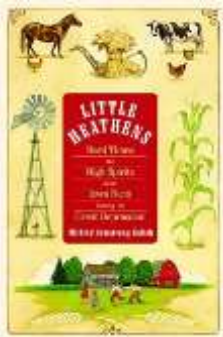


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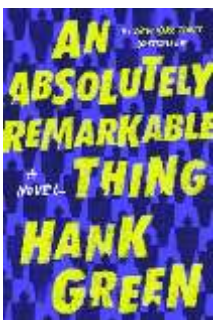
Eileen recommends *The Bodies in the Library* by Marty Wingate

Cozy mysteries are the best! Cozy mysteries involving Golden Age mystery writers (think Agatha Christie & Dorothy Sayers) are even better! Add a private library - in Bath, England, no less, and I really don't need anything else.



Kelly recommends *Little Heathens: Hard Times and High Spirits on an Iowa Farm during the Great Depression* by Mildred Armstrong Kalish

Mildred Kalish's story of growing up on her grandparents' Iowa farm during the Great Depression in a multigenerational household is a wonderful recounting of a much different time. She and her siblings and their cousins from the farm across the way played as hard as they worked, sharing in great detail all aspects of a 1930's farm life. From the unsurpassed flavor of tender new dandelion greens harvested as soon as the snow melted; the sweet smell of a lamb sleeping on sun-warmed grass; and the magical quality of the entire family oat shocking under the light of a full harvest moon. Many favorite recipes using primarily ingredients found on the farm are also shared along with family photographs. This book offers a loving but realistic portrait of a family that gave its members a remarkable legacy of kinship, kindness, and remembered pleasures with a mixture of tenderness and humor. The recipe for basic biscuits was one of many I wrote down for future use.



Sarah recommends *An Absolutely Remarkable Thing* by Hank Green

April May is walking home in the wee hours of the morning when she finds a 10 foot tall transformer-like statue. Little does she know just how much everything is about to change. This book is WILD, funny, & astute.