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## What the Witch Left

She came to Montana looking for answers and found forever. When Gracie Donnelly, a school teacher from New Zealand, arrives on a Montana cattle ranch, she has more on her mind than mending fences and feeding chickens. She's secretly searching for her father and answers to questions that could destroy a family. Just one look at the fiery five-foot-one redhead and Trent McKenzie knows Gracie is going to be trouble. Ever since the failure of his first marriage, he promised never to listen to his heart again. Especially when his heart is saying he's falling in love - and the one thing Gracie's searching for is the one thing that could take her away from him forever. Forever Dreams is the first book in the Montana Brides series and can easily be read as a standalone. Each of Leeanna's series are linked so you can find out what happens to your favorite characters in other books. For more information about Leeanna and her new releases, please visit: [www.leeannamorgan.com](http://www.leeannamorgan.com). Happy reading! Other Contemporary Romances by Leeanna Morgan: Montana Brides: Book 1: Forever Dreams (Gracie and Trent) Book 2: Forever in Love (Amy and Nathan) Book 3: Forever After (Nicky and Sam) Book 4: Forever Wishes (Erin and Jake) Book 5: Forever Santa (A Montana Brides Christmas Novella) Book 6: Forever Cowboy (Emily and Alex) Book 7: Forever Together (Kate and Dan) Book 8: Forever and a Day (Sarah and Jordan) The Bridesmaids Club: Book 1: All of Me (Tess and Logan) Book 2: Loving You (Annie and Dylan) Book 3: Head Over Heels (Sally and Todd) Book 4: Sweet on You (Molly

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descriptions were wonderful. Such a lovely romantic story.” Keywords: Heartwarming, small town romance, western, ranch, cowboy, friendship, family life, series, Montana, relationships, love, wedding, bride, bridesmaid, family saga, second chance, New Zealand, international, marriage of convenience, vacation, holiday, teacher, baby, children.

### **The Other Mrs.**

Five stories about discovery -- a perfume that attracts men, a book that shows people's thoughts, a remarkable change in a widow's life, the secret of high intelligence, and a way of making time stand still -- make up this entertaining collection.

### **Junie B. Jones and the Yucky Blucky Fruitcake**

Cambridge English Readers is an exciting new series of original fiction, specially written for learners of English Graded into six levels - from elementary to advanced - the stories in this series provide easy and enjoyable reading on a wide of range of contemporary topics and themes.

### **A Matter of Chance Level 4 Intermediate Book with Audio CDs**

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A holiday adventure finds Stephanie Plum struggling to remove an intruder from her apartment and falling for a mysterious newcomer.

### **A Down Home Christmas**

As Christmas 1946 draws near, thirty-something marine officer-turned-homicide detective Lane Walker has his hands full. Three men with seemingly no relationship to each other have been murdered, including the powerful District Attorney. The only connection between the crimes? The weapons: twenty-year-old unopened fruitcake tins manufactured by a company that is no longer in business. While some foods may be to die for, fruitcake isn't one of them! This heaping helping of murder will be no easy task for Walker, and he certainly doesn't need the determined and feisty Tiffany Clayton, the political reporter for The Chicago Star, getting in the way. Employing witty dialogue and historical accuracy, The Fruitcake Murders offers equal parts murder, mystery, and mayhem in a perplexing whodunit set in the days just after World War II.

### **Fruitcake**

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A collection of fruitcake recipes by Truman Capote's great aunt

### **A Christmas Memory**

A rhyming winter-themed book full of delicious snowflakes! If snowflakes tasted like sugar plums . . . they'd be dancing in my head. If snowflakes tasted like oatmeal . . . they would get me out of bed. What if snowflakes tasted like oatmeal, honey, cocoa, gingerbread, or fruitcake? Filled with imaginative scenes of what it would be like if snowflakes tasted differently, such as: if they tasted like honey, we wouldn't need bees; if they tasted like plump figs, we would shake it off the trees; if they tasted like chestnuts, we would roast them by the fire; if they tasted like soup, we would slurp them for fun; and more! But since they taste like winter, we catch them on our tongues!

### **Tales of the Supernatural Level 3 Book with Audio CDs (2) Pack**

Can a little girl's Christmas wish come true? After a tragic accident, Megan Stevenson is determined to give, Nora, her five-year-old niece, a loving and stable home. With her fantasy cake business thriving and her niece's nightmares finally over, Megan's life is more stable than it has ever been—until a stranger knocks on her door. FBI Special Agent William Parker knows what it's like to lose the people

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you love. He's convinced himself that his job is all he needs to be happy. But while he's protecting Megan and Nora from a brutal terrorist group, his emotionless and solitary life is torn to shreds. With Christmas fast approaching, can Megan and Nora convince him that it's safe to love again...even if loving them forces him to face his painful past? A Christmas Wish is the third book in the Sapphire Bay series and can easily be read as a standalone. Each of Leeanna's series are linked so you can find out what happens to your favorite characters in other books. For news of my latest releases, please visit [www.leeannamorgan.com](http://www.leeannamorgan.com) and sign up for my newsletter. Happy reading! Praise for Leeanna Morgan's books: "I am addicted to Leeanna Morgan's books! The only problem with them is that I hate coming to the end of one, and can't wait for the next good read. I love how she weaves the characters together, and draws you right into their lives. If you haven't discovered her, please do give her books a try. You won't be disappointed, except for not having found her sooner!" "I thoroughly enjoyed this book! I couldn't put it down. I purchased it today and finished it just now. Captivating story from beginning to end. Definitely a five star book." Other Novels by Leeanna Morgan: Montana Brides: Book 1: Forever Dreams (Gracie and Trent) Book 2: Forever in Love (Amy and Nathan) Book 3: Forever After (Nicky and Sam) Book 4: Forever Wishes (Erin and Jake) Book 5: Forever Santa (A Montana Brides Christmas Novella) Book 6: Forever Cowboy (Emily and Alex) Book 7: Forever Together (Kate and Dan) Book 8: Forever and a Day (Sarah and Jordan) The Bridesmaids Club: Book 1: All of Me (Tess and Logan) Book 2: Loving You (Annie and Dylan) Book 3: Head Over Heels

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### **Emmet Otter's Jug-Band Christmas**

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Named one of the Best Cookbooks of 2020 by Food + Wine, David Lebovitz, and Delish.com, and one of the Best Baking Books of 2020 by Pastry at Home and Dallas Morning News “Jason’s love of shaking up tradition is evident. Adding fruits to bolster flavors in familiar baked goods is groundbreaking . . . steering us to experiment, try new combinations of flavors, and expand our baking vocabulary.” —From the foreword by Martha Stewart Jason Schreiber, one of New York City’s most influential and popular food stylists, combines aesthetic flair and flavor in 75 whimsical recipes that celebrate fruit and cake in all their festive and delicious glory. In gorgeous photos and dozens of fresh and flavorful recipes, acclaimed food stylist Jason Schreiber shatters misconceptions about that most maligned of desserts—fruitcake—by imaginatively breaking with convention as he pays homage to the delicious combination of fruit and cake. Forget those dried artificially dyed candied doorstops that everyone regifts and passes on. Fruit Cake is a tasty epicurean tour through dozens of cakes and other pastries that use a variety of fruits, combining them with diverse fillings, as well as liquor, nuts, and more. Interwoven with the recipes are stories, anecdotes and asides that are just as charming and intriguing as the lush, full-color photos that accompany them. Each recipe in Fruit Cake showcases one of thirty-eight fruit, whose natural sweetness and juice make desserts that are perfectly moist and sweet without being overpowering. Indulge your taste buds with his beautiful, fanciful creations, including: Constant Cravings—cakes like Raspberry Tea Cake and Polenta Pound

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Cake with Spiced Mandarins that will satisfy your cravings at any hour of day Out of Hand—finger-focused treats perfect for pocketing or dressing to impress, such as Mango Coconut Cashew Bites and Blueberry Ginger Studmuffins Showstoppers—cakes for the spotlight that you can humblebrag about “just throwing together,” including Passionfruit Lime Pavlova and Horchata and Roasted Plum Sorbet Cake All Rise—the next best thing to eating sumptuous creations like the Blood Orange Bee Sting Cake or Bourbon Peach Kugelhopf, and other sumptuous creations is smelling the just-risen yeasted dough Soaked—try one slice of these decadent cakes that marinate in booze for days—whether it’s the likes of the Pomegranate Molasses Cake or the Fig, Port, and Chocolate Cake—and you’ll need a designated driver Filled with divine desserts for all seasons, this wonderful cookbook will forever change the way you think about fruit and cake.

### **Cambridge Learner's Dictionary with CD-ROM**

This is a hilarious book from a no-nonsense fountain of wisdom. Answering all your queries on everything from raising children to finding a mate, through to how to avoid obesity and what to wear in heaven, Marie Rudisill is a woman who packs a serious punch.

### **Fruit Cake**

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The graded readers series of original fiction, adapted fiction and factbooks especially written for teenagers. A collection of short stories themed around food and drink: a bed and breakfast owner is determined that one of her guests should try her famous 'Full English Breakfast'; a scientist invents an additive that increases peoples' attraction to certain food; a young boy learns to cook with the help of a great uncle and a magic ingredient; and a Japanese master chef must prepare his own last meal. This paperback is in American English. Audio recordings of the text are available at: [www.cambridge.org/elt/discoveryreaders/ame](http://www.cambridge.org/elt/discoveryreaders/ame) Cambridge Experience Readers, previously called Cambridge Discovery Readers, get your students hooked on reading.

### **A Christmas Carol**

"Fruitcake Hill" is a cleverly written history and personal memoir of an Irish family from the Chicago suburbs that has continuously occupied a single farmhouse property for over 137 years. The story focuses on the family's struggles to preserve the life they knew before urban sprawl became a reality. A humorous and informative read! About the Author Gerald J. Kuecher was born in 1951, the seventh of Babe and Bob Kuecher's 13 children. This strawberry blonde was tough and competitive after years of battling with his big athletic brothers yet he developed a sense of compassion that included crying at strangers' funerals as an altar boy. This marked duality shaped his life. As a teenager, Gerald became

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interested in the physical sciences after reading reports by the Illinois Geological Survey concerning the glacial history of the Palos area. He went on to earn a Ph.D. in Geology and has published numerous technical articles. This book is his first venture into non-technical literature.

### **A Christmas Wish**

"What kind of house does Garfield live in? A nuthouse, of course! The Arbuckle home is located just around the bend, where Jon and his wacky pets display their mad skills for having fun"--Publisher's description.

### **Sook's Cookbook**

Settle in for a sweet treat with this classic Christmas story from #1 New York Times bestselling author Debbie Macomber. Emma Collins has always believed that the world is divided into two kinds of people: those who love fruitcake and those who don't. She's firmly in the second category, so it's ironic that her first major assignment for the Puyallup, Washington, Examiner is a series of articles about...fruitcake. At least it's a step up from writing obituaries. Her task is to interview the finalists in a fruitcake recipe contest, and that means traveling around the state. Actually...flying around the state. Local pilot Oliver Hamilton,

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who's starting an airfreight business, has agreed to take her wherever she needs to go, in exchange for free advertising. Unfortunately Emma hates small planes—almost as much as she hates fruitcake. But in the weeks leading up to Christmas, Emma discovers Oliver is not quite the Scrooge he sometimes seems. It all reminds her that there's something about Christmas. Something special... Originally published in 2005

### **Fruitcake**

THE BRAND-NEW OFFICIAL BAKE OFF BOOK! THE ULTIMATE CAKE-BAKING BIBLE  
The Big Book of Amazing Cakes brings the magic of The Great British Bake Off to your kitchen with easy-to-follow recipes for every shape, size and delicious flavour of cake you can imagine. Featuring the very best cakes from inside the Bake Off tent, alongside much-loved family favourites, stunning showstoppers and classic bakes, the book is packed with expert advice and helpful tips for decorating. From simple sponges to spectacular celebration cakes, aspiring star bakers will have everything they need to create the perfect bake for any occasion. Includes exclusive recipes by the series 10 bakers, and favourite bakes from contestants across all ten series.

### **Tasty Tales Level 4 Intermediate American English**

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Modern, original fiction for learners of English. Five stories about the senses: Arlo hates noise and has a plan to bring the world silence. Gopal uses smell to protect the memory of his sister. Journalist Kathy uses her blindness to get a clear picture of human characters. Daniel has a tongue that earns him a living but could also be his downfall. And Jamie learns to balance the benefits of t'ai chi in his search for health and happiness.

### **The Fruitcake Special. Cambridge Reading Club 18**

Modern, original fiction for learners of English. Paul Morris's happy life in Italy changes when his wife dies suddenly. He develops a relationship with Sandra, a friend at work, but everything is not as it seems. How can Sandra afford such an expensive car? And why does she keep making mysterious phone calls? Soon Paul is involved in international crime and a thrilling car chase across Europe.

### **Cake: A Slice of History**

Cinco historias acerca del descubrimiento - un perfume que atrae a los hombres, un libro que muestra los pensamientos de las personas, un cambio notable en la vida de una anciana, el secreto de la alta inteligencia y una manera de hacer que el tiempo se detenga - componen esta entretenida colección. CAMBRIDGE

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READING CLUB: Una emocionante serie de originales lecturas de ficción dirigida especialmente a estudiantes de secundaria. Clasificada en cuatro niveles, la serie proporciona agradables lecturas en diferentes tópicos y géneros: comedia, misterio, horror, suspenso, romance, etc.

### **Visions of Sugar Plums**

Publication of 20 readers from Cambridge English Reading, levels 1 to 4, to appear under the joint imprint of SM/Cruilla and Cambridge.

### **The Fruitcake Special Cruilla Edition**

Original stories at seven levels from starter to advanced, written specially for learners of English. With gripping plots and a range of genres to satisfy every taste, Cambridge English Readers offer high-quality original fiction that students will love! The highest quality of writing and storytelling is combined with the greatest sensitivity to the learner's language level, to ensure an enjoyable and successful learning experience, with learners eager to finish one book and start the next.

### **Forever Dreams**

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Give the gift of reading this holiday season! NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER Coming to Netflix! HIGHLY RECOMMENDED BY ENTERTAINMENT WEEKLY · PEOPLE MAGAZINE · MARIE CLAIRE · HUFFINGTON POST · POPSUGAR · BUSTLE · SHEREADS · BOOK RIOT · HELLOGIGGLES · GOODREADS · WORTH · CHATELAINE Propulsive and addictive, and perfect for fans of “You,” *The Other Mrs.* is the twisty new psychological thriller from Mary Kubica, the New York Times bestselling author of *The Good Girl Sadie* and *Will Foust* have only just moved their family from bustling Chicago to small-town Maine when their neighbor Morgan Baines is found dead in her home. The murder rocks their tiny coastal island, but no one is more shaken than Sadie. But it’s not just Morgan’s death that has Sadie on edge. And as the eyes of suspicion turn toward the new family in town, Sadie is drawn deeper into the mystery of what really happened that dark and deadly night. But Sadie must be careful, for the more she discovers about Mrs. Baines, the more she begins to realize just how much she has to lose if the truth ever comes to light. “Altogether unpredictable.” —Karin Slaughter, New York Times bestselling author “Brilliant!” —Liv Constantine, bestselling author of *The Last Mrs. Parrish* “Kubica’s best book yet.” —Sarah Pekkanen, #1 New York Times bestselling co-author of *An Anonymous Girl* Look for these other pulse-pounding thrillers by New York Times bestselling author Mary Kubica: *The Good Girl* *Pretty Baby* *Don’t You Cry Every Last Lie* *When the Lights Go Out*

## **The Big Picture Level 1 Beginner/Elementary**

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Five stories to make you smile, and think: a Chinese lion dancer turns round and round; an old wooden wheel sits on an English pub wall; an American teenager makes a new wheel for a car; a bicycle taxi driver in Singapore helps a sick girl; and an English student finds a strange, very old disc. From p. 4 of cover.

### **Garfield Nutty As a Fruitcake**

The inspiration for the beloved Jim Henson film is back in print after over 40 years! In 1977, when Jim Henson debuted the now-classic film Emmet Otter's Jug-Band Christmas, few knew it was based on a story written and illustrated by Russell and Lillian Hoban, creators of Bread and Jam for Frances and other treasured children's books. With an enduring score by the great Paul Williams, the movie remains a holiday tradition in homes across America. Now the book that started it all is back in print, in a beautiful gift edition that will thrill Muppets fans young and old. Inspired by the classic tale "The Gift of the Magi," the story begins in a poor country cottage, as Emmet Otter dreams of buying Ma a piano for Christmas, while Ma dreams of buying Emmet a guitar. When a village talent contest is announced, both imagine their dreams coming true. But what they don't imagine finding is their real reward - the power of love, family, and hope in hard times. It is a story that reaches into a reader's heart and reminds us all that fortune favors the brave. A Bank Street College of Education Best Children's Book of the Year "[A]welcome

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reissue of the Hobans' 1971 story . . . Colorful illustrations of the close-knit animal community contain plenty of warmth."--The Horn Book

### **The Fruitcake Murders**

From seaport pubs to international cuisine, Alexandria's culinary history runs deep. George Washington danced in the ballroom of Gadsby's Tavern, an Old Town landmark. The Royal Restaurant hung its first shingle a century ago where Market Square is today. Chadwick's has survived fire and flood in its home on the Potomac riverfront. The storefront of legendary Shuman's Bakery may be closed, but the latest generation continues to serve the famous jelly cake to loyal locals. Journalist Hope Nelson curates this tasting menu of some of Alexandria's favorite restaurants, watering holes and breweries past and present.

### **Christmas from the Heart**

Humankind is in danger. The Year of the Fruitcake tells of the Earth-based life of a mostly-mindwiped alien anthropologist inhabiting a human perimenopausal body instead of her own more rational body with its capacity to change gender. This alien has definitely shaken a great intergalactic empire by sitting in cafés with her new best friends. Chocolate may or may not have played a part. Will humanity

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survive? Polack describes her novel as, "Bleak. It's political. It's angry. It's also sarcastic, cynical and funny."

### **The Fruitcake Special and Other Stories Level 4 Book with Audio CDs (2) Pack**

Cake can evoke thoughts of home, comfort someone at a time of grief or celebrate a birth or new love. It is a maker of memories, a marker of identities, and delicious! It was the year 878 A.D., and a man claims sanctuary in a small village home in Wessex. To the surprise of the villager, the man is not a passing vagabond but Alfred, King of the Anglo-Saxons. The village homemaker is happy to hide him from the marauding Danes, provided he keeps an eye on the cake she has baking in the oven. Preoccupied with how to re-take his kingdom, Alfred lets the cakes burn, and the incident passed in to folklore forever. From these seemingly ignoble beginnings, not only was Alfred able to reclaim his spot in history, but the humble villagers' cake has ascended in world culture as well. Alysa Levene looks at cakes both ancient and modern, from the Fruit Cake, to the Pound Cake, from the ubiquitous birthday cake to the Angel Food Cake, all the way up to competitive baking shows on television and our modern obsession with macarons and cup cakes. Along the way, author Alysa Levene shows how cakes are so much more than just a delicious sugar hit, and reflects on how and why cakes became the food

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to eat in times of celebration. Cake reflects cultural differences, whether it is the changing role of women in the home, the expansion of global trade, even advances in technology. Entertaining and delightfully informative, *Cake: A Slice of History* promises to be a witty and joyous celebration of our cultural heritage.

### **The Fruitcake Special and Other Stories**

This Graphic Novel Series features classic tales retold with attractive color illustrations. Educators using the Dale-Chall vocabulary system adapted each title. Each 70 page, softcover book retains key phrases and quotations from the original classics. Introduce literature to reluctant readers and motivate struggling readers. Students build confidence through reading practice. Motivation makes all the difference. What's more motivation then the expectation of success?

### **How the Grinch Stole Christmas! Read & Listen Edition**

“Every Who down in Who-ville liked Christmas a lot . . . but the Grinch, who lived just north of Who-ville, did NOT!” Not since “’Twas the night before Christmas” has the beginning of a Christmas tale been so instantly recognizable. No holiday season is complete without the Grinch, Max, Cindy-Lou, and all the residents of Who-ville, in this heartwarming story about the effects of the Christmas spirit on

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even the smallest and coldest of hearts. Like mistletoe, candy canes, and caroling, the Grinch is a mainstay of the holidays, and his story is the perfect gift for young and old. This Read & Listen edition contains audio narration.

### **Fruitcake Hill**

Katie and her friend Louise have magical adventures with a strange assortment of items they find in a locked drawer.

### **Classic Restaurants of Alexandria**

A reminiscence of a Christmas shared by a seven-year-old boy and a sixtyish childlike woman, with enormous love and friendship between them.

### **If Snowflakes Tasted Like Fruitcake**

Five stories about discovery -- a perfume that attracts men, a book that shows people's thoughts, a remarkable change in a widow's life, the secret of high intelligence, and a way of making time stand still -- make up this entertaining collection.

## **Ask the Fruitcake Lady**

A human foundling child, adopted by a wood-nymph and raised by the creatures who inhabit a magical forest, grows up to be the immortal Santa Claus.

## **There's Something About Christmas**

Fruitcake: Heirloom Recipes and Memories of Truman Capote and Cousin Sook

## **The Great British Bake Off: The Big Book of Amazing Cakes**

This new edition fully updated to include new words (e.g. SARS, road map, fair trade). 35,000 simple definitions on a clear, attractive page with colour headwords and thousands of example sentences. Usage notes based on the Cambridge Learner Corpus, developed in partnership with Cambridge ESOL. The new easy-to-use CD-ROM includes British and American pronunciations for every word. QUICKfind lets you look up words in the dictionary while reading electronic documents, such as web pages. SUPERwrite gives you the tools you need (e.g. verb endings, collocation information) for writing, and the unique SMART thesaurus turns the dictionary into a thesaurus at the click of a button. New interactive exercises help you prepare for exams. Copy and paste features as well as

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advanced search options give teachers a wealth of information for preparing lessons and exercises.

### **The Little Friend**

Sook's Cookbook brims with delicious, uniquely southern recipes such as green olive jambalaya, watermelon rind preserves, and poinsettia cake, as well as classic buttermilk biscuits and lemon meringue pie. Marie Rudisill first began working on Sook's Cookbook with her nephew, Truman Capote, in the late 1940s to pay tribute to her charming, eccentric aunt, Sook Faulk. After putting the project aside for many years, Rudisill developed the book's methodology on her own: using nineteenth-century plantation daybooks for inspiration, she paired recipes with profiles of family and community cooks. In these pages, you'll meet Sook -- made famous in Capote's story, "A Christmas Memory" -- with her kitchen windowsill herb garden (complete with two pet chameleons to ward off bugs) and her penchant for cooking on her big, black woodstove year-round -- even on the hottest summer days. Recipes for tea sugar cookies and lemon-and-parsley butter tea sandwiches follow the profile of Marie's aunt Jenny, who ran the Faulk household, as well as her own renowned hat and accessory shop. Rudisill also spotlights often-overlooked cooks -- Little Bit, the official house cook, and Corrie Wolff, a housekeeper and occasional cook, whose recipes feature the Cajun and Creole flavors of Louisiana, as well as Sem, who prepared special food for parties, weddings, and funerals. In

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his foreword, Gourmet contributing editor John T. Edge calls Sook's Cookbook -- first published in 1989 -- "one of the most compelling regional cookbooks of the latter half of the twentieth century." He also celebrates Marie Rudisill's character and spirit -- from her sassy appearances on the Tonight Show, where she became known as the Fruitcake Lady, to her deep appreciation of the people and the old southern ways she knew and loved in Monroeville, Alabama. Much more than a cookbook, these pages pay homage to a small town in the Deep South and the intriguing people who made it come alive.

### **The Year of the Fruit Cake**

Junie, a spunky, sometimes exasperating, kindergartener, looks forward to winning lots of prizes at the school carnival, but a fruit cake was not exactly what she had in mind.

### **The Life and Adventures of Santa Claus**

After taking a picture of a sumo wrestling star for his Tokyo newspaper, photographer Ken Harada soon finds out that someone wants his photograph very much.

## **The Fruitcake Special and Other Stories Level 4**

USA TODAY bestselling author Sheila Roberts takes readers to the charming, snowbound town of Pine River in this irresistible holiday romance. Sometimes you need to look beyond the big picture to see what really matters Olivia Berg's charity, Christmas from the Heart, has helped generations of families in need in Pine River, Washington, but this year might be the end of the road. Hightower Enterprises, one of their biggest donors since way back when Olivia's grandmother ran the charity, has been taken over by Ebenezer Scrooge the Second, aka CFO Guy Hightower, and he's declared there will be no more money coming to Christmas from the Heart. Guy is simply being practical. Hightower Enterprises needs to tighten its belt, and when you don't have money to spare, you don't have money to share. You'd think even the pushy Olivia Berg could understand that. With charitable donations dwindling, Olivia's Christmas budget depends on Hightower's contribution. She's focused her whole life on helping this small town, even putting her love life on hold to support her mission. When Guy's Maserati breaks down at the edge of the Cascade foothills, he's relieved to be rescued by a pretty young woman who drives him to the nearby town of Pine River. Until he realizes his rescuer is none other than Olivia Berg. What's a Scrooge to do? Plug his nose and eat fruitcake and hope she doesn't learn his true identity before he can get out of town. What could go wrong?

## **Circle Games Level 2**

A rising star, a down-to-earth teacher, and a Christmas touched by wonder... Country music star Kris Trabeau heads to Charming, Mississippi, to convince his aging aunt to sell her farm and move into a nice retirement community. She's not having it, and she enlists her neighbor Tory Odom to help her remind Kris why the farm means so much...especially at Christmas. After being dumped by her longtime boyfriend, Tory's not feeling the holiday spirit. Still, she agrees to co-chair a children's concert and silent auction to benefit the after-school center where she volunteers. As Kris helps her with the concert and spends time with the kids, the attraction between them becomes harder and harder to ignore. Can he trade spotlights and city lights for the place where the music began? This funny, emotional romance includes a free Hallmark original recipe for Jingle Bell Fruitcake Cookies.

## **Windows of the Mind Level 5**

The second novel by Donna Tartt, bestselling author of *The Goldfinch* (winner of the 2014 Pulitzer Prize), *The Little Friend* is a grandly ambitious and utterly riveting novel of childhood, innocence and evil. The setting is Alexandria, Mississippi, where one Mother's Day a little boy named Robin Cleve Dufresnes was found hanging

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from a tree in his parents' yard. Twelve years later Robin's murder is still unsolved and his family remains devastated. So it is that Robin's sister Harriet—unnervingly bright, insufferably determined, and unduly influenced by the fiction of Kipling and Robert Louis Stevenson--sets out to unmask his killer. Aided only by her worshipful friend Hely, Harriet crosses her town's rigid lines of race and caste and burrows deep into her family's history of loss. Filled with hairpin turns of plot and "a bustling, ridiculous humanity worthy of Dickens" (The New York Times Book Review), *The Little Friend* is a work of myriad enchantments by a writer of prodigious talent. From the Trade Paperback edition.

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