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On the left side of the home page, there is an option to Select a genre to browse, which is also found in the top right corner under Browse Genres. Also in the top right corner is the Author Search and Book Lists.





In the centre of the home page are carousels that change regularly which highlight featured books, such as New and Updated Books. Use the left and right arrows to navigate these.



Searching

You can use the top right search bar as a simple search or an advanced search.

For a simple search, just choose what you'd like to search, and type in your terms. Suggestions will come up, and clicking on one of the suggestions will take you directly to that search result.



The Advanced search allows you to combine different fields or additional information, particularly helpful if you don't remember the exact title.

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At the top right corner, you have a range of filters you can add to your search. The most useful of these may be:

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- Book Category: choose between Fiction or Non-Fiction

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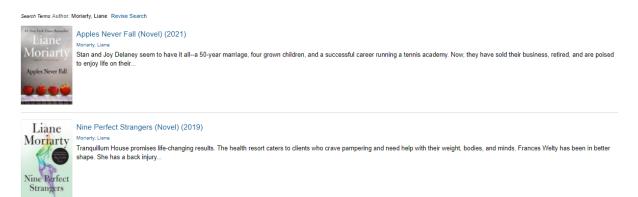
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Click on the title or book cover to learn more about the book or click on the author's name to find out more about the author's life and career

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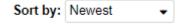
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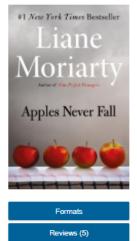
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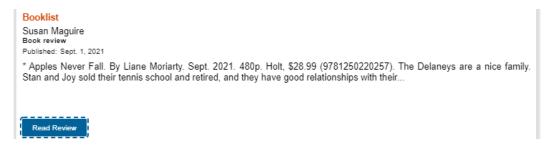
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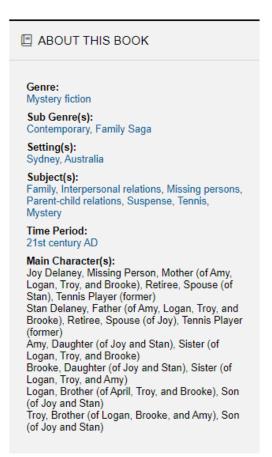
Stan and Joy Delaney seem to have it all--a 50-year marriage, four grown children, and a successful career running a tennis academy. Now, they have sold their business, retired, and are poised to enjoy life on their terms. Yet something just does not seem right. One night, a bloody and desperate woman knocks on their door looking for help. While Stan and Joy give her the aid she needs, things take a turn when Joy goes missing and the woman vanishes. As the police question Stan in his wife's disappearance, it becomes clear he has something to hide. His children, meanwhile, are split over his guilt, with two viewing him suspiciously and the other two believing him blameless.

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