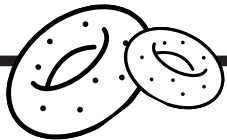


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**Evidence of Things Unseen****by Marianne Wiggins****September 3, 2009**

Falling in love during the Second World War, a soldier and a glassblower's daughter eventually have a son, who in adulthood finds his own love affair impacted by fallout of the atomic age.

**Laughter in the Dark****by Vladimir Nabokov****October 1, 2009**

"Once upon a time there lived in Berlin, Germany, a man called Albinus. He was rich, respectable, happy; one day he abandoned his wife for the sake of a youthful mistress; he loved; was not loved; and his life ended in disaster." This is the first paragraph of the book, where Nabokov surmises the entire plot of the novel.

**A Marriage Made at Woodstock****by Cathie Pelletier****November 5, 2009**

Married at Woodstock, Lorraine and Fred Stone find their relationship unraveling amid the pressures of the modern world, as Lorraine seeks meaning through New Age spirituality and Fred finds solace in his personal computer.

**Old Filth****by Jane Gardam****December 3, 2009**

Sir Edward Feathers--called Filth (even by his wife, Betty) for "Failed in London Try Hong Kong"--is now retired and living in Dorset after a distinguished

career as a barrister in the Far East. Betty's sudden death sends him on both a real and an imagined journey to rediscover his past as a "Raj orphan" born in Malaya but shipped back home early and brought to manhood at the hands of a variety of surrogate parents and guides, some good, some bad. *Excerpted from a Booklist review.*

**Stiff****by Mary Roach****January 7, 2010**

A look inside the world of forensics examines the use of human cadavers in a wide range of endeavors, including research into new surgical procedures, space exploration, and a Tennessee human decay research facility.

**Lavinia****by Ursula K. LeGuin****February 4, 2010**

Growing up in ancient Italy, Lavinia is on the verge of a betrothal to Turnus, the handsome king of nearby Rullia, when a fleet of Trojan ships, under the command of Aeneas, sails up the Tiber, and Lavinia sets out to control her own destiny and find the love of her life, in a historical novel that puts a female twist on Virgil's classic, *The Aeneid*.

**Annie Dunne****by Sebastian Barry****March 4, 2010**

A novel set in 1950s Ireland follows the adventures of Annie Dunne and cousin Sarah--two rural Irish girls growing up in a rapidly changing country.

**The Shrine at Altamira****by John L'Heureux****April 1, 2010**

L'Heureux hits the bull's-eye with this compelling take on the fine line between cruelty and obsessive love, the story of a family's cycle of child abuse.

**A Pigeon and a Boy****by Meir Shalev****May 6, 2010**

Mortally wounded on the battlefield during the 1948 war for Israeli independence, a young pigeon handler dispatches a final bird carrying a message to the girl he loves, while many years later, that girl's middle-aged son falls in love with a childhood friend and receives a special gift from his mother on her deathbed.

**Olive Kitteridge****by Elizabeth Strout****June 3, 2010**

The larger-than-life world of Olive Kitteridge, a retired school teacher and unofficial town crier in a small coastal town in Maine, is revealed in a series of luminous stories that explore her diverse roles in many lives, including a lounge singer haunted by a past love, a young man grieving over his lost mother, her stoic husband, and her own resentful son.

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