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## FICTION



### FIRST PERSON SINGULAR

**Haruki Murakami**

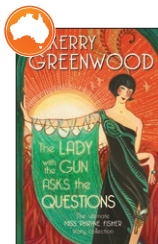
Hardback  
RRP \$39.99

6 April release

A mindbending new collection of short

stories from the unique, internationally acclaimed author of *Men Without Women* and *Killing Commendatore*.

Philosophical and mysterious, the stories in *First Person Singular* all touch beautifully on love and solitude, childhood and memory. . . all with a signature Murakami twist.



### THE LADY WITH THE GUN ASKS THE QUESTIONS

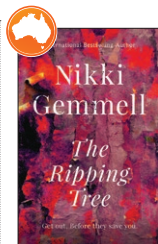
**Kerry Greenwood**

Paperback  
RRP \$29.99

Miss Phryne Fisher is up to her

stunning green eyes in intriguing crime in each of these entertaining, fun and compulsively readable stories.

With the ever-loyal Dot, the ingenious Mr Butler and all of Phryne's friends and household, the action is as fast as Phryne's wit and logic.



### THE RIPPING TREE

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An illustrious family. A beautiful home. A shipwrecked young woman left

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A powerful and gripping tale of survival written in Nikki Gemmell's signature lyrical and evocative prose, it examines the darkness at the heart of early colonisation. Unsettling, audacious, thrilling and unputdownable.

## BOOK OF THE MONTH



### LOVE OBJECTS

**Emily Maguire**

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Nic is a forty-five-year-old trivia buff, amateur nail artist and fairy godmother to the neighbourhood's stray cats. She's also the owner of a decade's worth of daily newspapers, enough clothes

and shoes to fill Big W three times over and a pen collection which, if laid end-to-end, would probably circle her house twice.

The person she's closest to in the world is her beloved niece Lena, who she meets for lunch every Sunday. One day Nic fails to show up.

*Love Objects* is a clear-eyed, heart-wrenching and deeply compassionate novel about love and family, betrayal and forgiveness, and the things we do to fill our empty spaces.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Emily Maguire is the author of six novels, including the Stella Prize and Miles Franklin Award-shortlisted *An Isolated Incident*, and three non-fiction books. Emily works as a teacher and as a mentor to young and emerging writers and was the 2018/2019 Writer-in-Residence at the Charles Perkins Centre at the University of Sydney.



## NON-FICTION



### SEX, LIES AND QUESTION TIME

**Kate Ellis**

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RRP \$32.99

*Sex, Lies and Question Time* explores the good, the bad and the ugly

of life as a woman in Australian politics.

Seventy-seven years after the first woman entered Australian parliament, female politicians are still the minority. They cop scrutiny in a way few of their male colleagues do. It's time to call bullshit on the toxic Canberra culture.



### LAPSED

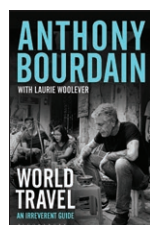
**Monica Dux**

Paperback  
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When her young daughter expressed a desire to be baptised, lapsed

Catholic Monica Dux found herself re-examining her own childhood and how Catholicism had shaped her. Was it really out of her system or was it in her blood for life? With wry humour and razor-sharp observations, *Lapsed* is the story of one woman's attempt to answer this question.



### WORLD TRAVEL

**Anthony Bourdain**

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Anthony Bourdain saw more of the world than

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## CHILDREN'S & YA



### DON'T FORGET

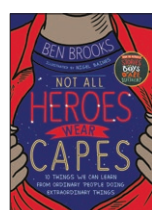
**Jane Godwin**

Hardback  
RRP \$19.99

Sometimes, we need to remember all

the things we can do to be part of the world. Small things, like offering a smile. And bigger things, like hoping, dreaming, imagining...

A timely and uplifting picture book, reflecting on what's important for each of us to remember. **Age: 5+**



### NOT ALL HEROES WEAR CAPES

**Ben Brooks**

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Drawing on his own experiences growing up and

from researching for the bestselling *Dare to Be Different* books, Ben Brooks reminds children that heroes aren't always the wall-climbing, cape-wearing, villain-fighters we see in comics and films. Ordinary people can be heroes too – you just need to find your own superpower! **Age: 7+**



### THE PRISON HEALER

**Lynette Noni**

Paperback  
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Seventeen-year-old Kiva Meridan has spent the last ten years fighting

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## NEW BLUEY!



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### WHERE'S BLUEY?

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*Bingo*: With Bluey away for the day, can Bingo find a way to play by herself? A board book with a special puzzle surprise.

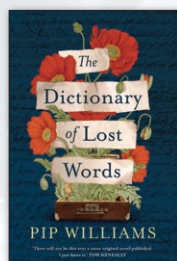
*Where's Bluey?*: Have you seen Bluey and Bingo? There are lots of other hidden items too, so join the fun in this search-and-find book! **Age: 3+**



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# MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS APRIL

## INDIE BOOK AWARDS 2021 WINNERS



### WINNER BOOK OF THE YEAR AWARD 2021 CATEGORY WINNER DEBUT FICTION

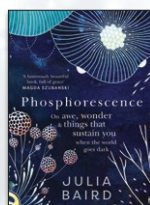
The Dictionary of Lost Words by Pip Williams

**Judges' Comments:** 'The parallel stories of the birth of the dictionary and the fight for the right of women to vote is absolutely brilliant. The interweaving of Esme's fictional story through the factual history of the Oxford English Dictionary and it's many wonderful characters, including the many women who played a role in the dictionary's development, was so skilfully and sensitively done.'

### CATEGORY WINNERS



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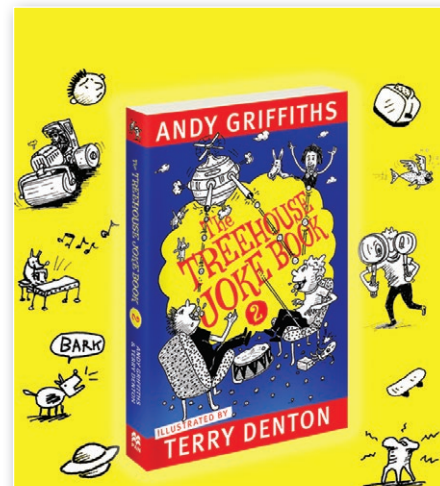
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YOUNG  
ADULT



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SHORTLIST

CELEBRATING AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S WRITING

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LOUISE MILLIGAN WITNESS	MIRANDA RIWOE STONE SKY GOLD MOUNTAIN	EVIE WYLD THE BASS ROCK

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