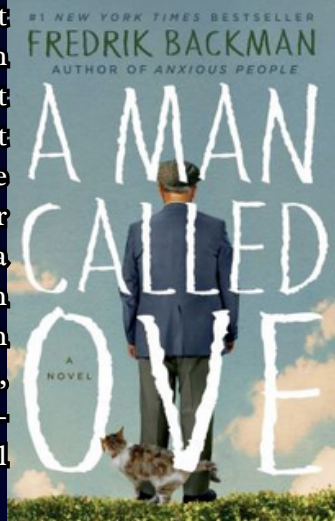


Meet Ove. He's a curmudgeon; the kind of man who points at people he dislikes as if were burglars caught outside his bedroom window. He has staunch principals, strict routines, and a short fuse. People call him "the bitter neighbor from hell". But must Ove be bitter just because he doesn't walk around with a smile plastered to his face all the time? Behind the cranky exterior there is a story and a sadness. So when one November morning a chatty young couple with two chatty young daughters move in next door and accidentally flatten Ove's mailbox, it is the lead-in to a comical and heartwarming tale of unkempt cats, unexpected friendship, and the ancient art of backing up a U-Haul. All of which will change one cranky old man and a local resident's association to their very foundations



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When Piper Kerman was sent to prison for a ten-year-old-crime, she barley resembled the reckless young women she'd been when she committed the misdeeds that would eventually catch up with her, Happily ensconced in a New York City apartment, with a promising career and an attentive boyfriend, she was suddenly forced to reckon with the consequences of her very brief, very careless dalliance in the world of drug trafficking. Kerman spent thirteen months in prison , eleven of them at the infamous federal correctional facility in Danbury, Connecticut where she met a surprising and varied community of women living under exceptional circumstances. Kerman tells the story of those long months locked up in a place with its own codes of behavior and arbitrary hierarchies, where a practical joke is as common as an unprovoked fight, and where the uneasy relationship between prisoner and jailer is constantly and unpredictably recalibrated



On a warm summer morning in North Carthage, Missouri, it is Nick and Amy's fifth wedding anniversary. Presents are being wrapped and reservations made when Nick's clever and beautiful wife disappears from their rented McMansion on the Mississippi River. Husband-of-the-year Nick isn't doing himself any favors with cringe-worthy daydreams about the slope and shape of his wife's head, but passages from Amy's diary reveal the alpha-girl perfectionist could have put anyone dangerously on edge. Under mounting pressure from police and the media - as well as Amy's fiercely dotting parents - the town golden boy parades form police, lies, deceits, and inappropriate behavior. Nick is oddly evasive, and he's definitely bitter - but is he really a killer? As the cops close in, every couple in town is soon wondering how well they really know the one they love.



When her notorious, volatile, talented, and agoraphobic mother goes missing, teenage Bee begins a trip that takes her to the ends of the Earth to find her. Bernadette Fox is notorious. To her Microsoft-guru husband, she is a fearlessly opinionated partner; to fellow private-school mothers in Seattle, she is a revolutionary architect, and to 15-year-old Bee, she is a best friend and, simply Mom. Then Bernadette disappears. it began when Bee aced her report card and claimed her promised reward: A family trip to Antarctica. But Bernadette's intensifying allergy to Seattle, and people in general, has made her so agoraphobic. To find her mother, Bee compiles email messages, official documents, secret correspondence, creating a touching novel about family coming to terms with who they are, and the power of a daughters love for her imperfect mother