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Cruel Beautiful World

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • The author of Small Great Things returns with a powerful and provocative new novel about ordinary lives that intersect during a heart-stopping crisis. “Picoult at her fearless best . . . Timely, balanced and certain to inspire debate.”—The Washington Post
The warm fall day starts like any other at the Center—a women’s reproductive health services clinic—its staff offering care to anyone who passes through its doors. Then, in late morning, a desperate and distraught gunman

bursts in and opens fire, taking all inside hostage. After rushing to the scene, Hugh McElroy, a police hostage negotiator, sets up a perimeter and begins making a plan to communicate with the gunman. As his phone vibrates with incoming text messages he glances at it and, to his horror, finds out that his fifteen-year-old daughter, Wren, is inside the clinic. But Wren is not alone. She will share the next and tensest few hours of her young life with a cast of unforgettable characters: A nurse who calms her own panic in order to save the life of a wounded woman. A doctor who does his work not in spite of his faith but because of it, and who will find that faith tested as never before. A pro-life protester, disguised as a patient, who now stands in the crosshairs of the same rage she herself has felt. A young woman who has come to terminate her pregnancy. And the disturbed individual himself, vowing to be heard. Told in a daring and enthralling narrative structure that counts backward through the hours of the standoff, this is a story that traces its way back to what brought each of these very different individuals to the same place on this fateful day. One of the most fearless writers of our time, Jodi Picoult tackles a complicated issue in this gripping and nuanced novel. How do we balance the rights of pregnant women with the rights of the unborn they carry? What does it mean to be a good parent? A Spark of Light will inspire debate, conversation . . . and, hopefully, understanding. Praise for A Spark of Light “This is Jodi Picoult at her best: tackling an emotional hot-button issue and putting a human face on it.”—People “Told backward and hour by hour, Jodi Picoult’s compelling narrative deftly explores controversial social issues.”—Us

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Between the Lines

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER "Bittersweet, sexy, morally fraught." -The New York Times Book Review "Luminous... engrossing and poignant, this is one not to miss." -People, Pick of the Week "Fantastic... a book that feels alive on the page." -The Washington Post The beloved New York Times-bestselling novel about young love and a big secret in a small community, from the author of *The Vanishing Half*. Set within a contemporary black community in Southern California, Brit Bennett's mesmerizing first novel is an emotionally perceptive story about community, love, and ambition. It begins with a secret. "All good secrets have a taste before you tell them, and if we'd taken a moment to swish this one around our mouths, we might have noticed the sourness of an unripe secret, plucked too soon, stolen and passed around before its season." It is the last season of high school life for Nadia Turner, a rebellious, grief-stricken, seventeen-year-old beauty. Mourning her own mother's recent suicide, she takes up with the local pastor's son. Luke Sheppard is twenty-one, a former football star whose injury has reduced him to waiting tables at a diner. They are young; it's not serious. But the pregnancy that results from this teen romance—and the subsequent cover-up—will have an impact that goes far beyond their youth. As Nadia hides her secret from everyone, including Aubrey, her God-fearing best friend, the years move quickly. Soon, Nadia, Luke, and Aubrey

are full-fledged adults and still living in debt to the choices they made that one seaside summer, caught in a love triangle they must carefully maneuver, and dogged by the constant, nagging question: What if they had chosen differently? The possibilities of the road not taken are a relentless haunt. In entrancing, lyrical prose, *The Mothers* asks whether a "what if" can be more powerful than an experience itself. If, as time passes, we must always live in servitude to the decisions of our younger selves, to the communities that have parented us, and to the decisions we make that shape our lives forever.

The Mothers

In the early 1900's racial prejudice, eugenics, and religion combined influenced the beliefs of most Americans. On the island of Malaga, off the coast of Maine, greed and these societal forces came together in a shameful and shocking way. In this work of historical fiction generations of pain and suffering are discovered and addressed.

Leaving Time by Jodi Picoult - Review Summary

Leaving Time: A Novel by Jodi Picoult - Review Summary Jodi Picoult captivates readers with her blend of character, enthralling plots, and the story's rich prose, which vividly creates a story that not only awakens the mind but also touches the souls deep within us. *Leaving Time* is a story of a child in the person of Jenna who teams up with a psychic in

search of her mother who has mysteriously disappeared in a hospital after she was found almost dead in a sanctuary for elephants. When you get hold of *Leaving Time* by Jodi Picoult - Review Summary, you will come to understand each character and get a better hold of the plot, the theme and the representation of each character, a type of symbolism that represents the realm of our society. You will get chapter-by-chapter summary, analysis and essential quotes. In addition, get a sneak peak of critical reviews from various well-known publications, editors and world acclaimed critics. Use this study guide to help you cope with your literature class, book club or just to help you better grasp the book itself. **A WORD OF WARNING FOR READERS** - This book is not the original copy of Jodi Picoult's book, *Leaving Time*. However, this detailed summary and study guide is designed to help you read the original work. Buy the original work along with this study guide!

Conflict Resolution for Holy Beings: Poems

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • A deeply moving, gripping, and intelligent page-turner about a daughter's search for her mother, *Leaving Time* is Jodi Picoult at the height of her powers. Includes the novella *Larger Than Life* Throughout her blockbuster career, Jodi Picoult has seamlessly blended nuanced characters, riveting plots, and rich prose, brilliantly creating stories that "not only provoke the mind but touch the flawed souls in all of us" (*The Boston Globe*). Now, in *Leaving Time*, she has delivered a

book unlike anything she's written before. For more than a decade, Jenna Metcalf has never stopped thinking about her mother, Alice, who mysteriously disappeared in the wake of a tragic accident. Refusing to believe she was abandoned, Jenna searches for her mother regularly online and pores over the pages of Alice's old journals. A scientist who studied grief among elephants, Alice wrote mostly of her research among the animals she loved, yet Jenna hopes the entries will provide a clue to her mother's whereabouts. Desperate to find the truth, Jenna enlists two unlikely allies in her quest: Serenity Jones, a psychic who rose to fame finding missing persons, only to later doubt her gifts, and Virgil Stanhope, the jaded private detective who'd originally investigated Alice's case along with the strange, possibly linked death of one of her colleagues. As the three work together to uncover what happened to Alice, they realize that in asking hard questions, they'll have to face even harder answers. As Jenna's memories dovetail with the events in her mother's journals, the story races to a mesmerizing finish. Praise for *Leaving Time* "Piercing and uplifting . . . a smart, accessible yarn with a suspenseful puzzle at its core."—*The Boston Globe* "Poignant . . . an entertaining tale about parental love, friendship, loss."—*The Washington Post* "A riveting drama."—*Us Weekly* "[A] moving tale."—*People* "A fast-paced, surprise-ending mystery."—*USA Today* "In Jenna, [Jodi] Picoult has created an unforgettable character who will easily endear herself to each and every reader. . . . *Leaving Time* may be her finest work yet."—*Bookreporter* "[A] captivating and emotional story."—*BookPage*

Stormbird

Struggling to care for their daughter Willow, who was born with brittle bone disease, Charlotte and Sean O'Keefe add additional strain to their overburdened family life when they file a lawsuit against Charlotte's obstetrician.

Leaving Time

Jodi Picoult's powerful novel portrays an emotionally charged marriage that changes course in one explosive moment. Sometimes finding your own voice is a matter of listening to the heart Jodi Picoult's powerful novel portrays an emotionally charged marriage that changes course in one explosive moment For years, Jane Jones has lived in the shadow of her husband, renowned San Diego oceanographer Oliver Jones. But during an escalating argument, Jane turns on him with an alarming volatility. In anger and fear, Jane leaves with their teenage daughter, Rebecca, for a cross-country odyssey charted by letters from her brother Joley, guiding them to his Massachusetts apple farm, where surprising self-discoveries await. Now Oliver, an expert at tracking humpback whales across vast oceans, will search for his wife across a continent—and find a new way to see the world, his family, and himself: through her eyes.

The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane

In 1437, after years of regency, the pious and gentle

Henry VI, the Lamb, comes of age and accedes to the English throne. His poor health and frailty of mind render him a weakling king - Henry depends on his closest men, Spymaster Derry Brewer and William de la Pole, Duke of Suffolk, to run his kingdom. Yet there are those, such as the Plantagenet Richard, Duke of York, who believe England must be led by a strong king if she is to survive. With England's territories in France under threat, and rumours of revolt at home, fears grow that Henry and his advisers will see the country slide into ruin. With a secret deal struck for Henry to marry a young French noblewoman, Margaret of Anjou, those fears become all too real. As storm clouds gather over England, King Henry and his supporters find themselves besieged abroad and at home. Who, or what can save the kingdom before it is too late?

Vanishing Acts

From #1 New York Times bestselling authors Jodi Picoult and Samantha van Leer, *OFF THE PAGE* is a tender and appealing YA novel filled with romance, humor, and adventure. Delilah and Oliver shouldn't be together. But they are together. And just as they're getting used to the possibility that happily ever after may really, truly be theirs, the universe sends them a message they can't ignore: they won't be allowed to rewrite their story. Delilah and Oliver must decide how much they're willing to risk for love and what it takes to have a happy ending in a world where the greatest adventures happen off the page. "Off the Page is just so sweet and magical. In high school, I

would have given ANYTHING to crawl inside one of my favorite books to escape the real world. I wish!"—SARAH DESSEN, #1 New York Times bestselling author of Saint Anything

The Storyteller

The beloved, international bestselling author's Random House Canada debut--the gripping story of a daughter searching for her missing mother--and one of her most powerful and affecting novels yet. Alice Metcalf was a devoted mother, loving wife and accomplished scientist who studied grief among elephants. Yet it's been a decade since she disappeared under mysterious circumstances, leaving behind her small daughter, husband, and the animals to which she devoted her life. All signs point to abandonment. . .or worse. Still Jenna--now 13 years old and truly orphaned by a father maddened by grief--steadfastly refuses to believe in her mother's desertion. So she decides to approach the 2 people who might still be able to help her find Alice: a disgraced psychic named Serenity Jones, and Virgil Stanhope, the cynical detective who first investigated her mother's disappearance and the strange, possibly linked death of 1 of her mother's co-workers. Together these 3 lonely souls will discover truths destined to forever change their lives. Deeply moving and suspenseful, Jodi Picoult's first novel with Random House Canada is a radiant exploration of the enduring love between mothers and daughters.

Songs of the Humpback Whale

PLEASE NOTE: This is a summary of the book and NOT the original book. Leaving Time by Jodi Picoult - A 15-minute Summary Inside this Instaread Summary: • Overview of the entire book • Introduction to the important people in the book • Summary and analysis of all the chapters in the book • Key Takeaways of the book • A Reader's Perspective Preview of this summary: Chapters 1-3 At thirteen, Jenna Metcalf is a precocious loner who has lived with her grandmother since she was three. Her father, Thomas, is in a mental institution. Jenna longs for her mom, a scientist who studied memory and elephants. One of Alice's key findings was that people remember negative moments, but forget traumatic ones. Jenna believes this may have happened to her on the night that her mother disappeared. That night, the trampled body of an employee, Nevvie Ruehl, was found at Thomas' elephant sanctuary in rural New Hampshire, the New England Elephant Sanctuary. Jenna clings to her mother's journals as a way to hold onto her. She also searches for Alice online. Jenna consults a medium, Serenity Jones, who tells her that Alice is alive before brushing her off. Jenna learns online that Serenity lost her fame and credibility after wrongly telling a senator that his missing son was alive. She rides her bike home via a pretty spot carpeted with purple mushrooms at the former sanctuary, now a nature park. The journals say that Maura, her mom's favorite elephant, buried her dead calf there. Alice reflects on whether elephants actually forget anything. Serenity's gift of clairvoyance emerged when she was very young. She achieved great success, even had her own TV show, until fame

went to her head and her two spirit guides left her. Now she is a fake psychic. After Jenna's first visit, Serenity dreams about a woman and an elephant watching over her. Jenna returns. Serenity asks if her mother had something to do with elephants. When Jenna reacts positively, she is certain that she is meant to help Jenna.

Shadows In Our Bones

Working with the Search and Rescue bloodhound team to find missing people, single mother Delia Hopkins anticipates her upcoming nuptials, until a series of unsettling flashbacks threatens to devastate her life and the lives of those she most loves. By the author of *My Sister's Keeper* and *Second Glance*. (Suspense)

Never Turn Back

A life hanging in the balance...a family torn apart. The #1 internationally bestselling author Jodi Picoult tells an unforgettable story about family secrets, love, and letting go. On an icy winter night, a terrible accident forces a family divided to come together and make a fateful decision. Cara, once protected by her father, Luke, is tormented by a secret that nobody knows. Her brother, Edward, has secrets of his own. He has kept them hidden, but now they may come to light, and if they do, Cara will be devastated. Their mother, Georgie, was never able to compete with her ex-husband's obsessions, and now, his fate hangs in the balance and in the hands of her children. With

conflicting motivations and emotions, what will this family decide? And will they be able to live with that decision, after the truth has been revealed? What happens when the hope that should sustain a family is the very thing tearing it apart?

Off the Page

Two cousins are driven to extremes by the power of love, as one helps his terminally ill wife commit suicide at her request, and the other becomes involved in a passionate affair with his wife's new assistant

Nineteen Minutes

Edward Tulane, a cold-hearted and proud toy rabbit, loves only himself until he is separated from the little girl who adores him and travels across the country, acquiring new owners and listening to their hopes, dreams, and histories. Jr Lib Guild. Teacher's Guide available. Reprint.

Henna House

From the author of the #1 New York Times bestsellers *Small Great Things* and *My Sister's Keeper*, a novel exploring the story of a young woman overcome by the demands of having a family. Paige has only a few vivid memories of her mother, who abandoned her at five years old. Now, having left her father behind in Chicago for dreams of art school and marriage to an ambitious young doctor, she finds herself with a child

of her own. But her mother's absence and shameful memories of her past force her to doubt whether she could ever be capable of bringing joy and meaning into the life of her child, gifts her own mother never gave. *Harvesting the Heart* is written with astonishing clarity and evocative detail, convincing in its depiction of emotional pain, love, and vulnerability, and recalls the writing of Alice Hoffman and Kristin Hannah. Out of Paige's struggle to find wholeness, Jodi Picoult crafts an absorbing novel peopled by richly drawn characters, and explores motherhood with a power and depth only she is capable of. "A brilliant, moving examination of motherhood, brimming with detail and emotion." —Richmond Times-Dispatch "Jodi Picoult explores the fragile ground of ambivalent motherhood in her lush second novel. This story belongs to... the lucky reader." —The New York Times Book Review

A Spark of Light

Sixteen-year-old Prince Oliver, who wants to break free of his fairy tale existence, and fifteen-year-old Delilah, a loner obsessed with Prince Oliver and the book in which he exists, work together to seek Oliver's freedom.

Lone Wolf

"Cambridge, October 1933. Inside the old All Hallows Church on All Hallows' Eve, Doctor Adelaide Hartest bears witness to the final moments of a dying stranger. Despite the dagger plunged into the stranger's chest, the death is ruled a suicide,

compounded by a formal confession before death. The victim, it is revealed, is known to Scotland Yard, and Assistant Commissioner Joe Sandilands is sent all the way from London to investigate. Thrown into a deadly ring of cloak-and-dagger politics and high-society hedonism, Sandilands must uncover the truth before the Hellfire Club, an elite society composed of intelligentsia and aristocrats, topples the institutions and harms the people he has sworn to protect--especially one he has come to truly love"--

Picture Perfect

"In Yemen in 1920 Adela Damari's parents desperately seek a future husband for their young daughter. After passage of the Orphan's Decree, any unbetrothed Jewish child left orphaned will be instantly adopted by the local Muslim community. With her parents' health failing, and no spousal prospects in sight, Adela's situation looks dire until her uncle arrives from a faraway city, bringing with him a cousin and aunt who introduce Adela to the powerful rituals of henna tattooing"--Amazon.com.

Leaving Time (with bonus novella Larger Than Life)

Falling madly in love and beginning what she believed would be the perfect marriage with Hollywood leading man Alex Rivers, renowned anthropologist Cassie Barret is heartbroken when their fairy-tale romance falls apart. Reissue.

Mercy

Ten years of infertility issues culminate in the destruction of music therapist Zoe Baxter's marriage, after which she falls in love with another woman, Vanessa, and wants to start a family; but her ex-husband, Max, in the grips of an anti-gay pastor, stands in the way. Includes a CD of songs created for the novel. (This title is being re-listed in Forecast). 1.5 million first printing.

Harvesting the Heart

In the tradition of A. S. Byatt's *Possession*, a hauntingly poignant novel about madness, loss, and the ties that bind our past to our present. Deep in the woods of northern England, somewhere between a dilapidated estate and an abandoned Victorian asylum, fifteen-year-old Jane Standen lived through a nightmare. She was babysitting a sweet young girl named Lily, and in one fleeting moment, lost her. The little girl was never found, leaving her family and Jane devastated. Twenty years later, Jane is an archivist at a small London museum that is about to close for lack of funding. As a final research project--an endeavor inspired in part by her painful past--Jane surveys the archives for information related to another missing person: a woman who disappeared over one hundred years ago in the same woods where Lily was lost. As Jane pieces moments in history together, a portrait of a fascinating group of people starts to unfurl. Inexplicably tied to the mysterious disappearance of long ago, Jane finds tender details of their lives at the

country estate and in the asylum that are linked to her own heartbroken world, and their story from all those years ago may now help Jane find a way to move on. In riveting, beautiful prose, *The World Before Us* explores the powerful notion that history is a closely connected part of us--kept alive by the resonance of our daily choices--reminding us of the possibility that we are less alone than we might think. From the Hardcover edition.

The Crow Trap

From Jodi Picoult, one of the most powerful writers in contemporary fiction, comes a riveting, timely, heartbreaking, and terrifying novel of families in anguish -- and friendships ripped apart by inconceivable violence. Until the phone calls came at 3:00 A.M. on a November morning, the Golds and their neighbors, the Hartes, had been inseparable. It was no surprise to anyone when their teenage children, Chris and Emily, began showing signs that their relationship was moving beyond that of lifelong friends. But now seventeen-year-old Emily has been shot to death by her beloved and devoted Chris as part of an apparent suicide pact -- leaving two devastated families stranded in the dark and dense predawn, desperate for answers about an unthinkable act and the children they never really knew.

The Pact

Linwood Barclay meets Michael Farris Smith in this Southern-set domestic thriller about family,

vengeance, and atonement from critically acclaimed Southern mystery novelist Christopher Swann. The bonds of family never truly let go. In fact, its grip only tightens the further you try to run: crushing and crippling. Ethan Faulkner is a precocious child with a brilliant but troublesome sister, a war vet for a father, and a weary mother trying to manage their family. One night a young woman rings their doorbell, desperate to hide from two men who are pursuing her, when one of the two barges in after her. The struggle leaves both of Ethan's parents dead. Years later, Ethan has a successful teaching career and a budding relationship with a coworker. But he hasn't quite followed through on his promise to his dying father--to take care of his sister. Susannah is not an easy person to keep tabs on, is a handful even when the tabs are kept, and quite frankly, Ethan wants her to suffer for preventing him from getting to his dad before he died all those years ago. It was a long time ago and Ethan tries to put all of it behind him. But that's easier said than done. When news of a brutal murder breaks with evidence pointing to Ethan as the prime suspect, all the painful memories of his past come rushing to meet him. Lyrically conveyed with emotion and nuance, *Never Turn Back* is a powerful story about family, vengeance, and how some actions echo through the years with irreparable consequences.

Turtle Moon

One Plus One by Jojo Moyes is finally here! This is undoubtedly the best Jojo Moyes's relationship novel

to date. You'll laugh, you'll weep, and when you flip the last page, you'll want to start all over again. If you'd like to enhance your experience while reading *One plus One*, then this book review and study guide is perfect for you! *One plus one* by Jojo Moyes is a touching love story about Jess, her 2 children (Tanzie, 8 years old, is mathematical genius, while Nicky is an untypical teenage boy), and their old dog Norman, who have to face unbelievable challenges. The story starts with good news when Tanzie was offered a 90% scholarship at one of the top schools. But even with 90% bursary funded, she can't still afford the extra money for Tanzie's uniform and other extras. When you read *One Plus One* by Mojo Moyes - Review Summary you will get a deeper understanding of the characters and plot found in *One Plus One*, as well as the themes and symbolism included in the novel. You also get a detailed chapter by chapter breakdown and analysis of the events as they unfold along with a glossary of the important characters and terms used in the original book. Just in case that's not enough for you I've also included an analysis of each chapter, and quotes from the book that I found interesting. Wrapping it all up is a discussion of the critical reviews for *One Plus One* as well as my overall opinion of the book. Plus much more! Whether you're reading this for a book club, school report, or just want to catch up with your favorite characters and find out what happens before diving into the full length book, you can use this book review and study guide to get most out of your experience reading *One Plus One* by Mojo Moyes. **WARNING** - This is not the original book *One Plus One* by Jojo Moyes, but a detail summary and study guide designed to be used

alongside the original work.

The World Before Us

The acclaimed #1 "New York Times"-bestselling author presents a spellbinding tale of a mother's tragic loss and one man's last chance at gaining salvation. Once again, Picoult mesmerizes and enthralls readers with this story of redemption, justice, and love.

Leaving Time

In the aftermath of a small-town school shooting, lawyer Jordan McAfee finds himself defending a youth who desperately needs someone on his side, while detective Patrick Ducharme works with the primary witness--the daughter of the judge assigned to the case.

A Week in Winter

'Set in a country house hotel on the West coast of Ireland it's full of her trademark warmth, humour and lovable character' Woman The Sheedy sisters had lived in Stone House for as long as anyone could remember. Set high on the cliffs on the west coast of Ireland, overlooking the windswept Atlantic Ocean, it was falling into disrepair - until one woman, with a past she needed to forget, breathed new life into the place. Now a hotel, with a big warm kitchen and log fires, it provides a welcome few can resist. Winnie is generally able to make the best of things, until she

finds herself on the holiday from hell. John arrived on an impulse after he missed a flight at Shannon. And then there's Henry and Nicola, burdened with a terrible secret, who are hoping the break at Stone House will help them find a way to face the future 'This is a book designed to be read in a dark January chill; it begs for a fireside and the sound of wind and rain howling outside If you haven't come across her before, you've got a real treat in store' The Lady

Leaving Time by Jodi Picoult - A 15-minute Summary

For 21st century mothers, there seem to be just two choices: be a Super Mom or be a Slacker Mom. One's bad for you; one's bad for your kids. So what's a momma to do? In *You're a Good Mom (and Your Kids Aren't So Bad Either)*, the Internet's favorite momma, Jen Singer, tells all. Turns out you can raise perfectly good kids in that sweet spot between flash cards at breakfast and "donuts for dinner, kids!" It's for every mom who's pressured to be perfect yet lost under the laundry, wondering if she's a bad mom. It's for every mom to wants to enjoy-not endure-motherhood while still giving her kids what they truly need to succeed. Filled with "that happened to me, too!" stories and wrapped in the wit that could only come from the creator of *Please Take My Children to Work Day*, this book offers giggles and a pat on the back for today's moms, whether they're deep in diapers or petrified by puberty.

Keeping Faith

Three very different women come together to complete an environmental survey. Three women who, in some way or another, know the meaning of betrayal. For team leader Rachael Lambert the project is the perfect opportunity to rebuild her confidence after a double-betrayal by her lover and boss, Peter Kemp. Botanist Anne Preece, on the other hand, sees it as a chance to indulge in a little deception of her own. And then there is Grace Fulwell, a strange, uncommunicative young woman with plenty of her own secrets to hide. When Rachael arrives at the cottage, however, she is horrified to discover the body of her friend Bella Furness. Bella, it appears, has committed suicide--a verdict Rachael finds impossible to accept. Only when the next death occurs does a fourth woman enter the picture--the unconventional Detective Inspector Vera Stanhope, who must piece together the truth from these women's tangled lives

Handle with Care

The Tenth Circle

Mariah White is worried when her seven year old daughter Faith adopts an imaginary friend to help her cope with the aftermath of a messy divorce. She's even more worried however when her daughter says this invisible friend is God, and female.

One Plus One by Jojo Moyes - Review Summary

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • With richly layered characters and a gripping moral dilemma that will lead readers to question everything they know about privilege, power, and race, *Small Great Things* is the stunning new page-turner from Jodi Picoult. SOON TO BE A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE “[Picoult] offers a thought-provoking examination of racism in America today, both overt and subtle. Her many readers will find much to discuss in the pages of this topical, moving book.”—Booklist (starred review) Ruth Jefferson is a labor and delivery nurse at a Connecticut hospital with more than twenty years’ experience. During her shift, Ruth begins a routine checkup on a newborn, only to be told a few minutes later that she’s been reassigned to another patient. The parents are white supremacists and don’t want Ruth, who is African American, to touch their child. The hospital complies with their request, but the next day, the baby goes into cardiac distress while Ruth is alone in the nursery. Does she obey orders or does she intervene? Ruth hesitates before performing CPR and, as a result, is charged with a serious crime. Kennedy McQuarrie, a white public defender, takes her case but gives unexpected advice: Kennedy insists that mentioning race in the courtroom is not a winning strategy. Conflicted by Kennedy’s counsel, Ruth tries to keep life as normal as possible for her family—especially her teenage son—as the case becomes a media sensation. As the trial moves forward, Ruth and Kennedy must gain each other’s trust, and come to see that what they’ve been taught their whole lives about others—and themselves—might be wrong. With incredible empathy, intelligence, and candor, Jodi Picoult tackles

race, privilege, prejudice, justice, and compassion—and doesn't offer easy answers. *Small Great Things* is a remarkable achievement from a writer at the top of her game. Praise for *Small Great Things* “*Small Great Things* is the most important novel Jodi Picoult has ever written. . . . It will challenge her readers . . . [and] expand our cultural conversation about race and prejudice.”—The Washington Post “A novel that puts its finger on the very pulse of the nation that we live in today . . . a fantastic read from beginning to end, as can always be expected from Picoult, this novel maintains a steady, page-turning pace that makes it hard for readers to put down.”—San Francisco Book Review

Sing You Home

“A seductive page-turner that ripples with an undercurrent of suspense.” —The Boston Globe “A seamless triumph of storytelling.” —Gail Godwin, author of *Flora* It's 1969, and sixteen-year-old Lucy is about to run away with a much older man to live off the grid in rural Pennsylvania, a rash act that will have frightening repercussions for both her and her older sister, Charlotte. As Lucy's default caretaker for most of their lives, Charlotte has always been burdened by having to be the responsible one, but never more so than when Lucy's dream of a rural paradise turns into a nightmare. With precise, haunting prose and indelible characters, *Cruel Beautiful World* examines the infinitesimal distance between seduction and love, loyalty and duty, and most of all, tells a universal story of sisterhood and

the complicated legacy of family. “Absorbing.” —The New York Times Book Review “Captivating.”—Los Angeles Times “Engrossing.” —People “Page-turning suspense.” —New York Journal of Books “Riveting.” —Marie Claire “Marvelous.”—The National Book Review “Hauntingly brilliant.” —Coastal Living “Gripping and suspenseful.” —BookPage “Moving.” —The Washington Post

Small Great Things

Some stories live forever . . . Sage Singer is a baker. She works through the night, preparing the day’s breads and pastries, trying to escape a reality of loneliness, bad memories, and the shadow of her mother’s death. When Josef Weber, an elderly man in Sage’s grief support group, begins stopping by the bakery, they strike up an unlikely friendship. Despite their differences, they see in each other the hidden scars that others can’t. Everything changes on the day that Josef confesses a long-buried and shameful secret and asks Sage for an extraordinary favor. If she says yes, she faces not only moral repercussions, but potentially legal ones as well. With the integrity of the closest friend she’s ever had clouded, Sage begins to question the assumptions and expectations she’s made about her life and her family. In this searingly honest novel, Jodi Picoult gracefully explores the lengths to which we will go in order to keep the past from dictating the future.

Second Glance

Alice Metcalf was a devoted mother, loving wife and accomplished scientist who studied grief among elephants. Yet it's been a decade since she disappeared under mysterious circumstances, leaving behind her small daughter, husband, and the animals to which she devoted her life. All signs point to abandonment - or worse. Still Jenna - now thirteen years old and truly orphaned by a father maddened by grief - steadfastly refuses to believe in her mother's desertion. So she decides to approach the two people who might still be able to help her find Alice: a disgraced psychic named Serenity Jones, and Virgil Stanhope, the cynical detective who first investigated her mother's disappearance and the strange, possibly linked death of one of her mother's coworkers. Together these three lonely souls will discover truths destined to forever change their lives. Deeply moving and suspenseful, Jodi Picoult's 21st novel is a radiant exploration of the enduring love between mothers and daughters.

Diana's Altar

A “captivatingtruly original novel” (Cosmopolitan) from the New York Times bestselling author of *The Rules of Magic*. “Ms. Hoffman writes quite wonderfully about the magic in our lives and in the battered, indifferent world.”—*The New York Times Book Review*

When Keith Rosen runs away from his Florida home—inexplicably taking along a motherless baby—his mother is perplexed, terrified, and ultimately takes off on her own journey to find him. The story of a divorced woman, her disillusioned

teenage son, and the events that change their lives in ways both simple and extraordinary, *Turtle Moon* follows their path, in a suspenseful, beautifully written story that confirms once again the exquisite talent of Alice Hoffman.

Small Great Things

A musical, magical, resilient volume from the first Native American Poet Laureate of the United States. In these poems, the joys and struggles of the everyday are played against the grinding politics of being human. Beginning in a hotel room in the dark of a distant city, we travel through history and follow the memory of the Trail of Tears from the bend in the Tallapoosa River to a place near the Arkansas River. Stomp dance songs, blues, and jazz ballads echo throughout. Lost ancestors are recalled. Resilient songs are born, even as they grieve the loss of their country. Called a "magician and a master" (*San Francisco Chronicle*), Joy Harjo is at the top of her form in *Conflict Resolution for Holy Beings*. Finalist for the Griffin Poetry Prize

You're a Good Mom (and Your Kids Aren't So Bad Either)

From New York Times bestselling author Jodi Picoult, a powerful novel that explores the unbreakable bond between parent and child, and questions whether you can reinvent yourself in the course of a lifetime—or if your mistakes are carried forever. Fourteen-year-old Trixie Stone is in love for the first time. She's also a

straight-A high school student, pretty and popular, and the light of her father's life. Comic book artist Daniel Stone would do anything to protect his daughter. But when a single act of violence shatters her innocence, seemingly mild-mannered Daniel's convictions are put to the test—while his own shockingly tumultuous past, hidden even from his family, comes to light. Now, everything Trixie's ever believed about her hero, her father, seems to be a lie as Daniel ventures to hell and back, seeking revenge. Will the price be the bond they share? Revealing an "exceptional, unflinching, and utterly chilling" (The Washington Post) portrait of today's youth culture, Jodi Picoult pulls readers inside a shattered family facing the toughest questions of morality and forgiveness.

Change of Heart

"Ruth Jefferson is a labor and delivery nurse. As she begins a routine checkup on a newborn, she is reassigned to another patient. The parents are white supremacists and don't want Ruth, who is African American, to touch their child. The next day, the baby goes into cardiac distress while Ruth is alone in the nursery. Does she obey orders or does she intervene? Ruth hesitates before performing CPR and, as a result, is charged with a serious crime. Kennedy McQuarrie, a white public defender, takes her case. As the trial moves forward, Ruth and Kennedy must gain each other's trust, and come to see that what they've been taught their whole lives about others--and themselves--might be wrong"--Back cover.

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