going back and forth with whodunit. Shed a tear at the end... Brilliant all the way through.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'I absolutely devoured this! I love Jess, I really do. This book was gripping, exciting and full of twists.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'Full on from page one to the full stop on the last sentence. I didn't see the end coming, partially because I was so engrossed I didn't realise I was coming to the end. I loved this book.' Nigel Adams Bookworm, 5 stars 'Wow, talk about an intense ride. I absolutely fell in love with Jess Bishopand her partner, Jamison... The storyline was twisted and unique, I have never read a crime thriller like this one before and I can't wait to get my hands on the next book in the series.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'Fast paced, addictive, with a killer plot, tense and thrilling, a masterpiece of a book!' Renita D'Silva, 5 stars 'Thrilling stuff. Highly recommended!!' Bookie Wookie, 5 stars 'This book kept me up at night, telling myself just a little longer until I finished it.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'This book is rocking with suspense and mystery. There are so many twists, turns and red herrings, it makes you dizzy.' Books and Artwork, 5 stars

**Bring Me Flowers** D.K. Hood 2018-02-26 'WOW WOW WOW!!!! ABSOLUTELY AMAZING!... From literally the first page you're hooked and gripped!! Kept on the edge of my seat throughout I just couldn't put it down... my new all time favourite author!!... I just wish I could've given it more than five stars!!!' Goodreads Reviewer, 5 stars She didn't know he was watching. Until it was too late. She'd walked this way hundreds of times before. She knew every twist and turn. She didn't know this was the last time she'd ever walk this path. Hidden deep in the forest, schoolgirl Felicity Parker is found carefully laid out on a rock with nothing but a freshly picked bunch of flowers next to her. The body lies just off a popular hiking route, and Detective Jenna Alton thinks the killer might be a visitor to the town, until another girl's body is found at the local swimming pool, once again posed with a bunch of flowers. Jenna recognizes the signs of a serial killer, and thinks it could be a local. As the town is gripped with fear, Jenna must examine each person the girls knew, and trust between neighbors starts to crumble. Both girls went out on their own, and were found where they shouldn't be. Were they taken by chance, or did they know their killer? How were they lured so far from safety? And can Jenna and her team find the killer before another life is lost? An absolutely nail-biting thriller that will keep you up all night. If you enjoy Robert Dugoni, Karin Slaughter and Rachel Abbott, you'll love this! \*\*Each Kane and Alton book can be read as part of the series or as a standalone\*\* What readers are saying about *Bring Me Flowers*: 'Oh my gripping goodness!... kept me guessing until the very last page... I cannot fault this book at all - if I could read it all over again for the very first time, I would jump at the chance... Hard hitting, addictive, and incredibly chilling... A truly toe curling read - fantastic!' The Writing Game! 'I was taken on a rollercoaster ride... it leaves you gripping the edge of your seat in anticipation... will keep you hooked from the very beginning.' Stardust Book Reviews 'An incredibly fast-paced, high octane thriller that begs to be read in one sitting... it was impossible to put down.' The Book Nurse 'Wow bloody brilliant! This book had everything - it was dark, creepy and disturbing and made me get chills... I read it in super fast time because I couldn't put it down. An excellent read.' Bonnie's Book Talk 'Suspenseful from the first page, with a pace that never lets up, this was a book I could not stop thinking about... an absolutely unputdownable, gut wrenching story with an ending I did not see coming and which I am still thinking about. Brilliant. A masterpiece.' Renita D'Silva 'The killer sent shivers down my spine as his narrative outlined his desire to kill and his unique MO... I love it when a writer creates a character that creeps me out inside my head and this is one guy you wouldn't want turning up with a bunch of flowers for you!... So many potential suspects, my wee head was spinning as I tried to work out the whodunit and whydunnit! I do love a good old workout for the brain and this one kept me guessing all the way through!' Chapter in My Life 'Gripping main plot with a villain I never in a million years spotted.' Goodreads Reviewer 'The story will suck you in and keep you guessing until the end, despite trying to make you believe that you know who the murderer is.' Goodreads Reviewer 'This book has surpassed my expectations and is even better than that I could have imagined.' Sean's Book Reviews

**Screams in the Dark** Anna Smith 2013-01-31 A gritty, page-turning thriller perfect for fans of Martina Cole. Refugees are disappearing in Glasgow. The mutilated body of one has been found, but the police aren't interested. Can crime reporter Rosie Gilmour uncover the truth before the killer comes for her? Steeped in its own problems, Glasgow's mushrooming underclass is simmering with resentment and the sudden flow of Kosovan refugees into the city; and one by one, refugees are disappearing. The authorities assume the refugees have vanished into the black economy, until the mutilated body of an Albanian man is fished out of the River Clyde. Asylum seekers and refugees with no roots and no families are easy pickings. But why is there no urgency from the authorities to find out what's happening? Rosie Gilmour's instincts tell her there's more to this story, but after six weeks on the frontlines in Kosovo, is her sympathy for the refugees clouding her judgement? 'Gripping and compelling' KIMBERLEY CHAMBERS 'An action packed novel with current political undertones that make for a riveting read' EUROCRIME

**The Running Game** L. E. Fitzpatrick 2021-06-27 Rachel's father called it the running game. Count the exits, calculate the routes, and always be ready to run. She is a Reacher, wanted by the government and the criminal underworld for her psionic powers. Charlie and his brother John have a reputation for accomplishing the impossible. But after losing his family, Charlie is a broken mess and John is barely keeping him afloat. In desperation, they take a job from a ruthless crime lord, only to discover the girl they are hunting is a Reacher. One of their own kind. With the help of dangerous and dubious allies, can Rachel turn the game around and save herself?

**Deadly Cry** Angela Marsons 2020-11-13 You have to stop me from hurting anyone else. I don't want to do these horrible things. Help me before I'm forced to do it again. And I will do it again because I have no choice. I've never had a choice. In a busy shopping centre, a little girl clutches a teddy bear, clinging to it in the absence of her mother, Katrina. Hours later, Katrina's body is discovered in an abandoned building. For Detective Kim Stone, it looks like a quick, functional kill. But Kim's instincts tell her there's more to this senseless murder than meets the eye. What was the motive for killing a young mother out shopping with her child? Days later, a second victim is found in a local park, her neck broken just like Katrina's and her six-year-old son missing. With her colleague, Detective Stacey Wood, working on another unsolved crime and a member of the team grieving the loss of a close relative, Kim is struggling to make inroads on what is fast becoming a complex case. And when a handwritten letter from the killer lands on Kim's desk addressed to her, and pleading for help, she knows time is running out to bring the little boy home alive. With the support of a handwriting analyst and profiler, Kim and the team begin to get inside the mind of the killer and make a shocking discovery. Some of the victims have scratch marks on their wrists. But these are no random scratches. The killer is using them to communicate with someone. The question is... with whom? And if Kim doesn't find them soon, another innocent soul will die. The multi-million-copy bestselling Detective Kim Stone series is every bit as addictive, original and exciting as readers say and you'll be hooked from the very first page. Nobody does it better than the Queen of Crime, Angela Marsons. Read what everyone is saying about *Deadly Cry*: 'Whoopee The queen of crime is back...this book is a reminder to all her fans what a brilliant crime series this is...Unlike some long running crimes series, each book always brings something new to the table, whether it be its characters, the plot, or jaw dropping moments that take the reader by surprise.' The Book Review Café, ██████ 'Utterly fabulous! I loved this book so much. The whole series is fantastic and it just gets better and better with every book. Read this in one sitting as I was literally glued to it. Highly recommended, if I could give it more than 5 stars I would.' Linda Strong Book Reviews, ██████ 'Angela Marsons writes the type of books that I will literally drop everything just so I can read it.' Goodreads reviewer, ██████ 'I honestly don't know how Angela Marsons gets better and better with each book... My jaw dropped over and over again and I'm just sitting here so shocked at the end!' With A Book In Our Hand, ██████ 'I could read Kim Stone books every day and never get bored, I read this in a day as couldn't put it down.' NetGalley reviewer, ██████ 'Angela Marsons is the Queen of Crime, and every police team needs a Kim Stone! With a strong, fast paced storyline, this book will bring tears to your eyes, then have you covering those same eyes for fear of what may happen on the next page!' stardustbookreviews, ██████ 'Reading this series is like catching up with old friends...Yet another brilliant work by the amazing Angela Marsons!' Goodreads reviewer, ██████ 'Oh how much have I missed Kim Stone... you are guaranteed a story that will grab a hold of you from the start and keep you invested in the outcome right to the very last page.' Jen Med's Book Reviews, ██████ 'Quite simply, Angela Marsons is THE QUEEN of Crime Fiction... Every book of Angie's is a masterpiece of storytelling, each so different in theme and incredibly enjoyable to read.' Goodreads reviewer, ██████ 'I really love this series. It's like catching up with friends when I start a new book.' Alice May Reviews, ██████ 'This is a series that I will never get tired of. The author has a real talent of keeping each book fresh and exciting with characters you can't help but root for. Long live Kim Stone!' Goodreads reviewer, ██████

**Hunting Game** Helene Tursten 2019-02-26 Helene Tursten's explosive new series features Detective Embla Nyström, a sharp, unforgiving woman working in a man's world. When one of her peers is murdered during a routine hunting trip, Embla must track down the killer while confronting a dark incident from her past. Twenty-eight-year-old Embla Nyström has been plagued by chronic nightmares and racing thoughts ever since she can remember. She has learned to channel most of her anxious energy into her position as Detective Inspector in the mobile unit in Gothenburg, Sweden, and into sports. A talented hunter and prize-winning Nordic welterweight, she is glad to be taking a vacation from her high-stress job to attend the annual moose hunt with her family and friends. But when Embla arrives at her uncle's cabin in rural Dalsland, she sees an unfamiliar face has joined the group: Peter, enigmatic, attractive, and newly divorced. And she isn't the only one to notice. One longtime member of the hunt doesn't welcome the presence of an outsider and is quick to point out that with Peter, the group's number reaches thirteen, a bad omen for the week. Sure enough, a string of unsettling incidents follow, culminating in the disappearance of two hunters. Embla takes charge of the search, and they soon find one of the missing men floating face-down in the nearby lake. With the help of local reinforcements, Embla delves into the dark pasts of her fellow hunters in search of a killer. **The Numbers Killer** Jenifer Ruff 2019-05-28 When a key witness in an organized crime trial turns up dead in his kitchen with liar and the number two scrawled on his forehead, the FBI assumes the murder was a hit to silence him. Then the calls start coming in-more victims with similar markings and no connection to the mob. As agents Victoria Heslin and Dante Rivera struggle to catch a break in the case, they receive a series of cryptic, personal messages from the killer, complicating the investigation. Something disturbing and frightening is underway, and anyone might be next, including the agents, unless they uncover the common denominator.

**The Midnight Man** Caroline Mitchell 2021-10-13 A THRILLING NEW SERIES FROM THE NUMBER ONE BESTSELLER CAROLINE MITCHELL 'One of the best opening chapters I've ever read' - ANGELA MARSONS 'Terrifying, mysterious and suspenseful. A brilliant read.' - PATRICIA GIBNEY '... I remember the day I died quite clearly.' Blackhall Manor has witnessed many dark crimes, long before five teenage girls break in to play the Midnight Game. It was supposed to be a game, but only four girls come home. Detective Sarah Noble has just returned to the force, and no one knows more about Blackhall Manor than her. Except perhaps Elliott Carter, who is only seven but has seen things in his dreams most adults could never imagine. It's a case that will bring them together and shake Sarah to her core. Will she be ready to meet the Midnight Man? A gripping and twisty thriller, perfect for fans of C. J. Tudor, Cara Hunter and Alex North. \_\_\_\_\_ PRAISE FOR THE MIDNIGHT MAN 'If you like early Stephen King you'll love The Midnight Man' - Robert Dugoni, New York Times bestseller 'Caroline Mitchell at her dark and twisty best' - Teresa Driscoll, author of I Am Watching You 'Will keep you on the edge of your seat' - Alice Hunter, author of The Serial Killer's Wife 'A spine tingling, creepy book' - John Marrs, author of The One 'Creepy and intense' - Mel Sherratt, author of Ten Days 'A tense and deliciously creepy read' - D.S. Butler, author of On Cold Ground 'Twisty, tense and creepy as hell... I loved it!' - K.L. Slater, author of

The Widow 'A spooky, twisty mystery with a spine-chillingly ending' - Susi Holliday, author of The Last Resort

**Parallel Lines** Steven Savile 2017-03-14 How far would you go to provide for your child? Adam Shaw is dying, and knows he'll leave his disabled son with nothing. His solution? Rob a bank. It's no surprise that things go wrong. What is surprising is that when another customer is accidentally shot, no one in the bank is in a hurry to hand Adam over to the police. There's the manager who's desperate to avoid an audit, the security guard with a serious grudge, and the woman who knows exactly how bad the victim really was... Eight people, twelve hours, one chance to cover up a murder. But it's not just the police they have to fool. When many lives intersect, the results can be explosive.--

**Murder Game** Caroline Mitchell 2017-10-31 'What a dizzying roller-coaster ride Now that I've finished this book, I can finally take some deep breaths and allow my heart beat to return to normal. The author took me through twists, turns and an intricate and fast-paced plot...The ending just made me gasp.' Relax and Read reviews, 5 stars A serial killer is playing a terrifying game of life or death with his victims. After he captures them, a countdown begins. He marks the time by sending clues to the whereabouts of the women he has taken in three disturbing images: alive, tortured, dead. In a race against the clock, East London Detective Ruby Preston must play the twisted killer's terrifying murder game and decipher the clues before more women die... But this isn't the first time the police have seen such a sickening crime. The notorious Lonely Hearts Killer, Mason Gatley, was put behind bars ten years ago for murdering six women in exactly the same chilling way. Desperate for more information, Ruby persuades her boyfriend, Nathan Crosby, to use his criminal connections to set up a dangerous meeting. Because to catch this killer, she needs to think like one... But the closer Ruby grows to the dark and charming Mason Gatley, the more worried her team become. Is Mason really helping her catch the killer? Or is he luring Ruby up to be his next victim? Fans of Angela Marsons, Rachel Abbott and Peter James will be hooked by this dark and utterly disturbing thriller, packed with twists until the final page. What readers are saying about *Murder Game*: 'Oh my goodness... Caroline Mitchell What a book I devoured this book this afternoon, I could not stop reading it. I love Ruby Preston and her team... Absolutely 5 stars all the way for me.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'Wow Caroline Mitchell really outdid herself here I wasn't able to guess who the killer was until Mitchell had it flashing on a sign for me at 92%, but of course, that wasn't all... she threw a massive twist in on top of it Hold on for the wild right she'll pull you through with Murder Game.' Next Book Review, 5 stars 'Absolutely love this Ruby Preston series. I couldn't put this book down as the killings and the plot escalated. I was certain I had fathomed who the killer was. But, oh, how wrong I was. Brilliant book' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'Brilliant fast paced and gripping story that keeps you on the edge of your seat. Ruby is fast becoming my favourite detective.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'This book was a first class gripping read. I absolutely loved it.' I Love Reading UK, 5 stars 'Once again Caroline Mitchell delivers an amazing book. With twists and turns throughout. Right to the end I was kept on the edge of my seat.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'The author's background in the police force adds authenticity to Murder Game... The plot is fast paced very much like the investigation, and I'm sure my heart was pounding as Murder Game reached its dramatic conclusion... the perfect crime thriller read.' The Book Review Caf , 5 stars

**Paranoid** Lisa Jackson 2019-09-19 'Shiveringly good suspense!' Lisa Gardner Twenty years ago, Rachel Gaston accidentally shot and killed her brother in a teenage game that went horribly wrong Today, Rachel is moving on and trying to put the guilt of what happened behind her. But then she receives a text on the anniversary of her brother's death: I forgive you. This text is the first of many, all seemingly from the beyond the grave, and at the same time she is receiving midnight phone calls from a blocked number. Are these happenings malicious? Are the genuinely forgiving? Is she in danger? Or is Rachel just being paranoid? A fast-paced psychological thriller for fans for Lisa Gardner and Karen Rose, with Lisa Jackson's trademark mix of dark secrets and stunning twists

**The Lion's Game** Nelson DeMille 2000-11-01 Detective John Corey, last seen in Plum Island, now faces his toughest assignment yet: the pursuit and capture of the world's most dangerous terrorist -- a young Arab known as 'the Lion' who has baffled a federal task force and shows no sign of stopping in his quest for revenge against the American pilots who bombed Libya and killed his family. Filled with unrelenting suspense and surprising plot twists at every terrifying turn, *THE LION'S GAME* is a heartstopping race against time and one of Nelson DeMille's most riveting thrillers.

**Maura's Game** Martina Cole 2008-09-04 Maura Ryan is back to claim her gangland crown... MAURA'S GAME is the unputdownable sequel to DANGEROUS LADY, the iconic first novel by Sunday Times No.1 bestseller Martina Cole which catapulted her to fame and made her the 'undisputed queen of crime writing' (Guardian). Maura Ryan was the queen of the criminal underworld when she pulled off the most audacious gold bullion robbery of all time. Since then, she's retired from a life of crime to be with the only man she's ever loved. But enemies from her past are closing in and they're about to learn that they should never cross Maura Ryan. The dangerous lady is back and she's as lethal as ever... We know you'll be hooked on Maura Ryan, so be sure to first read the gripping prequel to MAURA'S GAME, DANGEROUS LADY.

**The Silent Girls** Dylan Young 2018-01-19

**Risk** Game Rachel Lynch 2018-01-29 DI Kelly Porter knows some people will turn everything to get ahead. But when the truth comes out deadly prices are paid... After a scandal forces DI Kelly Porter out of the Met, she returns to her home turf in the Lake District. Crimes in the Cumbrian constabulary tend to be of the minor sort, but Kelly begins work on a cold case that shocked the local community - the abduction and brutal murder of ten-year-old Lottie Davies. Meanwhile, Kelly is also investigating two seemingly straightforward crimes: a case involving an illegal immigrant, and a robbery following the death of local businessman Colin Day. But evidence comes to light that reveals a web of criminal activity beyond anything Kelly imagined. Behind the veneer of sleepy, touristy towns lies a dark and dangerous underworld. As Kelly threatens to expose those with much to lose, she risks paying the ultimate price to get to the truth... Don't miss this taut and gripping debut from a crime writer to watch. Perfect for fans of Carol Wyer, Patricia Gibney and Angela Marsons.

What readers are saying about *Dark Game* 'The investigations come to a dangerous conclusion. Be prepared to be taken on a journey' Reader review ██████ 'DI Kelly Porter, a modern day kickass superhero lady!' Reader Review ██████ 'Definitely following this author for future work! I'm REALLY looking forward to seeing more of DI Kelly Porter!' Book Lover Reviews 'A dark and gritty fast paced thriller with a twisty turn, interwoven plot that had me excited to reach the climax' Gemma's Book Nook 'It grabbed me from the first word... I absolutely loved Kelly's character! ... I loved everything about this book and was genuinely disappointed to have finished it. I would highly recommend this one!' Stardust Book Reviews 'The story is frighteningly realistic; the crimes, as they take place are described brilliantly... the next one can't come soon enough.' Nigel Adams Book Worm 'Will keep you up all night!... This is a must-read book.' Karen's World 'What an exceptional story... It's gripping and definitely a page-turner... I was completely hooked and struggled to put the book down.' Book Lover Reviews 'What a fantastic read! I loved this book, the characters were interesting and likeable and I can't wait for book 2! The plot was exciting and full of emotion and twists, it was just a really great book that I thoroughly enjoyed.' NetGalley reviewer ██████ 'I could not put it down and it's a refreshing change to have a police female lead who is positive but normal! A new role model in the making' Reader review ██████ *Blood, White and Blue* James Silvester 2021-04-20 In this gripping spy thriller, post-Brexit tensions are high across the UK, and the fate of the nation is in the hands of a desperate agent. Britain is a hotbed of racial discord and economic uncertainty. Only Sir Geoffrey Hartnell, an ageing but hugely respected Member of Parliament, can ease tensions. But as tenuous talks begin, a ghost from the past threatens to bring the UK to its knees. Lucie Muslova is a young woman running out of places to hide. Half-British, half-Czech and rejected by both countries in the aftermath of Brexit, she has no choice but to accept an assignment with a secret branch of intelligence services. As the Hartnell case—and her mysterious role in it—spirals out of control, one false move could cost the future of the nation . . . not to mention Lucie's life.

**Lethal Game** Charlie Gallagher 2021-11-11 'This fast paced, electric thriller races from page to page and keeps you guessing until the very end' NetGalley review ██████ He knows your name. Where you live. The car you drive. If you don't play, your family will die. If you lose, you will.

**The Numbers Game** Robert Brown 2019-08-05 A brand new gripping crime thriller from the acclaimed author Robert Brown. Terror over the airwavesWalter Little enjoys a quiet retirement in a peaceful suburb, his days spent tinkering with amateur radio equipment. But when he publishes an article theorizing that coded signals are being sent over shortwave by an international gang of terrorists, his life takes on a sinister edge. Strange voices mock him on the air, and he finds evidence that the terrorists are planning an attack in his own city. But what can an ailing old man do when the only person who believes him is a homeless drunk?As the evidence mounts that an attack is imminent, Walter begins to doubt his ability to face up to the task, and even begins to doubt his own sanity.What readers are saying about ROBERT BROWN'Great Read!!! I did not want to put this book down. It kept my interest until the very end you will enjoy it!'"This story combined many different threads into a very readable mystery. I was drawn into the story at the very beginning. I recommend it.""A genuinely enjoyable read. Good story line with a real history background, better than average character development. I'm looking forward to more from this new author."More Books from Robert BrownDeadly IllusionsPurity PursuitBeyond the WindowStolen HeritageBlood MoneyThe People in The Woods

**Numbers Game** Rebecca Rode 2015 Treena is nervous for Rating Day. A single number will brand her forever--a valuable citizen, or a pathetic waste of space. Her top-Rated boyfriend is confident their scores will coincide so they can attend the academy together. But when the big day arrives, her true number shocks everyone. To get her life and boyfriend back, she must go undercover and expose a military spy.

**Stolen Ones** Angela Marsons 2021-11-11 Kim felt sickness sweep over her as she watched little Grace dust off her dirty hands. Blonde curls tumbled around her face. Then, Grace disappeared into the crowd. Kim wanted to pause the recording, run outside and grab her to stop what was about to happen. One August afternoon, eight-year-old Grace Lennard skips into the garden of the childcare centre she attends and vanishes into thin air. Rushing to the scene of Grace's disappearance, Detective Kim Stone finds a chilling piece of evidence: the engraved heart bracelet belonging to Melody Jones - the little girl who was taken from a playground exactly twenty-five years ago. Hours before, Steven Harte had walked into Halesowen police station and confessed to having information that would lead Kim to Melody. And he told Kim she'd have a more urgent problem to deal with first. Now Kim must play Steven's twisted game if she's to find Grace alive. With only twenty-four hours to make every second of Steven's interrogation count, and scan his behaviour for hidden clues, Kim and her team soon link Steven to the abduction of several vulnerable girls - two were kept for a year and then released, unharmed - but where are Melody and the others? Then small bones are discovered in the grounds of a local park, and Kim fears the worst. Kim may think she's close to convicting a killer, but the case has got even more complex. A chilling figure from Kim's past is about to reveal a shocking secret that will hit her where it hurts the most. Can Kim put aside her own demons, save Grace and the other missing girls before more innocent lives are lost? An edge-of-your-seat thriller that will leave your heart in your mouth. You will be totally hooked on the utterly addictive, number one, multi-million-copy bestselling Detective Kim Stone series. Read what everyone is saying about *Stolen Ones*: 'OMG what a page turner. Heartbreaking, chilling and utterly compulsive... Hooked from the first to the last page, consistently holding my breath... another explosive addition to this gripping and very addictive series.' NetGalley reviewer, ██████ 'OMFG... Nail biting, thrilling, and riveting the author has pulled out all the stops...deliciously satisfying.' NetGalley reviewer, ██████ 'Wow... a cracker of a book... I just loved this... was hooked right from the start... there was everything I loved in this brilliant book... had me totally immersed.' Goodreads reviewer, ██████ 'Incredible. I knew I would be hooked but this exceeded my expectations... had me shaking my head and saying WTF... Absolutely loved every moment of this book.' Goodreads reviewer, ██████ 'Wow - what a brilliant page turner this had me hooked from the first chapter and kept me invested throughout... gripping.' NetGalley reviewer, ██████ 'Gripped me so deeply... I am 100% addicted... read within 24 hours. Kim Stone is my idol... Totally compelling, addictive.' ██████ 'OMG where on earth am I meant to be able to start with this... This book was everything I wanted it to be and more.' Rachel's Random Reads, ██████ 'Had me devouring this story long into the night... brilliant... I was completely hooked... the best Kim Stone book I've read.' NetGalley reviewer, ██████ 'I absolutely loved this... pulls you in straight away and doesn't let you go until the last page.' Goodreads reviewer, ██████ 'Genius... utterly compelling... will have you gripped to the end... comes with the mother of all twists!' NetGalley reviewer, ██████ 'Loved loved loved it!... I could not put this down.' NetGalley reviewer, ██████ 'I've not spoken to my husband in 3 days as this was far more important. As always, this lived up to all expectations... It's all there. And perfect. Clear your diary. Just sit and enjoy'. Goodreads reviewer, ██████ 'Woo hoo!... superb... brilliant' mandylovestoread, ██████

**The Game** Scott Kershaw 2022-05-12 To save their life, you have to play. 'Exciting and original' Simon McCleave 'A twisty page-turner' Liz Lawler 'Chilling, packed with intrigue' Dan Malakin \_\_\_\_\_

**Dead Memories** Angela Marsons 2019-02-22 She ruined their lives. Now they're going to destroy hers. 'Someone is recreating every traumatic point in your life. They are doing this to make you suffer, to make you hurt and the only possible end game can be death. Your death.' On the fourth floor of Chaucer House, two teenagers are found chained to a radiator. The boy is dead but the girl is alive. For Detective Kim Stone every detail of the scene mirrors her own terrifying experience with her brother Mikey, when they lived in the same tower block thirty years ago. When the bodies of a middle-aged couple are discovered in a burnt-out car, Kim can't ignore the chilling similarity to the death of Erica and Keith - the only loving parents Kim had ever known. Faced with a killer who is recreating traumatic events from her past, Kim must face the brutal truth that someone wants to hurt her in the worst way possible. Desperate to stay on the case, she is forced to work with profiler Alison Lowe who has been called in to observe and monitor Kim's behaviour. Kim has spent years catching dangerous criminals and protecting the innocent. But with a killer firmly fixed on destroying Kim, can she solve this complex case and save her own life or will she become the final victim? The heart-stopping and totally addictive new crime thriller from multi-million copy number one bestseller Angela Marsons will have you completely hooked. Read what everyone is saying about *Dead Memories*: 'The book I've been waiting for without even knowing that I was... A great starting point for anyone new to the series... I couldn't put the book down...It is completely addictive and easily my new favourite in this series, I have a feeling I've said that before, but what can I say Angela Marsons seems to outdo herself each and every time.' Rachel's Random Reads, 5 stars 'As always, another brilliant book by Angela Marsons featuring Detective Kim Stone and her team... Fast-paced and dark it kept me gripped from the first page to the last. Utterly superb.' Goodreads Reviewer, 5 stars 'The author writes to such a consistently high level. Yet again, gripping plot line, strong characters and a well-paced story that builds to a crescendo. If you haven't already tried this author do yourself a favour and start reading now.' Worcester Source, 5 stars 'Wow! Just wow.I knew I would be engrossed in this book so cleared my schedule today to read it cover to cover. I'm so glad I did!...' Goodreads Reviewer, 5 stars 'Once again, she delivers a fast-paced, action-packed nail-biting roller coaster ride of a book... This is one series that just gets better with each book.' Goodreads Reviewer, 5 stars 'Reading this instalment of Kim's life is like catching up with an old friend...Each book gives you some insight into her past... Angela gives us yet another riveting, gritty, chilling insight into Kim's world... One scene in the book moved me to tears,' booksbehindthelie, 5 stars 'I loved getting further into Kim's psyche and learning more about her which only makes you like the character more. Bring on book eleven!' Goodreads Reviewer, 5 stars I blooming love this series. I love Kim, her vulnerability and tenacity, I love the interaction and banter between the characters.... another cracking addition to an already brilliant and well established series.' Goodreads Reviewer, 5 stars 'The uber-sharp Kim Stone has to be one of the best detectives out there. A twisty, fast-paced plot stocked with red herrings.' Bookpreur, 5 stars 'Angela Marsons is fast becoming one of the best crime fiction authors going. The Laughing Librarian, 5 stars

**Proximity** Jem Twugwell 2019-06-06 The People's Book Prize Finalist 2019-2020 'A vision of the future that both chills and entertains.' Jake Kerridge (Sunday Express Magazine) You can't get away with anything. Least of all murder. DI Clive Lussac has forgotten how to do his job. Ten years of embedded technology - 'iMe' - has led to complete control and the eradication of crime. Then the impossible happens. A body is found, and the killer is untraceable. With new partner Zoe Jordan, Clive must re-sharpen his detective skills and find the killer without technology, before time runs out for the next victim... The iMe series blends pacy thrillers with highly plausible science fiction. If you love the pace of Lee Child and the vision of Orwell's 1984 or Black Mirror, then this series is perfect for you. iMe Series: Book 1 - Proximity Book 2 - No Signal Reviews 'Tugwell brings to life his exhilarating and provocative debut crime thriller with a twist.' The Malestrom, 4 of the Best Beach Reads: Summer 2019 'An ingenious and highly plausible look at crime in a future with 100% surveillance' Claire McCowan, Best selling author 'Very topical, terrifying, perfect concept for a crime novel' Stav Sherez, Award winning author 'Darkly twisted crime novel in a future that seems to grow closer every day. Fantastically imaginative and gripping.' Angela Clarke, Sunday Times bestselling author 5\* Review 'The writing hurtles along like a runaway train and you can barely pause for breath. What renders it original and ingenious is the background of embedded technology called 'iMe' (how perfect is that?!) It's a crime thriller and it is very thrilling.' Gill Chedgely (NB Magazine) 5\* Review 'I must admit that I finished the book with a prayer that I will never see something like iMe in my lifetime - the idea is just too terrifying' Breakaway Reviewers '5\* from me as the storyline is brilliant...Plenty of discussion topics here for bookclubs!' EmmabBooks 'Proximity hits hard and cold right to the heart of what could be our future, and this knowledge makes this book one of the scariest I have ever read. I don't care for horror. Just give me a speculative novel shaping a future so realistic I don't even need to close my eyes to imagine it, and I'm sold. Sold and freaked out. Jem Twugwell's outstanding description of years to

close to ours to my taste left me speechless.' Meggy Chocolate n'Waffles 'A brilliant book, an excellent thriller and 100% entertaining. Highly recommended. Really can't wait for a follow up! Genius.' Books from Dusk Till Dawn 'An enjoyable and somewhat unnerving peek at what technology could be like in our future. "Proximity" is fast-paced, imaginative and could easily be featured as the next episode of "Black Mirror". It's a big 5 stars from me! What Rebecca's Read 'You won't be able to put Proximity down, and you'll be happy about it.' Dorset Book Detective What some of the Amazon readers are saying: 5\* 'Big Brother on steroids' 5\* 'This is a really creative idea expertly executed in a fast paced thriller you won't be able to put down!' 5\* 'What a fantastic read. Great story. Great pace. Great drama and suspense.' 5\* 'Outstanding. I couldn't set it down...'. 5\* 'Enthralling and thrilling story left me always wanting to read 'one more chapter.' 5\* 'Great characters, chilling prediction of our near future, and an excellent plot interwoven into a real page turner! **A Coffin For Two** Quintin Jardine 2008-11-13 After cracking their first case together as a private investigation team, Oz Blackstone and Primavera Phillips find themselves simultaneously in love and in the money. And where better to lie back and contemplate life than the picturesque village of St Marti, on the rugged Costa Brava. But beneath the surface of their idyllic new home bubbles a brew of intrigue, deception - and murder. Before long Prim and Oz find themselves helping to evict a skeletal squatter whom the locals fear might harm the tourist trade, as well as trying to authenticate a previously undiscovered Dali masterpiece bought by a gullible client at a highly unconventional auction... *Backlash* Marnie Riches 2020-01-09 'Dark, gritty and funny' - Steve Cavanagh on Marnie Riches Keep your enemies close and your neighbours closer... When Private Investigator Beverley Saunders is tasked with going undercover, she relishes the chance to disguise herself as a cleaner in order to get close to Manchester bad boy Anthony Anthony, aka 2Tone. Anthony's neighbours are suspicious of his wealth and sick of his anti-social behaviour, and Bev's just the woman they need to find out what's going on behind closed doors. As Bev begins to infiltrate Anthony's world, she soon realises she's in danger - and this time, she might be too far in to get out. Alongside her sidekick Doc, Bev must fight to discover the truth - but when people begin to die, she has to ask herself - is exposing Anthony worth risking her own life? Marnie Riches is back with a gritty, gripping thriller, perfect for fans of Martina Cole and Kimberley Chambers. Praise for Marnie Riches: 'Dark, gritty and funny.' STEVE CAVANAGH 'A gripping page-turner of a plot' ROZ WATKINS 'A corking thriller' ED JAMES

**Requiem in La Rossa** Tom Benjamin 2021-11-04 In the sweltering heat of a Bologna summer, a murderer plans their pièce de résistance... Only in Bologna reads the headline in the Carino after a professor of music is apparently murdered leaving the opera. But what looks like an open-and-shut case begins to fall apart when English detective Daniel Leicester is tasked with getting the accused man off, and a trail that begins among Bologna's close-knit classical music community leads him to suspect there may be a serial killer at large in the oldest university in the world. And as Bologna trembles with aftershocks following a recent earthquake, the city begins to give up her secrets. *The Game* Luca Veste 2020-11-12 An edge-of-your-seat thriller that merges the twists of a psychological-mystery with the investigative layers of a procedural . . . You receive a call, an email, a text - it's from a person who knows your secret, someone who wants to ruin you. If you don't do what they say, they'll tell everyone what you've been hiding. They will come after you, destroy you, and they aren't afraid to kill. It's time to play The Game. Why readers love Luca Veste's novels . . . 'High-concept serial killer thriller with twists and heart. Stunning!' STEVE CAVANAGH 'A fast-paced mystery about friendships, secrets and fears with a twist in the tail that fooled me completely' CHRIS EWAN 'Properly Stephen King-style creepy' IAN RANKIN 'Perfectly terrifying' AMANDA JENNINGS 'A dark and brilliant thriller from a writer who just gets better and better' MARK BILLINGHAM 'An entertainingly nasty piece of work' CHRISTOPHER BROOKMYRE

**Think of a Number** John Verdon 2012-06 Recently retired after a prestigious career with the NYPD, homicide detective Dave Gurney is pulled back into service when an old college friend receives threatening letters from a murderous sender who has an uncanny ability to read a person's thoughts. *Games People Play* Owen Mullen 2021-04-20 When a baby is stolen from a Scottish beach, private investigator Charlie Cameron reluctantly agrees to take the case. While her parents are just yards away, thirteen-month-old Lily Hamilton is abducted from Ayr beach in Scotland. Three days later, her distraught father turns up at private investigator Charlie Cameron's office. Mark Hamilton believes he knows who has taken his daughter. And why. Against his better judgment, Charlie takes the case—and when bodies are discovered, he suspects this may not be an isolated crime. Is there a serial killer whose work has gone undetected for decades? Is baby Lily his latest victim? Charlie won't be able to give up on this case. Memories and guilt from his childhood won't let him... Owen Mullen is a best-selling author of psychological and gangland thrillers. His fast-paced, twist-aplenty stories are perfect for all fans of Robert Galbraith, Ian Rankin and Ann Cleeves. What readers say about Owen Mullen: 'Owen Mullen knows how to ramp up the action just when it's needed... he never fails to give you a hard-hitting thrillers that have moments that will stay with you forever...' 'One of the very best thriller writers I have ever read.' 'Owen Mullen writes a good story, he really brings his characters to life and the endings are hard to guess and never what you expected.' *These Deadly Games* Diana Urban 2022-02-01 "A propulsive mystery with high stakes and devious, masterful twists that will leave you guessing until the very last page. Diana Urban's latest had my jaw on the floor." —Jessica Goodman, bestselling author of They Wish They Were Us Let's play a game. You have 24 hours to win. If you break my rules, she dies. If you call the police, she dies. If you tell your parents or anyone else, she dies. Are you ready? When Crystal Donovan gets a message on a mysterious app with a picture of her little sister gagged and bound, she agrees to play the kidnapper's game. At first, they make her complete bizarre tasks: steal a test and stuff it in a locker, bake brownies, make a prank call. But then Crystal realizes that each task is meant to hurt—and kill—her friends, one by one. But if she refuses to play, the kidnapper will kill her sister. Is someone trying to take her team out of the running for a gaming tournament? Or have they uncovered a secret from their past, and wants them to pay for what they did... Author of All Your Twisted Secrets, Diana Urban's explosive sophomore novel, *These Deadly Games*, is a must-read, propulsive YA thriller with deadly stakes, stunning twists, and a shocking ending you'll never forget—perfect for fans of I Know What You Did Last Summer and One of Us Is Lying.

*The Extractor - A Jack Storm Spy Thriller* Ethan Jones 2021-04-06 What if you had nothing to live for and nothing to lose... Devastated after his wife and daughter disappeared in a mysterious plane crash, Jack Storm, former CIS extractor, is failing to keep it all together. When a crucial asset is trapped in Tehran, the agency has no choice but to bring their top agent Jack back into service. They assign him a nearly-impossible mission, knowing he's a ticking time bomb... Sent in with a know-it-all rookie, despondent Jack is relentlessly hunted at every turn. If he is caught, he'll be hanged. But does Jack even care? Double-crossed, alone, and with the clock ticking, Jack, now more furious than hopeless, focuses his rage. But what does he have left to sacrifice to ensure the asset makes it out alive? Reviews ██████ "Wow that was some opening!" ██████ "Ethan Jones is the Master of the International Spy Thriller and you're sure to love *The Extractor*, his new Jack Storm series opener - it's a five star, not-to-be-missed, sensation. Grab yourself a copy today!" ██████ "Jack Storm is a new, exciting character that guys like me enjoy following." ██████ "My main thought about the book was simply, 'This is how you start an action series!'" ██████ "...Didn't disappoint... I found it riveting, fascinating, exciting and it kept me turning the pages to find out what was going to happen next." ██████ "Awesome start to a new series!" ██████ "LOVED the book!!! Couldn't put it down! Canadian CIS eh! Reminded me of Jack Ryan and some of Vince Flynn's books for the thrilling action and double crosses." ██████ "Thrilling suspenseful fast action spy thriller. Grab a coffee and settle in for an enjoyable read!" ██████ "...immediately riveting... I can't wait to see the next one in this series." ██████ "What a story! I thoroughly enjoyed the novel. It kept me at the edge of my seat. I was stunned by the ending. The author knows how to write an exceptionally good story. I could not put it down and I am impatiently waiting for the next book. I give it 5 stars which are well deserved. I would recommend this novel to anyone who likes spy stories. Keep writing!" Jack Storm Spy Thriller Series International bestselling author Ethan Jones brings a new series so heart-stopping and fever-pitched, that you'll have to take up a permanent position on the edge of your seat. Action movie fans will thoroughly enjoy *The Extractor*. A novel that promises to deliver and is as addicting as it is exciting. With more books coming in this rapid release spy thriller series, if you like Clancy, Flynn, or Ludlum, you'll love *The Extractor*. Enjoy it now. *One Dark Night* Tom Bale 2018-10-23 Driving home after a day in the countryside with his wife, Katy, and their two kids, doting father Adam Parr gets cut up by a speeding silver car, nearly causing him to crash. Shocked and upset that his kids could have been killed, he pulls over... That's when he sees a struggling woman in the back seat of the silver car, her eyes pleading for help, and he knows his family are in terrible danger. In the blink of an eye, the Parr's ordinary lives are plunged into an unimaginable nightmare. With nowhere to run, and the whole family at risk, does Adam have what it takes to lead his loved ones to safety? A gripping and addictive thriller with plenty of twists. If you love Harlan Coben, James Patterson or Robert Dugoni, you'll be completely hooked. What readers are saying about *One Dark Night*: 'Wow!! This book is incredible. I did not know what to expect from one page to the next. My kindle couldn't turn the pages fast enough. Needless to say, I read this book in one sitting. The "need to know" was greater than the need for sleep. And

it was so worth it. This is a book that needs to be on your must read list.' Sue Blanchard, 5 stars 'Abandon everything else because it is impossible to put down! Trust me, I read for 6 hours straight, kidding myself, just one more chapter, until it was suddenly Sam!!!! Tom Bale really does know how to reel you in!!' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'Grips you from the get-go and you don't want to let go until the end!!!!... Hold onto your hats, you're in for one hell of a ride.' Goodreads Reviewer, 5 stars 'An incredible, unable to put down novel! I read this in one day because I just couldn't stop!... So many twist and turns that I was in shock! The ending was my favourite by far!' Buried in a Book, 5 stars 'Sit down, buckle up, and get ready for one heck of an adrenaline rush! This book starts off fast and never really lets up. From the opening event to the wrap-up, I was enthralled and couldn't read fast enough.' Fireflies and Free Kicks, 5 stars 'A non-stop, all action thriller of a read... nail-biting... The action just kept coming and coming it was really gripping. A fantastic plot and amazing set of characters to keep you hooked from page one and not let go till the last page... It's a belter of a novel!!' Goodreads reviewer 'Starts off with a bang and it really sucked me in immediately... had me on the edge of my seat and I read it in the space of a couple of days. If you like fast paced, adrenaline fuelled thrillers then this is definitely the book for you.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'Really enjoyed... a gripping thriller that never once loses pace or addictive quality... heart-stopping... a fast paced action thriller... Terrific storytelling. Recommended.' Liz Loves Books 'A non-stop tension fuelled, fast paced story with plenty of action... an atmospheric thriller, full of suspense, twists and surprises!' Goodreads reviewer 'Highly recommend this must read thriller! I couldn't put it down until I knew how it ended (read as: another late night staying up to finish a book)... I can promise, I will be purchasing more of Tom Bale's thrillers.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars

*A Deadly Vice* Jack Probyn 2021-05-11 There's no fate worse than inheriting a dead man's debt. Jake Tanner, a trainee detective constable with Croydon CID, is eager to impress his bosses. So when a body is found face-down in the city's farmlands, head crushed, split in two, Jake jumps at the opportunity. The victim is soon identified as Zeke Harrison. A successful businessman and philanthropist. A man who had it all. But, as the investigation into his death develops, it becomes clear that Zeke had more secrets than success. And he had his debts - debts that got him killed. But now they've been passed on to someone else. And Jake must find out to whom before history repeats itself.

**Love You to Death** Caroline Mitchell 2016-11-11 Twenty years ago you were forced to give your daughter up. Now she's back.Or is she? Women who've had to give up children for adoption are being killed. A knock at their front door begins a nightmare from which they will never wake up. East London Detective Ruby Preston and her team must hunt down a disturbed individual before someone else is taken. But when bodies start turning up, staged in perfect, domestic scenes, it carries the echo of a memory in Ruby's mind. The tinkling of a music box. A mother and child reunion... Then just as Ruby thinks they've made a breakthrough, she receives a sinister email, and the case takes a terrifying personal twist. Can Ruby catch the killer before they strike again? Or will her troubled past catch up with her first? *Love You to Death* is a serial killer thriller packed with twists. If you like Karin Slaughter, Angela Marsons and Val MacDermid, discover Caroline Mitchell's new series today - at a special launch price.

**Grave Intent** A.M. Peacock 2019-07-03 A seemingly simple murder leads a Newcastle DCI with a criminal past to a dark underworld in this mystery by the author of *Open Grave*. An eighteen-year-old petty criminal is brutally tortured and left in a farmer's field to die. DCI Jack Lambert and his team think they have it all figured out. It's a robbery gone wrong. Suspicion immediately falls on the man who called it in. What Jack doesn't realise is that this is just the beginning. An escaped prisoner, an attempted hit, and a seemingly unending trail of violence and retribution follows. As the mystery unfolds, Jack begins to suspect the existence of a secret, but powerful, syndicate operating on the very edges of the North East's criminal underworld. With the situation spiralling out of control, Jack finds himself at a crossroads—one which could lead him back into the kind of life he has spent a career running away from. Time is running out, and this case might not only cost Lambert his job, but also his life . . . *Grave Intent* is the second novel featuring DCI Jack Lambert but can easily be read as a stand-alone. A fast-paced police procedural, full of stunning twists and turns, it will appeal to fans of authors like Angela Marsons, Joy Ellis and Helen H. Durrant. "From its very first gut-wrenching chapter, I was completely hooked." —Howard Linskey

*Last Place You Look* Louisa Scarr 2021-04-08 The man you love has been murdered. You'd do anything to find out the truth. Wouldn't you? A man lies dead in a hotel room, and the police attend his home address to inform the widow. Nothing unusual, until DC Freya West realises that the victim is the man she has been having an affair with. The future she imagined has been snatched away. Meanwhile, her new boss, DS Robin Butler, is preoccupied with his own problems. Mistakes he thought were buried deep in his past now threaten to be exposed. Before long, both Butler and West are keeping secrets that could end their careers - and worse. When the detectives have a chance to tell the truth, they choose to keep quiet. But once that line is crossed, is there any going back? After all, breaking the law is easy when you know how to uphold it. Don't miss this tense and compulsive police procedural thriller. Perfect for fans of Sunday Times bestselling authors Cara Hunter, Susie Steiner and Jane Casey. Praise for *Last Place You Look* 'This is punchy, police procedural stuff: just as her protagonists don't play by the book, so Scarr takes the traditional set-up into darker, dirtier, more intriguing terrain.' Hampshire Living 'A superbly crafted, perfectly paced thriller... The fact that Butler & West have just as much to hide as the people they hunt, makes this such a compelling read, and the start of a captivating new series that's hooked me in from the very first book.' Robert Scragg 'The delicious joy of discovering a brilliant new crime series! ... Our detectives, Butler and West, are a duo for our days; bound by their troubles, loneliness and secrets into an unlikely alliance. You'll fall for them, and this novel, in a big way!' Jo Furniss 'Tightly plotted with superb characterisation ... It's a book you won't be able to turn away from until you reach the very last page.' Alison Belsham 'Fantastic story and characterisation with a pair of detectives who are battling their own demons amidst an apparent suburban suicide' James Delargy 'The darker side of suburbia shows its underbelly in this gritty domestic thriller. A procedural with a kick in its tail!' Rachael Blok 'Crime fans are going to love *Last Place You Look* ... believe me, this is a detective team you're going to want to meet again and again.' Amy McLellan 'A seriously pacy plot and a tangled case that defies expectation. I eagerly await the next installment in this gripping and perfectly written series.' Heather Critchlow 'I was not expecting that! I was just so invested in the brilliant partnership of Butler and West that I couldn't put it down.... together they're dynamite. I was kept on my toes the whole time, not sure where the story was going, and there were so many twists along the way that I was expecting a shocking ending... and yet I still didn't see what was coming!' Elle Croft 'An exciting page turner and entirely believable police procedural thriller featuring a new pair of detectives whose secrets are as mysterious as those of the criminals they are trying to hunt. Highly recommended.' A. J. Park 'If you like tense, complex and compulsive procedurals with well observed characterisation this is definitely the book for you! A great start to a promising series.' N. J. Mackay

*The Never Game* Jeffery Deaver 2019 From the bestselling and award-winning master of suspense, the first novel in a thrilling new series, introducing Colter Shaw. "You have been abandoned." A young woman has gone missing in Silicon Valley and her father has hired Colter Shaw to find her. The son of a survivalist family, Shaw is an expert tracker. Now he makes a living as a "reward seeker," traveling the country to help police solve crimes and private citizens locate missing persons. But what seems a simple investigation quickly thrusts him into the dark heart of America's tech hub and the cutthroat billion-dollar video-gaming industry. "Escape if you can." When another victim is kidnapped, the clues point to one video game with a troubled past--The Whispering Man. In that game, the player has to survive after being abandoned in an inhospitable setting with five random objects. Is a madman bringing the game to life? "Or die with dignity." Shaw finds himself caught in a cat-and-mouse game, risking his own life to save the victims even as he pursues the kidnapper across both Silicon Valley and the dark 'net. Encountering eccentric game designers, trigger-happy gamers and ruthless tech titans, he soon learns that he isn't the only one on the hunt: someone is on his trail and closing fast. *The Never Game* proves once more why "Deaver is a genius when it comes to manipulation and deception" (Associated Press).

*Game of Fear: A gripping psychological thriller* Gledé Browne Kabongo 2016-02-24 Sometimes good girls do very bad things. . .Academic overachiever and popular good girl Abbie Cooper is used to being in control and strives to keep it that way. As senior year at her elite New England private school kicks off, she's focused on one goal: getting into the Ivy League. But even good girls have dark secrets. One morning, Abbie discovers a cryptic note in her locker- I know what you did, hypocrite! Justice will be served. The Avenger. Then a photo arrives in the mail. It captures in great detail the explosive secret she's kept hidden from everyone-the shocking blunder that could get her expelled from Saint Matthews Academy, and keep her out of the Ivy League for good.Determined to protect her future and the people she loves, Abbie is drawn into a diabolical game of blackmail, cyber spying, and deception. For \$50,000, the mystery girl known as The Avenger assures Abbie that her secret will remain safe. There's only one problem: The Avenger may not exist at all. So who's stalking Abbie with anonymous text messages that disappear after they've been read? Who's out to ruin her and why? To uncover the horrifying truth, Abbie must play the game, all the way to its stunning conclusion. --Provided by publisher.