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The Girls: A Novel

By Emma Cline

(Random House, 9780812998603, \$27)

"Evie Boyd is a lonely 14-year-old adjusting to her parents' recent divorce and an emotional break with her childhood best friend. She encounters a wild and enchanting group of girls and is immediately drawn into their world of reckless abandon. Seduced by their thrilling, cult-like

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-Tarah Jennings, Mitzi's Books, Rapid City, SD



Before the Fall: A Novel

By Noah Hawley

(Grand Central Publishing, 9781455561780, \$26)

Recommended by Geoffrey Jennings, Rainy Day Books, Fairway, KS



Homegoing: A Novel

By Yaa Gyasi

(Knopf, 9781101947135, \$26.95)

Recommended by Nichole McCown, Bookshop Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz, CA



Modern Lovers

By Emma Straub

(Riverhead Books, 9781594634673, \$26)

Recommended by Alexis Jason-Mathews, Politics & Prose Bookstore and Coffeehouse, Washington, DC



Smoke: A Novel

By Dan Vyleta

(Doubleday, 9780385540162, \$27.95)

Recommended by Luisa Smith, Book Passage, Corte Madera, CA



Lily and the Octopus: A Novel

By Steven Rowley

(Simon & Schuster, 9781501126222, \$25.99)

Recommended by Pam Cady, University Book Store, Seattle, WA



The Fireman: A Novel

By Joe Hill

(William Morrow, 9780062200631, \$28.99)

Recommended by Sharon K. Nagel, Boswell Book Company, Milwaukee, WI



Wintering: A Novel

By Peter Geve

(Knopf, 9781101946466, \$26.95)

Recommended by Tripp Ryder, Content Bookstore, Northfield, MN



Grief Is the Thing With Feathers: A Novel

By Max Porter

(Graywolf Press, 978I5559774I2, trade paperback, \$I4)

Recommended by Emily Crowe, Odyssey Bookshop, South Hadley, MA



The After Party: A Novel

By Anton DiSclafani

(Riverhead Books, 9781594633164, \$26)

Recommended by Annie B. Jones, The Bookshelf, Thomasville, GA



I'm Thinking of Ending Things: A Novel

By Iain Reid

(Gallery/Scout Press, 978I50II26925, \$22.95)

Recommended by Nancy Simpson-Brice, The Book Vault, Oskaloosa, IA



My Best Friend's Exorcism: A Novel

By Grady Hendrix

(Quirk Books, 9781594748622, \$19.99)

Recommended by Angelo Santini, McLean & Eakin Booksellers,



The Curious Charms of Arthur Pepper: A Novel

By Phaedra Patrick

(MIRA, 9780778319337, \$24.99)

Recommended by Lisa Fabiano, An Unlikely Story, Plainville, MA



The Insides: A Novel

By Jeremy P. Bushnell

(Melville House, 9781612195469, trade paperback, \$16.95)

Recommended by Jason Foose, Changing Hands Bookstore, Tempe, AZ



Goodnight, Beautiful Women

By Anna Noyes

(Grove Press, 9780802124845, \$24

Recommended by Melanie Fleischman, Arcadia Books, Spring



Marrow Island

By Alexis M. Smith

(Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 9780544373419, \$23)

Recommended by Tracy Taylor, The Elliott Bay Book Company, Seattle, WA



The Hour of Land: A Personal Topography of **America's National Parks**

By Terry Tempest Williams

(Sarah Crichton Books, 9780374280093, \$27)

Recommended by Chuck Robinson, Village Books, Bellingham, WA



Dinner With Edward

By Isabel Vincent

(Algonquin Books, 9781616204228, \$23.95)

Recommended by Carol Schneck Varner, Schuler Books & Music, Okemos, MI



The View From the Cheap Seats

Bv Neil Gaiman

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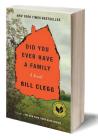
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By Arundhati Roy

-Cathy Langer, Tattered Cover Book Store, Denver, CO



The Third Policeman: **A Novel**



The Third Policeman

By Flann O'Brien (Dalkey Archive Press, 978I564782I44. \$13.95) Originally published in paperback in 1976

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By Jesse Stuart

(Touchstone, 9780684719047, \$16) Originally published in hardcover in 1949

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-Michael Barnard, Rakestraw Books, Danville, CA