ANDRE DE GRASSE is a six-time Olympic medalist. He is a popular brand ambassador and children’s author. He's the founder of the Andre De Grasse Family Foundation, which is committed to inspiring and empowering youth through access to sports, education and healthcare.

IGNITE
Unlock the Hidden Potential Within
Andre De Grasse

Insightful, practical lessons on life, on and off the track, from an Olympic and world champion

Not only is Andre De Grasse blazingly fast on the track, he’s also incredibly popular with his fans. Who could forget De Grasse’s friendly rivalry with sprinting legend Usain Bolt? Or his gold medal victory in the 200-metre race at the 2020 Tokyo Summer Olympics?

As one of the fastest humans alive, De Grasse has demonstrated what it takes to perform at your best under enormous pressure and to continue to push the limit of what seems impossible. In Ignite, De Grasse shares inspirational stories and lessons about the determination, resilience and perseverance it takes to become the best. Readers will gain from his insights from the track and beyond to unlock their own hidden potential and stare down life’s challenges whether at work, at home, or in pursuit of their dreams.
TRUTH TELLING
Seven Conversations about Indigenous Life in Canada

Michelle Good

A bold, provocative collection of essays exploring the historical and contemporary Indigenous experience

From racism, broken treaties, and cultural pillaging, to the value of Indigenous lives and the importance of Indigenous literature, this collection reveals facts about Indigenous life in Canada that are both devastating and enlightening. Passionate and uncompromising, Michelle Good affirms that meaningful and substantive reconciliation hinges on recognition of Indigenous self-determination, the return of lands, and a just redistribution of the wealth that has been taken from those lands without regard for Indigenous peoples.

Truth Telling is essential reading for those looking to acknowledge the past and understand the way forward.
MELLISSA FUNG is a veteran journalist, bestselling author and filmmaker. In 2008, as a field correspondent covering Afghanistan, she was taken hostage, an experience that led to her number-one-bestselling book *Under an Afghan Sky*. Her story, and those of three Nigerian girls, were the subject of her first feature documentary, *Captive*, which premiered in 2021.

“*This is a brilliant book, an unflinching intimate history of Nigerian girls who survived capture and struggled to rebuild their lives. Rather than chronicle Boko Haram or the campaign to #bringbackourgirls, Mellissa Fung empowers the girls to speak for themselves, to recount their own fear and survival. She has given us a powerful, gripping portrait that dares us to confront horror and the stamina it takes to survive it.*”

— Hillary Rodham Clinton

In April 2014, the world awoke to the shocking news that the terrorist group Boko Haram had kidnapped nearly 300 school-aged girls and taken them deep into the forests of Nigeria. During several visits to Nigeria over four years, Mellissa Fung sat down with the girls and their families, listening to horrific stories of capture, rape and torture, as well as escapes and excommunications. Fung also tells the stories of strong women fighting against the terrorist group: Aisha the Hunter, who moves stealthily into the forest, taking out Boko Haram with her faithful followers, and Mama Boko Haram, an Igbo woman who knows the fighters and fights to empty the forests of them and captives alike.
THE WORLD’S EVEN DUMBER CRIMINALS
Unbelievable True Tales of Crime Gone Wrong
Duncan McKenzie

A hilarious collection of all-new true stories of dumb criminals committing stupid crimes

A man breaks into a couple’s car, only to leave his phone, and his social media profile, behind. A murder suspect hid in the ceiling, which collapsed, dropping him at the feet of police. A gang of thieves in Spain filled their van with stolen oranges, only to have the fruit pop out of the vehicle when stopped by inquisitive police. A drunken man led police on a low-speed chase on his lawn tractor only to be arrested when he ran out of gas.

Whether leaving clues behind that lead to their capture or leaving their counterfeited money for the police to find, there’s no shortage of people who seem intent on getting themselves caught. The World’s Even Dumber Criminals contains many all-new stories about criminals who put the wrong in wrongdoing.

DUNCAN MCKENZIE has written for books, magazines, radio and TV, including such shows as History Bites, That’s So Weird, Train 48, and Baroness von Sketch Show. When not writing, Duncan teaches comedy and produces theatre productions and podcasts.
The first book in a light-hearted comedic cozy crime series in the vein of Richard Osman, Simon Brett, and Alexander McCall Smith’s 44 Scotland Street Series

Miranda Abbott is a flamboyantly unaware former TV star who once played a crime-solving, karate-chopping church pastor. Since then, her career has hit hard times. Turned down for a role in the reality show *Real Has-Beens of Beverley Hills*, Miranda is about to give up when a mysterious postcard from her past arrives, summoning her to a small town in the Pacific Northwest. But when she gets there, the situation is much different than she expected.

In dire straits, she signs up for an amateur production at the Happy Rock Little Theater, only to find herself onstage when one of the actors is murdered, live, in front of the audience on opening night. Falling under a cloud of suspicion, Miranda is forced to investigate the murder herself using her dubious skills as a former TV sleuth.
A true-to-life story about the pains and triumphs of growing up, perfect for readers of Renée Watson and Lisa Moore Ramée

Arlaina Jefferson is eager to prove herself. Tasked with caring for her cousin’s rabbit, Obeena, Arlaina knows all that stands between her and the grown-up world of middle school is one year of staying out of trouble and making sure to clean up Obeena’s turds.

But, having faced thoughtless comments from fellow students, Arlaina soon realizes that a larger problem plagues Grover School. All those comments that Arlaina—and several other students—once brushed off suddenly seethe under the light of truth.

Bolstered by her father’s childhood experience in the Million Man March, Arlaina teams up with no-nonsense Nadia and a host of other Grover School students to right a systemic wrong. After all, proving you’re grown up doesn’t always mean staying out of trouble!
MARK SAKAMOTO has enjoyed a rich and varied career, and is the author of the Canada Reads-winning memoir *Forgiveness*.

RACHEL WADA was raised between Japan and Hong Kong and has created illustrations for magazines, newspapers, advertising, all characterized by the use of rich colours, textures, and fine details through both digital and traditional mediums.

**SHIZUE’S PATH**

Mark Sakamoto, illustrated by Rachel Wada

Inspired by the life of Mark Sakamoto’s great-aunt, *Shizue’s Path* weaves personal and political history with a keen sense of justice and optimism. Rachel Wada’s sophisticated illustrations pair perfectly with poetic text, creating an unforgettable story about a girl who is swept up by the waters of the world and uses her voice to create ripples of kindness.

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