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## **Bridget Jones's Guide to Life**

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(Institut für Anglistik/Amerikanistik), course: The gentleman and the angel in the house, language: English, abstract: Bridget Jones is a chain-smoker and a hard-drinker. She is messy, slightly overweight and, even worse, she is still single. Clumsy Bridget spends her time downing drinks with her crazy single friends and strolling around the office with her little skirt. Helen Fielding's modern novel opens the diary of a British single woman who is desperately looking for "Mr. Right" in a world of "emotional fuckwittages." Quite the contrary is Elizabeth Bennet, the young heroine in Jane Austen's most famous novel *Pride and Prejudice*. She is one of 5 daughters, polite, sophisticated, selfless and, due to her education, she would never compromise herself in public like Bridget always does. One can hardly believe that there can be found any parallels between *Bridget Jones Diary* and the probably most romantic British novel, *Pride and Prejudice*. In fact, there are about 200 years between both works but they are indeed comparable

## **Legally Blonde**

THE USA TODAY BESTSELLER New York Times bestseller Julia Spencer-Fleming returns to her beloved Clare Fergusson/Russ Van Alstyne mystery series with new crimes that span decades in *Hid from Our Eyes*. "New parents Clare Fergusson and police chief Russ Van Alstyne tackle three copycat murders and one testy baby in this riveting addition to an acclaimed series" —*People* magazine 1952. *Millers Kill* Police Chief Harry McNeil is called to a crime scene where a woman in a party dress has been murdered

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with no obvious cause of death. 1972. Millers Kill Police Chief Jack Liddle is called to a murder scene of a woman that's very similar to one he worked as a trooper in the 50s. The only difference is this time, they have a suspect. Young Vietnam War veteran Russ van Alstyne found the body while riding his motorcycle and is quickly pegged as the prime focus of the investigation. Present-day. Millers Kill Police Chief Russ van Alstyne gets a 911 call that a young woman has been found dead in a party dress, the same MO as the crime he was accused of in the 70s. The pressure is on for Russ to solve the murder before he's removed from the case. Russ will enlist the help of his police squad and Reverend Clare Fergusson, who is already juggling the tasks of being a new mother to her and Russ's baby and running St. Alban's Church, to finally solve these crimes. Readers have waited years for this newest book and Julia Spencer-Fleming delivers with the exquisite skill and craftsmanship that have made her such a success.

### **Pride and Prejudice Versus 'Bridget Jones's Diary'**

In a marvellous, thrilling re-creation of the world of *Pride and Prejudice*, P.D. James fuses her lifelong passion for the work of Jane Austen with her own great talent for writing crime fiction. The year is 1803, and Darcy and Elizabeth have been married for six years. There are now two handsome, healthy sons in the Pemberley nursery, Elizabeth's beloved sister Jane and her husband, Bingley, live within seventeen miles, the ordered and secure life of Pemberley

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seems unassailable, and Elizabeth's happiness in her marriage is complete. But their peace is threatened and old sins and misunderstandings are rekindled on the eve of the annual autumn ball. The Darcys and their guests are preparing to retire for the night when a chaise appears, rocking down the path from Pemberley's wild woodland, and as it pulls up, Lydia Wickham, an uninvited guest, tumbles out, screaming that her husband has been murdered. *Death Comes to Pemberley* is a powerful work of fiction, as rich in its compelling story, in its evocation of place, and its gripping psychological and emotional insight, as the very best of P. D. James. She brings us back masterfully and with delight to much-loved characters, illuminating the happy but threatened marriage of the Darcys with the excitement and suspense of a brilliantly crafted mystery.

## **Olivia Joules and the Overactive Imagination**

<sup>3</sup>There was little danger of encountering the Bennet sisters ever again.<sup>2</sup> Jane Austen's classic novel *Pride and Prejudice* is beloved by millions, but little is revealed in the book about the mysterious and handsome hero, Mr. Darcy. And so the question has long remained: Who is Fitzwilliam Darcy? Pamela Aidan's trilogy finally answers that long-standing question, creating a rich parallel story that follows Darcy as he meets and falls in love with Elizabeth Bennet. *Duty and Desire*, the second book in the trilogy, covers the "silent time" of Austen's novel, revealing Darcy's private struggle to overcome his

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attraction to Elizabeth while fulfilling his roles as landlord, master, brother, and friend. When Darcy pays a visit to an old classmate in Oxford in an attempt to shake Elizabeth from his mind, he is set upon by husband-hunting society ladies and ne'er-do-well friends from his university days, all with designs on him -- some for good and some for ill. He and his sartorial genius of a valet, Fletcher, must match wits with them all, but especially with the curious Lady Sylvania. Irresistibly authentic and entertaining, Duty and Desire remains true to the spirit and events of Pride and Prejudice while incorporating fascinating new characters, and is sure to dazzle Austen fans and newcomers alike.

## **An Assembly Such as This**

Before it was a blockbuster movie and a Broadway musical, LEGALLY BLONDE soared as a fresh, funny romance, with the unforgettable Elle Woods proving blondes will run the world. Elle Woods, California University senior, seems to have it all. President of Delta Gamma sorority, a star in the classroom (her major: sociopolitical jewelry design)—and is on the verge of becoming the much-envied Mrs. Warner Huntington III. Too bad Warner, bound for Stanford Law, dumps her with the explanation that he now needs a more "serious" woman at his side. Faced with this unexpected reversal of fortune, Woods doesn't get depressed, she gets busy. Thanks to a creative application and a demand for "diversity" at Stanford Law, Elle gets her acceptance letter. Soon she's packing up her convertible—as well as her miniature

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Chihuahua—determined to win back her man, and to prove to herself that dreaming big is the only way to dream. Smart, fast, and funny. LEGALLY BLONDE proves just how much fun blondes really can have.

## **Love, Lies and Lizzie**

Bridget Jones, beloved Singleton and global phenomenon, is back with a bump in Bridget Jones's Baby: The Diaries. 8:45 P.M. Realize there have been so many times in my life when have fantasized about going to a scan with Mark or Daniel: just not both at the same time. Before motherhood, before marriage, Bridget with biological clock ticking very, very loudly, finds herself unexpectedly pregnant at the eleventh hour: a joyful pregnancy which is dominated, however, by a crucial but terribly awkward question – who is the father? Mark Darcy: honourable, decent, notable human rights lawyer? Or Daniel Cleaver: charming, witty, notable fuckwit? 9:45 PM It's like they're two halves of the perfect man, who'll spend the rest of their lives each wanting to outdo the other one. And now it's all enacting itself in my stomach. In this gloriously funny, touching story of baby-deadline panic, maternal bliss, and social, professional, technological, culinary and childbirth chaos, Bridget Jones – global phenomenon and the world's favorite Singleton – is back with a bump.

## **The Spinster Diaries**

The first installment in Pamela Aidan's irresistible trilogy, An Assembly Such As This takes us into the

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world of Jane Austen's Fitzwilliam Darcy. "She is tolerable; but not handsome enough to tempt me." So begins the timeless romance of Fitzwilliam Darcy and Elizabeth Bennet in *Pride and Prejudice*. Jane Austen's classic novel is beloved by millions, but little is revealed in the book about the mysterious and handsome hero, Mr. Darcy. And so the question has long remained: Who is Fitzwilliam Darcy? In *An Assembly Such as This*, Pamela Aidan finally answers that long-standing question. In this first book of her Fitzwilliam Darcy, Gentleman trilogy, she reintroduces us to Darcy during his visit to Hertfordshire with his friend Charles Bingley and reveals Darcy's hidden perspective on the events of *Pride and Prejudice*. As Darcy spends more time at Netherfield supervising Bingley and fending off Miss Bingley's persistent advances, his unwilling attraction to Elizabeth grows—as does his concern about her relationship with his nemesis, George Wickham. Setting the story vividly against the colorful historical and political background of the Regency, Aidan writes in a style comfortably at home with Austen but with a wit and humor very much her own. Aidan adds her own cast of fascinating characters to those in Austen's original, weaving a rich tapestry from Darcy's past and present. Austen fans and newcomers alike will love this new chapter of the most famous romance of all time.

### **Pride and Prejudice and Zombies**

Unlock the more straightforward side of Bridget Jones's Diary with this concise and insightful summary

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and analysis! This engaging summary presents an analysis of Bridget Jones's Diary by Helen Fielding, which follows a thirtysomething single woman in London as she embarks on a series of disastrous romantic relationships and, despite her best intentions, flounders in her professional life. With a memorable cast of characters, including Mark Darcy, Bridget's best friends and her acerbic and interfering mother, the book's humour and originality have won over legions of followers. Bridget Jones's Diary and Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason have been published in 40 countries and sold more than 15 million copies. They have both been adapted into successful films. Bridget Jones: Mad About the Boy spent 26 weeks at the top of The Sunday Times bestseller list and has sold over 2 million copies in 36 countries. Helen Fielding is an English novelist, screenwriter and journalist and, in addition to her books, has written columns for The Sunday Times, The Independent and The Telegraph. Find out everything you need to know about Bridget Jones's Diary in a fraction of the time! This in-depth and informative reading guide brings you:

- A complete plot summary
- Character studies
- Key themes and symbols
- Questions for further reflection

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## **Single Women in Popular Culture**

A dazzling urban satire of modern relationships? An ironic, tragic insight into the demise of the nuclear family? Or the confused ramblings of a pissed thirty-something? Two diaries, two enduring bestsellers, one unforgettable character. Bridget Jones: The Singleton Years brings together Bridget Jones's Diary and The Edge of Reason. Helen Fielding portrays Bridget, everyone's favourite spinster, as she struggles through the social minefield of her thirties and tries to weigh up the eternal question: Daniel Cleaver or Mark Darcy? She is supported through the whole process by four indispensable friends, Shazzer, Jude, Tom and a bottle of Chardonnay. Bridget Jones's Diary was first published in 1996 and applauded by critics from Salman Rushdie to Jilly Cooper. A number-one bestseller, Helen Fielding's book has sold over fifteen million copies worldwide and has been turned into an Academy Award-nominated film series starring Renée Zellweger, Colin Firth and Hugh Grant.

## **Bridget Jones's Diary**

When Elizabeth Bennet first met Mr. Darcy, she found him proud, distant, and rude—despite the other ladies' admiration of his estate in Derbyshire and ten thousand pounds a year. But what was Mr. Darcy thinking? Jane Austen's classic *Pride and Prejudice* has long stood among the most beloved novels of all time. The story of Elizabeth Bennet's blossoming romance with "haughty, reserved, and fastidious" Fitzwilliam Darcy has enchanted readers for nearly two centuries.

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Yet, Mr. Darcy has always remained an intriguing enigma—his thoughts, feelings, and motivations hidden behind a cold, impenetrable exterior . . . until now. With the utmost respect for Austen's original masterwork, author Janet Aylmer lovingly retells *Pride and Prejudice* from a bold new perspective: seeing events as they transpire through the eyes of Darcy himself. One of world's great love stories takes on breathtaking new life, and one of fiction's greatest romantic heroes becomes even more sympathetic, compelling, attractive, and accessible, all through the imagination and artistry of a truly gifted storyteller.

## **Representations of masculinity and femininity in "Bridget Jones's Diary"**

A dazzling urban satire of modern human relations? An ironic, tragic insight into the demise of the nuclear family? Or the confused ramblings of a pissed thirty-something? Celebrating 40 years of outstanding international writing, this is one of the essential Picador novels reissued in a beautiful new series style. 'A brilliant evocation of life as a single girl in a certain time . . . reads like Anita Loos out of Jane Austen, and any woman who has ever had a job, a relationship or indeed a mother will read it and roar' *The Times* 'I cannot recommend a book more joyfully . . . hilariously funny, miraculously observed, endlessly touching' *Daily Telegraph* 'Wild comedy . . . observed with merciless, flamboyant wit. A gloriously funny book' *Sunday Times*

## **Bachelor Nation**

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SOON TO BE A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE • From #1 New York Times bestselling author Sophie Kinsella, a novel with the same wicked humor, buoyant charm, and optimism as her beloved Shopaholic series. Meet Emma Corrigan, a young woman with a huge heart, an irrepressible spirit, and a few little secrets: Secrets from her boyfriend: I've always thought Connor looks a bit like Ken. As in Barbie and Ken. Secrets from her mother: I lost my virginity in the spare bedroom with Danny Nussbaum while Mum and Dad were downstairs watching Ben-Hur. Secrets she wouldn't share with anyone in the world: I have no idea what NATO stands for. Or even what it is. Until she spills them all to a handsome stranger on a plane. At least, she thought he was a stranger. . . . But come Monday morning, Emma's office is abuzz about the arrival of Jack Harper, the company's elusive CEO. Suddenly Emma is face-to-face with the stranger from the plane, a man who knows every single humiliating detail about her. Things couldn't possibly get worse. Or could they? Praise for *Can You Keep a Secret?* "Venturing beyond Saks and Barney's, the bestselling author of *Confessions of a Shopaholic* and *Shopaholic Ties the Knot* entertains readers with backstabbing office shenanigans, competition, scandal, love and sex. . . . Kinsella's down-to-earth protagonist is sure to have readers sympathizing and doubled over in laughter."—*Publishers Weekly* "If laughing out loud in public places is your bag, be sure to pick up [*Can You Keep a Secret?*]. Heroine Emma Corrigan is going to be your new best friend."—*Boston Herald* "Kinsella's timing is so perfect, her instincts so spot-on, that it's easy to . . . devour the book like the guilty pleasure it

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is.”—Miami Herald “Chick lit at its lightest and breeziest . . . filled with fabulous clothes, stalwart friends, and snotty enemies waiting to be taken down a peg.”—Orlando Sentinel “[Kinsella’s] dialogue is sharp, even her minor characters are well drawn, and her parody of the marketing world is very funny.”—Washington Post Book World “[A] comedic frenzy of ill-fated events . . . punchy . . . fast-moving.”—Rocky Mountain News BONUS: This edition contains an excerpt from Sophie Kinsella's *Wedding Night*.

### **Helen Fielding's Bridget Jones's Diary**

#### **Goodbye, Jimmy Choo**

"I am deadly, desirable and delicious" is Alice's mantra as she hilariously negotiates her way through the rocky terrain of singledom. Alice Aigner is successful, independent and a confirmed serial dater - but at her ten-year school reunion she has a sudden change of heart. Bored rigid by her married, mortgaged and motherly former classmates, Alice decides to prove that a woman can have it all: a man, marriage, career, kids and a mind of her own. She sets herself a goal: meet the perfect man and marry him before her thirtieth birthday, just under two years away. Together with her best friends Dannie, Liza and Peta, Alice draws up a ten-point plan. Then, with a little help from her mum, her dad, her brothers, her colleagues and her neighbour across the hall, she sets out to find Mr Right. Unfortunately for Alice, it's not

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quite as easy as she imagines Who could not fall in love with our Koori heroine as she dates (among others): Renan, whose career goal is to be the world's best moonwalker and male hula dancer; Tufu the commitment-phobic Samoan football player; scary Simon the one-night stand; and Paul - Mr Dreamboat, but perhaps too good to be true. All the while, Alice skilfully avoids dating Cliff, son of her mum's friend, a confirmed bachelor who isn't likely to settle down with a woman anytime soon.

## **The Foundling**

A group of scientists. An object buried under the ice. A terrifying fight for survival. When a group of scientific researchers, isolated in Antarctica, stumble across an alien spaceship buried in the ice it seems like an incredible opportunity. The alien pilot can just be seen - a shadowy figure frozen just a short depth into the ice. It looks as though he survived the crash only to be flash-frozen on the Antarctic plateau. The team fight the frozen conditions to free the ship from the ice - with disastrous consequences - and rescue the alien. As they transport the corpse, one of their greatest finds, out on the ice back to their camp, several scientists begin to experience extraordinary, vivid and unsettling dreams. They're dismissed as the product of stress and the harsh conditions but the nightmare is only beginning.

## **The Aftermath of Feminism**

One of the Guardian's Best Books on Food of 2017

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Shortlisted for the Fortnum and Mason's Debut Food Book Award Winner of World Gourmand Award for Food Writing. 'A work of rare joy I could not love it more' SARAH PERRY. 'A cookbook for readers' NIGELLA LAWSON. Paddington Bear's marmalade, a Neopolitan pizza with Elena Ferrante, afternoon tea at Manderley Here are 100 delicious recipes inspired by cookery writer Kate Young's well-stocked bookshelves. From Before Noon breakfasts and Around Noon lunches to Family Dinners and Midnight Feasts, The Little Library Cookbook captures the magic and wonder of the meals enjoyed by some of our best-loved fictional characters. 'If food can comfort, so can books' THE GUARDIAN. 'Bringing together two of our greatest loves, food and books An absolute joy' STYLIST. 'Has great charm and is a very good read Part of the delight is in seeing what Young has come up with' DIANA HENRY.

### **These Three Remain**

The New York Times best seller is now a major motion picture starring Lily James and Sam Riley, with Matt Smith, Charles Dance, and Lena Headey. This edition features sixteen pages of color stills from the film, a reading group discussion guide, and other bonus materials. Complete with romance, heartbreak, swordfights, cannibalism, and thousands of rotting corpses, *Pride and Prejudice and Zombies* is an audacious retelling of English literature's most enduring novel. This expanded edition of the beloved Jane Austen novel featuring all-new scenes of bone-crunching zombie mayhem begins when a mysterious

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plague falls upon the quiet English village of Meryton—and the dead are returning to life! Feisty heroine Elizabeth Bennet is determined to wipe out the zombie menace, but she's soon distracted by the arrival of the haughty and arrogant Mr. Darcy. What ensues is a delightful comedy of manners with plenty of civilized sparring between the two young lovers—and even more violent sparring on the blood-soaked battlefield. It's the perfect read for literature lovers, zombie fans, and anyone who loves a reanimated Austen.

### **Bridget Jones Mad About the Boy**

At the close of the last millennium, Helen Fielding debuted the irrepressible (and blockbuster-bestselling) Bridget Jones. Now, Fielding gives us a sensational new heroine for a new era—Move over 007, a stunning, sexy-and decidedly female-new player has entered the world of international espionage. Her name is Olivia Joules (that's "J.O.U.L.E.S. the unit of kinetic energy") and she's ready to take America by storm with charm, style, and her infamous Overactive Imagination. How could a girl not be drawn to the alluring, powerful Pierre Ferramo—he of the hooded eyes, impeccable taste, unimaginable wealth, exotic international homes, and dubious French accent? Could Ferramo really be a major terrorist bent on the Western world's destruction, hiding behind a smokescreen of fine wines, yachts, and actresses slash models? Or is it all just a product of Olivia Joules's overactive imagination? Join Olivia in her heart-stopping, hilarious, nerve-frazzling quest from

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hip hotel to eco-lodge to underwater cave, by light aircraft, speedboat, helicopter, and horse, in this witty, contemporary, and utterly unputdownable novel deluxe.

## **Briar Rose**

In this poignant and witty debut, a bohemian and a Gucci-clad socialite form an unlikely friendship after leaving the city.

## **Duty and Desire**

This thrilling conclusion to the Fitzwilliam Darcy, Gentleman trilogy recounts the climactic events of Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice* from its enigmatic hero's point of view. One of the most beloved romantic heroes in all of literature, Fitzwilliam Darcy remains an enigma even to Jane Austen's most devoted fans. But with this concluding volume in the Fitzwilliam Darcy, Gentleman trilogy, novelist and Austen aficionada Pamela Aidan at last gives readers the man in full. *These Three Remain* follows a humbled Darcy on the journey of self-discovery after Elizabeth Bennet's rejection of his marriage proposal, in which he endeavors to grow into the kind of gentleman he's always dreamed of being. Happily, a chance meeting with Elizabeth during a tour of his estate in Derbyshire offers Darcy a new opportunity to press his suit, but his newfound strengths are put to the test by an old nemesis, George Wickham. Vividly capturing the colorful historical and political milieu of the Regency era, Aidan writes in a style evocative of

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her literary progenitor, but with a wit and humor very much her own. While staying faithful to the people and events in Austen's original, she adds her own fascinating cast of characters, weaving a rich tapestry out of Darcy's past and present that will beguile his admirers anew.

## **Pride, Prejudice, and Other Flavors**

Will Lizzie find happiness in the final part of Meg Cabot's romantic series, *Queen of Babble Gets Hitched*? Things are looking up for Lizzie Nichols. She loves her career, and the love of her life, Jean-Luc, has proposed. Life's become a dizzying whirl of wedding gown fittings as Lizzie prepares for her dream wedding in the south of France. But the dream soon becomes a nightmare as the best man, with whom Lizzie might once accidentally have slept - no, really, just slept - announces his lack of support for the couple; Lizzie's Midwestern family can't understand why she doesn't want to have her wedding in the family backyard; and her future French in-laws seem to be luring the groom away from medical school and into investment banking. Is Lizzie really ready to embrace her new role as wife and mistress of Chateau Mirac? Or is she destined to spend the rest of her life as a New York City spinster, in a two-room walk-up with no one for company but the cat from down the street?

## **Bridget Jones's Diary by Helen Fielding (Book Analysis)**

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Cause Celeb is the debut novel from Helen Fielding, the bestselling author of Bridget Jones's Diary. Disillusioned by her glitzy life in London and her desirable but cruel TV-presenter boyfriend, Rosie Richardson chucks it all in and spends four years running a refugee camp in Africa. Then famine strikes in a nearby province and an influx of starving refugees threatens to overwhelm the camp. Frustrated by the cautious response of the aid agencies, Rosie decides on a drastic short-term solution. She returns to London, breaks back into the celebrity circuit and brings the celebs out to Africa for a star-studded TV emergency appeal.

### **Cause Celeb**

When Helen Fielding first wrote Bridget Jones's Diary, charting the life of a 30-something singleton in London in the 1990s, she introduced readers to one of the most beloved characters in modern literature. The book was published in 40 countries, sold more than 15 million copies worldwide, and spawned a best-selling sequel, Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason. The two books were turned into major blockbuster films starring Renée Zellweger, Hugh Grant and Colin Firth. With her hotly anticipated third instalment, Bridget Jones: Mad About the Boy, Fielding introduces us to a whole new enticing phase of Bridget's life set in contemporary London, including the challenges of maintaining sex appeal as the years roll by and the nightmare of drunken texting, the skinny jean, the disastrous email cc, total lack of twitter followers, and TVs that need 90 buttons and three remotes to simply

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turn on. An uproariously funny novel of modern life, Bridget Jones: Mad About the Boy is a triumphant return of our favourite Everywoman.

## Who Goes There

Award-winning author Sonali Dev launches a new series about the Rajes, an immigrant Indian family descended from royalty, who have built their lives in San Francisco. It is a truth universally acknowledged that only in an overachieving Indian American family can a genius daughter be considered a black sheep. Dr. Trisha Raje is San Francisco's most acclaimed neurosurgeon. But that's not enough for the Rajes, her influential immigrant family who's achieved power by making its own non-negotiable rules: · Never trust an outsider · Never do anything to jeopardize your brother's political aspirations · And never, ever, defy your family. Trisha is guilty of breaking all three rules. But now she has a chance to redeem herself. So long as she doesn't repeat old mistakes. Up-and-coming chef DJ Caine has known people like Trisha before, people who judge him by his rough beginnings and place pedigree above character. He needs the lucrative job the Rajes offer, but he values his pride too much to indulge Trisha's arrogance. And then he discovers that she's the only surgeon who can save his sister's life. As the two clash, their assumptions crumble like the spun sugar on one of DJ's stunning desserts. But before a future can be savored there's a past to be reckoned with. A family trying to build home in a new land. A man who has never felt at home anywhere. And a choice to be made between the two.

## **The Little Library Cookbook**

**\*A New York Times Bestseller\*** The first definitive, unauthorized, behind-the-scenes cultural history of the Bachelor franchise, America's favorite guilty pleasure. For sixteen years and thirty-six seasons, the Bachelor franchise has been a mainstay in American TV viewers' lives. Since it premiered in 2002, the show's popularity and relevance have only grown--more than eight million viewers tuned in to see the conclusion of the most recent season of The Bachelor. Los Angeles Times journalist Amy Kaufman is a proud member of Bachelor Nation and has a long history with the franchise--ABC even banned her from attending show events after her coverage of the program got a little too real for its liking. She has interviewed dozens of producers, contestants, and celebrity fans to give readers never-before-told details of the show's inner workings: what it's like to be trapped in the mansion "bubble"; dark, juicy tales of producer manipulation; and revelations about the alcohol-fueled debauchery that occurs long before the Fantasy Suite. Kaufman also explores what our fascination means, culturally: what the show says about the way we view so-called ideal suitors; our subconscious yearning for fairy-tale romance; and how this enduring television show has shaped society's feelings about love, marriage, and feminism by appealing to a marriage plot that's as old as the best of Jane Austen.

## **Not Meeting Mr Right**

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Her life may not be sunny and perfect like the Hollywood rom-coms she writes, but happily ever after is overrated.

## **Darcy's Story**

In this trenchant inquiry into the state of feminism, Angela McRobbie breaks open the politics of sexual equality and 'affirmative feminism' and sets down a new theory of gender power. Challenging the most basic assumptions of the 'end' of feminism, this book argues that invidious forms of gender re-stabilisation are being re-established. Consumer and popular culture encroach on the terrain of so-called female freedom, appearing supportive of female success, yet tying women into new post-feminist neurotic dependencies. With a scathing critique of 'women's empowerment', McRobbie has developed a distinctive feminist analysis that she uses to examine socio-cultural phenomena embedded in contemporary women's lives: from fashion photography and the television 'make-over' genre to eating disorders, body anxiety and 'illegible rage'. A turning point in feminist theory, *The Aftermath of Feminism* will set a new agenda for gender studies and cultural studies.

## **Bridget Jones's Diary: Picador 40th Anniversary Edition**

Chronicles a year in the life of Bridget Jones, a single, thirtysomething woman on a perpetual quest for self-improvement, as she struggles to cope with relationships, weight control, and the other baffling

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complexities of modern life.

## **The Bridget Jones Omnibus: The Singleton Years**

From the bestselling author of *The Familiars*, and set against the vibrant backdrop of Georgian London, *The Foundling* explores families, secrets, class, equality, power and the meaning of motherhood.

## **Pride and Prejudice**

Seminar paper from the year 2007 in the subject Sociology - Gender Studies, grade: 1,0, University of Newcastle upon Tyne, course: Representations: The Communication Culture, Identity and Society, 15 entries in the bibliography, language: English, abstract: This essay introduces various concepts of identity formation, including hegemony, discursive formation and invented categories. On the basis of these concepts, it discusses masculinity and femininity in the movie "Bridget Jones's Diary", comparing the leading men Daniel Cleaver (Hugh Grant) and Mark Darcy (Colin Firth) with each other, and the heroine Bridget Jones (Renée Zellweger) with the seemingly perfect Natasha. Secondly, the essay seeks to evaluate the role of the feminine gaze and objectification of Cleaver and Darcy.

## **Love Is a Canoe**

## **Bridget Jones's Baby**

What would happen if Jane Austen's PRIDE AND PREJUDICE was set in the twenty-first century? When Mrs Bennet inherits enough money to move into the kind of village she has always dreamed of, her daughters find themselves swept up in a glamorous life of partying and country pursuits. But Lizzie and her sisters soon discover that beneath the very smart surface lurks a web of intrigue and rivalries . . .

## **Can You Keep a Secret?**

A New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice, Ben Schrank's *Love Is a Canoe* is a smart, funny, romantic, and hugely satisfying novel about the fragility of human relationships and a heartwarming reminder of what it really means to be good to those we love. The author of a classic self-help guide to love and relationships, Peter Herman has won the hearts of romantics and cynics alike. But decades have passed since *Marriage Is a Canoe* was published and a recently widowed Peter begins to question his own advice. Much to his chagrin, he receives a call from Stella Petrovic, an ambitious young editor in New York City who forces him to reconsider his life's work, not to mention the full force of his delusions. The book's fiftieth anniversary is approaching, and Petrovic has devised a contest to promote the new edition. The prize? The chance for the winning couple—a pair of outwardly happy Brooklynites named Emily and Eli—to save their relationship by spending a weekend with the reclusive author. If Peter is going to help the contest's winners, he must discover what he meant when he wrote *Marriage Is a Canoe*—and also find a

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way for himself to love again

## **Hid from Our Eyes**

Rewrites the old German folktale, Sleeping Beauty, into a story about the ramifications of the Holocaust.

## **Mr. Darcy's Daughters**

THE MULTI-MILLION COPY BESTSELLER A dazzling urban satire of modern human relations? An ironic, tragic insight into the demise of the nuclear family? Or the confused ramblings of a pissed thirty-something? As Bridget documents her struggles through the social minefield of her thirties and tries to weigh up the eternal question (Daniel Cleaver or.

## **Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason**

Picking up twenty years after *Pride and Prejudice* left off, *Mr. Darcy's Daughters* begins in the year 1818. Elizabeth and Darcy have gone to Constantinople, giving us an opportunity to get to know their five daughters, who have left the sheltered surroundings of Pemberley for a few months in London. While the eldest, Letitia, frets and the youngest, Alethea, practices her music, twins Georgina and Belle flirt and frolic their way through parties and balls and Camilla -- levelheaded and independent -- discovers what joys and sorrows the city has to offer an intelligent young woman. Readers will delight in the return of such beloved Austen creations as Elizabeth's old nemesis Caroline Bingley (now Lady Warren), the ever-reliable

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Gardiners and wayward Aunt Lydia. Charming, beautifully written and full of societal intrigue and romantic high jinks, *Mr. Darcy's Daughters* is a tale that would please Austen herself.

### **Death Comes to Pemberley**

*Single Women in Popular Culture* demonstrates how single women continue to be figures of profound cultural anxiety. Examining a wide range of popular media forms, this is a timely, insightful and politically engaged book, exploring the ways in which postfeminism limits the representation of single women in popular culture.

### **Pride and Prejudice and Zombies**

With an introduction by journalist Hadley Freeman 9st 2, cigarettes smoked in front of Mark 0 (v.g.), cigarettes smoked in secret 7, cigarettes not smoked 47 (v.g.). Bridget's second diary ushers in a reformed woman. She is no longer a smoker (well, not much), the wilderness years are over, and she is at last united with man-of-her-dreams Mark Darcy. But things aren't perfect: there's an eight-foot hole in the wall of her flat, she's increasingly worried about a certain boyfriend-stealing beauty, and her friends' mad advice is getting her nowhere – something has to change. And so Bridget decides to embark on a spiritual epiphany to the palm- and magic-mushroom-kissed shores of Thailand. Surely it will be the perfect place to set her life on course once and for all . . .  
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best: funny, wise, and, as ever, a little bit sloshed. A number-one bestseller by Helen Fielding, it is, alongside Bridget Jones's Diary, a modern classic and one of the funniest books you'll ever read.

## **Queen of Babble Gets Hitched**

In a prequel to the best-selling *Pride and Prejudice* and *Zombies*, Elizabeth Bennet evolves from a simple young teenager into a savage slayer of the undead, as she trains with nunchucks and katana swords and experiences a tragic first romance. Original. 200,000 first printing. \$100,000 ad/promo.

## **Bridget Jones's Diary: Picador Classic (Picador Classic).**

This is an excellent guide to Helen Fielding's genre-defining novel. It features a biography of the author, a full-length analysis of the novel, and a great deal more. If you're studying this novel, reading it for your book club, or if you simply want to know more about it, you'll find this guide informative and helpful. This is part of a new series of guides to contemporary novels. The aim of the series is to give readers accessible and informative introductions to some of the most popular, most acclaimed and most influential novels of recent years - from 'The Remains of the Day' to 'White Teeth'. A team of contemporary fiction scholars from both sides of the Atlantic has been assembled to provide a thorough and readable analysis of each of the novels in question.

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