

**Everything you need
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EACH BOOK BAG CONTAINS :

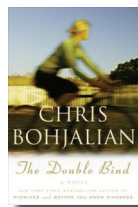
- **12 copies of the book**
(those that are part of the Books & Movie bag also include a DVD of the book)
- **Some book bags come in two parts due to the size of the material**
 - **Discussion questions**
 - **Author information**

Book bags can be checked out for up to 6 weeks.

Fiction Books in a Bag

The Double Bind by Chris Bohjalian

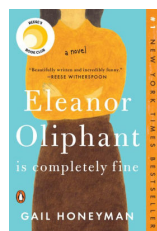
Working at a homeless shelter, Laurel Estabrook encounters Bobbie Crocker, a man with a history of mental illness and a box of secret photos, but when Bobbie dies suddenly, Laurel embarks on an obsessive search for the truth behind the photos.



Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine

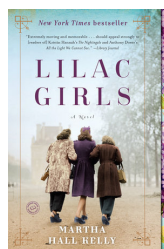
by Gail Honeyman

Meet Eleanor Oliphant: She struggles with appropriate social skills and tends to say exactly what she's thinking. Nothing is missing in her carefully timetabled life of avoiding social interactions, where weekends are punctuated by frozen pizza, vodka, and phone chats with Mummy. But everything changes when Eleanor meets Raymond, the bumbling and deeply unhygienic IT guy from her office.



Lilac Girls by Martha Hall Kelly

Based on a true story of a New York socialite who championed a group of concentration camp survivors known as the Rabbits, *Lilac Girls* reveals a story of love, redemption and terrible secrets that were hidden for decades.



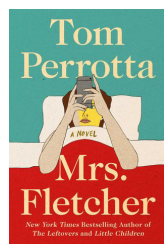
The Little Paris Bookshop by Nina George

Monsieur Perdu calls himself a literary apothecary. Using his intuitive feel for the exact book a reader needs, Perdu mends broken hearts and souls. The only person he can't seem to heal through literature is himself, still haunted by heartbreak after his great love disappeared.



Mrs. Fletcher by Tom Perrotta

Eve Fletcher, 46 and divorced, is dealing with an empty nest when her only son leaves for college. A mysterious text message from an anonymous number on her phone leads her to explore a porn website featuring ordinary, middle-aged women like herself. Eve's online fixations begin to spill into real life that lead to morally fraught situations.



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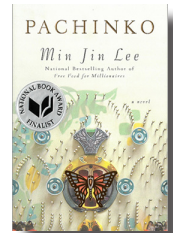
The Nest by Cynthia D'Aprix Sweeney

This is a story about the power of family and what money does to relationships. The Plumb family stands out as spectacularly dysfunctional. An accident endangers the Plumbs' joint trust fund, "The Nest," which they are months away from finally receiving.



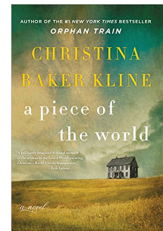
Pachinko by Min Jin Lee

In the early 1900s, teenaged Sunja falls for a wealthy stranger but when she discovers she is pregnant and that her lover is married she refuses to be bought. Instead, she accepts an offer of marriage from a gentle, sickly minister passing through on his way to Japan. Her decision to abandon her home and reject her son's powerful father sets off a dramatic saga that will echo down through the generations.



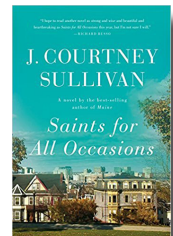
A Piece of the World by Christina Baker Kline

To Christina Olson, the entire world is her family farm in the small coastal town of Cushing, Maine. The only daughter in a family of sons, Christina seems destined for a small life. Instead, she becomes Andrew Wyeth's first great inspiration, and the subject of one of the best-known paintings of the 20th century, *Christina's World*.



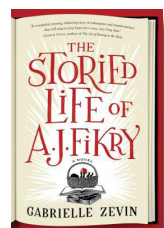
Saints for All Occasions by J. Courtney Sullivan

Sisters Nora and Theresa Flynn leave their home in Ireland for a new life in 1958 Boston. Each adjusts to life in America in her own way. Steady Nora watches younger Theresa, until choices made by each woman drive the sisters apart. We follow the story from 1958 to contemporary New England, Ireland and New York, exploring how siblings and children relate to their parents and each other as they age.



The Storied Life of A. J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin

A middle-aged bookseller mourning his lost wife, a feisty publisher's rep, and a charmingly precocious abandoned child come together on a small island off the New England coast in this utterly delightful novel of love and second chances.



Books & Movie in a Bag

Alex Cross by James Patterson

Dr. Alex Cross is on his last police duty to track down an assassin called Picasso, who's been torturing and killing rich businessmen in Detroit. Soon when the mission gets personal, Cross is pushed to the edge of his moral and psychological limits to end this once and for all.

Starring: Tyler Perry, Matthew Fox, Rachel Nichols. PG-13; 101min



Before I Fall by Lauren Oliver

Samantha Kingston (Zoey Deutch) seems to have it all: popularity, a loving boyfriend (Kian Lawley) and a seemingly perfect future. Everything changes in the blink of an eye when she dies in a car crash but then magically wakes up to find herself reliving the same day over and over again.

Starring: Zoey Deutch, Halston Sage, Cynthy Wu. PG-13; 98min



Beloved by Toni Morrison

Sethe was born a slave and escaped to Ohio, but 18 years later she is still not free. She has too many memories of Sweet Home, the beautiful farm where so many hideous things happened. Her new home is haunted by the ghost of her baby, who died nameless and whose tombstone is engraved with a single word: Beloved.

Starring: Oprah Winfrey, Danny Glover, Yada Beener. Rated R; 172min



The Book Thief by Markus Zusak

Death tells the story of a young German girl, Liesel, whose book-stealing and story-telling talents during World War II help sustain her family and the Jewish man they are hiding, as well as their neighbors.

Starring: Sophie Nélisse, Geoffrey Rush, Emily Watson. PG-13; 135min



Colour Bar by Susan Williams

This is the inspiring true story of Seretse Khama and Ruth Williams, whose interracial marriage sent shockwaves through the establishment, defied an empire and, finally, triumphed over the prejudices of their age.

Starring: David Oyelowo, Rosamund Pike, Tom Felton. PG-13; 111min



Books & Movie in a Bag

The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald

When writer Nick Carraway leaves the Midwest for New York City in the spring of 1922, he lands next door to the mysterious, party-giving millionaire Jay Gatsby, drawing him into the world of the ultra-rich and their illusions, loves and deceptions.

Starring: Leonardo DiCaprio, Carey Mulligan, Joel Edgerton. PG-13; 143min



Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly

As the United States raced against Russia to put a man in space, NASA found untapped talent in a group of African-American female mathematicians that served as the brains behind one of the greatest operations in U.S. history.

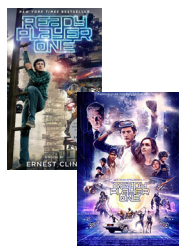
Starring: Taraji P. Henson, Octavia Spencer, Janelle Monáe. PG; 127min



Ready Player One by Ernest Cline

Orphaned teenager Wade Watts (Sheridan) discovers clues to a hidden game within the program that promises the winner full ownership of the OASIS, and joins several allies to try to complete the game before a large company run by businessman Nolan Sorrento (Mendelsohn) can do so.

Starring: Tye Sheridan, Olivia Cooke, Ben Mendelsohn. PG-13; 140min



A Street Cat Named Bob: And How He Saved My Life by James Bowen

James is a street musician struggling to make ends meet. Bob is a stray cat looking for somewhere warm to sleep. When James and Bob meet, they forge a never-to-be-forgotten friendship that has been charming readers from Thailand to Turkey.

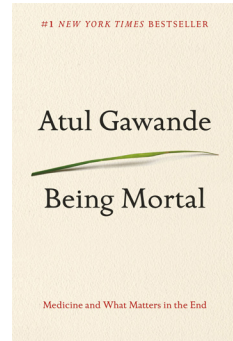
Starring: Luke Treadaway, Bob the Cat, Ruta Gedmintas. 103min



Non-Fiction Books in a Bag

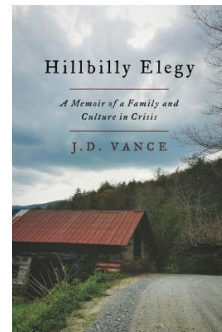
Being Mortal by Atul Gawande

Surgeon Atul Gawande is on a quest to determine what truly compassionate end-of-life care looks like and how to make that possible in an era of modern medicine. Drawing on both professional and personal experiences, he attempts to map out a way for individuals to face death in a frank and realistic way.



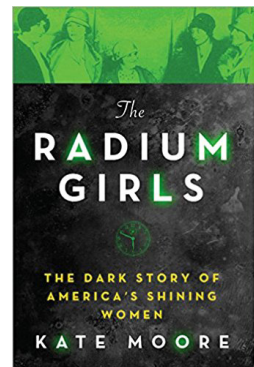
Hillbilly Elegy by J.D. Vance

Hillbilly Elegy is a passionate and personal analysis of a culture in crisis, that of white working-class Americans. The decline of this group, a demographic of our country that has been slowly disintegrating over forty years. J. D. Vance tells the true story of what a social, regional and class decline feels like when you were born with it hung around your neck.



The Radium Girls by Kate Moore

This is the story of hundreds of young, vibrant women who were sentenced to death by their employers. The so-called "Radium Girls" painted luminescent faces on clock and watch dials using a paint mixture that contained radium. Instructed to "lip-point" their brushes as they painted, they absorbed high doses of radium into their bodies. When the effects of the radium led to horrific disfigurement and pain, the company refused to take responsibility.



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