

Juliet Naked Nick Hornby

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Book Group Bag Nick Hornby 2009 **Just Like You** Nick Hornby 2020-09-17 'A charming – and sharp – love story about what it means to fall for someone who is your polar opposite' Sunday Telegraph Lucy married just the sort of man you might expect: a university graduate who runs his own business. Unfortunately he turned out to have serious dependency issues. Joseph is shaking off the memory of his last date, a girl who ticked all the right boxes and also drove him up the wall. On an average Saturday morning in a butcher's shop in North London, Lucy and Joseph meet on opposite sides of the counter. She is a teacher and mother of two, with a past she is trying to forget; he is an aspiring DJ with a wide-open future that maybe needs to start becoming more focused. Lucy and Joseph are opposites in almost all ways. Can something life-changing grow from uncommon ground? Nick Hornby's brilliantly observed, tender and brutally funny new novel gets to the heart of what it means to fall headlong in love with the best possible person – someone who may not be just like you at all. "Truly funny . . . immensely readable, sharp-eyed and at times hilarious' Guardian 'Comedy for our times' Sunday Times 'Sparkles with tip-top dialogue and pin-sharp comic timing' Daily Mail

Translating the intentions and the style of a British author Marie Le Page 2010

Confessions of a Jane Austen Addict Laurie Viera Rigler 2007-08-02 NATIONAL BESTSELLER After nursing a broken engagement with Jane Austen novels and Absolut, Courtney Stone wakes up and finds herself not in her Los Angeles bedroom or even in her own body, but inside the bedchamber of a woman in Regency England. Who but an Austen addict like herself could concoct such a fantasy? Not only is Courtney stuck in another woman's life, she is forced to pretend she actually is that woman; and despite knowing nothing about her, she manages to fool even the most astute observer. But not even her level of Austen mania has prepared Courtney for the chamber pots and filthy coaching inns of nineteenth-century England, let alone the realities of being a single woman who must fend off suffocating chaperones, condom-less seducers, and marriages of convenience. This looking-glass Austen world is not without its charms, however. There are journeys to Bath and London, balls in the Assembly Rooms, and the enigmatic Mr. Edgeworth, who may not be a familiar species of philanderer after all. But when Courtney's borrowed brain serves up memories that are not her own, the ultimate identity crisis ensues. Will she ever get her real life back, and does she even want to?

Beat the Reaper Josh Bazell 2009-01-07 Dr. Peter Brown is an intern at Manhattan's worst hospital, with a talent for medicine, a shift from hell, and a past he'd prefer to keep hidden. Whether it's a blocked circumflex artery or a plan to land a massive malpractice suit, he knows what evil lurks in the hearts of men. Pietro "Bearclaw" Brwnna is a hitman for the mob, with a genius for violence, a well-earned fear of sharks, and an overly close relationship with the Federal Witness Relocation Program. More likely to leave a trail of dead gangsters than a molecule of evidence, he's the last person you want to see in your hospital room. Nicholas LoBrutto, aka Eddy Squillante, is Dr. Brown's new patient, with three months to live and a very strange idea: that Peter Brown and Pietro Brwna might-just might-be the same person . . . Now, with the mob, the government, and death itself descending on the hospital, Peter has to buy time and do whatever it takes to keep his patients, himself, and his last shot at redemption alive. To get through the next eight hours-and somehow beat the reaper. Spattered in adrenaline-fueled action and bone-saw-sharp dialogue, *Beat the Reaper* is a debut thriller so utterly original you won't be able to guess what happens next, and so shockingly entertaining you won't be able to put it down.

High Fidelity (TV Tie-in) Nick Hornby 2020-02-04 A wise and hilarious novel about love, heartbreak, and rock and roll from the bestselling author of *About a Boy* and *Dickens and Prince Now* a Hulu series starring Zoë Kravitz! "I've always loved Nick Hornby, and the way he writes characters and the way he thinks. It's funny and heartbreaking all at the same time."--Zoë Kravitz Rob is a pop music junkie who runs his own semi-failing record store. His girlfriend, Laura, has just left him for the guy upstairs, and Rob is both miserable and relieved. After all, could he have spent his life with someone who has a bad record collection? Rob seeks refuge in the company of the offbeat clerks at his store, who endlessly review their top five films; top five Elvis Costello songs; top five episodes of *Cheers*. Rob tries dating a singer, but maybe it's just that he's always wanted to sleep with someone who has a record contract. Then he sees Laura again. And Rob begins to think that life with kids, marriage, barbecues, and soft rock CDs might not be so bad.

You Shall Know Our Velocity Dave Eggers 2011-05-25 In his first novel, Dave Eggers has written a moving and hilarious tale of two friends who fly around the world trying to give away a lot of money and free themselves from a profound loss. It reminds us once again what an important, necessary talent Dave Eggers is.

Triple Platinum Nick Hornby 1999 FEVER PITCH, winner of the William Hill Sports Book of the Year Award, stands as the definitive statement on the obsessive nature of football fandom. ¿His triumph is that, without glossing over its large-scale stupidities and discomforts, he makes terrace life seem not just plausible but sometimes near-heroic in its single minded vehemence, its heart shaking highs and lows¿ Independent on Sunday HIGH FIDELITY hilariously and movingly explains men to women ¿ and to themselves. ¿It is rare that a book so hilarious is also so sharp about sex and manliness, memory and music. Many men ¿ and, certainly, all addictive personalities ¿ will find in these pages shadows of themselves. And most of us will hear, in Hornby¿s acoustic prose, the obsessive chords of the past that more often lock up than liberate our hearts; New Yorker ABOUT A BOY explores the connections people make when the so-called ideal family model does not apply. ¿An almost perfect book, hugely entertaining and on the side of the angels . . . About a Boy is laughter in the dark, The Times

How to be Good Nick Hornby 2005-05-05 How to be Good is Nick Hornby's hilarious bestselling novel on life, love and charity 'I am in a car park in Leeds when I tell my husband I don't want to be married to him any more. . . .' London GP Katie Carr always thought she was a good person. With her husband David making a living as 'The Angriest Man in Holloway', she figured she could put up with anything. Until, that is, David meets DJ Goodnews and becomes a good person too. A far-too-good person who starts committing crimes of charity like taking in the homeless and giving their kids' toys away. Suddenly Katie's feeling very bad about herself, and thinking that if charity begins at home, then maybe its time to move. . This laugh-out-loud novel, from the bestselling author of *About a Boy* and *High Fidelity*, will have you gripped from start to finish and will appeal to fans of David Nicholls and Jonathan Coe, as well as readers in need of a moral compass everywhere. 'Fins you in your armchair ad won't let go. . . How to be Good? How to be bloody marvellous, more like' Mail on Sunday 'It does exactly what it says on the cover. Hornby's prose is artful and effortless, his spiky wit as razored as a number-two cut' Independent 'The writing is so funny, and the set-pieces so brilliant...Hornby's best book since *Fever Pitch*' Lynn Truss, The Times

Contemporary American Fiction Nick Hornby 1992 "Contemporary American Fiction concentrates on a group of writers who have achieved prominence in the '80s, and in particular those writers anthologized in Granta's two highly influential collections, *Dirty Realism* and *More Dirt*. The book includes a major essay on Raymond Carver, arguably the most important literary figure of the decade; there is also a discussion of the work of Richard Ford and Tobias Wolff, friends of Carver, whose writing shows similar sensibilities." "The last decade has seen a revival of interest in the short story; special attention is paid here to the emerging group of women writers--Bobbie Ann Mason, Joy Williams, Jayne Anne Phillips and Elizabeth Tallent, among others--whose stories continue the tradition of Eudora Welty, Willa Cather and Flannery O'Connor." "This study is a wide-ranging and readable introduction to the American 'New Wave' of writers, and contains interviews with some of the key figures. It will be of interest to anyone who has read and enjoyed the most vibrant writing to have come out of the U.S. for years."--BOOK JACKET.Title Summary field provided by Blackwell North America, Inc. All Rights Reserved

The Rocklopedia Fakebandica T. Mike Childs 2014-06-10 Have you ever wondered what the name of the cantina band in *Star Wars* was? Or how many fictional singers Elvis played? Or how many fake bands had real Top Ten hits? This hysterical, witty, and irreverent book answers all these questions and more. Based on the popular Web site fakebands.com, The Rocklopedia Fakebandica contains almost 1,000 entries covering such pop-culture staples as Spinal Tap, the Monkees, the Partridge Family, the Blues Brothers, the Rutles, Schroeder, the Chipmunks, the Brady Kids, the California Raisins, the Commitments, the Archies, the Banana Splits, Eddie and the Cruisers, the Wonders, Phoebe Buffay, Miss Piggy, Josie and the Pussycats, Jessica Rabbit, School of Rock, and Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band. Perfect for pop-culture addicts, trivia buffs, and music lovers of all stripes, The Rocklopedia Fakebandica is the consummate addition to any bookshelf, coffee table, or bathroom.

Speaking with the Angel Nick Hornby 2011-07-07 A dozen of the most successful and popular writers today including: Helen Fielding, Robert Harris, Patrick Marber, Zadie Smith, John O'Farrell, Roddy Doyle, Melissa Bank and Irvine Welsh have written 6000-word fictional monologues along the lines of Alan Bennett's *Talking Heads*. And Colin Firth makes his debut as a fiction writer. The result is a book of completely original stories that have heart, soul and wit. All the writers have given their work free, and Penguin is giving it 1p per copy sold to the Treehouse Trust, a charity which is setting up a unique school for autistic children

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About a Boy Nick Hornby 2005-05-05 Nick Hornby's second bestselling novel is about sex, manliness and fatherhood. Will is thirty-six, comfortable and child-free. And he's discovered a brilliant new way of meeting women – through single-parent groups. Marcus is twelve and a little biterdish: he's got the kind of mother who made him listen to Joni Mitchell rather than Nirvana. Perhaps they can help each other out a little bit, and both can start to act their age.

Juliet, Naked Nick Hornby 2009-09-29 From the beloved New York Times- bestselling author, a quintessential Nick Hornby tale of music, superfandom, and the truths and lies we tell ourselves about life and love. Now a major motion picture starring Ethan Hawke. Annie loves Duncan—or thinks she does. Duncan loves Annie, but then, all of a sudden, he doesn't. Duncan really loves Tucker Crowe, a reclusive Dylanish singer-songwriter who stopped making music ten years ago. Annie stops loving Duncan, and starts getting her own life. In doing so, she initiates an e-mail correspondence with Tucker, and a connection is forged between two lonely people who are looking for more out of what they've got. Tucker's been languishing (and he's unnerveingly aware of it), living in rural Pennsylvania with what he sees as his one hope for redemption amid a life of emotional and artistic ruin—his young son, Jackson. But then there's also the new material he's about to release to the world: an acoustic, stripped-down version of his greatest album, *Juliet*-entitled, *Juliet, Naked*. What happens when a washed-up musician looks for another chance? And miles away, a restless, childless woman looks for a change? *Juliet, Naked* is a powerfully engrossing, humblyingly humorous novel about music, love, loneliness, and the struggle to live up to one's promise.

Songbook Nick Hornby 2003-10-07 "All I have to say about these songs is that I love them, and want to sing along to them, and force other people to listen to them, and get cross when these other people don't like them as much as I do." –Nick Hornby, from *Songbook* A wise and hilarious collection from the bestselling author of *Just Like You*, *Funny Girl*, *About a Boy*, and *High Fidelity*. Songs, songwriters, and why and how they get under our skin... *Songbook* is Nick Hornby's labor of love. A shrewd, funny, and completely unique collection of musings on pop music, why it's good, what makes us listen and love it, and the ways in which it attaches itself to our lives—all with the beat of a perfectly mastered mix tape.

Generosity Richard Powers 2010-08-03 Intrigued by an Algerian woman whose blissful demeanor contrasts with the horrific environment of her home country, Chicago teacher Russell Stone brings her to the attention of others who become equally entranced. By the National Book Award-winning author of *The Echo Maker*. Reprint. A New York Times Editor's Choice.

Lunch with the FT Lionel Barber 2013-03-14 From the very first mouthful, 'Lunch with the FT' was destined to become a permanent fixture in the Financial Times. One thousand lunches later, the FT's weekly interview has become an institution. From film stars to politicians, tycoons to writers, dissidents to lifestyle gurus, the list reads like an international Who's Who of our times. Lunch with the FT is a selection of the best: 52 classic interviews conducted in the unforgiving proximity of a restaurant table. From Angela Merkel to Sean 'P. Diddy' Combs, Martin Amis to one of the Arab world's most notorious sons, this book brings you right to the table to decide what you think of or world's most powerful players.

Slam Nick Hornby 2007 At the age of fifteen, Sam Jones's girlfriend Alicia gets pregnant and Sam's life of skateboarding and daydreaming about Tony Hawk changes drastically, so Sam turns to Hawk's autobiography for answers.

Funny Girl Nick Hornby 2015-02-03 A brilliant novel from the bestselling author of *High Fidelity*, *About a Boy*, and *A Long Way Down*. Set in 1960's London, *Funny Girl* is a lively account of the adventures of the intrepid young Sophie Straw as she navigates her transformation from provincial ingénue to television starlet amid a constellation of delightful characters. Insightful and humorous, Nick Hornby's latest does what he does best: endears us to a cast of characters who are funny if flawed, and forces us to examine ourselves in the process.

Slam Nick Hornby 2014-01-02 'There was this time when everything seemed to have come together. And so obviously it was time to go and screw it all up.' Sam is sixteen and a skater. Just so there are no terrible misunderstandings: skating = skateboarding. There's no ice. Life is ticking along nicely for Sam: his mum's got rid of her rubbish boyfriend, he's thinking about college and he's met someone. Alicia. Then a little accident happens. One with big consequences for someone just finding his way in life. Sam can't run (let alone skate) away from this one. He's a boy facing a man's problems and the question is – has he got what it takes to confront them?

Not a Star and Otherwise Pandemonium Nick Hornby 2009-10-06 In these two stories from bestselling author Nick Hornby revelations are at hand. In "Not a Star", Lynn has always thought her son, Mark, was a little, well, unremarkable. Until the day a neighbor drops off a porn video at her house, with a note telling her to watch it. Turns out, Mark is rather remarkable in one specific area of his life (and anatomy). Lynn and her husband, Dave, don't quite know what to think. The revelation of their son's talent ripples through Lynn's life as she alternately encounters humor, horror, and unexpected emotional reactions. What do you do in the face of impending doom? In "Otherwise, Pandemonium," you lose your virginity with the hottest girl in the Little Berkeley Big Band. Here, the world is a different place, the future is uncertain; the choices one makes are the only thing standing between a semblance of order or utter chaos. And the TV's been acting funny. This is a story that makes you think and feel, and reminds us of the fleeting nature of time.

The Complete Polysyllabic Spree Nick Hornby 2015-06-04

The Sound of Our Town Brett Milano 2007 From the G Clefs of the mid-1950s to the Dresden Dolls of today, from the down & dirty to the royalty of rock, here's what's been rockin' Boston for the past fifty years.

Stuff I've Been Reading Nick Hornby 2015-06 Chronologische vertelling van gelezen en gekochte boeken van de schrijver over uiteenlopende onderwerpen.

Shakespeare Wrote for Money Nick Hornby 2008 The final collection from Nick Hornby's column "Stuff I've Been Reading" in the *Believer* magazine.

Juliet, Naked Nick Hornby 2010

Fever Pitch Nick Hornby 2005-05-05 A famous account of growing up to be a fanatical football supporter. Told through a series of match reports, FEVER PITCH has enjoyed enormous critical and commercial success since it was first published in 1992. It has helped to create a new kind ofsports writing, and established Hornby as one of the finest writers of his generation.

More Baths Less Talking Nick Hornby 2012-08-21 "Read what you enjoy, not what bores you," Nick Hornby tells us. That simple, liberating, and indispensable directive animates each installment of the celebrated critic and author's monthly column in the *Believer*. In this delightful and never-musty tour of his reading life, Hornby tells us not just what to read, but how to read. Whether tackling a dismayingly bulky biography of Dickens while his children destroy something in the next room, or getting sucked into a serious assessment of Celine Dion during an intensely fought soccer match featuring his beloved Arsenal, or devouring an entire series of children's books while on vacation, Hornby's reviews are rich, witty, and occasionally madcap. These essays capture the joy and ire, the despair and exhilaration of the book-lover's life, and will appeal equally to both monocle-wearing salonnières and people, like him, who spend a lot of time thinking about Miley Cyrus's next role.

A Long Way Down (Movie Tie-In) Nick Hornby 2006-05-02 A wise, affecting novel from the beloved, award-winning author of *Funny Girl*, *High Fidelity*, and *About a Boy*. New York Times–bestselling author Nick Hornby mines the hearts and psyches of four lost souls who connect just when they've reached the end of the line. *A Long Way Down* is now a major motion picture from Magnolia Pictures starring Pierce Brosnan, Toni Collette, Aaron Paul, and Imogen Poots. Meet Martin, JJ, Jess, and Maureen. Four people who come together on New Year's Eve: a former TV talk show host, a musician, a teenage girl, and a mother. Three are British, one is American. They encounter one another on the roof of Topper's House, a London destination famous as the last stop for those ready to end their lives. In four distinct and riveting first-person voices, Nick Hornby tells a story of four individuals confronting the limits of choice, circumstance, and their own mortality. This is a tale of connections made and missed, punishing regrets, and the grace of second chances. Intense, hilarious, provocative, and moving, *A Long Way Down* is a novel about suicide that is, surprisingly, full of life.

Ten Years in the Tub Nick Hornby 2016-04-12 "How often do you begin reading a book that makes you—immediately, urgently, desperately—want to read more books?" (Booklist). Nick Hornby has managed to write just such a book in this hilarious, insightful, and infectious volume. *Ten Years in the Tub* chronicles Hornby's journey through a decade's worth of books, as related in his wildly popular *Believer* column "Stuff I've Been Reading." *Ten Years in the Tub* is a one-way ticket into the mind of one of the most beloved contemporary writers on his favorite pastime, but it's also a meditation on what Celine Dion can teach us about ourselves; a warning about how John Updike can ruin our sex lives; and a recommendation for the way Body Shop Vanilla Shower Gel can add excitement to our days. This "decade-long addiction for many... makes standing in line at the bank a blessed interval for snorting another page." (the New York Times Book Review)

What Good Are the Arts? John Carey 2010 A lively and stimulating invitation to debate the value of art offers a provocative study that will pique the interest of and inspire any reader who loves painting, music, or literature.

Rude Awakenings of a Jane Austen Addict Laurie Viera Rigler 2011-02-07 Jane Mansfield, a gentleman's daughter in 1813 England, has long wished to escape a life in which career choices are limited to wife or maiden aunt. But awakening one morning in twenty-first-century Los Angeles – in the body of someone called Courtney Stone – is not exactly what she had in mind. Jane must quickly get to grips with a world in which everyone thinks she is Courtney Stone: a dizzying world of horseless metal carriages, unrestricted clothing, tiny apartments, all manner of flirting, and unheard-of liberties for womankind. The only thing Jane appears to have in common with Courtney is a love for the novels of Jane Austen. But are the wise words of her favourite novelist enough to guide her through this bewildering new world? And what is she to make of Courtney's attentive friend Wes, who is as attractive and confusing as the man who broke her heart back home? As Courtney's romantic entanglements become her own, Jane wonders: Would she actually be better off back in Regency England – and will she ever be able to return?

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State of the Union Nick Hornby 2019-05-07 A heartbreaking, funny, and honest look inside of a marriage falling apart and the lengths a couple would go to in order to fix it from the bestselling author of *About a Boy* and *High Fidelity* Now an Emmy award winning SundanceTV series starring Rosamund Pike and Chris O'Dowd Tom and Louise meet in a pub before their couple's therapy appointment. Married for years, they thought they had a stable home life—until a recent incident pushed them to the brink. Going to therapy seemed like the perfect solution. But over drinks before their appointment, they begin to wonder: what if marriage is like a computer? What if you take it apart to see what's in there, but then you're left with a million pieces? Unfolding in the minutes before their weekly therapy sessions, the ten-chapter conversation that ensues is witty and moving, forcing them to look at their marriage—and, for the first time in a long time, at each other.

Not a *Star* Nick Hornby 2009 A funny and frank story about a mother and her colorful son. It's bad enough for a mother to discover that her son is a porn star, even worse when the nosy neighbors know first. When Lynn sees her son Mark in an adult film she is forced to ask many difficult questions. How well does she know her son? Where did he get his obvious talent? And how will she tell his father? There are some things a mother should never know...

Mansfield Park, Volume 2 Jane Austen 2016-05-18 This work has been selected by scholars as being culturally important, and is part of the knowledge base of civilization as we know it. This work was reproduced from the original artifact, and remains as true to the original work as possible. Therefore, you will see the original copyright references, library stamps (as most of these works have been housed in our most important libraries around the world), and other notations in the work.This work is in the public domain in the United States of America, and possibly other nations. Within the United States, you may freely copy and distribute this work, as no entity (individual or corporate) has a copyright on the body of the work.As a reproduction of a historical artifact, this work may contain missing or blurred pages, poor pictures, errant marks, etc. Scholars believe, and we concur, that this work is important enough to be preserved, reproduced, and made generally available to the public. We appreciate your support of the preservation process, and thank you for being an important part of keeping this knowledge alive and relevant.
Queer Pulp Associate Professor of Gender and Women's Studies Susan Stryker 2001-08 From homicidal homos to locked-up lesbians, and almost every sexually dangerous combination in between, *Queer Pulp: Perverted Passions* from the Golden Age of the Paperback is the first complete expose of queer sexuality in mid-twentieth century paperbacks. Compellingly written by historian Susan Stryker, *Queer Pulp* gives a complete overview of the cultural, political, and economic factors involved in the boom of queer paperbacks. With chapters covering gay, lesbian, transgender, and bisexually oriented books, a lively overview of the genres, and loads of scorching paperback covers, *Queer Pulp* reveals the complicated and fascinating history of alternative sexual literature and book publishing. Featuring the work of well-known authors such as W. Somerset Maugham and Truman Capote to the low-brow and no-brow scribes who worked under several names, *Queer Pulp* is the entertaining and informative introduction to these lost, salacious literary genres.

Juliet, Naked Nick Hornby 2010-09-07 Now a major motion picture starring Ethan Hawke and Rose Byrne! From the beloved New York Times- bestselling author, a quintessential Nick Hornby tale of music, superfandom, and the truths and lies we tell ourselves about life and love. Now a major motion picture starring Ethan Hawke. Nick Hornby returns to his roots-music and messy relationships—in this funny and touching novel that thoughtfully and sympathetically looks at how lives can be wasted but how they are never beyond redemption. Annie lives in a dull town on England's bleak east coast and is in a relationship with Duncan that mirrors the place; Tucker, once a brilliant songwriter and performer, has gone into seclusion in rural America—or at least that's what his fans think. Duncan is obsessed with Tucker's work to the point of derangement, and when Annie dares to go public on her dislike of his latest album, there are quite unexpected, life-changing consequences for all three. Nick Hornby uses this intriguing canvas to explore why it is we so often let the early promise of relationships, ambition, and indeed life, evaporate. And he comes to some surprisingly optimistic conclusions about the struggle to live up to one's promise.

Just Like You Nick Hornby 2020-09-29 "[A] charming, funny, touching, and relevant comedy." –The Boston Globe "A provocative yet sweet romantic comedy." –People, Best of Fall 2020 This warm, wise, highly entertaining twenty-first century love story is about what happens when the person who makes you happiest is someone you never expected Lucy used to handle her adult romantic life according to the script she'd been handed. She met a guy just like herself: same age, same background, same hopes and dreams; they got married and started a family. Too bad he made her miserable. Now, two decades later, she's a nearly divorced, forty-one-year-old schoolteacher with two school-aged sons, and there is no script anymore. So when she meets Joseph, she isn't exactly looking for love—she's more in the market for a babysitter. Joseph is twenty-two, living at home with his mother, and working several jobs, including the butcher counter where he and Lucy meet. It's not a match anyone one could have predicted. He's of a different class, a different culture, and a different generation. But sometimes it turns out that the person who can make you happiest is the one you least expect, though it can take some maneuvering to see it through. Just Like You is a brilliantly observed, tender, but also brutally funny new novel that gets to the heart of what it means to fall surprisngly and headlong in love with the best possible person—someone you didn't see coming.