

# Heist

## Heist Society

Kat Bishop can steal anything—including your heart. Intrigue, adventure, romance, and charm abound in this New York Times bestselling series. For as long as she can remember, Katarina has been a part of the family business—thieving. When Kat tries to leave “the life” for a normal life, her old friend Hale conspires to bring her back into the fold. Why? A mobster’s art collection has been stolen and Kat’s father is the only suspect. Caught between Interpol and a far more deadly enemy, Kat’s dad needs her help. The only solution is to find the paintings and steal them back. Kat’s got two weeks, a teenage crew, and hopefully enough talent to pull off the biggest heist in her family’s history—and, with any luck, steal her life back along the way. With its glamorous international settings, intriguing suspense, complicated cons and even more complicated romance, Heist Society is stealing the hearts of Ally Carter fans everywhere.

## The Lies of Locke Lamora

The first book of the epic fantasy caper Gentleman Bastard Sequence about a roguish group of conmen, which George R. R. Martin says “captured me right on the first page and never let me go.” “If you haven’t read [The Lies of Locke Lamora], you should. If you have read it, you should probably read it again.”—Patrick Rothfuss An orphan’s life is harsh—and often short—in the mysterious island city of Camorr. But young Locke Lamora dodges relentless danger, becoming a thief under the tutelage of a gifted con artist. As leader of the band of light-fingered brothers known as the Gentlemen Bastards, Locke is soon infamous, fooling even the underworld’s most feared ruler. But in the shadows lurks someone still more ambitious and deadly. Faced with a bloody coup that threatens to destroy everyone and everything that holds meaning in his mercenary life, Locke vows to beat the enemy at his own brutal game—or die trying. Don’t miss any of Scott Lynch’s epic fantasy Gentleman Bastard Sequence: **THE LIES OF LOCKE LAMORA • RED SEAS UNDER RED SKIES • THE REPUBLIC OF THIEVES**

## Flawless: Inside the Largest Diamond Heist in History

“Tells the story with the gripping pace of a true-crime ‘Ocean’s Eleven.’” The New York Post • “Like a diamond, this true-life caper is clear, colorful, and brilliant.” Publishers Weekly ?Starred Review? The Antwerp Diamond Center was one of the most secure buildings in the world. With hundreds of millions of dollars’ worth of diamonds stored in its subterranean vault, it had to be. Located in the heart of Belgium’s ultra-secure Antwerp Diamond District, it benefited from two police stations, armed patrols, extensive video surveillance, and vehicle barriers securing an area where 80 percent of the world’s diamonds traded hands. But on February 15, 2003, a band of skilled Italian thieves — fronted by the charming Leonardo Notarbartolo, who spent over two years clandestinely casing the building — subverted every one of the Diamond Center’s defenses and made off with a record amount of loot. Experts estimate they got away with nearly half a billion dollars in diamonds, cash and other valuables. They’d pulled off the biggest heist in history—everybody loves diamonds and they now had more than any thief before them. The robbers did it with stealth and smarts; no one was hurt or even threatened during what was quickly labeled the largest diamond heist in history. The bandits — members of a group of professional thieves known as “The School of Turin” — used cunning in lieu of violence, successfully evading security cameras, thwarting an array of electronic sensors, and penetrating a vault protected by a double-locked foot-thick steel door. Even when the police zeroed in on who committed the crime, how it was done remained a mystery, like something out of a heist movie or TV show. Flawless is a fast-paced global scavenger hunt uncovering the truth behind the daring Valentine’s Day weekend heist. Tracking clues, sources, and documents throughout Europe — from

seedy cafés in Turin, Italy to sleek diamond offices in Antwerp, Belgium — authors Scott Selby and Greg Campbell retrace Notarbartolo's careful discovery of the building's security flaws. They recreate the heist and its aftermath — detailing how the thieves brilliantly neutralized each element of the security protecting the Diamond Center's vault while inviting the readers into the secretive world of diamonds and diamond dealing. The result is a thrilling ride through the better-than-fiction heist of the century. \ "Fans of caper books and movies will be in seventh heaven.\ " Booklist ?Starred Review?

## Heist!

‘The last twenty-four hours before a heist take forever. You are ready. You can’t wait. You are already thinking about the money. It’s a kind of high that programs your mind. You are excited. You just want to get it done. That moment when there is no turning back, when it is about to go down ... all your senses come alive: your eyes, everything comes alive. It’s extreme, like a phenomenal rush of ecstasy. It’s the thing that makes you want to do it again.’ From the horror of the 2006 Villa Nora heist – where four security guards were burnt alive in their armoured vehicle after a ferocious fight-back against highly trained mercenaries – to the 2016 robbery of a cash centre in Witbank, where a gang made off with almost R104 million after impersonating police officers, *Heist!* is an impeccably researched exposé of an endemic crime phenomenon that some analysts warn could bring South Africa to its knees. Using the information gleaned from thousands of pages of court documents and press reports, as well as interviews with scores of police officers, crime intelligence agents, prosecutors, defence lawyers, researchers, journalists, security guards and the criminals themselves, *Heist!* provides an unprecedented insight into a crime that has increased by a staggering 49 per cent in the first eight months of 2017 alone. As informative and thought-provoking as it is distressing, this is a book by an investigative journalist at the top of her game.

## HEIST

Unlock the cultural obsession with high-stakes robberies in *Heist*, a collection of the world’s greatest real-life break-ins. From the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum’s famous art heist to the disappearance of the Marie Antoinette watch, these 100% true stories will have you on the edge of your seat—and double checking the locks on your doors! Have you ever watched a movie like *Ocean’s Eleven* and thought: “There’s no way that could ever actually happen, right?” Wrong. In the US alone, there have been dozens, if not hundreds, of heists, from bank break-ins to museum plunders. In this premium compendium, we’ll walk through the most impressive ones, diving into the details behind each case, the detectives that led the investigations, how the events unfolded, and what mysteries remain. The hardcover book will explore the top 50 incidents, including:

1. The Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum Heist: In March of 1990, two men dressed up as police officers and sweet-talked their way past security at the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in Boston, MA. After tying up the real guards, these men dismantled and packed up 13 works of art, loaded them onto a truck, and drove off into the night, making the 81- minute breach one of the most expensive in modern history. Today, it remains the single largest property theft in the world.
2. The Great Train Robbery: Not all heists happen in buildings. In fact, one of the most popular ones was the 1963 train robbery in which nearly 2.6 million pounds was lifted from a Royal Mail train headed to London. Using intel provided by a man on the inside dubbed The Ulsterman, the group rigged the railways traffic light system to bring the train to an extended stop, during which time, they funneled the money from one of the carriages into a waiting truck by way of a human chain.
3. The French Bank Vault Tunnelers: On the morning of July 19, 1976, workers from a safe manufacturing company were called to the Société Générale bank to fix a faulty vault door that appeared to be jammed. When they drilled into the vault and peered in to diagnose the problem, though, what they found was not a loose screw or broken hinge, but a door that has been welded shut...from the inside. Also scattering the room was a couple of wine glasses, a portable stove, and a giant tunnel system that proved to be the method of transport for thieves, who had dug their way into the bank, spent the weekend there, and left with ten million in cash.
4. D. B. Cooper’s Escapades: The subject of many conspiracy theories, D. B. Cooper (not his real name) hopped on a Boeing 727 in a trench coat and sunglasses in 1971. When the plane had reached cruising altitude, Cooper hijacked it, extorting 200,000 dollars before strapping on a parachute, jumping out of the

plane, and disappearing into thin air. This “aerial heist” remains unsolved to this day and remains one of the FBI’s most frustrating open cases. 5. The Botched Crown Jewels of England Theft: Back in 1671, a man named Thomas Blood (a cool name, by any standard) decided: “Eh, I’m gonna steal the Crown Jewels.” He reached out to Talbot Edwards, the keeper of the stones, with a proposition: if you give me a private viewing of the gemstones, I’ll have my nephew marry your daughter (a nephew who, naturally, turned out to not exist). At this private viewing, Blood knocked out Talbot, smashed the jewels into pieces and threw the shards into his pockets, hoping to make a run for it. Though he didn’t manage to escape, he did manage to escape jail time: The King at the time was so amused by this failed attempt that he let Blood off scot-free. And that’s just the start of it. Plastered with gorgeous photography and big, sleek pages, Heist looks as good as it is captivating. Crack the code of the world’s most elusive capers, from the popular tales your great grandad told you about to the ones that have been long forgotten.

## **Heist**

On 22 February 2006, £53 million was stolen from a cash warehouse belonging to the Securitas company in Tonbridge, Kent. In terms of value, the robbery puts previous British capers, such as the Great Train Robbery, in the shade. This was a crime notable for its audacity, carried out by an unlikely crew of players that included a used car salesman, two Albanian casual workers and a roofer. Five men were convicted at the Old Bailey in January 2008, which attracted nationwide media coverage. A sixth man, Paul Allen, was sentenced in October 2009 for his part. Having become close to the Tonbridge gang and the police during three years of research, Sounes relates a classic crime caper in irresistible, almost forensic detail. After the robbery comes the exciting, sometimes comical story of the getaway. Money is found and arrests are made but key characters slip out of the country, and millions of pounds are still missing. Heist, the definitive account of these compelling events, is wildly entertaining, and a must for all fans of well-written true crime.

## **The Heist Film**

A concise introduction to the genre about that one last big score, The Heist Film: Stealing With Style traces this crime thriller’s development as both a dramatic and comic vehicle growing out of film noir (Criss Cross, The Killers, The Asphalt Jungle), mutating into sleek capers in the 1960s (Ocean’s Eleven, Gambit, How to Steal a Million) and splashing across screens in the 2000s in remake after remake (The Thomas Crown Affair, The Italian Job, The Good Thief). Built around a series of case studies (Rififi, Bob le Flambeur, The Killing, The Lavender Hill Mob, The Getaway, the Ocean’s trilogy), this volume explores why directors of such varied backgrounds, from studio regulars (Siodmak, Crichton, Siegel, Walsh and Wise) to independents (Anderson, Fuller, Kubrick, Ritchie and Soderbergh), are so drawn to this popular genre.

## **The Great Greene Heist**

Saving the school -- one con at a time. \"A political heist page-turner set in middle school? Is that even possible? Varian Johnson shows us how it's done.\" - Gordon Korman, author of SWINDLE \"Do yourself a favor and start reading immediately.\" - Rebecca Stead, author of WHEN YOU REACH ME Jackson Greene swears he's given up scheming. Then school bully Keith Sinclair announces he's running for Student Council president, against Jackson's former friend Gaby de la Cruz. Gaby wants Jackson to stay out of it -- but he knows Keith has \"connections\" to the principal, which could win him the presidency no matter the vote count. So Jackson assembles a crack team: Hashemi Larijani, tech genius. Victor Cho, bankroll. Megan Feldman, science goddess. Charlie de la Cruz, reporter. Together they devise a plan that will take down Keith, win Gaby's respect, and make sure the election is done right. If they can pull it off, it will be remembered as the school's greatest con ever -- one worthy of the name THE GREAT GREENE HEIST.

## **Famous Heists**

Famous Heists explores the captivating world of history's most audacious thefts, shedding light on the

intricate planning, daring execution, and relentless investigation that define these significant criminal acts. This true crime narrative delves into the psychology of both the perpetrators and the investigators, offering insights into the motivations behind these heists and their profound impact on society. One intriguing aspect examined is how the allure of illicit gain can drive human behavior under pressure, while the evolution of forensic science and law enforcement showcases humanity's constant adaptation in the face of adversity. The book uniquely emphasizes not just the mechanics of the heists, but also the "why," delving into the historical, cultural, and societal contexts that contribute to their occurrence. By presenting evidence from historical records, court documents, and first-hand accounts, Famous Heists offers a comprehensive perspective on these events. Beginning with an introduction to core concepts, the book progresses through major sections examining heists motivated by financial gain, politically driven thefts, and art heists, illustrating how lessons learned continue to inform security measures and investigative practices today.

## **The Greatest Heist Stories Ever Told**

Crime does pay. At least for a while. You'll see that quickly in these nine compelling and true stories of brilliant plans and guile. The thieves awaiting you seem to have it all. They are clever, cool, and determined with icy resolve. It took a lot of guts and nerves of steel to do what they did and not fold under the pressure. After all, if those hard-wrought plans had failed, they would have had plenty of time to think about what went wrong in prison. Hijack an airplane, demand a ransom and two parachutes, then disappear? Invent a device that allows you to record the combination of any bank vault, then break into bank vaults twice? Steal from a secret mob depository run by a boss known for his brutality? Rob a small-town bank in midday and ride off without a second thought? Piece of cake. The Greatest Heists Stories Ever Told will allow readers to appreciate the efforts that go into a truly magnificent heist. It is a celebration of stunning, well-planned and audacious capers that left police and armies of investigators looking for answers and scratching their heads. Among the stories included are: The Lufthansa Heist The Northfield Bank Robbery The Last Good Heist Hijack! DB Cooper's Great Escape and many others

## **The Crown Heist**

"Art and Camille head to London to find her estranged father, and soon find themselves embroiled in a heist involving a long-dead monarch"--Provided by publisher.

## **Tokyo Heist**

The perfect mystery for fans of Ally Carter's Heist Society When sixteen-year-old Violet agrees to spend the summer with her father, an up-and-coming artist in Seattle, she has no idea what she's walking into. Her father's newest clients, the Yamada family, are the victims of a high-profile art robbery: van Gogh sketches have been stolen from their home, and, until they can produce the corresponding painting, everyone's lives are in danger--including Violet's and her father's. Violet's search for the missing van Gogh takes her from the Seattle Art Museum, to the yakuza-infested streets of Tokyo, to a secluded inn in Kyoto. As the mystery thickens, Violet's not sure whom she can trust. But she knows one thing: she has to solve the mystery--before it's too late.

## **The Ultimate Heist**

Discover the Thrilling World of Daring Bank Robberies Delve into the shadowy domain of cunning thieves, illustrious heists, and the relentless pursuit of justice. The Ultimate Heist: Unraveling the Mysteries of Bank Robberies immerses readers in the electrifying world of high-stakes bank robberies, detailing the intricate ballet between criminal masterminds and law enforcement. From the historical roots of bank heists to the modern methods employed by today's most sophisticated criminals, each chapter offers an adrenaline-pumping journey through time and tactics. Grasp the evolution of these audacious crimes as you explore their beginnings and the ingenious strategies employed in planning and execution. Feel the suspense of the

infamous Great Train Robbery, the meticulous planning behind the Brink's Job, and the notorious Lufthansa Heist. Each tale, rich with drama and detail, captures the peril and excitement of these outlaw legends. Peek into the minds of notorious criminals like Jesse James, John Dillinger, and the enigmatic Pink Panthers, whose psychological profiles reveal the motivations and madness behind their infamous deeds. Understand how their calculated maneuvers and audacious escapades have cemented their places in criminal history. Witness the duel between these heist architects and the tireless law enforcement agents determined to thwart them. Gain insights into FBI strategies, evolving security measures, and the cultural impacts of these high-profile crimes, portrayed vividly in film and literature. Beyond the thrill, grapple with the ethical and legal questions these crimes pose, from the pursuit of justice to the rights of the accused. Learn from detailed case studies in prevention, showcasing both triumphant interventions and instructive failures. Finally, ponder the future of bank robberies in the era of digital currency and emerging technologies. Will the digital age spell the end of the classic bank heist, or merely transform it? For those enticed by tales of cunning, courage, and consequence, this book offers an unparalleled investigation into one of the most riveting facets of criminal lore.

## **The Great Indian Heists: True Stories of India's Most Dramatic Thefts | Daring Robberies that left the Nation Shocked | True Crime Stories**

A fake call from the "PM's office". A tunnel under a bank's vault. A heist on a fast-moving train. India has seen some of the most daring and dramatic heists in modern history. The book brings out the true stories behind them. A mysterious man recruits "intelligence officers" through a newspaper ad to rob a Mumbai jewellery store. In Tamil Nadu, a gang slices through the roof of a moving train to loot it mid-journey. In Punjab, robbers dig an underground tunnel to break into a bank, only for the heist to end in a mysterious death. A truck loaded with mobile parts is hijacked on a highway after a high-speed chase. And in a jaw-dropping con, a man impersonates the then Prime Minister of India to pull off a heist... then dies in custody, raising more questions than answers. The Great Indian Heists is a heart-pounding collection of real-life stories that reveal the cunning, chaos, and sheer audacity of India's most unforgettable robberies. Each story is more unbelievable than the last—and yet, every word is true.

### **Coin Heist**

A YA heist adventure about a group of high school students who hatch a plan to rob the U.S. Mint in order to save their school.

### **The Great Ice-Cream Heist**

"Those McIntyres are nothing but trouble!" When the McIntyre family moves in next door, Eva is intrigued - it is the first interesting thing to happen for ages. But her ever protective Dad - even more protective since Eva's mum died - does not agree. And the McIntyres are certainly noisy! But Eva is curious about Jamie, who she often sees on the roof of his garden shed, escaping the family chaos. Then Eva gets to know Jamie a bit better. And when he is accused of vandalising the local park, Eva is sure he didn't do it. It is up to Eva to stick up for him - but then Jamie disappears. Eva is now in a race against time, which snowballs into a helter-skelter race with a 'borrowed' ice cream van, lots of irate keep-fit enthusiasts and lashings of ice-cream! A warm, funny adventure about sticking up for your friends.

### **Heist**

Revised edition of the author's Heist! 2002.

### **Cash and Jewel Heists**

Read Along or Enhanced eBook: Each Origins: Whodunnit: Heists eShort is a single chapter from the full Origins: Whodunnit: Heists title, packaged as a mini eBook. Origins: Whodunnit: Heists eShorts include Bank Heists, Art Heists, Heists and Hostages, and Cash and Jewel Heists.

## **The Heist Artist**

Vagh Pratap Singh aka the Captain is a conman extraordinaire. From transporting illegal merchandise and stealing cars to breaking safes, he's done it all. But now, in his fortieth year, he's ready to retire. So when Udham Kumar, a crooked politician from Uttar Pradesh, commissions the Captain to track down and steal Poppy Flowers, a Vincent van Gogh's painting that has been smuggled into India after it went missing in a museum in Egypt in 2010, the Captain knows that he's found his last, and biggest case. But the painting is now in possession of a dangerous gangster, and the Captain is being followed by Udham Kumar's ruthless associates, greedy for both money and power. As the odds against him begin to stack up, the Captain realizes that his last heist might not be as easy as he'd imagined.

## **The Feather Thief**

SHORTLISTED FOR THE GOLD DAGGER AWARD 'A tale of obsession ... vivid and arresting' The Times One summer evening in 2009, twenty-year-old musical prodigy Edwin Rist broke into the Natural History Museum at Tring, home to one of the largest ornithological collections in the world. Once inside, Rist grabbed as many rare bird specimens as he was able to carry before escaping into the darkness. Kirk Wallace Johnson was waist-deep in a river in New Mexico when his fly-fishing guide first told him about the heist. But what would possess a person to steal dead birds? And had Rist paid for his crime? In search of answers, Johnson embarked upon a worldwide investigation, leading him into the fiercely secretive underground community obsessed with the Victorian art of salmon fly-tying. Was Edwin Rist a genius or narcissist? Mastermind or pawn?

## **Baby's First Bank Heist**

Meet Baby Frank, the world's most unlikely criminal, as he masterminds his very own bank heist. Perfect for fans of Boss Baby. Move over, Bonnie and Clyde, because there's a new criminal mastermind in town . . . Baby Frank! He's the world's most unlikely criminal, but he's about to pull off the most daring baby bank heist ever. Why? To get money for a fluffy new pet, of course. This baby is dangerously cute and desperate for a pet. You have been warned . . .

## **Heist and High**

The media called him "D.B. Tuber" and the "Craigslist Robber." They said the heist was like "The Thomas Crown Affair" and the robber was "a modern day Robin Hood stealing from the rich." He was the talk of the town and even national media. The detective who caught him said the robbery had "all the preparation of a top-notch heist by an experienced criminal." Anthony Curcio got away with over \$400,000 and went to Vegas. . . then got caught and put in prison. But how did an all-American high school football star, a kid with a sure shot at being an all-star college wide receiver, and maybe even fulfilling his dream of going to the NFL, end up robbing a Brink's armored truck? Prescription painkillers. "Prescription drug users are your judges, your police officers, your professional athletes, your bosses, your coworkers, your entertainers, your pastor, his wife, your wife, your kid's school teacher. . . and even you." Heist and High is the story of Anthony's descent from a life full of promise into the hell of prescription drug addiction, the destruction it caused, and his willingness to do anything- even rob an armored truck- for what he thought would be that one last fix.

## A History of Heists

No crime is as synonymous with America as bank robbery. Though the number of bank robberies nationwide has declined, bank robbery continues to captivate the public and jeopardize the safety of banks and their employees. In *A History of Heists*, Jerry Clark and Ed Palattella explore how bank robbers have influenced American culture as much as they have reflected it. Jesse James, Butch Cassidy, Bonnie and Clyde, John Dillinger, Willie Sutton, and Patty Hearst are among the most famous figures in the history of crime in the United States. Jesse James used his training as a Confederate guerrilla to make bank robbery a political act. John Dillinger capitalized on the public's scorn of banks during the Great Depression and became America's first Public Enemy Number One. When she held up a bank with the leftist Symbionese Liberation Army, Patty Hearst fueled the country's social unrest. Jerry Clark and Ed Palattella delve into the backgrounds and motivations of the robbers, and explore how they are as complex as the nation whose banks they have plundered. But as much as the story of bank robbery in America focuses on the thieves, it is also a story of those who investigate the heists. As bank robbers became more sophisticated, so did the police, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and other law enforcement agencies. This captivating history show how bank robbery shaped the modern FBI, and how it continues to cultivate America's fascination with the noble outlaw: bandits seen, rightly or wrongly, as battling unjust authority.

## The Gardner Heist

The true story of one museum, two thieves, and the Boston underworld: "Boser cracks the cold case of the art world's greatest unsolved mystery." —*Vanity Fair* Shortly after midnight on March 18, 1990, two men broke into the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in Boston and committed the largest art heist in history. They stole a dozen masterpieces, including one Vermeer, three Rembrandts, and five Degas. But after thousands of leads, hundreds of interviews, and a \$5 million reward, not a single painting has been recovered. Worth as much as half a billion dollars, the missing masterpieces have become the Holy Grail of the art world and their theft one of the nation's most extraordinary unsolved mysteries. Art detective Harold Smith worked the theft for years, and after his death, reporter Ulrich Boser decided to pick up where he left off. Traveling deep into the art underworld, Boser explores Smith's unfinished leads and comes across a remarkable cast of characters, including a brilliant rock 'n' roll art thief and a golden-boy gangster who professes his innocence in rhyming verse. A tale of greed, obsession, and loss, *The Gardner Heist* is as compelling as the stolen masterpieces themselves. "Captivating." —*The Wall Street Journal* "A tantalizing whodunit." —*The Boston Globe*

## Mystery of the Phantom Heist

In this second book of a fresh approach to a classic series, Frank and Joe track down violent pranksters. Rich girl Lindsay Peyton is throwing the biggest and best Sweet Sixteen bash that Bayport has ever seen. But her party planning is off to a bad start when Frank and Joe discover that someone has keyed her very expensive car—an early birthday present—and has put the mean prank up on YouView. Soon after the prank goes viral, a group calling themselves the Scaredevils begin to film themselves committing acts of violent vandalism around town. Broken windows, Dumpster fires, and more threaten the security of Lindsay's party—and of Lindsay herself. Frank and Joe are determined to figure out who is the mastermind behind the videos before Lindsay's Sweet Sixteen turns into a party she will never forget...for all the wrong reasons.

## Heist

Glane Brelld conned billions when he turned over the planet Heist to the Pan-Galactic government. Now he's going to steal it back. Of course he's a fugitive, and everyone wants him dead, but Glane won't let the little things in his way. GLANE HAS GOT A PLANET TO STEAL. NO BIG DEAL. JUST DON'T GET IN HIS WAY. Welcome to planet Heist! It's the cutthroat capital of the entire Nehring System, home to billions of the worst men and women in the galaxy. The Pan-Galactic government has no idea what to do with the

planet, but conman Glane Brelid and his band of thieves know exactly what to do with Heist—they're going to steal it. It's Ocean's Eleven in space, brought to you by writer Paul Tobin (Colder and Bandette) and Arjuna Susini (The Replacer)—the only minds crazy enough to steal an entire world. Collects the complete eight issue series.

## **Heist**

James Patterson's BookShots. Short, fast-paced, high-impact entertainment. Three thieves have planned the perfect diamond heist. They've monitored the Hatton Garden jeweller for months and are ready to make the hit. But they were not expecting a rival crew to show up at exactly the same time. After a bloody fight, the three thieves come away with the diamonds and set off to meet their buyer in Amsterdam. But now it's not only the police who are chasing them, and not only the diamonds that are at stake.

## **Heroes Like Us: Two Stories**

From Onjali Q. Rauf, acclaimed author of *The Boy At the Back of the Class*, come two poignant tales of modern-day heroism, featuring supermarket thieves, a visit with the Queen, and plenty of laughs! Ten-year old Ahmet, once known as the \"Boy at the Back of the Class\"

## **A Heist Too Far**

Mallik, an assassin with a short temper and an assortment of sharp weapons, Dick Swede a.k.a The Black Moustache, an almost famous highwayman, and Jules Van Jives, a scruffy elf with an obsession for fire and explosives are wanted men, but something is about to make them more wanted than usual. When an almost perfectly planned coach robbery goes horribly wrong and Mallik's love is killed, he'll stop at nothing to get his revenge, even if it means helping to liberate a fallen Dwarf citadel, rescuing villagers from their impending sacrifice and Dick shaving off his trademark moustache on the way. As their usual world falls apart before their eyes and they cross the line from novelty crook to noose-bait, Mallik tries to dig them out of a very deep hole. *A Heist Too Far* is a five hundred and seventy five page comical slant on fantasy, the humour making light of every situation no matter how grim they really are.

## **Heist!: South Africa's Cash-In-Transit Epidemic Uncovered**

Heist! is an in-depth look at 10 of South Africa's most audacious heists. From the 1996 'burning man' case, where four security guards were burnt alive in their armoured vehicle after a ferocious fight-back against highly trained mercenaries, to the 2016 robbery of a cash centre in Witbank, where a gang made off with almost R107 million after impersonating police officers, this is an impeccably researched reconstruction of an endemic crime phenomenon that some analysts warn could bring South Africa to its knees. Using the information gleaned from thousands of pages of court documents and press reports, as well as interviews with scores of police officers, crime-intelligence agents, prosecutors defence lawyers, researchers, journalists, security guards and the criminals themselves Heist! gives unprecedented insight into a type of crime that increased by a staggering 49 per cent in the first eight months of 2017 alone. As informative and thought-provoking as it is distressing, this is a book by an investigative journalist at the top of her game.

## **The Heist**

Gabriel Allon, art restorer and occasional spy, searches for a stolen masterpiece by Caravaggio in #1 New York Times bestselling author Daniel Silva's latest action-packed tale of high stakes international intrigue. Sometimes the best way to find a stolen masterpiece is to steal another one... Legendary spy and art restorer Gabriel Allon is in Venice repairing an altarpiece when he receives an urgent summons from the Italian police. the art dealer Julian Isherwood has stumbled upon a murder scene in Lake Como, and is being held as



a suspect. to save his friend, Gabriel must perform one simple task: find the most famous missing painting in the world. the dead man is a fallen spy with a secret: he's been trafficking in stolen artworks and selling them to a mysterious collector. Among those paintings is the world's most iconic missing work of art: Caravaggio's Nativity with St. Francis and St. Lawrence. Gabriel embarks on a daring gambit to recover the Caravaggio that will take him on an exhilarating hunt—from Marseilles and Corsica, to Paris and Geneva, and, finally, to a small private bank in Austria, where a dangerous man stands guard over the ill-gotten wealth of one of the world's most brutal dictators... 'Daniel Silva has few rivals in the realm of the big blockbuster spy story.' the Age

## **The Art of the Heist**

“A gripping tell-all . . . For a master of deceit, Connor is surprisingly candid . . . his book offers a fascinating look inside the mind of an unrepentant criminal.” —The Washington Post How did the son of a decorated policeman grow up to be one of Boston’s most notorious criminals? How did he survive a decades-long feud with the FBI? How did he escape one jail sentence with a fake gun carved out of soap? How did he trade the return of a famous Rembrandt for early release from another sentence? *The Art of the Heist* is a roller-coaster ride of a life, the memoir of America’s most infamous art thief, Myles Connor. Once a promising young rock musician, Connor instead became a thief with irresistible charm and a genius IQ whose approach to his chosen profession mixed brilliant tactical planning with stunning bravado, brazen disguises, audaciously elaborate con jobs, and even the broad-daylight grab-and-dash. New York’s Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Smithsonian Institution, Boston’s Museum of Fine Art . . . no museum was off-limits. The fact that he was in jail at the time of the largest art theft in American history—the still-unsolved robbery of the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum—has not stopped the FBI from considering him a prime suspect. *The Art of the Heist* is Connor’s story—part confession, part thrill ride, and impossible to put down. “From his daring 1965 jail break at age twenty-two to his legendary career pilfering treasures from museums all over New England, Connor’s life is the stuff of adventure novels.” —Publishers Weekly (starred review) “A dizzying account of bank robberies, museum break-ins, drug deals, and violent brushes with the law during a lifetime of thumbing his nose at authority.” —The Boston Globe “One of the most beguiling criminal memoirs ever written. . . . A rare gem of a book.” —T. J. English, New York Times–bestselling author of *The Westies*

## **Thrillers**

An in-depth exploration of the 'thriller' movie genre.

## **History's Greatest Heist**

How Lenin’s regime turned Russia’s priceless cultural patrimony into armored cars, trains, planes, and machine guns Historians have never resolved a central mystery of the Russian Revolution: How did the Bolsheviks, despite facing a world of enemies and leaving nothing but economic ruin in their path, manage to stay in power through five long years of civil war? In this penetrating book, Sean McMeekin draws on previously undiscovered materials from the Soviet Ministry of Finance and other European and American archives to expose some of the darkest secrets of Russia’s early days of communism. Building on one archival revelation after another, the author reveals how the Bolsheviks financed their aggression through astonishingly extensive thievery. Their looting included everything from the cash savings of private citizens to gold, silver, diamonds, jewelry, icons, antiques, and artwork. By tracking illicit Soviet financial transactions across Europe, McMeekin shows how Lenin’s regime accomplished history’s greatest heist between 1917 and 1922 and turned centuries of accumulated wealth into the sinews of class war. McMeekin also names names, introducing for the first time the compliant bankers, lawyers, and middlemen who, for a price, helped the Bolsheviks launder their loot, impoverish Russia, and impose their brutal will on millions.

## **The Hawaiian Heist (Geronimo Stilton #72)**

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## **The Spider Heist**

"Blair Morgan's world is in shambles. After being used as a scapegoat by a corrupt former boss, she is unceremoniously fired from the FBI. Now, with her reputation, pride, and years of service stripped away, Blair just wants to start over. But when a chance date turns into a mysterious job offer, her past comes crashing back to haunt her. In a flash, Blair becomes entangled in a high stakes bank heist. Her status as a former FBI-agent-turned-hostage transforms her into an instant media sensation. And the unwanted attention makes her a target for ruthless killers that will stop at nothing to silence her. Caught in the cross hairs, Blair must confront her past before she loses her freedom - or her life. But there is something strange about this team of bank robbers. They aren't who they seem. And as a deadly SWAT raid closes in, Blair discovers that she may not be either ...\"--Provided by publisher

## **The Helicopter Heist**

A fast-paced, riveting novel inspired by the true story of a group of four young Swedish men who pulled off “one of the most spectacular heists of all time” (Time). The men behind the daring daylight robbery have been imprisoned, but the \$6.5 million that they stole has never been recovered. Sami has a history of petty crime, but that’s all behind him now. He has a new child to provide for, so he’s training as a chef, ready to lead a quiet life. But when a business deal suddenly goes sideways, Sami is left wondering how he’ll ever provide for his newborn daughter. Michel and his family fled a bloody civil war in Lebanon when he was a child. He grew up in the suburbs of Stockholm surrounded by poverty and criminals. He’s trying to turn over a new leaf, but the past just won’t let him go. Niklas has always had a thirst for life. He traveled the world and made an effort to become someone who was both seen and heard everywhere he went, the sort of person people talked about. He followed through on his vision...and no good has come of it. Zoran is a businessman. He knows everyone and who seals a deal with a handshake. When he was young, the ambitious Yugoslavian had a dream—to get rich, by whatever means necessary. And Alexandra? She’s the reason that the four men found themselves plotting to rob a Stockholm cash depot in September 2009. At first, the plan seems foolproof. Every contingency is covered, every detail is planned perfectly, and the payoff will make them all rich for life. No one would even get hurt. But not everyone is who they seem. Even as the gang’s stolen helicopter is lifting off from the cash depot with \$6.5 million inside, questions remain unanswered. What secrets does each man hold? Who is the woman who has implicated herself in all of their lives? And who among them holds the key to the wealth they so desperately seek?

## **Grants Management at the Environmental Protection Agency**

? Dive into the captivating world of art theft with 'Top 15 Unsolved Art Heists'! ?? Explore the greatest mysteries and daring escapades that left the art world astounded. From the audacious Gardner Museum heist to the haunting theft of Munch's 'The Scream,' this book delves into the untold stories and unanswered questions. Perfect for true crime enthusiasts and art lovers alike, discover the secrets behind history's most notorious art heists. ???

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A page-turning thriller based on an incredible true story about the spectacular theft of hundreds of millions of pounds.

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