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*A Novel* Abrams

None of them are the children of Alexander, Earl of Caterham, who was married to their mother for almost twenty years. A family saga that takes the reader right from the 1950s to the end of the twentieth century, and set between the Hamptons summer

homes of New York's elite and the English countryside familiar to any fan of British period drama, it's a tale of the power and greed of the mega-rich, as the great banking business upon which the family's fortunes are won and lost comes to the brink of ruin. Intense relationships, both old and new, are tested to the utmost in this grand and unputdownable summer read.

Windfall Minotaur  
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POWER Two clever, stylish and ambitious women are fighting for control of a multi-million cosmetics empire. MYSTERY What is the secret that lies behind its charming, ruthless creator, Julian Morell? And why, when he dies, does he leave half his fortune to a complete stranger? GLAMOUR Here are the designer interiors, the jewels, cars and to-die-for couture of the rich and the super-rich - the glittering, fabulous world Julian created for himself, and the women who loved him. PASSION And here is a love story - poignant, sexy, tempestuous - featuring a mother, a mistress, a wife and a daughter, all of whom are overshadowed by

... old sins. PRAISE FOR PENNY VINCENZI "This super-glossy first novel...catches the passing reflection, the sheen and glitter of things, spying out the trends...make no mistake, this is contemporary writing" Guardian "Like a glass of champagne: bubbly, moreish and you don't want it to end... A fantastic read" Daily Express "Penny is the doyenne of the modern blockbuster" Glamour **For the Love of April French** HarperCollins UK  
Penny Jordan is an award-winning New York Times and Sunday Times bestselling author of more than 200 books with sales of over 100 million copies. We have celebrated her wonderful writing with a special collection of

her novels, many of which are available for the first time in eBook right now.

### **A Perfect Heritage**

Minotaur Books  
In Sunday Times bestseller Penny Vincenzi's ANOTHER WOMAN, a dream wedding becomes a nightmare - as the bride disappears. 'Like a glass of champagne: bubbly, moreish and you don't want it to end' Daily Express. The perfect novel for any reader of Elizabeth Buchan or Kate Morton. The night before her lavish wedding to Oliver Bergin, Cressida Forrest went to bed serene and happy. By morning she had vanished - without apparent cause, and without trace. Shocked, anxious and uncomprehending, the two families face a

long and painful day of revelations, as a complex, fragile web of sexual, marital and financial secrets is ripped apart by Cressida's disappearance. And the question they are all forced to ask is who really was the woman they thought they knew - perfect daughter, sister, lover and wife never to be?

### Almost a Crime

Headline

A QUESTION OF TRUST is vintage Penny Vincenzi: rich with characters, life-changing decisions, love, desire and conflict. 'There are few things better in life than ... the latest novel by Penny Vincenzi' Daily Express 1950s London. Tom Knelston is charismatic, working class and driven by ambition, ideals and

passion. He is a man to watch. His wife Alice shares his vision. It seems they are the perfect match. Then out of the blue, Tom meets beautiful and unhappily married Diana Southcott, a fashion model. An exciting but dangerous affair is inevitable and potentially damaging to their careers. And when a child becomes ill, Tom is forced to make decisions about his principles, his reputation, his marriage, and most of all, his love for his child.

### **Something**

**Dangerous** Penguin  
'He won't tell Dan about the trees yet. In the spring maybe, when he knows if they're living or dead. Cahir is the right man for a secret. The great secrets of the world

are best kept by fat boys and girls. Fat boys like Cahir with no shortage of capacity or cover or practice, the ones who've been hoarding for years, building heft in the quiet when backs were turned.' Cahir and Dan grew up on Inishowen, in north Donegal. It is their last year at home together. When his brother leaves, Cahir will be left behind, but he has plans too. Cahir plants trees outside the town, on a scrap of ground belonging to their mother. In a world full of badness, he wants to do something good. It is a secret, even from Dan. Dan works full time at the supermarket, content where he is. He has taken a year out before university and is messaging Lydia. If it works out with her, he

might stay longer. But the land doesn't belong to Cahir or to Dan. It has been sold to Lydia's brother and when Lydia finds Cahir tending the trees, on ground that isn't his, things spiral out of Cahir's control, threatening everything he has worked for.

**A Chief Inspector Gamache Novel**

Minotaur Books  
 A New York Times Notable Crime Book and Favorite Cozy for 2011  
 A Publishers Weekly Best Mystery/Thriller books for 2011  
 "Penny has been compared to Agatha Christie [but] it sells her short. Her characters are too rich, her grasp of nuance and human psychology too firm...." --Booklist (starred review)  
 "Hearts are broken," Lillian Dyson carefully

underlined in a book. "Sweet relationships are dead." But now Lillian herself is dead. Found among the bleeding hearts and lilacs of Clara Morrow's garden in Three Pines, shattering the celebrations of Clara's solo show at the famed Musée in Montreal. Chief Inspector Gamache, the head of homicide at the Sûreté du Québec, is called to the tiny Quebec village and there he finds the art world gathered, and with it a world of shading and nuance, a world of shadow and light. Where nothing is as it seems. Behind every smile there lurks a sneer. Inside every sweet relationship there hides a broken heart. And even when facts are slowly exposed, it is no longer clear to Gamache and

his team if what they've found is the truth, or simply a trick of the light.

A Penny's Worth

Roaring Brook Press  
Born into the powerful Lytton family, twins Adele and Venetia Lytton grow up in a golden world, until the dark specter of Nazi Germany begins to loom over Europe and the Lytton family faces challenges for which they are unprepared.

*An Enemies to Lovers Romance* Headline

Penny Vincenzi's WINDFALL is a rich, absorbing tale of temptation, ambition and desire for any reader of Elizabeth Buchan, Harriet Evans or Jilly Cooper.

'Reading her is an addictive experience'  
Elizabeth Buchan  
Cassia Fallon has always been the

perfect country doctor's wife, performing each menial task with willingness and grace, even though her desire to become a doctor herself has been thwarted by lack of money. Then her godmother leaves her a fortune. With her new-found wealth, Cassia is finally free to do as she pleases, and resumes her own medical career as Dr Cassia Tallow with a passion. But it soon becomes clear that her legacy may not be such a blessing after all, for Cassia begins to question the strength of her marriage, her future and exactly where the money has come from. a rich, absorbing tale of temptation, ambition and desire.

*Forbidden Places*

Abrams

It all comes down to love or money in a harrowing custody battle over a little girl, set against the glossy backdrop of the magazine and advertising worlds in 1960s London. A privileged girl from a privileged class, Eliza has a dazzling career in the magazine world of the 1960s. But when she falls deeply in love with Matt, an edgy working-class boy, she gives up her ritzy, fast-paced lifestyle to get married. By the end of the decade, however, their marriage has suffered a harrowing breakdown, culminating in divorce and a dramatic courtroom custody battle over their little girl. Also at risk is Eliza's gorgeous family home, a pawn in the

game, which she can't bear to give up. True to form, Penny Vincenzi introduces a devious cast of characters seemingly plucked from the pages of sixties- and seventies-era magazines, as she deftly maneuvers between the glamorous, moneyed worlds of fashion and advertising, and a heart-wrenching custody battle going on in the courtroom where the social mores of the time are on full display.

Something Dangerous

Abrams

The No. 1 bestseller is back with her greatest blockbuster yet. What do you do when you lose everything? It was one of the biggest scandals of the 80s. Lloyds. It started with just a few requests for money from various Names. And then the



demands got bigger. And bigger. Until thousands of people found their lives ruined, homes gone and relationships wrecked. All because of money. When you do have it, its value isn't that important. When you don't - it's everything...

*The Nature of the Beast* Minotaur Books  
 Considered by many to be mentally retarded, a brilliant, impatient fifth-grader with cerebral palsy discovers a technological device that will allow her to speak for the first time.

**Benny and Penny in Just Pretend** The Best of Times

Any reader of Jilly Cooper or Elizabeth Jane Howard will devour *A PERFECT HERITAGE* by Penny Vincenzi - 'Deliciously

readable' Mail on Sunday The House of Farrell - home of The Cream, an iconic face product that has seen women flocking to its bijoux flagship store in the Berkeley Arcade since 1953. The legendary Athina Farrell remains the company's figurehead while Florence Hamilton plies their cosmetics with the utmost discretion. She is sales advisor - and holder of secrets - extraordinaire. But of course the world of cosmetics is changing and the once glorious House of Farrell is now in decline, its customers tempted away by more fashionable brands. Enter Bianca Bailey, formidable business woman, mother of three, and someone who always gets her

way...

*Fictionary* Page Street  
Kids

An inside view of the greed and social power plays behind the closed doors of upper-crust society, *An Absolute Scandal* looks at a world where money isn't everything . . . sometimes, it's the only thing. And when the money disappears in the thick of a financial crisis, the real story begins. For Nigel Cowper, this means the destruction of his family business; his wife, Lucinda, is willing to do everything she can to help him—except give up her irresistible lover. The powerful, charismatic banker Simon Beaumont and his equally successful wife Elizabeth lose everything they've worked so hard to

acquire; but the ultimate tragedy is something that neither one could have anticipated. Yet the well-to-do are not the only ones whose lives are upended: a self-sufficient widow, a single mother, and a schoolmaster find that their lives are also turned upside down in this deliciously readable tale.

**All the Devils Are Here** Beyond

Publishing

A number-one bestseller from one of Britain's most popular novelists, *Sheer Abandon* is an all-consuming story revolving around the consequences of a desperate act . . . Martha, Clio, and Jocasta meet by chance at Heathrow airport in 1985 as they are starting off on

separate backpacking adventures, and they decide to spend the first few days of their trips together in Thailand. When they go their separate ways, they vow to get together in London the following year. But many years pass before the three cross paths again, and the once-capricious, carefree girls now all have thriving careers. One of them, however, harbors a terrible secret: On her return from her pre-college excursion, she abandoned her just-born daughter at Heathrow. Clio has fulfilled her ambition of becoming a doctor, only to find herself trapped in a marriage to an arrogant surgeon who belittles her and her professional achievements. Martha

is a highly paid corporate lawyer, just embarking on a political career. Dedicated to her job, she has had little time for personal relationships and lives a busy, but lonely life. Jocasta, a tabloid newspaper reporter with an infallible instinct for the big story, is in love with a charming colleague who can't make the permanent commitment she longs for. The infant abandoned at Heathrow has grown up under the loving care of her adoptive family. Now a beautiful teenager named Kate, she sets out to find her birth mother—a quest that unexpectedly brings the women together and exposes the secret buried so many years before.

Impossible to put down, *Sheer Abandon* is top-notch women's fiction.

*A Novel* Simon and Schuster

The dazzling Lytton twins, Adele and Venetia, are born into the great Lytton publishing empire. In 1928, on their eighteenth birthday, they are rich and admired, with a confidence verging on arrogance. But the specter of Nazi Germany is growing... Gradually their privileged world darkens in unimaginable ways—but it is not just the twins whose lives have been irrevocably changed. Barty Miller, rescued from the London slums in babyhood by Celia Lytton, is clever, ambitious, and a

complete contrast to the twins—and she faces temptation of the most unexpected kind...

*State of Terror* Abrams  
 INSTANT #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER A December 2018 Indie Next Pick One of Kirkus Reviews' Best of 2018 Picks BookPage Best of the Year 2018 A LibraryReads Pick for November 2018 A LibraryReads Hall of Fame Winner Washington Post's 10 Books to Read This November One of PopSugar's Best Fall Books to Curl Up With "A captivating, wintry whodunit." —PEOPLE "A constantly surprising series that deepens and darkens as it evolves."  
 —Marilyn Stasio, New York Times Book Review Kingdom of the Blind, the new Chief

Inspector Gamache novel from the #1 New York Times bestselling author. When a peculiar letter arrives inviting Armand Gamache to an abandoned farmhouse, the former head of the Sûreté du Québec discovers that a complete stranger has named him one of the executors of her will. Still on suspension, and frankly curious, Gamache accepts and soon learns that the other two executors are Myrna Landers, the bookseller from Three Pines, and a young builder. None of them had ever met the elderly woman. The will is so odd and includes bequests that are so wildly unlikely that Gamache and the others suspect the woman must have been delusional. But

what if, Gamache begins to ask himself, she was perfectly sane? When a body is found, the terms of the bizarre will suddenly seem less peculiar and far more menacing. But it isn't the only menace Gamache is facing. The investigation into what happened six months ago—the events that led to his suspension—has dragged on, into the dead of winter. And while most of the opioids he allowed to slip through his hands, in order to bring down the cartels, have been retrieved, there is one devastating exception. Enough narcotic to kill thousands has disappeared into inner city Montreal. With the deadly drug about to hit the streets, Gamache races for

answers. As he uses increasingly audacious, even desperate, measures to retrieve the drug, Armand Gamache begins to see his own blind spots. And the terrible things hiding there.

**No Angel** Random House  
Pennies, worthless? Non-cents! Hot off the minting press, Penny feels like a million bucks. But as other coins and bills are spent while she sits forgotten, she begins to doubt her value. She is too small to slot-surf with Quarter. Even penny candy sells for a dime! Refusing to be short-changed, she sets out to find her purpose at any cost. Readers will laugh at a wealth of money puns, learn a basic lesson on US currency, and discover that self-worth

is truly priceless. A Novel Overlook Press  
Beloved author Maeve Binchy's first published novel, an engrossing coming of age tale about the incredible bond of friendship. To escape the chaos of London during World War II, young Elizabeth White is sent to live a safer life in the small Irish town of Kilgarret. It is there, in the crowded, chaotic O'Connor household, that she meet Aisling—a girl who soon becomes her very best friend, sharing her pet kitten and secretly teaching her the intricacies of Catholicism. Aisling's boldness brings Elizabeth out of her proper shell; later, her support carries Elizabeth through the painful end of her parents' chilly

marriage. In return, Elizabeth's friendship helps Aisling endure her own unsatisfying marriage to a raging alcoholic. Through the years, they come to believe they can overcome any conflict, conquer any hardship—as long as they have each other. Now they're about to find out if they're right... "A sumptuous saga."—Harper's "Wonderful...a novel that could be mistaken for life."—New York Daily News

**An Absolute Scandal**  
Hachette UK

A day outing had been Gram and Lily's idea, a diversion to bring them

together, a bonding of sorts, and it had seemed extremely important--vital, in fact--at the planning stage, although Chime couldn't quite remember why. Gram knew that this morning he was logical and reasonable, and in control. And now . . . now he feels like he's losing himself. Lily didn't want to admit a brush with the same sensation. She shrugged his hand away. "Don't you find it odd that none of us can remember where we were supposed to go next? On a day that we planned months ago?"

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