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# Chick Lit

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# NOVELS

*A married man*

Catherine Allcott

F A437m GPB

After four years of raising her children by herself, widow Lucy Fellowes moves to the country with her in-laws and finds love with a twist.

*Little bitty lies*

Mary Kay Andrews

F A568L 2003

Shocked when her husband leaves, taking all their money with him, Mary Bliss opts to fund her mortgage, expensive teenage daughter, and eccentric mother-in-law's nursing home by staging her husband's death in order to claim his insurance money.

*Triple feature: a novel*

Louise Bagshawe

F B149t

Three women in the male-dominated, glamour town of Hollywood--supermodel-turned-actress Roxana, studio head Eleanor, and scriptwriter Megan--pool their resources to pull off the movie-making coup they have all been dreaming of.



*Baggage*

Emily Barr

F B2682b GPB

Inseparable throughout high school, Sophie and Daisy are best friends until Daisy is accused of murder, stages her own death, and escapes to Australia, where ten years later she is reunited accidentally with Sophie.

*High maintenance*

Jennifer Belle

F B4382h 2001

The author's second novel traces a young woman's unusual obsession with a Manhattan apartment after her marriage falls apart that she strives to make her home while dealing with the manic ups and downs of the Manhattan real-estate market.

### Circle of friends

Maeve Binchy

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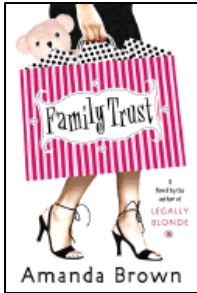
Two friends who grew up together in a small Irish village attend college in Dublin, where their lives become intertwined with the beautiful Nan Mahon and Jack Foley, the handsome son of a doctor.

### Summer sisters: a novel

Judy Blume

FB658su

Two women from very different families become inseparable companions during summers on Martha's Vineyard during their coming-of-age years, forging the bonds of a lifelong friendship that weathers growing up, marriage, children, careers, and betrayal.



### Family trust

Amanda Brown

FB8779f

Ambitious Becca Reinhart enjoys her solo life, as does footloose playboy Edward Kirkland, but their lives are turned upside down when the two strangers receive co-guardianship of spirited four-year-old Emily.

### Trading up

Candice Bushnell

FB9791t

A lingerie model whose fame and success have gone to her head, Janey Wilcox becomes involved in a world of too much money and too little ethics where she is forced to reexamine her values to determine how far she is willing to go to succeed.

### Boy meets girl

Meg Cabot

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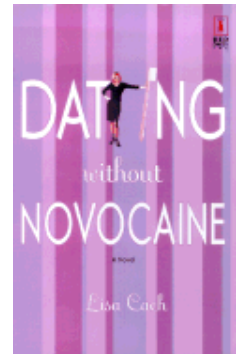
Kate Mackenzie finds her life going from bad to worse with a long-time boyfriend who refuses to commit, a mother in love with a younger man, and a desperate housing situation, until she meets attorney Mitch Hertzog.

Dating without novocaine

Lisa Cach

F C119d GPB

On the brink of turning thirty and depressingly single, self-employed clothing designer Hannah O'Dowd, who is terrified of anything dental related, embarks on a hilarious mission, fraught with dating disasters and enlightening escapades, to find Mr. Right.



Wedding pictures: a novel

Paintings by Kathy Osborn; text by Jacqueline Carey

F C274W

Illustrated with plucky paintings, a wry novel about the obsessions of the thirty-something generation--relationships, faith, betrayal, and clothes--follows on one couple's halting trip to the altar.

Talking to Addison

Jenny Colgan

F C695t

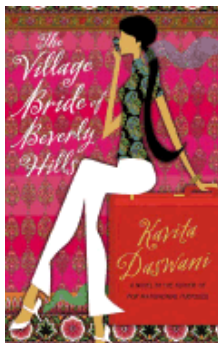
Falling in love with a gorgeous computer geek named Addison when she moves into a new place with a strange ensemble of friends, Holly, a frustrated florist, is determined to tear him away from his computer, but when she succeeds, Addison's life is thrown into chaos, and Holly must rescue him in order to move on with her own life.

Faking it

Jennifer Crusie

F C9573fa

Matilda Goodnight and Davy Dempsy are both trying to get the upper hand with gold-digging Clea Lewis, but they forge a temporary alliance to take on an inept art collector, an exasperated hitman, and a seductive femme fatale.



The village bride of Beverly Hills

Kavita Daswani

F D231V

After an arranged marriage in India, Priya and her husband move to California to live with his parents, where expectations to play the role of the traditional Indian housewife, force her to keep secrets from her husband's disapproving family.

*So 5 minutes ago*

Hilary de Vries

F D5142s

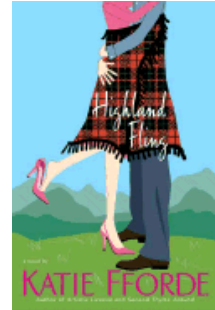
Working for a Los Angeles public relations firm whose clients are primarily has-beens, celebrity publicist Alex Davidson wonders what the firm's acquisition by a hot rival will mean for her job, becomes suspicious of her shark-like new boss, and considers an opportunity to do good in Hollywood.

*Highland fling*

Katie Forde

F F437h

Taking a business trip to Scotland after a fight with her boyfriend, financial assistant Jenny Porter works to save a troubled textile mill and helps in a variety of local causes, including a mobile food stand and a troubled romance.



*Olivia Joules and the overactive imagination*

Helen Fielding

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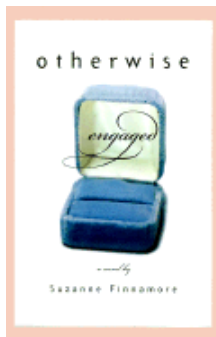
Journalist-turned-spy Olivia Joules finds herself drawn to Pierre Ferramo, a man of impeccable taste and extraordinary wealth, until she begins to worry that he is an international terrorist hiding behind a sophisticated smokescreen.

*The first time*

Joy Fielding

F F4593f

After her husband, a high-profile defense attorney, leaves home to live with his new lover, Mattie Hart falls ill, a situation that prompts her guilt-ridden husband to return home to care for her.



*Otherwise engaged*

Suzanne Finnamore

F F5143o 1999

In a humorous take on the institution of modern marriage, Eve struggles to cope with life after the man of her dreams pops the question, as she deals with setting the date for the wedding, finding a dress, and planning the wedding, as a once sensible woman is transformed into a "bride-to-be."

*Jemima J.: a novel about ugly ducklings and swans*

Jane Green

F G7964j

Plus-sized Jemima Jones struggles with weight, dating, and work issues as she navigates a treacherous world dominated by thinner women.

*Divas, Inc.*

Donna Hill

F H6456d

When her best friends since childhood, famous divas Tiffany Lane and Chantel Hollis, head to Europe for an extended vacation, ordinary Margaret Drew is left to tend to their apartments and, after years of living vicariously through their exploits, sets out to see how the other half lives by co-opting their homes, boyfriends, and lifestyles.

*Honeymoon*

Amy Jenkins

F J524h 2000

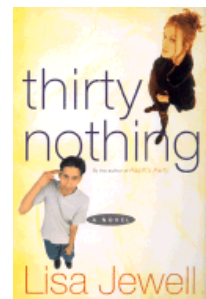
On the verge of getting married to Ed, a suitable young man, Honey still finds herself carrying a torch for Alex, the Love of Her Life, with whom she spent only one night, a situation that is further complicated when Honey runs into Alex during her honeymoon in New York.

*Thirtynothing: a novel*

Lisa Jewell

F J593t 2000 GPB

Imagine bumping into your first love twelve years after you last saw her. Imagine that she's even better-looking than she was when she was eighteen and that you ask her out for dinner and she says yes. This is what happens to Dig Ryan on the day of his thirtieth birthday.



*Le divorce*

Diane Johnson

F J662d 1997

Pregnant and recently abandoned by her husband, Roxeanne Walker de Persand has her rough-edged sister, Isabel, come to Paris to help her through this period where the powerful Persand family is pushing for a divorce and control of a valuable Walker family heirloom.



### The Cinderella rules

Donna Kauffman

F K2113C GPB

Leaving her ranch to return to glamorous Washington, D.C., to escort an important client of their father at the request of her sister, Darby Landon turns to Glass Slipper, Inc., an exclusive makeover salon, to get ready for a round of glittering high-society parties, never expecting to be swept off her feet by dashing tycoon Shane Morgan.

### Sushi for beginners

Marian Keyes

F K442S 2000

Who will have the nervous breakdown? Will it be Clodagh who awaits her beautiful husband's homecoming, or Lisa, hard and brittle and recently demoted? Or perhaps it will be Ashling who is so normal that she is actually weird.

### Confessions of a shopoholic

Sophie Kinsella

F K562C GPB

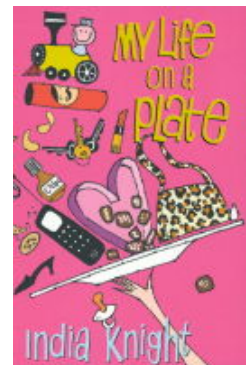
Rebecca Bloomwood, a financial journalist at Successful Savings, seeks solace from the boredom, pressures, and difficulties in life with her shopping, a solution that brings her ever closer to financial disaster, until she finally encounters a story that she actually cares about and produces an article that will change her own life and the lives of all those around her.

### My life on a plate

India Knight

F K691M 2000

A funny novel about marriage and family life follows thirty-three-year-old Clara Hutt, a "plus size" woman, on her epic search for happiness and fulfillment.



### Dating dead men

Jane Harley Kozak

F K882

As part of her research for talk show host Dr. Cookie Lahven's upcoming book "How to Avoid Getting Dumped All the Time," Wollie Shelley is dating forty men in sixty days, but her assignment is complicated by an unexpected corpse.

*She's come undone: a novel*

Wally Lamb

F L2181

Eating herself into obesity in the wake of her lost childhood and over-anxious mother, Dolores Price finds herself facing adulthood in a cruel world and resolves to rise to the occasion.



*Life à la mode*

Linda Lenhoff

F L5662L GPB

After her mother rediscovers sex and her sister gets engaged for the sixth time, editor Holly Phillips decides to change her life by taking such risks as standing up to her boss, reuniting with her long-lost father, and going out on a date.

*Altar ego*

Kathy Lette

F L651a 1998

Thirtysomething Becky Steele, her crowd's wildest party girl, has decided to settle down with the perfect guy, until she thinks about missing out on good times and starts seeing an embarrassingly young rock star.

*Where the heart is: a novel*

Billie Letts

F L6515W

Pregnant, overweight, and convinced about her inherent bad luck, Novalee Nation hopes for a new life in a new state with her boyfriend but is dumped along the way in Oklahoma, where she finds her spirit renewed.

*Come together: a novel*

Josie Lloyd and Emlyn Rees

F L793c 1999

Written in chapters with alternating viewpoints, an ironic love story chronicles the growing romance between twenty-seven-year-old Jack Rositer, who dreams of the perfect woman, and Amy Crosbie, a twenty-five-year-old single and desperate woman, from their first meeting at a party.



### The brass bed

Alexandra Marshall

F M367b

Newly separated from his wife, Duncan Jones, a Boston journalist, falls in love with Nina Jones, a woman he meets by chance through the newspaper.

### Behaving like adults: a novel

Anna Maxted

F M4643b

Twenty-nine-year-old dating service owner Holly starts to doubt her ability to read people and her belief in human goodness after a dare-prompted date with perfect-on-paper Stuart goes horribly awry.



### Sloppy firsts: a novel

Megan McCafferty

F M1216s

Devastated when her best friend moves away, sixteen-year-old Jessica Darling feels isolated at school and at home, as she struggles to deal with her father's obsession with her track meets, her boy-crazy peers, and her own nonexistent love life.

### Devil May Care

Sheri McInnis

F M1524d

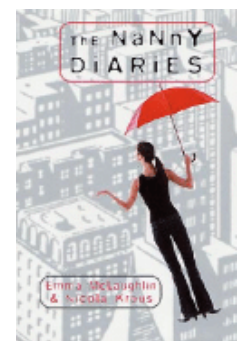
Struggling with her unfulfilling job, would-be actress Sally finally lands a part at the same time she meets wealthy and attractive Jack, who seems to be the man she always longed to meet, until she begins to suspect that he has a darker side.

### The nanny diaries: a novel

Emma McLaughlin and Nicola Kraus

F M1613n

A satirical glimpse into Manhattan's upper class follows Nanny, a struggling NYU student who takes a position caring for the son of the rich and glamorous X family, as she learns how to juggle a vast array of tasks so that a Park Avenue wife never has to lift a well-manicured finger.



### The latest bombshell

Michele Mitchell

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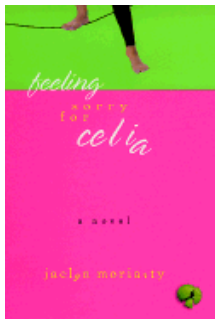
Taking a break from her job as a political consultant, Kate Boothe finds her vacation cut short when her business partner informs her that her ex has been accused of selling military secrets to China, a situation that proves even more complicated than she realizes.

### The ex files

Jane Moore

F M8224e

The guest list for Fay's and Mark's wedding could become a problem as Faye copes with her yearning for one last fling; her ex Nat, a narcissistic fashion model, and his Playboy bunny girlfriend; Kate, Mark's vengeful ex; and Adam, Faye's flamboyant sidekick, as Faye faces a serious decision about love, personal dreams, and Mark.



### Feeling sorry for Celia

Jaclyn Moriarty

F M8542f 2000

An epistolary first novel uses letters written between teenage friends, refrigerator notes from a crazy mother, and epistles that express the narrator's own internal feelings of self-doubt to weave this bitter-sweet coming of age story.

### Playing away: a novel

Adele Parks

F P2522p 2000

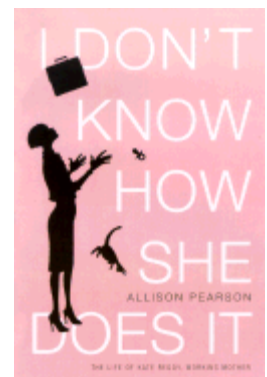
A gifted young woman balances her career, husband, and her irresistible lover in this hilarious take on modern romance.

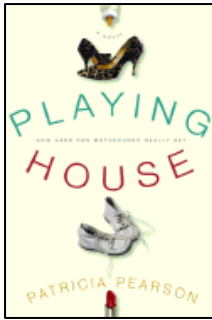
### I don't know how she does it: the life of Kate Reddy, working mother

Allison Pearson

F P3615i

In a pointed dramatization of the problems of working mothers, Kate Reddy, a hedge fund manager and mother of two, struggles to juggle her professional and personal lives and to balance--often unsuccessfully--the tightrope of work and home.





Playing house  
Patricia Pearson  
F P3626p

unexpectedly finding herself pregnant, New Yorker Frannie MacKenzie embarks on a wild romp through the mysteries of pregnancy, childbirth, and motherhood with father-to-be, Calvin, an "experimental" musician.

The heartbreaker  
Carly Phillips  
F P5583h 2003

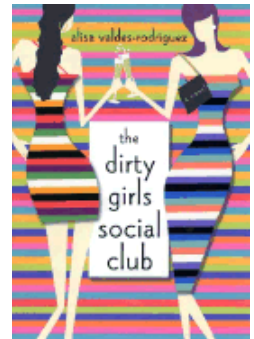
Having reluctantly taken over the town newspaper after his father's death, Chase Chandler realizes his loneliness in the wake of his mother's illness and siblings' happy family lives and is shocked to find himself falling for a young woman with whom he shared a one-night stand.

The True and outstanding adventures of the Hunt sisters  
Elisabeth Robinson  
F R6594t

An unemployed actress, Olivia Hunt is forced to leave Hollywood to return home at the request of her younger sister, Madeleine, which leads to her struggling to balance her newly energized film career with her family needs.

The Dirty Girls Social Club  
Alisa Valdes-Rodriguez  
F V1452d

In the years after graduating from Boston University, six Latina friends from widely varied backgrounds meet every six months to dine, share the stories of their everyday lives, and offer advice to one another.



The man I should have married  
Pamela Redmond Satran  
F S253m GPB

Abandoned by her lawyer-husband for another woman and a new career teaching yoga, thirtysomething Kennedy Smith sets out to rediscover the hipness of her youth by taking up with her playboy boss, Declan McGlynn.

### The Red Hat Club

Haywood Smith

F S6492r

Best friends since high school, a tightly knit club of five southern women rallies together when one of their husbands is discovered to be having an affair.

### Bergdorf blondes

Plum Sykes

F 2983b

A wealthy and spoiled young woman living at the peak of New York society, searches for the meaning of life while coping with her broken engagement and telephone calls from her mother pressuring her to marry the Earl next door.



### Good in bed

Jennifer Weiner

F W4233g 2001

Humiliated to discover that her ex-boyfriend has been chronicling their former sex life in a series of articles called "Loving a Larger Woman" in a popular women's magazine, pop-culture journalist Cannie Shapiro embarks on an adventure-filled odyssey as she confronts her losses, makes peace with the past, and comes to terms with herself, her dreams, and her goals in life.



### As long as she needs me

Nicholas Weinstock

F W4244a 2001

A stinging satire of the wedding and publishing industries follows the adventures of Oscar, the personal assistant to one of Manhattan's publishing giants, as he plans his boss's pending nuptials.

### The devil wears Prada

Lauren Weisberger

F W426d

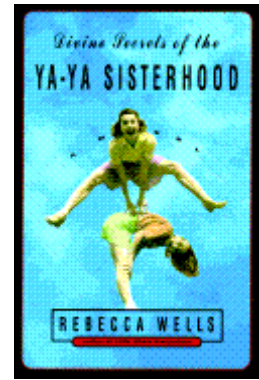
A small-town girl fresh out of an Ivy League college lands a job at a prestigious fashion magazine, but wonders if the glamorous perks are worth working for the editor from hell.

## Divine secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood

Rebecca Wells.

F W455d

At thirty-nine, SiddaLee Walker has escaped her Louisiana hometown to become a theatrical director, but as she gathers old letters, photos, journals, and souvenirs from the Ya-Ya Sisterhood to assist in writing a play about women's friendships, she yearns to revisit her childhood.



## Me times three: a novel

Alex Witchel

F W819m

Discovering that her fiancé is secretly engaged to two other women, Sandra Berlin, a successful editor, embarks on the emotional ups and downs of an arduous quest to find a meaningful life and true love in 1980s New York.

## Diary of a mad bride

Laura Wolf

F W854d 2001 GPB

Impulsively accepting her boyfriend's marriage proposal, Amy, an independent, career-minded New Yorker, finds her common-sense approach turned upside down as she becomes embroiled in the agonizing preparations for the wedding of her dreams.



Her

Laura Zigman

F Z68h GPB

The romantic relationship between Elise, a graduate student in Washington, D.C., and Donald, an investment banker-turned-teacher, is headed for a storybook wedding until the arrival of Donald's gorgeous ex-fiancée, Adrienne.

# NON-FICTION

*Nothing to fall back on: the life and times of a perpetual optimist*

Betsy Carter

92 C323

Successful and smart, Betsy Carter was not only the ultimate "New York Woman," she also founded a magazine by that same name. For nearly 20 years, she led a high-gloss life that others only dream of -- travel, fashion, parties, power -- until things started to go terribly wrong. Carter faced a series of catastrophes: a devastating car accident, a failed marriage, a house that burned down. Then her magazine folded and she was diagnosed with breast cancer. This moving story, set against the gossipy and often hilarious world of magazine publishing, reveals what it is like to be stripped bare, to wander through the rubble, and to finally put yourself together again.



*Falling leaves: the true story of an unwanted Chinese daughter*

Adeline Yen Mah

92 M2143

Born in 1937 in a port city a thousand miles north of Shanghai, Adeline Yen Mah was the youngest child of an affluent Chinese family who enjoyed rare privileges during a time of political and cultural upheaval. But wealth and position could not shield Adeline from a childhood of appalling emotional abuse at the hands of a cruel and manipulative Eurasian stepmother. Adeline struggled for independence as she moved from Hong Kong to England and eventually to the United States to become a physician and writer.

*Not without my daughter*

Betty Mahmoody with William Hoffer

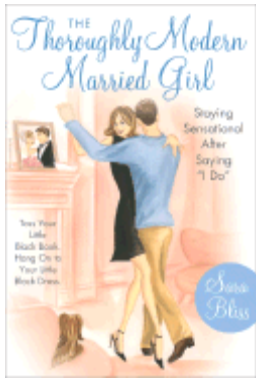
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In August 1984, Michigan housewife Betty Mahmoody accompanied her husband to his native Iran for a two-week vacation. To her horror, she found herself and her four-year-old daughter, Mahtob, virtual prisoners of a man rededicated to his Shi'ite Moslem faith, in a land where women are near-slaves and Americans are despised. Their only hope for escape lay in a dangerous underground that would not take her child...

Sex and the city  
Candace Bushnell

306.7 B9792 1996

The collection of columns that inspired the HBO series of the same name offers a tantalizing glimpse of the openings, launch parties, and celebrity affairs that keep society amused. Throughout, a cast of characters—the troubled writer, the successful businessman, the famous underwear model, and others—searches for true love...or at least someone to go home with at the end of the night.



The thoroughly modern married girl: staying sensational after saying "I do"

Sara Bliss.

306.8 B649

You were a fabulous single girl--you were swell, you were a bombshell, you were a bad girl on the open road. Now you're getting hitched--are your glam days gone for good? No way. *The Thoroughly Modern Married Girl* shows how to retire that little black book without tossing the little black dress.

Celebrating girls: nurturing and empowering our daughters

Virginia Beane Rutter

306.87 R982 1996

How then, can parents who are concerned about the sexist restrictions society tends to heap on girls help their daughters honor the feminine inside? What kinds of modern daily rituals and special initiation ceremonies can help a girl through her transitions, and help her celebrate her life? In *Celebrating Girls*, Virginia Beane Rutter offers specific ways to help raise self-esteem, make girls understand that they do matter, assure their physical self-confidence, empower their minds, and support their creativity.

Fashion victim: our love-hate relationship with dressing, shopping, and the cost of style

Michelle Lee

391 L479

Fashion—from the \$1500 Prada bag to the \$30 Kate Spade knock-off sold on the sidewalk—has been transformed from a commodity reserved for the elite to a powerful presence in mass market culture. As a society, we are obsessed with fashion and style, racking up credit card debt to support compulsive shopping habits, scouring magazines for the latest trends to buy, and focusing more on who's wearing what at the Oscars than on who's winning. In *Fashion Victim*, award-winning journalist Michelle Lee

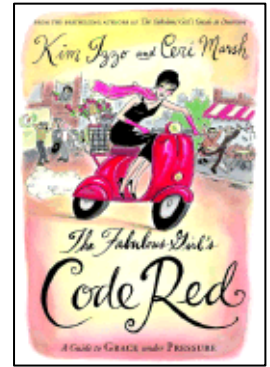
blows the lid off the fashion industry, and spotlights the fascinating—and often disturbing—ways in which it is morphing our culture, our economy and our values.

### *The fabulous girl's code red: a guide to grace under pressure*

Kim IZZO

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This book is a modern woman's survival guide to managing the often delicate and extreme moments of her sophisticated life. Witty and frank, *Code Red* offers etiquette guidance on subjects relevant to the evolving Fabulous Girl, such as dating men with kids, ending affairs, surviving corporate mergers, changing careers mid-stream, or finding your husband in bed with another woman. In addition to the playful but frank advice Marsh and Izzo provide, they also reacquaint readers with the unforgettable Fabulous Girl, a character who vividly brings to life the etiquette lessons of *Code Red*.



### *Girl, Interrupted*

Susanna Kayson

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In the late 1960s, the author spent nearly two years on the ward for teenage girls at McLean Hospital, a renowned psychiatric facility. Her memoir encompasses horror and razor-edged perceptions, while providing vivid portraits of her fellow patients and their keepers.

### *Feminine leadership, or, How to succeed in business without being one of the boys*

Marilyn Loden

658.409 L821

The strength and skills of women are yet to be tapped for the new dimension of leadership they can offer the business world, observes Loden, a management consultant. New, more cooperative management styles, sparked with intuitive and empathic approaches to problem-solving, await the recognition and acceptance that have been slow to come in the male-dominated workplace.

### *The lives of the Muses: nine women & the artists they inspired*

Francine Prose

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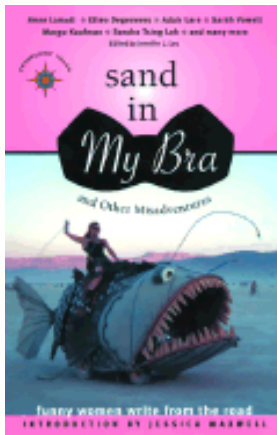
Prose's book contains sections on Hester Thrale, Alice Liddell, Elizabeth Siddal, Lou Andreas Salomé, Gala Dalí, Lee Miller, Charis Weston, Suzanne Farrell and Yoko Ono.

Bachelor girls

Wendy Wasserstein

814 W322

The twenty-nine essays in this book contain Wasserstein's observations on such diverse topics as boyfriends ("The worse the boyfriend, the more stunning your American Express bill"), role models ("In the forties emulating an ideal woman meant bobbing your hair like Betty Grable's. In the eighties, because of Jessica Lange, women have to get a Pulitzer Prize-winning actor-playwright to fall in love with them, have a child by one of the world's great dancers, be nominated for two Academy Awards, and enjoy doing the laundry alone on a farm") and success ("I knew my friend Patti was a big-time Hollywood agent the first time I saw her dial a telephone with a pencil")



Sand in my bra and other misadventures: funny women write from the road

Jennifer L. Leo

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Travel isn't always what we dream it will be, but oh, the stories that follow. Share in the hilarious, bizarre, and unforgettable misadventures of 29 women whose trips went comically awry. From Australia to Zambia, up Nepal's mountains and along Mexico's beaches, the true stories in this collection will make you laugh, groan, and sympathize with these travelers who took a trip on the lighter side.

Travelers' tales: a woman's world

collected and edited by Marybeth Bond

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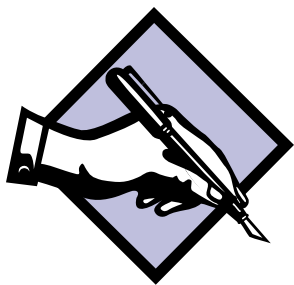
Meet women from all stages of life adventurously wending their way across the globe. Lighthearted or serious, sad or funny, or some combination of it all, each story in this collection will move you -- perhaps even to the road itself.

Harrison E. Salisbury.

Heroes of my time

920 S167

Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Salisbury spent six decades reporting in Russia, Asia, and the U.S. Hardened by years in the newspaper trenches, he writes about 25 unforgettable people who inspired his admiration--Robert Kennedy, Malcolm X, Nikita Krushchev, Roger Wilkins, Patricia King, and other lesser known heroes.



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RECOMMENDED AUTHORS

Candice Bushnell  
Jennifer Crusie  
Helen Fielding  
Olivia Goldsmith  
Jane Green  
Sophie Kinsella  
Marian Keyes  
Rebecca Wells

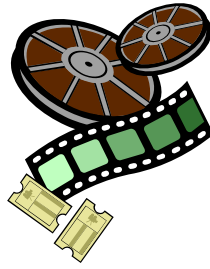
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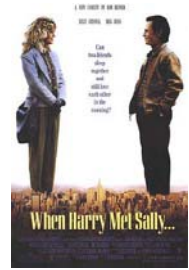
# Chick Flicks



When Harry met Sally

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Can two friends sleep together and still love each other in the morning?  
The classic movie about friendships and relationships.



Pretty woman

VC 1063

A successful corporate mogul meets an independent and carefree prostitute. He teaches her about the finer things in life and she teaches him that love could be the best investment he ever made.

Only you

VC2162

Faith believes she is destined to marry someone named Damon, but when he doesn't appear she decides to marry a doctor. That is until she receives a message from a Damon & then she is off to Italy to find him & her destiny.

The First wives club

VC 2456

Three Manhattan first wives band together to take their due from the men who used them, abused them, then dumped them for a younger model.

Ever after

VC 2969

A dazzling rendering of the Cinderella story about an independent girl who works miracles on the lives of everyone around her and then finds her very own Prince Charming. Exquisitely filmed on location in France.



You've got mail

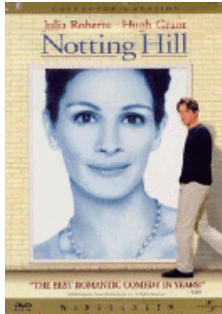
VC 2992

A book chain magnate and a children's bookshop owner are anonymous e-mail cyberpals who fall head-over-laptops in love, unaware that they're also combative business rivals. A pleasant, old fashioned romantic comedy with a decidedly contemporary spin. A remake of the 1940 film, *The Shop Around the Corner* (VC 998).

## Hilary and Jackie

VC 2188

A heartfelt, biographical drama about world-famous cellist Jacqueline du Pré and the competitive, complex relationship with her sister, Hilary. They grow up in 1950's England--both musical prodigies--but take different paths in life, before falling in love with the same man.



## Notting Hill

VC 3215

Can two people fall in love with the whole world watching? Find out in this old-fashioned romantic comedy, in which a beautiful, internationally famous American movie star falls for a bemused English bookseller in the quaint and fashionable neighbourhood of Notting Hill, London.

## Never been kissed

VC 3216

In this romantic comedy, a 25-year-old Chicago newspaper reporter is determined to go from "geek" to "chic" when she's sent back to high school to learn about today's teens. There, she falls for her good-looking English teacher.

## Flashdance

VC 3433

A fiercely determined young woman--who works as a welder by day--dreams of becoming a professional ballet dancer, trying out her original routines every night at a local bar.

## Girl, interrupted

VC 3625

The story of a young woman's life-altering stay at a psychiatric hospital in the late 1960s.



## Bridget Jones's diary

VC 3829 2001

In this comedy, an unmarried career woman at a London publishing house contends with the ups and downs of modern romance.

## Legally blonde

VC 3833

A frothy, feel-good comedy about a young California sorority girl (she's majoring in Fashion) who'll do anything to keep her blueblood, Harvard-bound boyfriend, even if it means gaining admission to his law school. But a surprise is in store, when this material girl discovers the romantic possibilities of her own intellect. Also see **Legally Blonde 2: red, white, & blonde** (VC 4301)

## The Princess diaries

VC 3835

A modern-day Cinderella story in which an unpopular San Francisco high schooler undergoes a regal transformation after learning that she's the heir to the throne of a small European principality.

## The wedding planner

VC 3861

A charming romantic comedy with J-Lo as a busy-bee San Francisco wedding coordinator at the height of her career, until she breaks one of the most important rules and falls for the hunky groom of the ceremony she's currently planning.



## Pretty in pink

VC 4046

The popular, bittersweet 1980s' teenage romantic comedy/drama, in which a high-school girl from the wrong side of town falls for a wealthy heart-throb.

## Kate & Leopold

VC 4074

In this romantic comedy set in contemporary Manhattan, a spunky, thoroughly modern woman falls for a time-travelling, 19th-century aristocrat and his gentlemanly ways.



## Sweet home Alabama

VC 4092

A fish-out-of-water romantic comedy about an up-and-coming fashion designer in Manhattan who finds herself engaged to the city's most eligible bachelor, but must first revisit the Alabama hometown she despises and win a divorce from her no-account husband.

### Where the heart is

VC 4138

A down-on-her-luck southern teen gains 15 minutes of fame by giving birth to a baby in an Oklahoma Wal-Mart, but she begins to get her life together with the help of some kind, quirky strangers who become her surrogate family.

### Sliding doors

VC 4153

Through parallel editing two different romantic storylines unfold in this comedy/fantasy built around the premise of exploring what might have ensued if a lovely young woman in London hadn't missed her subway train.



### How to lose a guy in 10 days

VC 4199

A battle-of-the-sexes romantic comedy about a super-smooth Manhattan advertising executive who bets his boss he can make a woman fall in love with him in just ten days. Coincidentally, the woman he has chosen to pursue is a magazine columnist writing a magazine article about how to get rid of a man...in exactly the same time.

### Serendipity

VC 4203

A romantic comedy in which two New Yorkers meet by chance in Bloomingdale's during the Christmas season, and have an instant connection, but tempt fate by separating, only to search each other out years later to see if they can re-establish their rapport.

### Maid in Manhattan

VC 4297

This romantic comedy presents a modern version of the Cinderella fairy tale, whereby a handsome political candidate falls for a single mom and maid at his hotel after he mistakes her for a socialite.

### Under the Tuscan sun

VC 4300

In this romantic comedy, a recently divorced American writer impulsively buys an aging Tuscan villa where she finds comfort in good friends, good food, and beautiful surroundings.





## About a boy

VC 4334

A good-looking but shallow, thirty-something London bachelor--whose primary goal in life is to avoid any kind of responsibility--learns a lesson about growing up from a bright but hopelessly geeky 12-year-old boy.