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### Mare's War

The year is 1915 and sixteen-year-old Eliza Williams has just arrived at the Billings School for Girls, the sister school of Easton Academy, founded to turn girls into dutiful wives. Eliza's parents expect her to learn the qualities needed to be a graceful and obedient wife, but Eliza has a dangerous secret... she's a witch! After finding a dusty, leather-bound spell book, Eliza forms a secret coven with eleven other Billings girls, disguising their gatherings as a literary society to keep their teachers from discovering the truth. Bonded in sisterhood, they cast spells - cursing the headmistress, giving blisters to boys with wandering hands and conjuring beautiful dresses out of rags. The

girls taste freedom and power for the first time, but what starts out as innocent fun turns into something more sinister when one of the spells has an unexpected - and deadly - consequence. Eliza realises that magic could bring her everything she's ever wanted... but it could also destroy everything she holds dear. But is it too late to stop what she's started?

### **Invitation Only**

In the 11th Private Reed has arrived back to Easton after her harrowing kidnapping to the worst thing she can think of - Billings has been torn down. Finally, after years of controversy from the administration, the school's wealthiest female alumni have been overruled and the historical dorm is gone from Easton Academy. How will Reed and the rest of the Billings Girls handle this? Will they still be as powerful, as popular and as mean with literally no ground to stand on?

### **Ambition**

At Billings Hall, Reed, the newly elected president, is planning a fund-raising event in New York City to try to get over the fire that destroyed the academy's oldest building, but things turn ugly when the police start questioning her about Cheyenne Martin's death.

### **Ominous**

Now that Cheyenne's murderer has been revealed

and Reed knows the truth about who's been stalking her, she's ready for a break. What better way to relax than on a five-star Caribbean vacation with the Billings Girls? At first the trip is heaven on Earth: beach parties, forty-foot yachts, shopping trips to exclusive boutiques . . . But even in sunny paradise, the Girls are never far from trouble - and they're about to get burned.

## **Private**

When lightning strikes there can only be trouble - as Jessica Mastriani finds out when she and best friend Ruth get caught in a thunderstorm. Not that Jess has ever really avoided trouble before. Instead of cheerleading there are fistfights with the football team and monthlong stints in detention - not that detention doesn't have its good points - like sitting next to Rob - the cutest senior around! But this is trouble with a capital T - this trouble is serious. Because somehow on that long walk home in the thunderstorm, Jess acquired a new found talent. An amazing power that can be used for good. . . or for evil.

## **The Virginity Club**

MAKE NEW FRIENDS AND KILL THE OLD. Ariana Osgood has everything she's ever wanted. A place at elite Atherton-Pryce boarding school. Fabulous friends. A new crush. And most importantly, a new identity. Now that she's officially become Briana Leigh Covington, Ariana's troubled past is dead and buried.

Or is it? When the one person who knows her secret arrives on campus, Ariana decides it's time to say good-bye to her ex-best friend -- forever. From the author of the bestselling PRIVATE novels comes a series about the dark world of wealth, secrets, and PRIVILEGE.

## **The Secret Club That Runs the World**

The higher the climb, the further the fall . . . For Reed Brennan, being elected president of the exclusive Billings Hall has changed her life. But she didn't count on being dumped by her boyfriend, Josh, or being held responsible for a fire that destroyed Easton Academy's oldest building. Now the administration wants to shut Billings down. Forever. Reed needs to come up with a plan . . . and fast! But with the police asking questions about Cheyenne Martin's death, Reed is rapidly becoming public enemy number one. Someone wants to see Billings, and Reed, go down. And they'll do anything to make it happen...

## **George Lucas**

The entire Private collection by Kate Brian is now available as an eBook! When Reed Brennan arrived at Easton Academy, she entered a world of privilege she had never known. The other students have everything: trust funds, private planes—and horrible secrets. When Reed's new crush is found dead in the woods, Reed embarks on a fight for her life as one crazy person after another wants her out of Easton or dead. No one said private school was easy. Now, the

entire Private collection is available in one eBook and includes a total of sixteen books: all fourteen books in the series as well as the two standalone prequels, Last Christmas and The Book of Spells.

### **Untouchable**

After the shocking revelation that Reed and Noelle are descended from witches, and the harrowing ordeal at Reed's birthday party, the Billings Girls are faced with their final test: getting out of Easton Academy alive. After innumerable attempts on her life, will Reed be able to survive - or has her luck finally run out? The bestselling Private series comes to a close!

### **Into the Wild**

Sometimes the truth hurts... Reed's new boyfriend Josh has been arrested for her ex-boyfriend's murder, but Reed is convinced that he is innocent and that the killer is still out there. Desperate to uncover the truth, Reed does some digging - but what she unearths is more dangerous than even she knew. For the girls of Billings Hall have more secrets than the CIA, and they aren't relinquishing their hold on Reed. Once a Billings Girl, always a Billings Girl... Forever.

### **Vengeance**

Reed Brennan thought that a winter break in the islands with some of the Billings Girls, old and new, was just what she needed to recover from her traumatic last term at Easton. At first everything is

perfect; relaxing, fun and elegant. But then things take a more sinister turn and suddenly Reed finds herself in danger once more. If Reed wants to survive her fateful vacation she must discover who is after her and why, before it's too late

## **Confessions**

Octavia and Tali learn about strength, independence, and courage when they take a car trip with their grandmother, who tells them about growing up black in 1940s Alabama and serving as a member of the Women's Army Corps during World War II.

## **Invitation Only**

As prophesized, a young house cat becomes an apprentice warrior in a clan of wild cats, where he faces many dangers and treachery both within and outside of his new clan.

## **Megan Meade's Guide to the McGowan Boys**

Rory Miller thought her life was over when a serial killer set his sights on her and forced her into witness protection. But a fresh start on Juniper Landing Island was exactly what she and her family needed. For the first time in years she and her sister hang out at the beach, gossip about boys, and party together. She's also made friends with a local clique—including a magnetic and mysterious boy named Tristan. But Rory's world is about to change again. Picturesque

Juniper Landing isn't what it seems. The truth about the swirling fog that rolls in each morning, the bridge that leads to nowhere, and those beautiful locals who seem to watch Rory's every move is more terrifying than being hunted by Steven Nell. And all Rory ever wanted was the truth. Even if it means learning that she can never go home again. From the best-selling author of the *Private* and *Privilege* series comes the second novel in a heart-stopping trilogy about a girl who must pick up the pieces after the only life she's ever known ends.

## **When Lightning Strikes**

"Thanks to this gripping new book we know more about how they do it. And it's even more shocking than you think." --The Independent

When most people think of the drama of global finance, they think of stocks and bonds, venture capital, high-tech IPOs, and complex mortgage-backed securities. But commodities? Crude oil and soybeans? Copper and wheat? What could be more boring? That's exactly what the elite commodity traders want you to think. They don't seek the media spotlight. They don't want to be as famous as Warren Buffett or Bill Gross. Their astonishing wealth was created in near-total obscurity, either in closely held private companies or deep within large banks and corporations, where commodity profits and losses weren't broken out. Now Kate Kelly, the bestselling author of *Street Fighters*, takes us inside this secretive inner circle that controls so many things we all depend on. She gets closer than any previous reporter to understanding these

whip-smart, aggressive, and often egomaniacal men who bet millions every day on a blend of facts, analysis, and pure gut instinct.

## **Paradise Lost**

The biggest mystery of all and Reed is dying to learn the truth. Two months after Cheyenne Martin was found dead in her Billings House dorm room, exclusive Easton Academy is rocked by another stunning revelation: Cheyenne was murdered. No one knows who the killer is, but everyone agrees that Reed Brennan, who took over Cheyenne's role as Billings's president, gained the most from her death. Once the most powerful girl on campus, Reed is now powerless to stop her classmates' accusing whispers. Rumors begin to swirl that she killed Cheyenne. And just like that, Reed is kicked out of Billings. She's lost everything -- her friends, her home, her boyfriend -- and Reed knows the only way to get it all back is to figure out who really murdered Cheyenne. And she has to do it fast because the killer is still out there. The more Reed investigates, the more she uncovers. And as any Billings Girl knows secrets can be deadly.

## **Behind the Scenes at the Museum**

Fifteen-year-old Reed Brennan is delighted when she wins a scholarship to Easton Academy - it's the golden ticket out of her suburban life and away from her pill-popping mother. But when she arrives at the beautiful, tradition-steeped campus, everyone is more sophisticated, more gorgeous and a WHOLE lot

wealthier than she is. Reed may have been accepted to the Academy, but she certainly hasn't been accepted by her classmates. She feels like she's on the outside, looking in... until she meets the Billings Girls. They're the most beautiful, intelligent and powerful girls on campus. And, boy, do they know it. Reed vows to do whatever it takes to be accepted into their inner circle. But once she's in, she discovers much more than designer clothes hiding in their closets - there are also plenty of skeletons... Secrets which must be kept PRIVATE. Whatever the cost. This compelling series full of dark secrets, mystery and satire is a must for fans of Gossip Girl, Pretty Little Liars and Mean Girls?.

### **Untouchable**

A deeply moving family story of happiness and heartbreak, *Behind the Scenes at the Museum* is bestselling author Kate Atkinson's award-winning literary debut. National Bestseller Winner of the Whitbread Book of the Year Ruby Lennox begins narrating her life at the moment of conception, and from there takes us on a whirlwind tour of the twentieth century as seen through the eyes of an English girl determined to learn about her family and its secrets. Kate Atkinson's first novel is "a multigenerational tale of a spectacularly dysfunctional Yorkshire family and one of the funniest works of fiction to come out of Britain in years" (The New York Times Book Review).

### **Inner Circle**

When an announcement is made for a special scholarship, four best friends begin a special club that is designed to demonstrate the "purity" required by the scholarship committee.

## **Legacy**

Cheating, partying, blackmail, and nowmurder? Can the Billings Girls remain untouchable? Reed's boyfriend, Thomas Pearson -- the popular, easygoing, irresistibly handsome and charismatic boy she fell in love with -- is dead. No one knows how it happened, and everyone is after the truth. Or are they? Life at Easton Academy begins to feel very different. Taylor is acting like the poster child for Prozac, Kiran is spiking her cornflakes, Noelle is being kind of nice, and Arianna keeps floating along as if nothing has happened. Thanksgiving break arrives and Reed and Josh find themselves alone on campus. They are forced to confront the feelings they've been hiding. Those feelings combined with an empty campus result in the hottest hookup Reed could possibly imagine. But when Reed breaks the news about Josh to the Billings Girls, there's no fun game of tell-all. Instead, Josh begins to look like suspect No. 1 in the murder of Thomas Pearson. The perfect life Reed has constructed as a Billings Girl begins to crumble. And as everyone becomes more convinced of Josh's guilt, Reed's private suspicions lead her somewhere she doesn't want to go.

## **Cruel Love**

A practical and spiritual guide for working moms to learn how to have more by doing less. This is a book for working women and mothers who are ready to release the culturally inherited belief that their worth is equal to their productivity, and instead create a personal and professional life that's based on presence, meaning, and joy. As opposed to focusing on "fitting it all in," time management, and leaning in, as so many books geared at ambitious women do, this book embraces the notion that through doing less women can have--and be--more. The addiction to busyness and the obsession with always trying to do more leads women, especially working mothers, to feel like they're always failing their families, their careers, their spouses, and themselves. This book will give women the permission and tools to change the way they approach their lives and allow them to embrace living in tune with the cyclical nature of the feminine, cutting out the extraneous busyness from their lives so they have more satisfaction and joy, and letting themselves be more often instead of doing all the time. Do Less offers the reader a series of 14 experiments to try to see what would happen if she did less in one specific way. So, rather than approaching doing less as an entire life overhaul (which is overwhelming in and of itself), this book gives the reader bite-sized steps to try incorporating over 2 weeks!

## **Stalin's Scribe: Literature, Ambition, and Survival: The Life of Mikhail Sholokhov**

Wellness Expert Cate Stillman Walks You Through a

System for Evolving Every Aspect of Your Life Through the Five Elements of Ayurveda Do you ever sense that there's a gap between your full potential and how you live your day-to-day life? If so, wellness expert Cate Stillman has a breakthrough solution. In *Master of You*, Cate presents an innovative program for embracing and accelerating your true capabilities—all through the five fundamental elements of Ayurveda. *Master of You* shows you how to align every aspect of your life with who you want to become next. Rather than quick fixes and life hacks, Cate offers element-by-element instruction on how to organize your home (space), optimize your biorhythms (earth), clarify your ambitions (fire), realign your relationship with time (air), and embody integrity and flow in your daily life (water). Through concentrated inquiry, dozens of practices, and a deep dive into the alchemical power of Ayurveda, *Master of You* will guide you in how to clear away obstacles and empower your own evolution. Here you will discover:

- Practices for checking in on your body, mind, and spirit with clear eyes
- How to recognize and bridge the gaps in your personal integrity
- Important habits for honoring and nurturing your body's natural rhythms
- How to confidently step up for your dreams through pilgrimage and vision quests
- The five bodies you need to consider and nourish as you progress
- How your past experiences and ingrained habits shape you from the cells up
- The inherent paradoxes of mastering the element of air (time)
- How to practice fasting for better nourishment (and enjoyment!) from food
- Why mastering integrity and flow is the linchpin of the elemental process
- How to discern the signs pointing toward your true dharma

"What if you met your

present realities, challenges, and opportunities facing forward, rooted from within, activating support from all around you?” writes Cate. “What if you could design for and actualize the life beyond your wildest dreams? Who could you become?” With Master of You, you too can take the reins of your life, reorient toward what makes you thrive, and bridge the gap between the possible and the actual.

## **Privilege**

After escaping from the Brenda T. Trumball Correctional Facility for Women and stealing the identity of rich socialite, Ariana Osgood finally thought she was on the path she always believed she deserved. But her past caught up with her and she is forced right back to her old ways, making everything she wants seem further out of reach. And some familiar faces are back to make things even worse for her. The Privilege series comes to an end with all the suspense, romance, drama and, wherever Ariana is concerned, murder you'd expect.

## **The Princess Diaries, Volume VII: Party Princess**

Princess Mia puts together a musical money-making scheme to save her student government, which could serve as preparation for one day balancing the budget of her small country. Reprint.

## **Revelation**

After the death of Cheyenne, Reed is elected the new leader of Billings Hall, but her grip on the social scene is tenuous, as she discovers when Easton is the only prep school not invited to a Legacy party and it falls to her to get them back on the list.

## **Down Girl**

Set in a world of exclusive boarding schools, Kate Brian's compelling series, PRIVATE, combines the bitchy snobbery of the elite and wealthy with a Heather-esq element of dark secrets, mystery, and satire. An invitation is only the beginning... Reed Brennan is living her dream. She's a student at prestigious Easton Academy and she's been invited to live in the exclusive Billings Hall, home to the most beautiful, intelligent, and enviable girls on campus. Life couldn't be more exciting - apart from the nagging fact that her boyfriend, Thomas, has gone missing... A night partying in the woods leads to Reed being caught in a compromising situation. Now she's being blackmailed: either she dishes the dirt on the Billings Girls, or she'll be exposed - and expelled... This compelling series full of dark secrets, mystery and satire is a must for fans of Gossip Girl, Pretty Little Liars and Mean Girls?.

## **Vanished**

The essential biography of the influential and beloved filmmaker George Lucas. On May 25, 1977, a problem-plagued, budget-straining independent science-fiction film opened in a mere thirty-two American movie

theaters. Conceived, written, and directed by a little-known filmmaker named George Lucas, the movie originally called *The Star Wars* quickly drew blocks-long lines, bursting box-office records and ushering in a new way for movies to be made, marketed, and merchandised. It is now one of the most adored-and successful-movie franchises of all time. Now, the author of the bestselling biography *Jim Henson* delivers a long-awaited, revelatory look into the life and times of the man who created Luke Skywalker, Han Solo, and Indiana Jones. If *Star Wars* wasn't game-changing enough, Lucas went on to create another blockbuster series with *Indiana Jones*, and he completely transformed the world of special effects and the way movies sound. His innovation and ambition forged Pixar and Lucasfilm, Industrial Light & Magic, and THX sound. Lucas's colleagues and competitors offer tantalizing glimpses into his life. His entire career has been stimulated by innovators including Steven Spielberg and Francis Ford Coppola, actors such as Harrison Ford, and the very technologies that enabled the creation of his films-and allowed him to keep tinkering with them long after their original releases. Like his unforgettable characters and stories, his influence is unmatched.

## **Master of You**

After the initiation ceremony of Reed's newly created secret society, Noelle has disappeared and the only clue is a mysterious note. Is Reed's behaviour the cause or is there something more sinister happening? With the kidnapper warning of worse things to come if

Reed tells anyone of Noelle's abduction, Reed realises it's up to her discover who has taken Noelle and to try and rescue her... before she becomes the next target.

## **Fast Food Nation**

A masterful and definitive biography of one of the most misunderstood and controversial writers in Russian literature. Mikhail Sholokhov is arguable one of the most contentious recipients of the Nobel Prize in Literature. As a young man, Sholokhov's epic novel, *Quiet Don*, became an unprecedented overnight success. *Stalin's Scribe* is the first biography of a man who was once one of the Soviet Union's most prominent political figures. Thanks to the opening of Russia's archives, Brian Boeck discovers that Sholokhov's official Soviet biography is actually a tangled web of legends, half-truths, and contradictions. Boeck examines the complex connection between an author and a dictator, revealing how a Stalinist courtier became an ideological acrobat and consummate politician in order to stay in favor and remain relevant after the dictator's death. *Stalin's Scribe* is remarkable biography that both reinforces and clashes with our understanding of the Soviet system. It reveals a Sholokhov who is bold, uncompromising, and sympathetic—and reconciles him with the vindictive and mean-spirited man described in so many accounts of late Soviet history. Shockingly, at the height of the terror, which claimed over a million lives, Sholokhov became a member of the most minuscule subset of the Soviet Union's

population—the handful of individuals whom Stalin personally intervened to save.

## **The Complete Private Collection**

When she was nine, Megan Meade met a group of terrible, mean, Popsicle-goo-covered boys, the sons of her father's friend -- the McGowan boys. Now, seven years later, Megan's army doctor parents are shipping off to Korea and Megan is being sent to live with the little monsters, who are older now and quite different than she remembered them. Living in a house with seven boys will give Megan, who has never even been kissed, the perfect opportunity to learn everything there is to know about boys. And she'll send all her notes to her best friend, Tracy, in Megan Meade's Guide to the McGowan Boys Observation #1: Being an army brat sucks. Except that this is definitely a better alternative to moving to Korea. Observation #2: Forget evil, laughing, little monsters. These guys have been touched by the Abercrombie gods. They are a blur of toned, suntanned perfection. Observation #3: I need a lock on my door. STAT. Observation #4: Three words: six-pack abs. Observation #5: Do not even get me started on the state of the bathroom. I'm thinking of calling in a hazmat team. Seriously. Observation #6: These boys know how to make enemies. Big time. Megan Meade will have to juggle a new school, a new family, a new crush -- on the boy next door, as in next bedroom door -- and a new life. Will she survive the McGowan boys?

## **Ambition**

Reed Brennan's future is looking as bright as the two-karat diamonds in her new housemates' ears. Being accepted to the most prestigious private boarding school in the country wasn't enough for Reed. She had to break every rule to do it, but she has accomplished the impossible: Reed is a Billings Girl now. And with her new status come respect, envy, and, most important, opportunity. Not to mention the parties. Unfortunately, at the next illicit party in the Easton campus woods, her roommate snaps some pictures of Reed in more than one compromising position. She uses the photos to blackmail Reed: Dig up dirt on the most powerful and popular Billings Girls or she will have Reed expelled. And speaking of parties, the Legacy is coming up. It's the invitation-only Halloween party in NYC and it's rumored that Thomas -- Reed's MIA boyfriend -- will be making an appearance there. Too bad Reed isn't even close to invited. Life as a Billings Girl is every bit as glamorous as Reed imagined. What she didn't bargain for is the tangled web of private lies these girls weave.

## **Hereafter**

Power can be intoxicating... Cheating, partying, blackmail and now... murder. Can the Billings Girls remain untouchable? Reed's handsome boyfriend, Thomas Pearson, is dead, and no one knows how it happened. When Reed and Thomas's ex-roommate, Josh, find themselves alone on campus one weekend, they confront their hidden feelings for each other. But then Josh begins to look like the number one suspect for the murder of Thomas Pearson. Could Reed's

perfect life as a Billings Girl be about to crumble? This compelling series full of dark secrets, mystery and satire is a must for fans of Gossip Girl, Pretty Little Liars and Mean Girls?.

## **Perfect Mistake**

Ariana Osgood plots her escape from the mental institution where she was locked up after being arrested for the death of Thomas Pearson at Easton Academy, as she plans to reunite with and seek revenge on her old friends.

## **Do Less**

Down Girl is a broad, original, and far ranging analysis of what misogyny really is, how it works, its purpose, and how to fight it. The philosopher Kate Manne argues that modern society's failure to recognize women's full humanity and autonomy is not actually the problem. She argues instead that it is women's manifestations of human capacities -- autonomy, agency, political engagement -- is what engenders misogynist hostility.

## **Last Christmas**

Before Reed Brennan came to Easton Academy  
Before Thomas Pearson was murdered  
Before Noelle Lange ruled Billings House and Ariana Osgood became Easton's most notorious student, Ariana was just another girl at boarding school. But then one cold snowy night on campus, Ariana fell for someone she

shouldn't - and that changed everything. Because someone was watching. And now they're intent on turning Ariana's holiday weekend into a nightmare...

## **Suspicion**

The drama follows her wherever she goes: Ariana Osgood's reign continues in this Private series spin-off. After escaping from the Brenda T. Trumbull Correctional Facility for Women and stealing the identity of rich socialite, Ariana Osgood finally thought she was on the path she always believed she deserved. But her past caught up with her and is blackmailing her right back to her old ways. Everything she wants seems further out of reach. The Privilege series continues with all the suspense, romance, drama and, wherever Ariana is concerned, murder.

## **Scandal**

Once you're in, there's no way out... It's a new school year, and Reed Brennan returns to prestigious Easton Academy, ready to put the dramatic events of last year behind her. When the headmaster forbids Billings Hall from holding its traditional secret initiation ceremony, Reed is relieved. She champions the new rules and welcomes the new recruits to Billings Hall. But there's one Billings resident who's adamant that the old ways should be kept alive - no matter what, or who, stands in her way

## **Philadelphia, Here I Come!**

Explores the homogenization of American culture and the impact of the fast food industry on modern-day health, economy, politics, popular culture, entertainment, and food production.

## **Pure Sin**

After the shocking revelations made in the Private prequel, *The Book of Spells*, Noelle and Reed know they are descendants of the original Billings Girls and their legacy includes a mysterious coven of witches. Has Reed unknowingly recreated their powerful magic and what will the consequences be once the others find out what they come from? Will Reed be able to get out of Easton Academy alive?

## **The Book of Spells**

Broadway hit about a young Irishman on the eve of his emigration to America.

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