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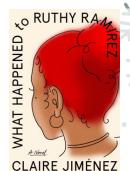
by Jessica George

Maddie's life revolves around caregiving for her father, navigating microaggressions and complicated family relationships across two continents, and figuring out adulthood. In this beautifully dr wn portrait of a realistic, awkward, relatable protagonist.

Family Meal

by Bryan Washington

Haunted by the ghost of his lover, Cam moves back home where he struggles with addiction and searches to reconcile with his former best friend. A poignant novel of family and food.



What Happened to Ruthy Ramirez

by Claire JimŽnez

A hilariously heartfelt account of the women of a close-knit Puerto Rican family. A decade after 13-year-old Ruthy disappeared. Her sisters believe she's on a reality show and set out to bring her home.

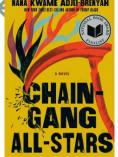
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Chain-Gang All-Stars by Nana Kwame Adjei-Brenyah

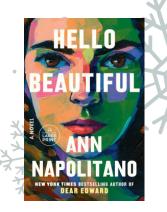
A powerful allegory of mass incarceration, set in a dystopian world where prisoners fight gladiator-style matches to earn their freedom.

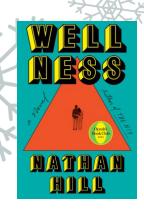




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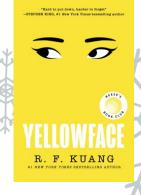


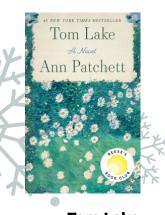


FICTION

Hello Beautiful by Ann Napolitano

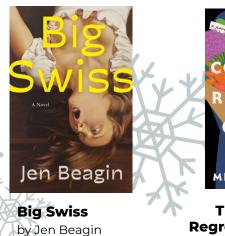
Wellness by Nathan Hill

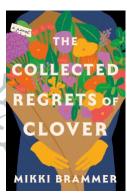




Yellowface by R.F. Kuang

Tom Lake by Ann Patchett





The Collected **Regrets of Clover**

by Mikki Brammer