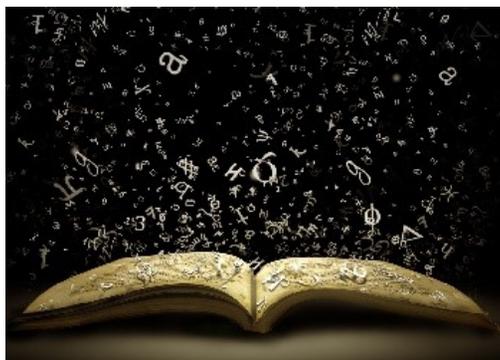


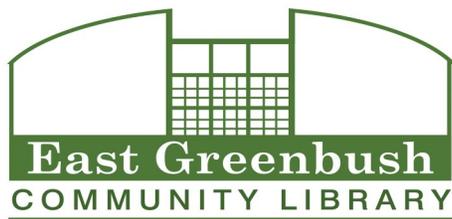
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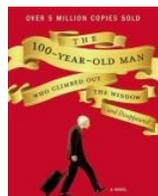


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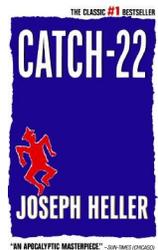
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[The 100-Year-Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared](#)

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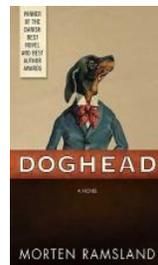
Allan Karlsson, a former explosives expert who is nearing 100, escapes through his nursing home window in his slippers, embarking on an adventure involving thugs, a murderous elephant and a friendly hot dog stand operator. FIC JONASSON



[Catch-22](#)

By Joseph Heller

Set near the end of World War II in an American bomber squadron on a small island off Italy, bombardier Yossarian is frantic and furious because thousands of people he hasn't even met keep trying to kill him. He has decided to live forever even if he has to die in the attempt. FIC HELLER

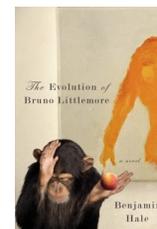


[Doghead](#)

By Morten Ramsland

A highly imaginative, exuberant saga that follows three generations of a wildly dysfunctional Norwegian family. FIC RAMSLAND

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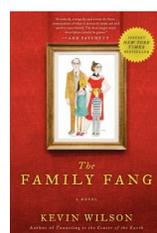


[Littlemore](#)

By Benjamin Hale

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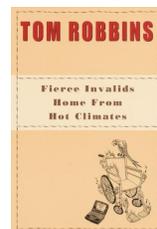
[The Family Fang](#)



By Kevin Wilson

Buster and Annie Fang are tired of starring (unwillingly) in their performance artist parents' madcap pieces. When they discover that Caleb and Camille are planning one last performance--their magnum opus--conflict forces the Fangs to face the decision about what's more important: their family or their art. FIC WILSON

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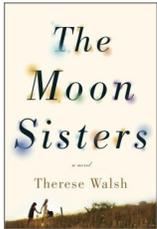


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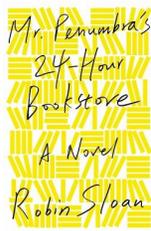
The Moon Sisters

By Therese Walsh
Sisters Jazz and Olivia Moon deal with their mother's probable suicide differently. Logical, forward-thinking Jazz gets a new job, but spirited, strong-willed Olivia—who can see sounds, taste words, and smell sights—is determined to travel to the remote setting of their mother's unfinished novel to lay her spirit properly to rest. FIC WALSH



Mr. Penumbra's 24-Hour Bookstore

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After a layoff during the Great Recession sidelines his tech career, Clay Jannon takes a job at the titular bookstore in San Francisco, and soon realizes that the establishment is a facade for a strange secret. FIC SLOAN, LPB SLOAN

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Waging a fierce competition for which they have trained since childhood, circus magicians Celia and Marco unexpectedly fall in love with each other and share a fantastical romance that manifests in fateful ways. FIC, LPB, BK ON CD MORGENSTERN



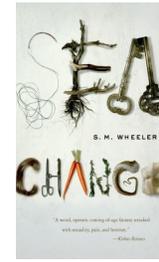
The Rosie Project

By Graeme Simsion
Don Tillman, professor of genetics, has never been on a second date. Yet he must concede to the statistical probability that there is someone for everyone, and he embarks upon The Wife Project. Then he meets Rosie, who is everything he's not looking for in a wife. FIC, LPB SIMSION



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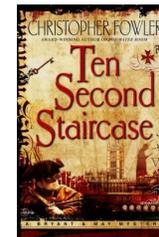
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The unhappy child of parents who despise each other, young Lilly turns to the



ocean and finds solace in the form of the eloquent and intelligent sea monster Octavius, a kraken. FAN WHEELER

The Ten Second Staircase: A Peculiar Crimes Unit Mystery

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