

# A King S Ransom

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## **Time and Chance** - Sharon Kay Penman 2002-03-04

The sequel to Sharon Kay Penman's acclaimed novel When Christ and His Saints Slept, Time and Chance recounts the tempestuous marriage of Eleanor of Aquitaine and Henry II in a magnificent story of love, power, ambition, and betrayal. He was nineteen when they married, she eleven years his senior, newly divorced from the King of France. She was beautiful, headstrong, intelligent, and rich. It was said he was Fortune's favorite, but he said a man makes his own luck. Within two years, Henry had made his, winning the throne of England and exercising extraordinary statecraft skills to control his unruly barons, expand his own powers, and restore peace to a land long torn by banditry and bloodshed. Only in one instance did Henry err: Elevating his good friend and confidant Thomas Becket to be Archbishop of Canterbury, he thought to gain control over the Church itself. But the once worldly Becket suddenly discovered God, and their alliance withered in the heat of his newfound zeal. What Becket saw as a holy mission-to protect the Church against State encroachments-Henry saw as arrant betrayal, and they were launched inevitably on the road to murder. Rich in character and color, true to the historical details, sensitive to the complex emotions of these men and women, Time and Chance recreates their story with all the drama, pain, and passion of the moment.

## King's Ransom - Marie Johnston 2020-04-06

When revenge turns into a fake engagement... It was supposed to be a simple case of revenge: get to know King Tech owner and CEO Beckett King, learn his secrets, and ruin his life like he ruined my brother's. But Beckett King offers me a deal I can't refuse. Not only does he want me to pretend to be engaged to him, he needs to marry me to get his grandmother off his back. And at the end of the year, we can go our separate ways, only I'll be a whole lot richer. I won't fall for his irresistible good looks, or that aw, shucks country-boy charm he still possesses from growing up on a ranch. I'm smarter than that. I refuse to let this be an opposites attract scenario. He has a lesson to learn and I'm the best one to teach him. But that's the tricky thing with revenge. It doesn't always go as planned. King's Ransom is a standalone novel in the contemporary western romance Oil Kings series written by an award-winning author. For readers who also like Ann Mayburn, Carly Phillips, Carrie Ann Ryan, Cat Johnson, Catherine Cowles, Chelle Bliss, Cherise Sinclair, Cheyenne McCray, Claudia Burgoa, Debra Holt, Devney Perry, Diana Palmer, Esther E. Schmidt, Genevieve Turner, Helen Hardt, Jane Henry, Janet Dailey, Jeanne St. James, Jenna Jacob, Jennifer Ryan, Julia Sykes, Kennedy Fox, Kim Loraine, Lani Lynn Vale, Lauren Blakely, Lauren Landish, Laylah Roberts, Lexi Blake, Linda Lael Miller, Lindsay

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**King's Treasure** - Marie Johnston 2021-02-08

Broke, jobless, and stranded in Las Vegas on Valentine's Day, I am forced to call my parents for a bailout. Again. A pampered princess and wannabe environmentalist, I know I'm a cliché and would do anything to change it. So when I meet Xander, a struggling photojournalist with absolutely nothing in common with my domineering, millionaire parents, I know just where to go next: A wedding chapel. But when I wake up the next day, my matrimonial rebellion comes with an unpleasant surprise.

My husband is no penniless globetrotter—Xander King is the son of a billionaire oil tycoon, and my parents couldn't approve of the match more. Now the only thing that could shock them would be a quickie divorce...except my new husband has a proposition for me. \*\*\* I take one look at Savvy and know I could spend the rest of my life with her. The feeling is mutual...until she figures out who I am. I didn't mean to hide my identity, and I thought a desire to get out from under the weight of familial baggage was something we had in common. But with Savvy just moments from proposing divorce, I offer her the one thing I'd been ready to walk away from: A trust fund worth millions. All Savvy has to do is stay married to me for a year and then she'll get half—except I have no intention of letting her go after 365 days. I've spent a decade running from my father's disapproval and my brothers' successes. Now I'm willing to spend a lifetime convincing the woman I love to stay put by my side. King's Treasure is book 3 in the Oil King's series. It's a Vegas wedding romance with a small town, western romance feel. Add a dash of millionaire romance and it has all the feels. For readers who also like Ann Mayburn, Carly Phillips, Carrie Ann Ryan, Cat Johnson, Catherine Cowles, Chelle Bliss, Cherise Sinclair, Cheyenne McCray, Claudia Burgoa, Debra Holt, Devney Perry, Diana Palmer, Esther E. Schmidt, Genevieve Turner, Helen Hardt, Jane Henry, Janet Dailey, Jeanne St. James, Jenna Jacob, Jennifer Ryan, Julia Sykes, Kennedy Fox, Kim Loraine, Lani Lynn Vale, Lauren Blakely, Lauren Landish, Laylah Roberts, Lexi Blake, Linda Lael Miller, Lindsay McKenna, Lorelei James, Lori Wilde, Maisy Yates, Max Monroe, Melissa Foster, Nicole Snow, Renee Rose, Samantha Madisen, Shayla Black, Sophie Oak, Stephanie Rowe, Susan Stoker, Vi Keeland, Vivian Arend, Willa Nash, Willow Winters, Zoe York, Erin Wright, Laramie Briscoe, Kylie Gilmore, Kait Nolan, Tracy Alvarez, Lili Valente, Vanessa Vale, Tawdra Kandle, Colleen Hoover, Maya Banks, Penelope Sky, Kendall Ryan, Kennedy Fox, Chelle Bliss, Sarina Bowen, Penelope Ward, Marie Force, Melissa Foster, Kristen Proby, Devney Perry, Susan Stoker, Tessa Bailey, Jana Aston, Sally Thorne, Christina Lauren, Elle Kennedy, Julia Kent, Sylvia Day, K.A. Linde, Jessica Hawkins, Rachel VanDyken, Jodi Ellen Malpas, L.J. Shen,

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**King's Ransom** - Ed McBain 2012-02-28

Douglas King has a king-sized problem. His chauffeur's son has been kidnapped. If he pays the ransom, it could ruin the greatest business deal of his life. If he doesn't pay it, the boys at the 87th Precinct could end up with a case of cold-blooded murder on their hands. . . .

*Erak's Ransom* - John Flanagan 2011-09

On a mission to pay the ransom of a new ally, apprentice Will and his friends find themselves in a desert wasteland awash with enemies.

**Nottingham Vol. 1** - David Hazan 2021-11-10

In this twisted medieval noir, the Sheriff of Nottingham hunts a serial killer with a penchant for tax collectors. The Sheriff's investigation makes him the target of England's most nefarious power-brokers. That's to say nothing of the Merry Men, terrorists lurking amongst the trees of Sherwood, led by, an enigma known only as "Hood." Collects issues #1 - 5

Priceless - Jane Henry

USA Today bestselling author Jane Henry delivers a high-stakes, gritty story of forbidden romance, devastation, and taboo love that knows no bounds. She's barely legal. Under my protection. Fully off-limits. But all

mine.

**When Christ and His Saints Slept** - Sharon Kay Penman 2010-04-01

In *When Christ and His Saints Slept* master storyteller and historian Sharon Kay Penman illuminates one of the lesser-known but fascinating periods of English history. The next addition in this highly acclaimed historical fiction series of the middle ages, and the first of a trilogy that will tell the story of Henry II and Eleanor of Aquitaine. *When Christ and His Saints Slept* begins with the death of King Henry I, son of William the Conqueror and father of Maude, his only living legitimate offspring.

Oxford Bookworms Library: Stage 5: King's Ransom - Ed McBain 2008-01-10

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King's Ransom - Amelia Autin 2015-06-02

"Reunion with the King turns forbidden... and dangerous"--Page 4 of cover.

Amazing Spider-Man by Nick Spencer Vol. 13 - Nick Spencer 2021-08-24

The Lifeline Tablet is one of the most dangerous artifacts in the Marvel Universe -- and it has plagued Spider-Man's life more than once! Mayor Wilson Fisk, formerly known as the Kingpin of Crime, wants its secrets -- and he will happily kill Boomerang to get his hands on the stone! But doesn't he know that Spider-Man is Boomerang's roommate? Now, every street-level hero in New York will join the fight as the wallcrawler must pull out all the stops to prevent the Kingpin from wielding nigh-ultimate power! COLLECTING: *Amazing Spider-Man* (2018) 61-66

A King's Ransom - James Grippando 2009-03-17

The author of five bestselling novels, including *Under Cover of Darkness* and *The Pardon*, James Grippando writes compulsively readable thrillers that could be drawn from today's headlines, only better. Now his trademark gifts are wonderfully demonstrated in a taut new tale of intrigue that will keep you guessing to the final, breathtaking scene. Just two years out of law school, Nick Rey is on the career fast track at a hot Miami law firm when he is suddenly plunged headfirst into a dangerous bid to save his father. Matthew Rey has been kidnapped while on business in Columbia's exotic port city of Cartagena. The ransom demand

of three million dollars is far more than the Rey family can ever hope to raise. Fortunately, Matthew had purchased an insurance policy to protect against just such a threat. Unfortunately, the kidnapers seem to know all about the policy, and the insurance company, suspecting fraud, is refusing to pay out. With nowhere to turn, Nick links up with Alex, a beautiful, street-smart woman who may be the only person capable of negotiating with Matthew's abductors. But Nick soon discovers that the gravest dangers to him and his family are not the kidnapers and their guns, but the men in suits: lawyers, to be exact, at a powerful firm with something to hide, and they will stop at nothing to keep Nick from unleashing the truth.

**A King's Ransom** - Corinne Aarsen 2020-12-17

*Ransom* - David Malouf 2011-10-31

In this exquisite gem of a novel, David Malouf shines new light on Homer's Iliad, adding twists and reflections, as well as flashes of earthy humour, to surprise and enchant. Lyrical, immediate and heartbreaking, Malouf's fable engraves the epic themes of the Trojan war onto a perfect miniature - themes of war and heroics, hubris and humanity, chance and fate, the bonds between soldiers, fathers and sons, all brilliantly recast for our times.

**A King's Ransom** - Sharon Kay Penman 2014

A sequel to the best-selling Lionheart reimagines the dangerous final years of Richard I, tracing his captivity by the Holy Roman Emperor in spite of papal decrees protecting crusaders and Eleanor of Aquitaine's considerable efforts to secure his freedom.

*Devil's Brood* - Sharon Kay Penman 2008-10-07

A breathtaking and sweeping epic of a family at its breaking point, Devil's Brood shows how Henry II and Eleanor of Aquitaine—two monumental figures once bound by all-consuming love—became the bitterest of adversaries... A.D. 1172. Henry II's three eldest sons conspire against him and align themselves with his greatest enemy, King Louis of France, but it's Eleanor of Aquitaine's involvement in the plot to overthrow her husband that proves to be the harshest betrayal. As a

royal family collapses and a marriage ends in all but name, the clash between these two strong-willed and passionate souls will have far-reaching and devastating consequences throughout Christendom.

**Money, Money, Money** - Ed McBain 2001-10-19

It is Christmas in the city, but it isn't the giving season. A retired Gulf War pilot, a careless second-story man, a pair of angry Mexicans, and an equally shady pair of Secret Service agents are in town after a large stash of money, and no one is interested in sharing. The detectives at the 87th are already busy for the holidays. Steve Carella and Fat Ollie Weeks catch the squeal when the lions in the city zoo get an unauthorized feeding of a young woman's body. And then there's a trash can stuffed with a book salesman carrying a P-38 Walther and a wad of big bills. The bad bills and the dead book salesman lead to the offices of a respected publisher, Wadsworth and Dodds. This is good news for Fat Ollie, because he's working on a police novel -- one written by a real cop -- and he's sure it's going to be a bestseller.

**The Pirate's Daughter** - Robert Girardi 2008-12-10

It began with a chance meeting and led to a date at a small French restaurant in a city by the sea. She ordered expensive wine. He paid the bill. She spoke of the sea. He was haunted by her green eyes and copper-colored skin. Then, in a matter of weeks, the woman named Cricket Page would lead Wilson Lander away from the moorings of his familiar life, away from his relationship with a successful businesswoman and onto a tycoon's yacht called the Compound Interest--for a journey across the great Sargasso Sea. Coming ashore in a world of searing mystery and danger, Lander will pay the price for his unquenchable desire for Cricket Page, for their moments of stolen pleasure and her cryptic promises of a life of luxury together. For she is a pirate's daughter, and in an exotic land exploding with cruelty and violence, populated by maniacs and plunderers, Wilson Lander must escape the woman who has stolen his heart--and given him his freedom. . . .

King's Ransom - Suzanne Brockmann 2020-12-07

New, never-before-published full-length novel First published December 2020 Tall, Dark & Dangerous/SEAL Team Ten #13 Hero: Navy SEAL LT

(jg) Thomas King Heroine: Tasha Francisco Tropes: Childhood friends to lovers Snowbound/trapped in close quarters The book that readers have been waiting for. In Frisco's Kid, Tasha Francisco was a strong-willed, independent child, thrown into the temporary care of her Navy SEAL uncle, Alan "Frisco" Francisco. Years older, but still just a kid himself, Thomas King lived nearby. Tasha took one look and declared she'd marry him someday. Thomas wasn't quite so sure about that. Now Tasha's a strong-willed, independent young woman, and Thomas is an officer and a hospital corpsman with SEAL Team Ten. When Tasha's Uncle Alan asks Thomas for a favor—to help keep his niece safe as she travels to a remote ski lodge with her wealthy boyfriend's royal family—Thomas grimly accepts his role as Tasha's bodyguard. But things go horribly, terribly wrong, and Thomas and Tasha find themselves alone together in the freezing wilderness, on the run from the dangerous men who want her dead. Thomas knows only one thing for sure: He'll sacrifice everything and anything to keep Tasha safe. (92K words or 300 pages)

*Oxford Bookworms Library: Stage 5: King's Ransom Audio CD Pack* - 2008-01-10

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**King's Ransom** - Sharon Sala 2021-01-11

Get swept away in the action and thrills of this heart-pounding classic romantic suspense by New York Times bestselling author Sharon Sala. The nightmare was always the same: The sudden awareness that she wasn't alone. The odor of sweat and alcohol. The rough, ugly words. And the knife. In real life Jesse LeBeau had fought off her attacker with his own knife, but the terrifying memory remained, along with the cuts on her hands and the threat of another attack—until one day she looked up from her hospital bed and saw the dark-haired, dark-eyed cowboy who'd always been like a brother to her. The minute King McCandless saw Jesse's face, he decided to bring her back to Oklahoma. No way was he leaving her alone in St. Louis with a madman on the loose. Back home on the sprawling Double M Ranch, Jesse realized that she was still in danger, just from a different direction. As much as she hated the thought, she knew she couldn't stay much longer. She couldn't pretend

that King was her big brother anymore, because the truth was that she wanted this man—heart, body and soul. Previously published.

**King's Ransom** - Diana Palmer 1993-10

**King's Ransom and Nate** - Sharon Sala 2022-01-25

Lives—and hearts—in peril King's Ransom by New York Times bestselling author Sharon Sala Jesse LeBeau had fought off an attacker with his own knife, but the terrifying memory remains. Then she looks up from her hospital bed and sees the handsome cowboy who'd always been like a brother to her. King McCandless is determined to bring Jesse back to Oklahoma and protect her from the threat of another attack. But can Jesse stay when now her heart is in danger? FREE BONUS STORY INCLUDED IN THIS VOLUME! Nate by USA TODAY bestselling author Delores Fossen When Lieutenant Nate Ryland's baby daughter is kidnapped, he finds hope in a surprising ally: Darcy Burkhart, a woman he never thought—never wanted—to see again. But Darcy's son has also been taken and there's nothing that will keep the two from bringing their children home. As they search, Nate finds himself admiring the woman he once considered his greatest opponent—and desiring her in a way he never would have thought possible. New York Times Bestselling Author Sharon Sala

**The Lost Gutenberg** - Margaret Leslie Davis 2021-06-01

"A lively tale of historical innovation, the thrill of the bibliophile's hunt, greed and betrayal." - The New York Times Book Review "An addictive and engaging look at the 'competitive, catty and slightly angst-ridden' heart of the world of book collecting." - The Houston Chronicle The never-before-told story of one extremely rare copy of the Gutenberg Bible, and its impact on the lives of the fanatical few who were lucky enough to own it. For rare-book collectors, an original copy of the Gutenberg Bible--of which there are fewer than 50 in existence--represents the ultimate prize. Here, Margaret Leslie Davis recounts five centuries in the life of one copy, from its creation by Johannes Gutenberg, through the hands of monks, an earl, the Worcestershire sauce king, and a nuclear physicist to its ultimate resting place, in a steel

vault in Tokyo. Estelle Doheny, the first woman collector to add the book to her library and its last private owner, tipped the Bible onto a trajectory that forever changed our understanding of the first mechanically printed book. The Lost Gutenberg draws readers into this incredible saga, immersing them in the lust for beauty, prestige, and knowledge that this rarest of books sparked in its owners. Exploring books as objects of obsession across centuries, this is a must-read for history buffs, book collectors, seekers of hidden treasures, and anyone who has ever craved a remarkable book--and its untold stories.

*FRISCO'S KID* - Suzanne Brockmann 2016-05-16

New York Times and USA TODAY bestselling author Suzanne Brockmann has thrilled audiences with her Tall, Dark and Dangerous series.

Experience it here with a hero who must face the most daring adventure of all—falling in love. His body may heal, but his heart is another story... Being a Navy SEAL is more than a career to Alan "Frisco" Francisco—it's his whole identity. But when a severe injury threatens Frisco's ability to function in combat, he's determined to achieve a full recovery. But the unexpected appearance of his abandoned niece leaves Frisco with little time for anything but dealing with the five-year-old girl. He knows even less about parenting than he does about how to mend his broken body. And there's no way he's going to accept offers of help from his interfering neighbor, Mia Summerton. He doesn't need anyone's help. Not to care for his niece, not to accept his limitations and certainly not to fall in love.

**King's Country** - Marie Johnston 2021-06-07

I've been the wicked witch of King's Creek since I was eight years old, from my angry red hair down to my ball-busting boots. With a mean drunk for a daddy who left nothing but insults and unpaid bills in his wake, was there ever any other fate? Now his passing has left me one bad turn from losing my land to the neighbors my family's been feuding with for generations. So of course it's Dawson King who comes to my rescue in the middle of a snowstorm. But I don't care how good he looks in a pair of Wranglers, or how much he spoils my horse, or how great of a cook he is. The Kings already have everything—money, looks, and charm.

Dawson's not getting my heart too. \*\*\* I'm living my dream, I admit it. I took over the family ranch from my dad and grew it into the envy of Montana. I have the best views, the best employees, and the respect of the entire town. The only thing I don't have is someone to share my dream with. So when my neighbor breaks her leg and nearly freezes to death, I all but kidnap her back to my place to recover. We grew up less than a mile apart, but we couldn't be in more different places now. Bristol's had nothing but pride for so long, it's hard to get close to her—and I want to get very close. I don't care if the whole town loves me, I'm only interested in earning the love of one woman. But for a guy who's got the world at his feet, Bristol's heart might be out of my reach. For readers who also like Ann Mayburn, Carly Phillips, Carrie Ann Ryan, Cat Johnson, Catherine Cowles, Chelle Bliss, Cherise Sinclair, Cheyenne McCray, Claudia Burgoa, Debra Holt, Devney Perry, Diana Palmer, Esther E. Schmidt, Genevieve Turner, Helen Hardt, Jane Henry, Janet Dailey, Jeanne St. James, Jenna Jacob, Jennifer Ryan, Julia Sykes, Kennedy Fox, Kim Loraine, Lani Lynn Vale, Lauren Blakely, Lauren Landish, Laylah Roberts, Lexi Blake, Linda Lael Miller, Lindsay McKenna, Lorelei James, Lori Wilde, Maisy Yates, Max Monroe, Melissa Foster, Nicole Snow, Renee Rose, Samantha Madisen, Shayla Black, Sophie Oak, Stephanie Rowe, Susan Stoker, Vi Keeland, Vivian Arend, Willa Nash, Willow Winters, Zoe York, Erin Wright, Laramie Briscoe, Kylie Gilmore, Kait Nolan, Tracy Alvarez, Lili Valente, Vanessa Vale, Tawdra Kandle, Colleen Hoover, Maya Banks, Penelope Sky, Kendall Ryan, Kennedy Fox, Chelle Bliss, Sarina Bowen, Penelope Ward, Marie Force, Melissa Foster, Kristen Proby, Devney Perry, Susan Stoker, Tessa Bailey, Jana Aston, Sally Thorne, Christina Lauren, Elle Kennedy, Julia Kent, Sylvia Day, K.A. Linde, Jessica Hawkins, Rachel VanDyken, Jodi Ellen Malpas, L.J. Shen, Natasha Madison, Emily Henry, Corrine Michaels, and Kylie Scott. romance books, contemporary romance, small town, best friends, cowboy romance, western romance, marriage and family, series starter, romance series, romance saga, romantic family saga, bestseller romance, steamy, sexy, heartwarming, heart-warming, family, love, love books, kissing books, emotional journey, captivating

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King's Price - Jackie Ashenden 2018-10-01

His marriage deal... Her sexual awakening! Unscrupulous businessman Leon King is going legit. A calculated marriage to the daughter of a wealthy Sydney philanthropist could help redeem his family's reputation. But Vita Hamilton has her own scandal to shake: a decade-old sex tape that still haunts her. Getting emotionally involved with Vita will cost Leon dearly. With their intense sexual connection, is it a price this King is willing to pay? "Dare is Harlequin's hottest line yet. Every book should come with a free fan. I dare you to try them!" —Tiffany Reisz, international bestselling author

*The Mystery of the King's Ransom* - Helen Moss 2013-05-02

When a young prince is kidnapped while on a school camping trip in Castle Key, Scott, Jack, Emily and Drift are eager to take on the case. Drift's clever nose is sure to sniff out some clues to the kidnappers - but can the friends rescue the hostage in time?

**The Mad King** - Edgar Rice Burroughs 2012-07-14

A young American is mistaken for a mad king and the adventure begins! A story of action and intrigue and a noble hero!

Lionheart - Sharon Kay Penman 2011-10-04

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER "The great Crusader king Richard the Lionheart comes alive in all his complex splendor in this masterpiece of medieval tapestry."—Margaret George A.D. 1189. After the death of his father, Henry II, and the early demise of two of his brothers, Richard is crowned King of England and immediately sets off for the Holy Land. This is the Third Crusade, marked by internecine warfare among the

Christians and extraordinary campaigns against the Saracens. Richard's surviving brother, the younger John, is left behind—and conspires with the French king to steal his brother's throne. Only their mother, Eleanor of Aquitaine, now freed from decades of captivity, remains to protect Richard's interests and secure his destiny. In this engrossing saga, Sharon Kay Penman delivers a novel of passion, intrigue, battle, and deceit. Lionheart is a sweeping tale of a heroic figure—feared by his enemies and beloved by those he commanded—who became a legend in his own lifetime. "[Sharon Kay] Penman displays her usual grasp of sweeping historical events as well as an uncanny ability to get inside the hearts and minds of her real-life characters. Her reputation for character-driven, solidly detailed historicals is richly deserved."—Booklist "The beautifully described settings and the characters' interactions are simply outstanding."—The Historical Novels Review "Penman takes historical writing to a whole new level."—The Sacramento Bee "[A] gritty, unsentimental, and richly detailed epic."—Publishers Weekly Don't miss the exclusive conversation between Sharon Kay Penman and Margaret George at the back of the book.

**The Blackboard Jungle** - Evan Hunter 2017-06-13

The "shocking" and "suspense-packed" bestseller about one teacher's stand against student violence, and the basis for the Academy Award-nominated film (The New York Times Book Review). After serving his country in World War II, Richard Dadier decides to become an English teacher—and for the sin of wanting to make a difference, he's hired at North Manual Trades High School. A tough vocational school in the East Bronx, Manual Trades is home to angry, unruly teenagers exiled from New York City's regular public schools. On his first day, Dadier endures relentless mockery and ridicule and makes an enemy of the student body by rescuing a female colleague from a vicious attack. His fellow educators are bitter, disillusioned, and too afraid of their pupils to risk turning their backs on them in the classroom. But Dadier refuses to give up without a fight. Over the course of the semester, he tries again and again to break through the wall of hatred and scorn and win his students' respect. The more he learns about their difficult circumstances,

the more convinced he becomes that a good teacher can make a difference in their lives. His idealism will be put to the ultimate test, however, when a long-simmering power struggle with his most intimidating student explodes into a violent schoolroom showdown. The basis for the blockbuster film starring Glenn Ford and Sidney Poitier, Evan Hunter's *The Blackboard Jungle* is a brutal, unflinching look at the dark side of American education and an early masterpiece from the author who went on to write the gritty 87th Precinct series as Ed McBain. Drawn from Hunter's own experiences as a New York City schoolteacher, it is a "nightmarish but authentic" drama that packs a knockout punch (Time).

[A King's Ransom](#) - Jude Watson 2011

After seven members of their family are kidnapped by an organization called the Vespers, Dan and Amy Cahill must race against time to track down an ancient map to pay as ransom to bring the hostages home.

**Jack Hammer: King's Ransom** - Ken James 2018-12-02

Love is his only weapon Alex King has a promising life, with rich parents, an outstanding college career, and a sexy new boyfriend. That's all shattered when a masked gunman kidnaps Alex and murders his boyfriend. Alex's world suddenly narrows to a basement cell. His only hope is to make his jailer--the killer's straight son--fall in love with him. Jack Hammer has just returned to Austin from a long dangerous undercover assignment when he's summoned to the Kings' palatial residence. His mission--rescue Alex before it's too late. And stay alive. Introducing hard-boiled gay private investigator Jack Hammer.

**King's Ransom** - Ed McBain 1995

When a wealthy businessman is faced with a kidnapping, the ransom could ruin his biggest deal ever ? unless Detective Steve Carella can find the culprits before the kidnapping turns to murder. McBain has the ability to make every character believable ? which few writers these days can do. ? Associated Press McBain forces us to think twice about every character we meet?even those we thought we already knew." ? New York Times Book Review

**A King's Ransom: Plantagenets Book 5** - Sharon Penman 2014-03-01

Travelling home from the crusades, Richard was shipwrecked off the coast of Austria, after an encounter with pirates. Richard should have been under the Church's protection, but in Outremer he had given the Duke of Austria good reason to loathe him and he was captured. He was immediately claimed by the Holy Roman Emperor, who also bore a grudge against the captive English king. Richard was to spend fifteen months imprisoned. For a man of his fiery nature, it was truly shameful. His mother, Eleanor of Aquitaine, began to move heaven and earth to raise a staggering ransom, travelling to Germany herself to buy the release of her favourite son. But it was not to be that easy. At the eleventh hour, Heinrich announced that he had had a better offer from the French king, Philippe, and Richard's own treacherous brother, John, offering Heinrich an even larger sum to continue Richard's captivity - or to turn him over to their tender mercies.

*King's Ransom* - Marie Johnston 2020-03-24

It was supposed to be a simple case of revenge: get to know King Tech owner and CEO Beckett King, learn his secrets, and ruin his life like he ruined my brother's. But Beckett King offers me a deal I can't refuse. Not only does he want me to pretend to be engaged to him, he needs to marry me to get his grandmother off his back. And at the end of the year, we can go our separate ways, only I'll be a whole lot richer. I won't fall for his irresistible good looks, or that aw, shucks country-boy charm he still possesses from growing up on a ranch. I'm smarter than that. He has a lesson to learn and I'm the best one to teach him. But that's the tricky thing with revenge. It doesn't always go as planned.

[Jake Ransom and the Skull King's Shadow](#) - James Rollins 2009

Connecticut middle-schooler Jake and his older sister Kady are transported by a Mayan artifact to a strange world inhabited by a mix of people from long-lost civilizations who are threatened by prehistoric creatures and an evil alchemist, the Skull King.

[Amazing Spider-Man By Nick Spencer Vol. 14](#) - Nick Spencer 2021-09-01  
Collects *Amazing Spider-Man* (2018) #66-69, *Giant-Size Amazing Spider-Man: Chameleon Conspiracy* (2021) #1. One of Spider-Man's deadliest and most deceptive enemies returns! The master of disguise known as

the Chameleon is about to make the biggest play of his villainous career - and to get to the bottom of this conspiracy, Spidey will need to team up with his super-spy sister, Teresa! But with two sets of Parker luck working against them, will they stand a chance against the anarchic alliance the Chameleon has formed with the Foreigner, Chance and Jack O' Lantern? Prepare for an unpredictable, revelatory tale that fans of the web-slinger dare not miss as Nick Spencer's high-octane saga takes its next dramatic twist!

**King's Ransom** - Jane Henry 2021

He'll make me call him daddy. He'll demand my obedience. Drive me to my knees. I've been in love with Stefan Morozov for as long as I can remember. He's fearless. Powerful. A vicious leader of the Bratva underworld. And he barely notices my existence. That is, until the day I see something I shouldn't. The day the man I love makes me his prisoner. The day my love turns to hate...

**Aunt Dimity and The King's Ransom** - Nancy Atherton 2018-07-24

In the 23rd installment of the bestselling Aunt Dimity series, a dark and

stormy night kicks off a ghost chase in rural England On a dull and dreary October day, Lori Shepherd and her husband Bill set off for the historic town of Rye, on the southeast coast of England, for a quiet weekend together without the kids. Bill must first pay a visit to a reclusive client--but after Lori drops him off, a powerful storm drives her off course and leaves her stranded in an ancient, rambling inn called The King's Ransom. When Lori is spooked by ghostly noises in the night, Aunt Dimity reminds her rather tartly that not all ghosts intend to harm the living. But the longer Lori is stuck at the inn, the stranger things seem. She learns that the inn was once a hangout for smugglers, and that it's riddled with secret tunnels the smugglers used to reach a network of hidden caves. Then there's the inn's cook--a brawny, gruff ex-con--who seems to have a beef with a mysterious French guest. Are the noises Lori hears made by the spirits of long dead smugglers? Or should she be more worried by the inn's living inhabitants? Joining forces with her new friend Bishop Wyndham, and guided by Aunt Dimity's wise counsel, Lori sets out to discover once and for all who--or what--is haunting The King's Ransom.