Adult New books July 2020

Fiction

Dead Girl Blues
Lawrence Block

"You might as well know this going in: Lawrence Block’s new novel is not for everyone. It's recounted in journal form by its protagonist, and begins when he walks into a roadhouse outside of Bakersfield, California, and walks out with a woman." – Amazon.com

Tom Clancy Firing Point (Jack Ryan Universe Book 29)
Mike Maden

“Jack Ryan, Jr. is out to avenge the murder of an old friend, but the vein of evil he's tapped into may run too deep for him to handle in the latest electric entry in the #1 New York Times bestselling series.” — Amazon.com

Holding Out for Christmas
Janet Dailey

“New York Times bestselling author Janet Dailey combines the beloved holiday traditions of small-town Branding Iron, Texas, with sparkling romance …” – Amazon.com

People of the Canyons: A Novel of North America's Forgotten Past
Kathleen O'Neal Gear and W. Michael Gear

"Authors Kathleen O'Neal Gear and W. Michael Gear bring us a tale of trapped magic, a tyrant who wants to wield its power...and a young girl who could be the key to save a people."— Amazon.com.
American Demon (Hollows Book 14)
Kim Harrison
“"The world of the Hollows is fast-moving, funny, harrowing, and scary, and--the greatest compliment to a fantasy--absolutely real." – Diana Gabaldon, *New York Times* bestselling author of the Outlander series

Credible Threat (Ali Reynolds Series Book 15)
J. A. Jance
“"Anchored by real emotions of grief, guilt, and the comforting power of faith . . . Fans will enjoy Jance’s trademark fast pace and the tough but principled lead character.” – *Booklist*

The Persuasion (Eve Duncan Book 27)
Iris Johansen
“"When Eve Duncan's daughter, Jane MacGuire, becomes a killer's target, Jane must team up with longtime love interest Seth Caleb in this suspenseful novel from the #1 bestselling author of Smokescreen." – *Amazon.com*

The Summer House
James Patterson and Brendan DuBois
“"When seven murder victims are found in a small town, the homicide investigation shakes a small-town sheriff to her core in James Patterson's tense thriller." – *Amazon.com*

Hush (Harriet Blue Book 4)
James Patterson and Candice Fox
“"Top cop, devoted sister, and now Inmate 3329: even prison bars won't stop Harriet Blue from seeking justice for the murder of her brother.” – *Amazon.com*
Dance Away with Me: A Novel
Susan Elizabeth Phillips

“In this superbly written stand-alone, this master storyteller’s flair for highly imaginative plots and flawless characterization are on full display, resulting an emotionally enriching, breathtakingly brilliant tale of heartbreak and hope... lively writing liberally laced with multiple layers of delicious wit and snarky charm.” – *Booklist*

The Black Swan of Paris: A Novel
Karen Robards

"Robards blends commendable attention to historical detail with intense realism and deep feeling. Historical fiction fans will be enthralled with this richly hewn novel and the romance and danger lurking around its every corner." – *Publishers Weekly*

Daddy’s Girls: A Novel
Danielle Steel

“In Danielle Steel’s riveting novel, three women raised by their father on a sprawling California ranch now confront difficult truths about their past.” – *Amazon.com*

Non-Fiction

Our Time Is Now: Power, Purpose, and the Fight for a Fair America
Stacey Abrams

“A detailed exposé of how our democracy has been eroded—and a plan to fix it—from an up-and-coming national leader. If you are feeling hopeless about politics, this well-informed blueprint for change may begin to restore your faith.” – *Kirkus Reviews*

The Light of Days: The Untold Story of Women Resistance Fighters in Hitler’s Ghettos
Judy Batalion

“A remarkable portrait of young Jewish women who fought in the Polish resistance during WWII ... pays vivid tribute to the breadth and scope of female courage.” – *Publishers Weekly*
The New One: Painfully True Stories from a Reluctant Dad
Mike Birbiglia

“Fusing good humor and raw honesty with selections from Stein's evocative poetry, Birbiglia narrates his journey into parenting...Hilarious, relatable, and effortlessly entertaining.” – Kirkus Reviews

The Hardest Job in the World: The American Presidency
John Dickerson

“Evenhanded and insightful . . . Drawing on illuminating interviews with former White House officials and presidential historians, Dickerson packs the book with intriguing arcana and colorful quotes. . . . This entertaining history rises above the political fray to cast even the most maligned chief executives in a new light.” – Publishers Weekly

United States of Socialism: Who's Behind It. Why It's Evil. How to Stop It
Dinesh D'Souzr

“For those who witnessed the global collapse of socialism, its resurrection in the twenty-first century comes as a surprise, even a shock. How can socialism work now when it has never worked before?” – Amazon.com

Exercise of Power: American Failures, Successes, and a New Path Forward in the Post-Cold War World
Robert M Gates

“From the former secretary of defense and author of the acclaimed #1 best-selling memoir, Duty, a candid, sweeping examination of power in all its manifestations, and how it has been exercised, for good and bad, by American presidents in the post-Cold War world.” – Amazon.com

Surviving Autocracy
Masha Gessen

“A handbook for an age in which egomania is morphing into autocracy at warp speed.” – Amazon.com
Trump and the American Future: Solving the Great Problems of Our Time
Newt Gingrich

“In this insightful call to action, New York Times bestselling author Newt Gingrich explains what is at stake in the 2020 elections -- and why Donald Trump must be re-elected.” – Amazon.com

The Art of Her Deal: The Untold Story of Melania Trump
Mary Jordan

“This revelatory biography of Melania Trump from Pulitzer Prize–winning Washington Post reporter Mary Jordan depicts a first lady who is far more influential in the White House than most people realize.” – Amazon.com

Democracy in One Book or Less: How It Works, Why It Doesn't, and Why Fixing It Is Easier Than You Think
David Litt

“Bill Bryson meets Thomas Frank in this deeply insightful, unexpectedly hilarious story of how politicians hijacked American democracy and how we can take it back.” – Amazon.com

Countdown 1945: The Extraordinary Story of the Atomic Bomb and the 116 Days That Changed the World
Chris Wallace

“From Chris Wallace, the veteran journalist and anchor of Fox News Sunday, comes an electrifying behind-the-scenes account of the 116 days leading up to the American attack on Hiroshima.” – Amazon.com

Donald Trump and His Assault on Truth: The President’s Falsehoods, Misleading Claims and Flat-Out Lies
The Washington Post Fact Checker Staff

“In perilous times, facts, expertise, and truth are indispensable. President Trump’s flagrant disregard for the truth and his self-aggrandizing exaggerations, specious misstatements, and bald-faced lies have been rigorously documented and debunked since the first day of his presidency by The Washington Post's Fact Checker staff.” – Amazon.com