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On the tiny Breton island of Le Devin, life has remained almost unchanged for over a hundred years. For generations, two rival communities have fought for control of the island's only beach. When Mado returns home to her village after a ten-year absence, she finds it threatened, both by the tides and by a local entrepreneur. Worse, the community is suffering from an incurable loss of hope. Taking up the fight to transform the dying village, Mado must confront past tragedies, including the terrible secret that still haunts her father.

'DEFTLY TACKLING THE SUBJECT OF RELIGIOUS INTOLERANCE, THIS BEWITCHING NOVEL STIRS THE SENSES' Good Housekeeping

It isn't often you receive a letter from the dead. When Vianne Rocher receives a letter from beyond the grave, she allows the wind to blow her back to the village in south-west France where, eight years ago, she opened up a chocolate shop. But Lansquenet is different now: women veiled in black, the scent of spices and peppermint tea, and, on the bank of the river Tannes, facing the church: a minaret. Nor is it only the incomers from North Africa that have brought change. Father Reynaud, Vianne's erstwhile adversary, is disgraced and under threat. Could it be that Vianne is the only one who can save him now?

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'AN INGENIOUS, GRIPPING READ... IT TERRIFIED THE LIVING DAYLIGHTS OUT OF ME' DAILY EXPRESS FROM BESTSELLING AUTHOR JOANNE HARRIS COMES THIS GRIPPING PSYCHOLOGICAL

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THRILLER... Once there was a widow with three sons, and their names were Black, Brown and Blue. Black was the eldest; moody and aggressive. Brown was the middle child; timid and dull. But Blue was his mother's favourite. And he was a murderer. Blueeyedboy is a dark and intricately plotted tale of a poisonously dysfunctional family, a blind child prodigy, and a serial murderer who is not who he seems. Told through a series of anonymous posts on the internet, this is a thriller that makes creative use of all the multiple personalities, disguise and mind games that are offered by playing out a life online.

'Engrossing psychological thriller...a novel of unusual complexity...Harris, best known for *Chocolat*, again shows her skill and versatility' MAIL ON SUNDAY The second in the Malbry Cycle of psychological thrillers - the latest of which is *A Narrow Door*.

Because I am a girl I am less likely to go to school
Because I am a girl I am more likely to suffer from malnutrition
Because I am a girl I am more likely to suffer violence in the home
Because I am a girl I am more likely to marry and start a family before I reach my twenties.

Eight authors have visited eight different countries and spoken to young women and girls about their lives, struggles and hopes. The result is an extraordinary collection of writings about prejudice, abuse, and neglect, but also about courage, resilience and changing attitudes. Proceeds from sales of this book will go to PLAN, one of the world's largest child-centered community development organisations.

London 1861. Elissa Beck wird ermordet in einem Maleratelier aufgefunden. Ihr Ehemann, der böhmische

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Arzt Kristian Beck, gilt bald als Hauptverdächtiger. Doch der Privatdetektiv William Monk will nicht an die Schuld des Arztes glauben. Er deckt bei seinen Nachforschungen nicht nur Elissas Spielsucht auf, sondern stößt auch auf Spuren, die in ihre Wiener Vergangenheit führen – und die ist keineswegs lupenrein...

Stories are like Russian dolls; open them up, and in each one you'll find another story. Come to the house where it is Christmas all year round; meet the ghost who lives on a Twitter timeline; be spooked by a newborn baby created with sugar, spice and lashings of cake. Conjured from a wickedly imaginative pen, here is a new collection of short stories that showcases Joanne Harris's exceptional talent as a teller of tales, a spinner of yarns. Sensuous, mischievous, uproarious and wry, here are tales that combine the everyday with the unexpected; wild fantasy with bittersweet reality.

The gripping psychological thriller from Joanne Harris, to follow her bestselling *Gentlemen & Players* and *Blueeyedboy*. Perfect for fans of Claire Mackintosh, BA Paris, Paula Hawkins and Tracy Chevalier. 'Crime novel or literary novel? Categories really don't matter; readers will find themselves comprehensively gripped.' Independent 'A cracking psychological thriller' *Good Housekeeping* After thirty years at St Oswald's Grammar in North Yorkshire, Latin master Roy Straitley has seen all kinds of boys come and go - the clowns, the rebels, the underdogs, and those he calls his Brodie boys. But every so often there's a boy who doesn't fit the mould. A troublemaker. A boy capable of twisting everything around him. A boy with hidden shadows inside. With insolvency and academic failure looming, a new broom has arrived at the

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venerable school, bringing Powerpoint, sharp suits and even sixth form girls to the dusty corridors. But while Straitley does his sardonic best to resist this march to the future, a shadow from his past is stirring. A boy who even twenty years on haunts his teacher's dreams. A boy capable of bad things. The third in the Malbry Cycle of gripping psychological thrillers - the latest of which is A Narrow Door.

'I'm still rather fond of this first book of mine, in spite of all the time that has elapsed, and in spite of the way my style has evolved.' Joanne Harris Caution - May contain vampires. It's never easy to face the fact that a man you once loved passionately has found the girl of his dreams, as Alice discovers when Joe introduces her to his new girlfriend. Then Alice finds an old diary and reads about two men and the mysterious woman who bewitched them both, buried in Grantchester churchyard half a century ago. As the stories seem to intertwine, Alice comes to realize that her instinctive hatred of Joe's new girlfriend may not just be due to jealousy, as she is plunged into a nightmare world of obsession, revenge, seduction - and blood.

Wilde, bunte Geschichten für wilde, bunte Zeiten Das neue Buch der international gefeierten Autorin. Ausgezeichnet mit dem PEN Open Book Award. Gewinnerin des Sommerset Maugham Award. Gewinnerin des Hurston/Wright Legacy Award. »Überragend.« The New York Times Book Review »Oyeyemi bremsst für niemanden.« Vulture Alles beginnt mit einem ausgesetzten Baby, das einen goldenen Schlüssel zu einem verwunschenen Garten um den Hals trägt ... Helen Oyeyemi trägt uns mit ihrer unvergleichlichen Fantasie durch Zeiten und Länder, verwischt die Grenzen gleichzeitig existierender Wirklichkeiten, verbindet dabei leichtfüßig den Erzählreigen durch immer wiederkehrende Figuren, Schauplätze und vor allem – Schlüssel. Schlüssel zu Orten, Herzen und Geheimnissen. Und immer wieder stellt sich die

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Frage, ob ein Schlüssel wirklich gedreht werden soll, oder ob es besser ist, dem Unbekannten seine Magie zu lassen.

Helen Oyeyemis immer überraschende Geschichten nähren sich aus Märchen und Mythen und wendet sie zu einem geistreichen Kommentar einer sehr aktuellen Gegenwart.

»Helen Oyeyemi ist eine der aufregendsten, geistreichsten und neugierigsten Schriftstellerinnen unserer Zeit – und eine Autorin von Sätzen, die so elegant sind, dass sie leuchten.«

The Times »Jede Zeile vibriert vor Leben; jedes Bild ist so präzise, stimmig und funkelnd, als wäre es aus Glas geschnitten. Eine wirklich ausgesprochen schöne

Geschichtensammlung, voller Ideen und Bilder, die noch für eine sehr lange Zeit in den Gedanken nachklingen.«

Vox »Freigeistig und erfinderisch ... Diese Geschichten sind voller Zärtlichkeit, Humor und seltsamer Freuden.«

The Financial Times

Literary studies still lack an extensive comparative analysis of different kinds of literature, including ancient and non-

Western. How Literary Worlds Are Shaped. A Comparative Poetics of Literary Imagination aims to provide such a study.

Literature, it claims, is based on individual and shared human imagination, which creates literary worlds that blend the real

and the fantastic, mimesis and genre, often modulated by different kinds of unreliability. The main building blocks of

literary worlds are their oral, visual and written modes and three themes: challenge, perception and relation. They are

blended and inflected in different ways by combinations of narratives and figures, indirection, thwarted aspirations, meta-

usages, hypothetical action as well as hierarchies and blends of genres and text types. Moreover, literary worlds are not

only constructed by humans but also shape their lives and reinforce their sense of wonder. Finally, ten reasons are given

in order to show how this comparative view can be of use in literary studies. In sum, How Literary Worlds Are Shaped is

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the first study to present a wide-ranging and detailed comparative account of the makings of literary worlds. Try me . . . test me . . . taste me . . . Joanne Harris's Chocolat trilogy has tantalized readers with its sensuous descriptions of chocolate since it was first published. Now, to celebrate the much-loved story of Vianne Rocher's deliciously decadent chocolaterie, Joanne Harris and Fran Warde have created the ultimate book of chocolate lore and recipes from around the world, bringing a touch of magic to your kitchen.

'Her strongest writing yet: as tangy and sometimes bitter as Chocolat was smooth' INDEPENDENT A GRIPPING PAGE-TURNER SET IN OCCUPIED FRANCE, FROM THE BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF CHOCOLAT AND THE STRAWBERRY THIEF Beyond the main street of Les Laveuses runs the Loire, smooth and brown as a sunning snake - but hiding a deadly undertow beneath its moving surface. This is where Framboise, a secretive widow, plies her culinary trade at the crêperie - and lets her memory play strange games. As her nephew attempts to exploit the growing success of the country recipes Framboise has inherited from her mother, a woman remembered with contempt by the villagers, memories of a disturbed childhood during the German Occupation flood back, and expose a past full of betrayal, blackmail and lies. 'Just as she did in Chocolat, Harris indulges her love of rich and mouth-watering descriptive passages, appealing to the senses with seductively foreign names, and evoking the textures and smells of food. These descriptions are suffused with a child's wide-eyed wonder that lends the story a magical quality, almost like a folk tale... Thoroughly enjoyable' GUARDIAN Mara ist eine erfolgreiche Anwältin und eine liebevolle Ehefrau und Mutter - und sie leidet an einer unheilbaren Krankheit. Weil sie sich dieser Krankheit nicht bis zum

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bitteren Ende ergeben will, beschließt sie, sich am Jahrestag ihrer Diagnose das Leben zu nehmen. Fünf Tage bleiben ihr noch, um sich von ihren Freunden und ihrer Familie zu verabschieden. Fünf Tage, um ihre letzten Spuren in den Herzen ihres geliebten Mannes und ihrer kleinen Adoptivtochter zu hinterlassen ...

Sleep, Pale Sister, a powerful, atmospheric and blackly gothic evocation of Victorian artistic life, was originally published before Joanne Harris achieved worldwide recognition with *Chocolat*. Henry Chester, a domineering and puritanical Victorian artist, is in search of the perfect model. In nine-year-old Effie he finds her. Ten years later, lovely, childlike and sedated, Effie seems the ideal wife. But something inside her is about to awaken. Drawn into a dangerous underworld of prostitution, murder and blackmail, she must finally plan her revenge. It's not always fun playing the monster: after all, all you are is sword-fodder. But for the desperate, the misfit, the loner and the freak, dressing up in costume for the regular Saturday fantasy role-playing game in the woods is more satisfying than any reality. It's only make-believe, isn't it? It's not about life or death...or is it? Part of the Storycuts series, this short story was previously published in the collection *Jigs & Reels*.

'Evocative, mystical and funny - perfect for curling up on the sofa with' COMPANY TANTALISING SHORT STORIES FROM THE BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF CHOCOLAT AND THE STRAWBERRY THIEF... Take your partners, please. Suburban witches, defiant old ladies, ageing monsters, suicidal Lottery winners, wolf men, dolphin women and middle-aged manufacturers of

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erotic leatherwear: in Joanne Harris's first collection of short stories the miraculous goes hand-in-hand with the mundane, the sour with the sweet, and the beautiful, the grotesque, the seductive and the disturbing are never more than one step away. This is an eclectic selection of tales for our times that shows a side to Joanne Harris you have never seen before. So go on, be tempted. After all, it's only dancing. 'Tantalising and suggestive, and leaves us wanting more' SUNDAY TIMES

Struggling to get back to UNIT HQ, his body being destroyed by radiation, the Third Doctor arrives in the most perfect English village, where everyone is happy. But is he really on Earth, or somewhere far more strange? As his body weakens, the Doctor and the Queen of the village begin to unravel the truth.

Vianne Rocher lebt mit ihren Töchtern auf einem Hausboot in Paris. Noch immer verzaubern ihre Schokoladenkreationen die Menschen. Eines Tages erhält sie einen Brief. Ihre alte Freundin Armande bittet sie, zurück nach Lansquenet zu kommen. Das Städtchen braucht ihre Hilfe ... Der Duft von Pfirsichen und ein verheißungsvoller Wind treiben Vianne in Richtung Süden. Und wirklich, der kleine Ort ist zutiefst zerstritten, und ausgerechnet der Priester Reynaud scheint hinter allem zu stecken.

Originally published: Great Britain: Doubleday, 2016. In seventeenth-century France, against a backdrop of witch trials, regicide and religious frenzy, Juliette, one-time actress and rope-dancer, seeks refuge with her young daughter in the remote abbey of Saint Marie-de-la-Mer, and reinvents herself as Soeur Auguste. Until a new

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Abbess is appointed, bringing with her a ghost from Juliette's past, a man she has every reason to fear. The first in the Malbry Cycle of gripping psychological thrillers - the latest of which is *A Narrow Door*. At St Oswald's, a long-established boys' grammar school in the north of England, a new year has just begun. For the staff and boys of the school, a wind of unwelcome change is blowing. Suits, paperwork and Information Technology rule the world; and Roy Straitley, the eccentric veteran Latin master, is finally - reluctantly - contemplating retirement. But beneath the little rivalries, petty disputes and everyday crises of the school, a darker undercurrent stirs. And a bitter grudge, hidden and carefully nurtured for thirteen years, is about to erupt.

Miss Golightly is no young Holly, and the supermarket café where she regularly has breakfast is no Tiffany's. When she befriends Cheryl, the tarty young waitress and teaches her to love old films, she finds a way to help her young friend find the courage to seek a better new life. Part of the Storycuts series, this short story was previously published in the collection *Jigs & Reels*.

Ist Vianne Rocher eine Magierin? Sie verzaubert die Menschen mit ihren selbstgemachten Pralines und Schokoladenkreationen. In dem französischen Städtchen, in dem sie sich niederläßt, gewinnt sie rasch Zugang zu allen Herzen. Mit einer Ausnahme: Pater Reynaud erklärt ihr, besorgt um das Seelenheil seiner Gemeinde, den Krieg. Du kannst das Kind begraben – aber die Wahrheit lebt weiter. Es ist nur eine winzige Nachricht in der Abendzeitung: «Überreste eines Babys auf Baustelle gefunden», unscheinbar und kaum der Rede wert. Aber drei Frauen lässt die Notiz keine Ruhe: Die eine erinnert sich an das schlimmste Erlebnis ihres Lebens. Die andere hat Angst, dass ihr dunkelstes Geheimnis enthüllt wird. Und die dritte

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begibt sich auf die Jagd nach der Wahrheit. Sie wird die Geschichte des Kindes erzählen.

In 'Auto-da-fé', a man's car defines him. Until the Rep of the Year, in his smart blue BMW, goes head-to-head in a showdown with V-man in his smug black Volvo saloon. But who is the real loser in this game? In 'Free Spirit', a wanderer, a party animal, goes wherever the wind blows, going home to bed with one person after another, old or young, healthy or corrupt, male or female. And then moves on, without regrets, without ever looking back... In 'Fule's Gold', Mr Fisher has taught at St Swithin's for over forty years, but is resigned to the total lack of imagination of the boys in his creative writing class. Until the day he opens one exercise book and discovers the Holy Grail of literature: an essay of total freshness and originality. But is it just too good to have been written by a mere schoolboy? Part of the Storycuts series, these three stories were previously published in the collection Jigs & Reels.

In 'Gastronomicon', Ernest's wife is a wonderful cook, aided by recipes from the ancient leather book - a family treasure - passed down to her by her mother-in-law. To celebrate their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary, she undertakes to cook a very special meal - but what are the sounds of deep pounding and tolling bells that come from beyond the kitchen wall? In 'The Ugly Wife' some important questions are posed: What does it feel like to be the Ugly Sister? Will she spend her life looking for love in vain? Or will she finally find her happily-ever-after: a man who sees past appearances and who will love her for who she really is? Part of the Storycuts series, these short stories were previously published in the collection Jigs & Reels.

Though the phenomenon known as “unreliable narration” or “narrative unreliability” has received a lot of attention during the last two decades, narratological research has mainly

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focused on its manifestations in narrative fiction, particularly in homodiegetic or first-person narration. Except for film, forms and functions of unreliable narration in other genres, media and disciplines have so far been relatively neglected. The present volume redresses the balance by directing scholarly attention to disciplines and domains that narratology has so far largely ignored. It aims at initiating an interdisciplinary approach to, and debate on, narrative unreliability, exploring unreliable narration in a broad range of literary genres, other media and non-fictional text-types, contexts and disciplines beyond literary studies. Crossing the boundaries between genres, media, and disciplines, the volume acknowledges that the question of whether or not to believe or trust a narrator transcends the field of literature: The issues of (un)reliability and (un)trustworthiness play a crucial role in many areas of human life as well as a wide spectrum of academic fields ranging from law to history, and from psychology to the study of culture.

In 'Eau de Toilette', in her boudoir Madame, a famous eighteenth-century French beauty of dubious hygiene habits, awaits, en déshabillée, the hot water for her six-monthly bath. Will it help to return Monseigneur de Rochefort, her favourite admirer, back to her side? In 'Fish', Melissa and Jack are on their honeymoon in Naples, but things aren't going well between them. He longs to explore the sensuous riches of Neapolitan food, but she is a lactose-intolerant, wheat-allergic vegetarian, and has objections to every restaurant. Jack finally entices her to Casa Rosa, a small fish restaurant down by the harbour, but there the battle between food and love will really begin... In 'Never Give a Sucker...', Reggie Noakes was a vampire for seventy-five years, but he doesn't fit in any more, ousted by market forces. You're just the wrong kind of vampire, they tell him. He never liked blood that much anyway, it's a bugger trying to get any when you're fat and

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balding and no virgin would look at you twice. Part of the Storycuts series, these short stories were previously published in the collection Jigs & Reels.

'A DELICIOUS URBAN FAIRYTALE, WHERE KILLER SHOES AND AZTEC MYTHS BATTLE IT OUT WITH TRUE LOVE AND THE SEDUCTIVE POWER OF CHOCOLATE'

Daily Mail 'Who died?' I said. 'Or is it a secret?' 'My mother, Vianne Rocher.' Seeking refuge and anonymity in the cobbled streets of Montmartre, Yanne and her two daughters live peacefully, if not happily, above their little chocolate shop. Nothing unusual marks them out; no red sachets hang by the door. The wind has stopped - at least for a while. Then into their lives blows Zozie de l'Alba, the lady with the lollipop shoes, ruthless, devious and seductive. With everything she loves at stake, Yanne must face a difficult choice; to flee, as she has done so many times before, or to confront her most dangerous enemy... Herself. For all those who loved Chocolat - the second Vianne Rocher novel.

Jay Mackintosh is trapped by memory in the old familiar landscape of his childhood, to which he longs to return. A bottle of home-brewed wine left to him by a long-vanished friend seems to provide the key to an old mystery. As the unusual properties of the strange brew take effect, Jay escapes to a derelict farmhouse in the French village of Lansquenet. There, a ghost from the past waits to confront him, and the reclusive Marise - haunted, lovely and dangerous - hides a terrible secret behind her closed shutters. Between them, a mysterious chemistry. Or could it be magic?

In 'Faith and Hope Go Shopping', Faith has spent twenty years in a wheelchair. Together with her blind friend Hope, she lives in a nursing home. Their favourite carer calls them Butch and Sundance, and like their namesakes, they make a final dash for freedom - in pursuit of a copy of Lolita and a

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pair of slick red high heels. In 'Hello, Goodbye', Angela K. is a society columnist for Goodbye! Magazine, and gets to attend all of the season's most sensational Dernières: the most exclusive celebrity funerals. She prides herself on finally having joined the ranks of the Immortals - until a sad, badly-dressed old couple arrives to disrupt her world. Part of the Storycuts series, these stories were previously published in the collection Jigs & Reels.

'A feelgood book of the first order. One to curl up with... Read it' OBSERVER 'Sensuous and thought-provoking... subtle and brilliant' DAILY TELEGRAPH THE ENCHANTING BESTSELLER THAT CELEBRATES KINDNESS, COURAGE AND CHOCOLATE In the small French village of Lansquenet, nothing much has changed in a hundred years. Then an exotic stranger, Vianne Rocher, blows in on the changing wind with her young daughter, and opens a chocolate boutique directly opposite the church. Soon the villagers cannot keep away, for Vianne can divine their most hidden desires. But it's the beginning of Lent, the season of abstinence, and Father Reynaud denounces her as a serious moral danger to his flock. Perhaps even a witch. If Vianne's chocolaterie is to survive, it will take kindness, courage and a little bit of magic... What readers are saying about Chocolat: ***** 'You are transported to another world. It's perfect escapism.' ***** 'A wonderful story told by a world-class storyteller.' ***** 'I became totally immersed in this story. I loved it.' Chocolat was Joanne Harris's first book about Vianne Rocher, and was turned into the Oscar-nominated film starring Juliette Binoche and Johnny Depp. The story of Vianne and her daughters was continued in Lollipop Shoes, Peaches for Monsieur le Cure, and now in The Strawberry Thief.

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