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**Cold Comfort Farm** Jun 12 2021 Stella Gibbons' novel is a wickedly funny portrait of British rural life in the 1930s. Flora, a recently orphaned socialite, moves in with her country relatives, the gloomy Starkadders of Cold Comfort Farm.

**The Country Life** Jun 24 2022 A New York Times Notable Book of the Year Winner of the Somerset Maugham Award The Country Life, Rachel Cusk's third novel, is a rich and subtle story about embarrassment, awkwardness, and being alone; about families, or the lack of them; and about love in some peculiar guises. "A brilliant oxymoron—a serious farce . . . Cusk's ability to keep us interested in innumerable human collisions is uncanny." —The New Yorker Stella Benson sets off for Hilltop, a tiny Sussex village housing a family that is somewhat larger-than-life. Her hopes for the Maddens may be high, but her station among

them—as au pair to their irascible son, Martin—is undeniably low. What could possibly have driven her to leave her home, job, and life in London for such rural ignominy? Why has she severed all contact with her parents? And why is she so reluctant to talk about her past?

**Cold Comfort Farm** Mar 02 2023 One of the BBC's '100 Novels That Shaped Our World' 'Brilliant ... very probably the funniest book ever written' Sunday Times When sensible, sophisticated Flora Poste is orphaned at nineteen, she decides her only choice is to descend upon relatives in deepest Sussex. At the aptly-named Cold Comfort Farm, she meets the doomed Starkadders: cousin Judith, heaving with remorse for unspoken wickedness; Amos, preaching fire and damnation; their sons, lustful Seth and despairing Reuben; child of nature Elfine; and crazed old Aunt Ada Doom, who has kept to her bedroom for the last twenty years. But Flora loves nothing better than to organise other people. Armed with common sense and a strong will, she resolves to take each of the family in hand. A hilarious and ruthless parody of rural melodramas and purple prose, Cold Comfort Farm is one of the best-loved comic novels of all time. 'Screamingly funny and wildly subversive' Marian Keyes, Guardian The Penguin Classics edition of Stella Gibbons's Cold Comfort Farm is introduced by Lynne Truss, author of Eats, Shoots and Leaves. If you enjoyed Cold Comfort Farm you might like George and Weedon Grossmith's Diary of a Nobody, also available in Penguin Classics.

**Without a Trace** Apr 10 2021 International number one bestselling author Lesley Pearse brings a compelling story of courage, friendship and love in her brand new novel Without a Trace. Coronation Day, 1953. In the Somerset village of Sawbridge, young shopkeeper Molly Heywood slips away from the celebrations to her friend's cottage and makes a shocking discovery: Cassie is dead and her six-year-old daughter Petal has vanished without a trace . . . In her grief, Molly seeks help from her

childhood friend George, now the village policeman, but no one can find Petal. The only clue is a letter from London, where Cassie once lived. Despite George's reluctance and her growing feelings for him, Molly resolves to go to London in the hope of discovering the missing child. Arriving in the big city, Molly quickly learns it's a dangerous place for a country girl on her own. But there's hope too - in the Blitz-ruined East End, she unexpectedly finds friendship with strangers from Cassie's past and, with handsome, mysterious workman Charley, the possibility of something more. However, the closer Molly gets to the truth, the more perilous her journey becomes. She has given up everything - her home, happiness and a chance at love - all to find Petal. But is she also risking her life? From the number one UK bestselling author Lesley Pearse comes *Without a Trace*, a gripping story of bravery, secrets and love. Praise for *Without a Trace* 'Epic romantic drama set in post-war London' *Heat Magazine* 'A heart-warming and evocative tale that is a real delight to read' *Sun* 'A narrative that gallops along, this is quintessential Pearse that will delight her army of readers' *Daily Mail* 'Must have' *Sunday Express* 'Yet another great Lesley Pearse novel' *Woman Magazine* Praise for Lesley Pearse 'Evocative, compelling, told from the heart' *Sunday Express* 'Utterly riveting, brilliant' *Closer* 'Full of love, passion and heartbreak' *Best* 'Glorious, heartwarming' *Woman & Home* *Enbury Heath* Nov 05 2020 'Don't show proper feelin', does it, not turnin' up for 'is dad's funeral?' Siblings Sophia, Harry and Francis have lost both their parents in the last six months. Attending the funeral for their estranged father, they wonder what will become of them now that the last connection to their difficult childhood has been severed. What have they inherited - financially and emotionally - to guide them to adulthood, and build a new home together? *Enbury Heath* is a semi-autobiographical account of the years which Gibbons and her brothers spent living in a cottage in Hampstead Heath: a wonderfully astute, bittersweet novel about family, grief, money, and the pleasures of London.

**Cold Comfort Farm, by Stella Gibbons (2 Cassettes).** Sep 27 2022 *Pure Juliet* Apr 30 2020 *Creepy*. *Peculiar*. *Fairy*. *Goblin*. *Liar*. *Weirdo*.

Crank. Genius. No one knows what to make of Juliet Slater, not even her mother. And clothes, boys, school, friends, the changing seasons and what other people think - none of these things seem to matter to Juliet. She spends hours in her room with incomprehensible mathematical text books, her mind voyaging in strange seas of thought, alone. Is she a genius? It might take the rest of her life to find out. While Stella Gibbons was celebrated for her beloved bestseller *Cold Comfort Farm*, the manuscript for *Pure Juliet* lay unseen and forgotten until it was brought to light by her family in 2014, and is published here for the first time in *Vintage Classics*. A tale that travels from an eco-millionaire's British country idyll to an Arabian Nights-style fantasy of the Middle East, this is a treat for fans of this witty, curious and always surprising author. *Cold Comfort Farm* May 24 2022 A school reader for secondary pupils, in the OXFORD BOOKWORMS. BLACK SERIES STAGE 6. This new series offers students at all levels the opportunity to extend their reading and appreciation of English.

[Christmas at Cold Comfort Farm, and Other Stories](#) May 31 2020

**Cold Comfort Farm** Aug 27 2022 When the sukebind is in bud, orphaned Flora Poste, expensively, athletically and lengthily educated, descends on her relatives at Cold Comfort Farm. There are plenty of them - Judith, alone in her grief; Amos, called by God; Seth, smouldering with sex; Elfine, who needs a little polish; and, of course, Aunt Ada Doom, who saw 'something nasty in the woodshed'. And Flora feels it incumbent on herself to bring order into chaos. 'Delicious... *Cold Comfort Farm* has the sunniness of a P. G. Wodehouse and the comic aplomb of Evelyn Waugh's *Scoop*.' *Independent* 'Very probably the funniest book ever written... a brilliant novel along classic lines.' *Julie Burchill*, *Sunday Times*

[Women, Celebrity, and Literary Culture between the Wars](#) Jan 08 2021

As mass media burgeoned in the years between the first and second world wars, so did another phenomenon—celebrity. Beginning in Hollywood with the studio-orchestrated transformation of uncredited actors into brand-name stars, celebrity also spread to writers, whose personal appearances and private lives came to fascinate readers as

much as their work. *Women, Celebrity, and Literary Culture between the Wars* profiles seven American, Canadian, and British women writers—Dorothy Parker, Anita Loos, Mae West, L. M. Montgomery, Margaret Kennedy, Stella Gibbons, and E. M. Delafield—who achieved literary celebrity in the 1920s and 1930s and whose work remains popular even today. Faye Hammill investigates how the fame and commercial success of these writers—as well as their gender—affected the literary reception of their work. She explores how women writers sought to fashion their own celebrity images through various kinds of public performance and how the media appropriated these writers for particular cultural discourses. She also reassesses the relationship between celebrity culture and literary culture, demonstrating how the commercial success of these writers caused literary elites to denigrate their writing as "middlebrow," despite the fact that their work often challenged middle-class ideals of marriage, home, and family and complicated class categories and lines of social discrimination. The first comparative study of North American and British literary celebrity, *Women, Celebrity, and Literary Culture between the Wars* offers a nuanced appreciation of the middlebrow in relation to modernism and popular culture.

**Cold comfort farm** Apr 03 2023 *Cold Comfort Farm* is a comic novel by English author Stella Gibbons, published in 1932. It parodies the romanticised, sometimes doom-laden accounts of rural life popular at the time, by writers such as Mary Webb. Following the death of her parents, the book and 's heroine, Flora Poste, finds she is possessed "of every art and grace save that of earning her own living". She decides to take advantage of the fact that "no limits are set, either by society or one and 's own conscience, to the amount one may impose on one and 's relatives", and settles on visiting her distant relatives at the isolated Cold Comfort Farm in the fictional village of Howling in Sussex. The inhabitants of the farm – Aunt Ada Doom, the Starkadders, and their extended family and workers – feel obliged to take her in to atone for an unspecified wrong once done to her father.

*My American* Jan 20 2022

**The Swiss Summer** Mar 10 2021 A novel first published in 1951, by the author of *COLD COMFORT FARM*.

*The Matchmaker* Jul 14 2021

**How to be a Heroine ; Or, what I've Learned from Reading Too Much** Oct 05 2020 "Cathy Earnshaw or Jane Eyre? b>Petrova or Posy? b>Scarlett or Melanie? b>Lace or Valley of the Dolls? On a pilgrimage to *Wuthering Heights*, Samantha Ellis found herself arguing with her best friend about which heroine was best: Jane Eyre or Cathy Earnshaw. She was all for wild, passionate Cathy; but her friend found Cathy silly, a snob, while courageous Jane makes her own way. And that's when Samantha realised that all her life she'd been trying to be Cathy when she should have been trying to be Jane. So she decided to look again at her heroines the girls, women, books that had shaped her ideas of the world and how to live. Some of them stood up to the scrutiny (she will always love Lizzy Bennet); some of them most decidedly did not (turns out Katy Carr from *What Katy Did* isn't a carefree rebel, she's a drip). There were revelations (the real heroine of *Gone with the Wind*? It's Melanie), joyous reunions (Anne of Green Gables), poignant memories (Sylvia Plath) and tearful goodbyes (Lucy Honeychurch). And then there was Jilly Cooper... *How To Be A Heroine* is Samantha's funny, touching, inspiring exploration of the

**Conference at Cold Comfort Farm** Dec 31 2022 Robert Poste's child is back at Cold Comfort Farm. But all is not well. Flora finds the farm transformed into a twee haven filled with Toby jugs and peasant pottery, and rooms labelled 'Quiete Retreat' and 'Greate laundrie'. It is, Flora winces, 'exactly like being locked in the Victoria and Albert Museum after closing time'. Worse, the farm is hosting a conference of the pretentious International Thinkers Group - a group made up of the 'sadistic owl' Mr Peccavi, loathsome Mr Mybug and the overpowering Mrs Ernestine Thump. And worst of all, there are no Starkadders at Cold Comfort Farm. All the he-cousins have gone abroad to make their fortunes and the female cousins are having a pretty thin time of it. Once again the sensible Flora decides to take the situation in hand.

*A Rush of Wings* Feb 06 2021 In the eighteenth-century Scotland

Highlands, untutored cailleach Rowenna must master her craft to free her cursed brothers, thwart a charismatic tyrant, and save her village. *The 100 Best Novels in English* Sep 03 2020 LITERARY COMPANIONS, BOOK REVIEWS & GUIDES. Everybody loves a list but this is a list of major ambition: namely, to select the best 100 novels in the English language, published from the late 17th century to the present day. This list has been built up week by week in The Observer since September 2013, and selected by writer and Observer editor Robert McCrum. With a short critique on each book, this is a real delight for literary lovers. The Yellow Houses Sep 15 2021 Wilfred Davis, quiet, retired, respectable widower, is sitting and sobbing on a park bench. He has lost his daughter and any sense of purpose. A mysterious stranger passes him a handkerchief, and strikes up a conversation that leads to friendship and an unconventional new home for Wilfred. Mary Davis wants only four things out of life: a husband and three children, so at seventeen she runs away from school, her father and her home and moves to London to find them. Only a few months later Mary is engaged, but love and marriage promise to be very different from her childhood daydreams. For Mary and Wilfred, it seems Fate has taken a hand, or is there another kind of guiding spirit at play? Stella Gibbons' final novel, written in the 1970s but only discovered many years after her death, is published here for the first time.

**Ticky** Oct 17 2021 The Club in central London holds the quarters of Queen Victoria's finest regiment: the First Bloods. Inside the mighty building, with its two exquisite glass towers, the First Bloods and their regimental servants tussle over a portion of recreational ground. Amidst the rows and rumbles - and remarkable punishments - is a mocking and piquant observation of factious all-male societies.

**Starlight** Nov 17 2021 Gladys and Annie Barnes are sisters living in near poverty in a cottage in Highgate. When they discover that a new landlord is about to take over and install his ill wife in the cottage next door, the sisters are in fear of being thrown out of their home. What does happen involves the sisters, their friends and neighbors, and the landlord and his wife and daughter in something much more frightening and

bizarre.

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**Enbury Heath** Feb 27 2020

White Sand and Grey Sand Dec 19 2021 On the dunes west of Bruges, two-year-old Ydette is found wrapped in a blanket and taken back to live in a small grocer's shop. Opposite the shop live the wealthy van Roeslaere family and their son, Adriaan, a spoilt boy, plagued by ugliness. With overtones of Beauty and the Beast, their romance matures as they grow up together and learn what should truly be valued in life.

**Cold comfort farm. Adapted from the novel by Stella Gibbons** Jul 02 2020

The Weather at Tregulla Aug 15 2021 A novel first published in 1962, by the author of COLD COMFORT FARM.

**Out of the Woodshed** Feb 18 2022 Out of the Woodshed is the first biography of the author of Cold Comfort Farm, but also offers the reader an inside view of literary London from the 1930s until Stella's death in 1989.

**A Pink Front Door** Dec 27 2019 A novel first published in 1959, by the author of Cold Comfort Farm.

**Here Be Dragons** Apr 22 2022 In the years after World War Two, Nell Sely, child of the forgotten generation, wanders blind through 1950s bohemian London, smoke-filled jazz clubs and bittersweet coffee bars in search of romantic idyll, delving into the dark backstreets of squalid yet splendid London.

**Bassett** May 12 2021 The Tower Guesthouse lies nestled between the beech woods of Buckinghamshire. It is run by the unlikely partnership of

balmy Miss Padsoe and young, cockney Miss Baker - divided by class and age, they are determined to dislike each other. Through their tale and the interwoven tribulations of two young lovers, Gibbons's sparkling novel explores the heart of friendship and what unites us.

Nightingale Wood Feb 01 2023 A sly and satirical fairytale by the author of *Cold Comfort Farm* Unavailable for decades, Stella Gibbons's *Nightingale Wood* is a delightfully modern romance ripe for rediscovery by the many fans of *Cold Comfort Farm*. Poor, lovely Viola has been left penniless and alone after her late husband's demise, and is forced to live with his family in their joyless home. Its occupants are nearly insufferable: Mr. Withers is a tyrannical old miser; Mrs. Withers dismisses her as a common shop girl; and Viola's sisters-in-law, Madge and Tina, are too preoccupied with their own troubles to give her much thought. Only the prospect of the upcoming charity ball can lift her spirits-especially as Victor Spring, the local prince charming, will be there. But Victor's intentions towards the young widow are, in short, not quite honorable.

The Shadow of a Sorcerer Jul 26 2022

Lake of Urine Aug 03 2020 Fiction. Once upon a time that doesn't make a blind bit of sense, in a place that seems awfully familiar but definitely doesn't exist, Willem Seiler's obsession with measuring his world--with wrapping it up in his beloved string to keep the madness out--wreaks havoc on the Wakeling family. Noranbole Wakeling, living in the scrub and toil of the pantry and in the shadow of her much wooed and cosseted sister, is worshipped by the madman Seiler but overlooked by everyone else. As lives are lost to Seiler's vanity, she spots her chance to break free of the fetters that tie her to Tiny Village, and bolts. But some cords are never really cut. In her absence, the unravelling of the world she has escaped is complete, and another madness--her mother's--reaches out to entangle her newfound Big City freedom. The unpicked quilt-work of a life in ruins threatens to ruin her own, and it will be up to Noranbole to stitch it all together. Dark and funny in equal measure, LAKE OF URINE is a sui generis romp through every fairy-tale convention and literary trope you can think of, including the wicked stepmother, the fairy

godmother, Pinocchio, an enchanted penis, the goose that laid the golden egg, binary code, marmalade art and alcoholic meat snacks you can drink. It is also a merciless takedown of self and self-importance, satirizing a society that exalts the inane, drowns out the sane and eschews the divine for the profane, and a lament for the dreadful weight of our own origins, for the heartbreaking impossibility of absolute reinvention, and the heartening tug of the ties that bind us.

*Westwood* Dec 07 2020 WITH AN INTRODUCTION BY LYNNE TRUSS 'Stella Gibbons is the Jane Austen of the twentieth century' *The Times* Set in wartime London, *Westwood* tells the story of Margaret Steggles, a plain bookish girl whose mother has told her that she is not the type that attracts men. Her schoolfriend Hilda has a sunny temperament and keeps her service boys 'ever so cheery'. When Margaret finds a ration book on Hampstead Heath the pompous writer Gerard Challis enters both their lives. Margaret slavishly adores Challis and his artistic circle; Challis idolises Hilda for her hair and her eyes and Hilda finds Gerard's romantic overtures a bit of a bind. This is a delightfully comic and wistful tale of love and longing.

**The Crowded Street** Mar 29 2020

**Precious Bane** Oct 29 2022

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*The Woods in Winter* Mar 22 2022 A novel first published in 1970, by the author of *COLD COMFORT FARM*.

*Christmas at Cold Comfort Farm* May 04 2023 Available for the first time since its original publication more than fifty years ago, *Christmas at Cold Comfort Farm* is a charming collection whose hilarious title story features Christmas dinner with the Starkadders before Flora's arrival. With Adam playing Santa while draped in Mrs. Starkadders's shawls, the family shares their traditional "Christmas pudding"-a mélange containing random objects of doom foretelling the coming year: a coffin nail for death, a bad sixpence for financial ruin, and a menthol cone to indicate that the lucky recipient will go "blind wi' headache." These lively tales will delight anyone who loves Stella Gibbons and her signature wit.