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THE ONE DOLLAR HORSE Lauren St John

A thriller set in the equestrian world about making the impossible possible, about reaching the top on a one dollar horse.

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Samphire Song



SAMPHIRE SONG Jill Hucklesby

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THE WINTER HORSES Philip Kerr

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Michael Morpurgo

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Michael Morpurgo

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