

Spooky Tales For Halloween:

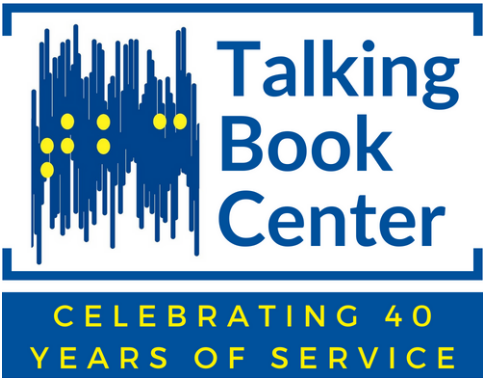
- DB20636 The Dunwich Horror And Others: The Best Supernatural Stories Of H. P Lovecraft
- DB108612 Ghost Stories: Classic Tales Of Horror And Suspense by Dickens, Wharton Hawthorne, Poe, and more!
- DB76004 The Big Book Of Ghost Stories by Kipling, Lovecraft, Asimov, and more!
- DB44929 The Complete Stories by Edgar Allan Poe (sixty-eight short stories)
- DB105999 The Haunting Season: Eight Ghostly Tales For Long Winter Nights
- DB106888 Round The Fire Stories by Arthur Conan Doyle
- DB20202 Pet Sematary by Stephen King
- DB21679 The Haunting Of Hill House by Shirley Jackson
- DB97649 Hallowe'en Party; Hercule Poirot 39 by Agatha Christie
- DB12688 The Exorcist by William Peter Blatty (explicit content)
- DB61169 Rosemary's Baby by Ira Levin (explicit content)



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That All May Read!



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October is Blindness Equality Achievement Month: a time to remember history, advance equality, and celebrate accomplishments. Here are some relevant titles:

- DB31889 Paradise Lost by John Milton (written in 1667 after Milton lost his vision)
- DB76676 Recipes From My Home Kitchen: Asian And American Comfort Food From The Winner Of MasterChef Season 3 by Christine Hà (blind chef)
- DB56115 People Of Vision: A History Of The American Council Of The Blind by James and Marjorie Megivern (comprehensive history of the ACB)

With cooler weather on its way, here are some heating and safety tips from the Staunton Fire & Rescue Department:

- ♦ Limit extension cords to temporary use only. Use surge protectors for long-term use
- ♦ Don't wash electric blankets too often as the heating element and wires can fray
- ♦ Keep the clothes dryer free from lint by cleaning out the vents and hose
- ♦ Never use propane heaters inside your home
- ♦ Don't heat your home with the stove or oven, especially gas appliances
- ♦ Be sure to have a good fire extinguisher and know how to use it- remember PASS: Pull the pin, Aim the hose, Squeeze the handle, Sweep side to side
- ♦ Check power cords for exposed wires or frays. Be sure to check while the machine is unplugged
- ♦ Make an escape plan with the residents of your home, so everyone knows what to do in case of an emergency

Did you know, some local Fire Departments provide a smoke alarm installation program. For more information contact:

Staunton: 540-332-3884 Waynesboro: 540-942-6730
Augusta County: 540-245-5624



Patron Recommendations:

DB106926 Outside Boy by Jeanine Cummins (historical fiction)
Ireland, 1959. Young Christopher Hurley is a tinker, a Pavee gypsy, who roams with his father and extended family from town to town, carrying all their worldly possessions in their wagons. The wandering life is the only one Christy has ever known, but when his grandfather dies, everything changes. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2010.

DB102687 West With Giraffes by Lynda Rutledge (historical fiction)
As the Great Depression lingers, Americans long for wonder. They find it in two giraffes who miraculously survive a hurricane while crossing the Atlantic. In a twelve-day road trip, Woodrow Wilson Nickel drives a custom truck to deliver the giraffes to the San Diego Zoo. Some violence and some strong language. 2021

New and Popular Books on BARD:

- DB114201 The Housemaid by Freida McFadden (psychological fiction)
- DB110362 Dreamland by Nicholas Sparks (romance)
- DB114114 Simply Lies by David Baldacci (mystery, suspense)
- DB114782 Identity by Nora Roberts (romantic suspense)
- DB112914 Local Girl Missing by Lisa Regan (suspense)
- DB111848 The House Of Wolves by James Patterson and Mike Lupica (suspense)
- DBC20462 When I'm Gone by Emily Bleeker (religious fiction)
- DB113003 Outlaw Country; Smoke Jensen 03 by William W Johnstone (western)
- DB115242 Wake Up With Purpose!: What I've Learned In My First Hundred Years by Sister Jean Dolores Schmidt
- DB115257 James Earl Jones Reads The Bible: King James Version Of The New Testament
- DB112781 Why Did I Come Into This Room? A Candid Conversation About Aging by Joan Lunden
- DB110886 12 Seconds Of Silence: How A Team Of Inventors, Tinkerers, And Spies Took Down A Nazi Superweapon by Jamie Holmes
- DB114359 Clearing The Fog: From Surviving To Thriving With Long Covid--A Practical Guide by James C. Jackson
- DBC28396 The Gospel Of Mary Of Magdala: Jesus And The First Woman Apostle by Karen L. King



Global Reading: Italy

DB28257 The Late Mattia Pascal by Luigi Pirandello (fiction)
A poverty-stricken librarian who is defrauded of a family inheritance and runs away. Shortly afterward he reads in a newspaper that the body of a drowned man has been identified as himself. With his new freedom he begins life all over again. 1904 (1934 Nobel laureate in Literature)

DB106409 The Lost Daughter by Elena Ferrante (family fiction)
Leda takes a vacation alone for the first time in years after her two adult daughters leave home. She meets Nina, a young mother, on the beach. After Nina confides a dark secret, one seemingly trivial occurrence leads to events that could destroy Nina's family. 2008.

DB91127 Trick by Demenico Starnone (family, contemporary)
Famed illustrator Daniele returns to his childhood home in Naples to look after his grandson, Mario, while the boy's parents attend a conference. Four-year-old Mario is a handful, and being in his old home brings back memories for Daniele. Strong language. 2018.

DB19739 The Name Of The Rose by Umberto Eco (historical mystery)
A combination of religious heresy and a string of murders in a medieval Italian monastery brings Brother William onto the scene to rout out both the infidels and the perpetrator of the crimes. All of this revolves around secrets in the abbey library. 1983.

DB30589 The Divine Comedy by Dante Alighieri (classical poetry)
Dante's classic epic poem in its entirety. Dante describes being lost in a frightening forest, meeting the poet Virgil, and being conducted by Virgil through the Inferno, purgatory, and paradise. 1321.

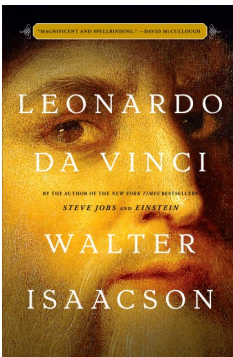
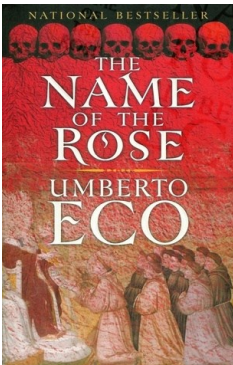
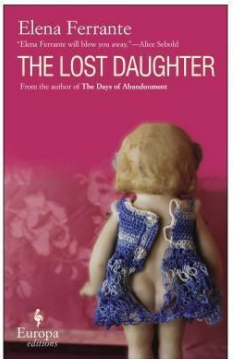
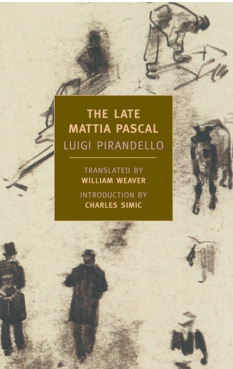
DB13373 The Adventures Of Pinocchio by Carlo Collodi (fantasy)
A little wooden puppet who can talk, think, and feel as a normal boy has a giant curiosity that leads him into exciting and unexpected adventures. And every time he tells a lie, his nose grows and grows! 1883.

DB89588 Leonardo da Vinci by Walter Isaacson (biography)

DB102846 Without Ever Reaching The Summit: A Journey by Paolo Cognetti (travel)

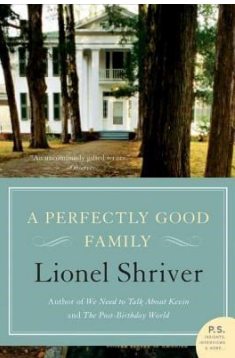
DB67703 The Essential Writings Of Machiavelli by Niccolò Machiavelli

DB94030 The Eternal City: A History Of Rome by Ferdinand Addis (nonfiction, history)

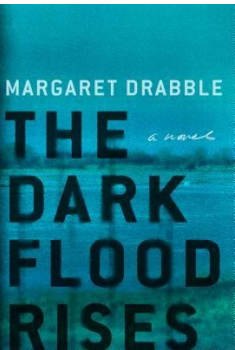


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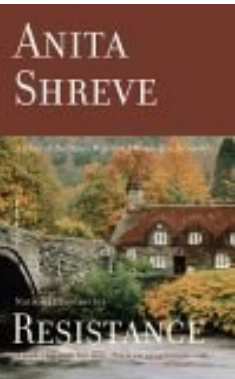
DB69040 A Perfectly Good Family by Lionel Shriver (contemporary)
After her parents' deaths, Corlis McCrea moves back to her family's mansion. Corlis's younger brother has never left home and her older brother also returns for his share of the inheritance--leaving Corlis stuck in the middle again. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 2007.



DB87316 The Dark Flood Rises by Margaret Drabble (psyc. fiction)
Fran, an expert in housing for the elderly who is advancing in age herself, travels across England for conferences and caring for her family. Her son Christopher mourns the death of his girlfriend while maintaining a professional relationship with Bennett, who confronts his own advanced age in the Canary Islands. 2016.



DB42842 Resistance by Anita Shreve (historical romance)
In a Nazi-occupied Belgian village the wife of a resistance worker, Claire, shelters a wounded American bomber pilot in a secret attic hideaway. As she nurses him back to health, Claire is drawn into an affair that seems strong enough to conquer all--until the brutal realities of war intrude, shattering every idea she ever had about love, trust, and betrayal. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.



DB22164 Thursday's Children by Rumer Godden (general fiction)
A novel telling the story of Doone Penny and his fight to use his gift of dancing against mounting opposition. The youngest of six children, the adorable boy was obviously born to dance, and he wants nothing but to become a ballet star. Unfortunately, his parents set all their hopes, money, and attention on his sister. 1984.



DB37320 Pronto; Raylan Givens 01 by Elmore Leonard (suspense)
Harry Arno has been a bookie in Miami for years and has a millions put away. At sixty-six, he is ready to retire and maybe marry Joyce Patton, whom he has been dating for more than a decade. But just as he begins to put his plans into action, a friend in the police department lets him know he has been set up as the patsy in an FBI investigation. So Harry is off to Italy with a different scenario. Strong language. 1993.

DB68476 Tonight I Said Goodbye; Lincoln Perry 01 by Michael Koryta (mystery)
Cleveland PIs and former cops Lincoln Perry and Joe Pritchard reluctantly accept a job from John Weston. Weston refutes accounts that his son Wayne killed Wayne's missing -and-believed-dead wife and daughter and then shot himself. The partners' investigation quickly turns deadly. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2004.

Very Short Introduction: Dewey Decimal 400: Language

DB86500 Languages by Stephen Anderson
Biological species analogy illustrates difficulty of identifying and counting languages. Examines loss from declining diversity, endangered languages, the difference between language and dialect, linguistic change as an inevitable aspect of history, the criterion of mutual intelligibility, universal characteristics, and signed languages.

DB86400 Linguistics by P.H. Matthews
The origins of language, how and why languages change, the relationship between speaking and thinking, the development of rules for grammar and syntax, the mechanics of speech, and the brain's role in processing language.

DB85690 Barthes by Jonathan Culler
The many personas of Roland Barthes (1915-80), the French intellectual who was, by turns, a literary historian, cultural critic, modern mythologist, semiologist, and more.

DB85669 Dictionaries by Lynda Mugglestone
The craft of noted lexicographers and the challenges of creating reference work. Shows lexicography's continual evolving and adapting to ever-changing language.

DB87152 Slang by Jonathon Green
A wide-ranging survey of this subset of standard English. Green ponders the obscure origins of the word "slang" itself, classifies themes and objects to which most slang adverts, and presents a history of slang's many dictionaries.

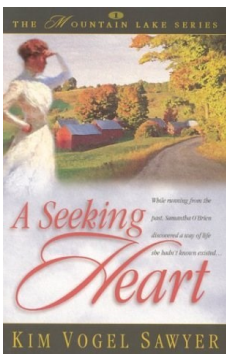
DB85646 Hieroglyphs by Penelope Wilson
Explores the cultural significance of hieroglyphs, the pictorial writing system used in ancient Egypt for more than three thousand years. Explains the purpose, clues used to interpret them, and what they have taught us about life in the Nile Valley kingdom.

Learn A New Language With Self-Study Courses:

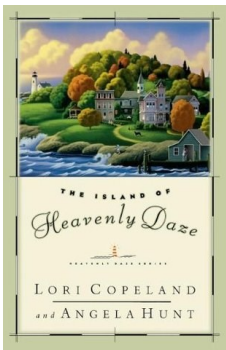
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DB107092 Behind The Wheel: Italian	DB87042 Drive Time Japanese: Beginner	
DB106817 Behind The Wheel: Mandarin Chinese		
DBF04939 Portuguese (continental)		
DBF05003 German	DBF04956 Thai	DBF04976 French
DBF05001 Russian	DBF04936 Norwegian	DBF04922 Korean
DBF04927 Indonesian	DBF04928 Romanian	DBF04940 Czech
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Religious Fiction In A Series:

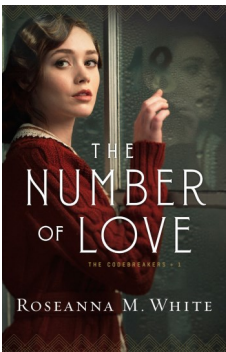
Mountain Lake Series by Kim Vogel Sawyer (historical fiction)
1917. Samantha runs away from her abusive father but is accepted into a German-Mennonite family who show her both love and patience.
DBG09061 A Seeking Heart
DB107921 A Heart Surrenders
DB108678 When A Heart Cries



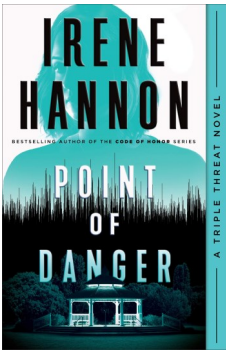
Heavenly Daze Series by Lori Copeland (contemporary romance)
To a casual visitor, the island of Heavenly Daze is just like others off the coast of Maine... but this small town consists of seven buildings, each inhabited by an angel who has been commanded to guard and help anyone who crosses the threshold.
DB109987 Island Of Heavenly Daze
DB110242 Grace In Autumn
DB111318 Warmth In Winter
DB111816 Perfect Love
DB112836 Hearts At Home



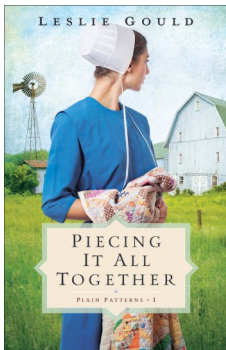
Codebreakers by Roseanna M. White (historical romance)
Set in England, 1917, female field agents risking their lives to gather information, and codebreakers able to crack every German telegram.
DBC25246 The Number Of Love
DBC25247 On The Wings Of Devotion
DBC25241 Portrait Of Loyalty



Triple Threat Trilogy by Irene Hannon (romantic suspense)
Stories of radio talk show host Eve Reilly, police detective Cate Reilly, and forensic pathologist Grace Reilly.
DB113309 Point Of Danger
DB113978 Labyrinth Of Lies
DB114410 Body Of Evidence



Plain Patterns Series by Leslie Gould (Amish fiction)
Plain Patterns quilt shop owner Jane Berger tells townsfolk historic tales relatable to their current predicaments.
DB113567 Piecing It All Together
DB113816 A Patchwork Past
DB114096 Threads Of Hope



Religious Fiction Standalone:

DB110450 A Stranger's Game by Colleen Coble (religious mystery)
Even though Torie hasn't been back to Georgia since she was ten, she was happy to arrange a job for her friend. But when Torie learns that her friend has drowned, she knows it is more than a tragic accident and Torie is desperate to find answers. The more she digs, the more elusive the truth seems. But one thing is clear: someone will risk anything to keep their secrets buried. Unrated. 2022.

DB108990 The Last Cavaliers by Gilbert Morris (historical fiction)
In this complete series, Yancy, Clay, and Morgan Tremayne join forces with three of the Civil War's greatest generals. But as the battle rages between North and South, both the soldiers and the generals find personal battles raging in their hearts as they're forced to leave behind the women they love. Contains three novels: The Crossing, The Sword, and The Surrender. 2013.

DB109460 A Heart Adrift by Laura Frantz (historical fiction)
It is 1755, and the threat of war looms over colonial York, Virginia. Esmée is fighting her own battle of the heart after a failed love affair. Henri has returned to port after a lengthy absence, intent on completing the lighthouse, a dream he once shared with Esmée. Can their shared vision heal the wounds of the past and reunite them? Unrated. 2022.

DB109151 Under The Bayou Moon by Valerie Fraser Luesse (historical romance)
When Ellie accepts a job deep in bayou country in 1949, she knows her life will change. Though suspicious of outsiders, most of the residents come to appreciate the young and idealistic schoolteacher. Yet it's the lessons Ellie herself will learn that will make all the difference. Unrated. 2021.

DB109298 Until Leaves Fall In Paris by Sarah Sundin (historical romance)
Paris 1940, American Lucie buys a bookstore and aids the resistance by passing messages between the pages of books. Factory owner Paul wants to return to the States, and offers his own resistance by sabotaging products and hiding airmen in his factory. After they meet in the bookstore, Paul and Lucie are drawn to each other, but she rejects him when she discovers he sells to the Germans. And for Paul to win her trust would mean betraying his mission. Unrated. 2022.

DB109476 A Hundred Crickets Singing by Cathy Gohlke (historical fiction)
In wars eighty years apart, two young women living on the same Appalachian estate determine to aid soldiers dear to them and fight for justice, no matter the cost. 1944. When a violent storm rips through the Belvidere attic in No Creek, North Carolina, exposing a hidden room and trunk long forgotten, secrets dating back to the Civil War are revealed. Unrated. 2022.