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### SUMMER 2018

*What could be more pleasant: a deckchair in the shade, a cold drink and a new book to keep one's mind off the vagaries of national sporting success? Here are our summer choices including a miscellany of new editions of old favourites – with more suggestions only an email or phone call away. So do get in touch.*

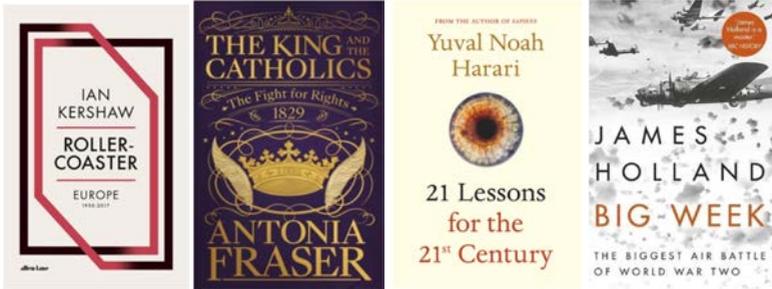
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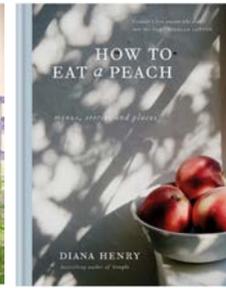
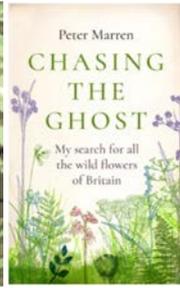
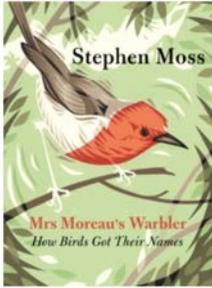
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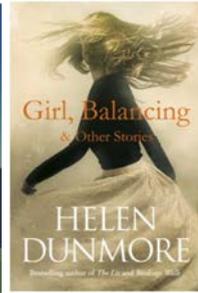
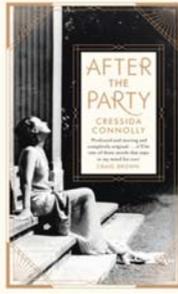
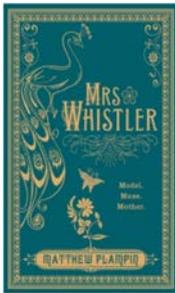
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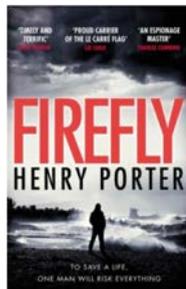
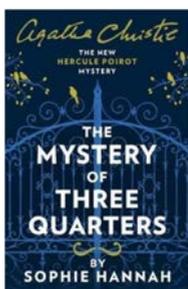
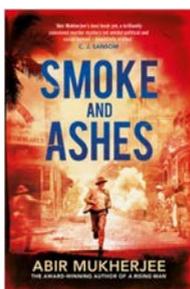
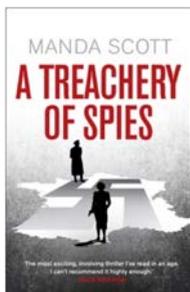
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