

# WHAT'S ON YOUR NIGHTSTAND

## Book Discussion

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### FICTION



***Atmosphere*** by **Taylor Jenkins Reid** - A novel set against the backdrop of the 1980s space shuttle program about the extraordinary lengths we go to live and love beyond our limits.

***The Editor*** by **Steven Rowley** - A struggling writer who gets his big break with a little help from the most famous woman in America.



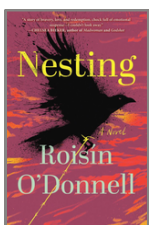
***The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue*** by **V.E. Schwab** - France, 1714: In a moment of desperation, a young woman makes a Faustian bargain to live forever—and is cursed to be forgotten by everyone she meets.



***Looking for Jane*** by **Heather Marshall** - Three women are bound together by a long-lost letter, and the secret network of women fighting for pro-choice—inspired by true stories.



***Nesting*** by **Roisín O'Donnell** - A heart-pounding, life-affirming story about one woman trying to leave her marriage and start over.



***The Personal Librarian*** by **Heather Terrell** - the story of an extraordinary woman, famous for her intellect, style, and wit, and the lengths she must go to preserve her carefully crafted white identity in the racist world in which she lives.

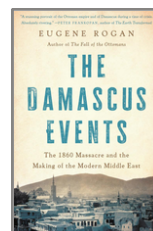


***The Time of the Child*** by **Niall Williams** - A father and daughter's lives are turned upside down when a baby is left in their care. As winter passes, their understanding of their family and their role in the community is changed forever.

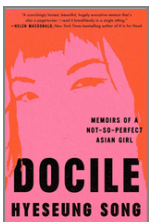


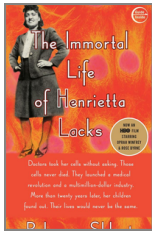
### NONFICTION

***The Damascus Events: The 1860 Massacre and the Making of the Modern Middle East*** by **Eugene Rogan** - An account of an ancient city's descent into unprecedented communal violence—an event that would mark the end of the old Ottoman order and the beginning of the modern Middle East



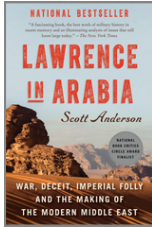
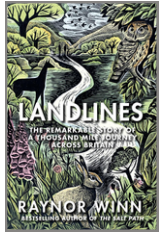
***Docile: Memoirs of a Not-So-Perfect Asian Girl*** by **Hyeseung Song** - One woman's story of subverting the model minority myth, contending with mental illness, and finding her self-worth by looking within.





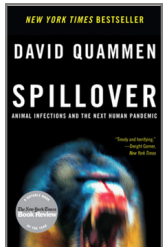
***The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*** by **Rebecca Skloot** - The first human cells grown in culture... Cells, taken without Henrietta's knowledge, became one of the most important tools in medicine.

***Landlines*** by **Raynor Winn** - The powerful story of a 1,000-mile healing walk—from the lochs of Scotland to England's south west coast.



***Lawrence in Arabia: War, Deceit, Imperial Folly and the Making of the Modern Middle East*** by **Scott Anderson** - The bravado, surreality, and grandeur of the Middle East in the birth throes of the 20th century.

***Spillover: Animal Infections and the Next Human Pandemic*** by **David Quammen** - The astonishing quest to learn how, where from, and why these diseases emerge, and asks the terrifying question: What might the next big one be?



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