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### ***The Wild Children***

by Felice Holman

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In the perilous aftermath of the Russian Revolution, twelve-year-old Alex finds himself alone and destitute in the wintry streets of Moscow—for his family has been snatched by the sinister secret police. The boy is soon drawn into the warmth and security of a ragged band of children bent on survival: Peter the natural leader; Ivan the clown; little Mishka, eager to learn his letters. From this new family Alex learns that love, hope and companionship can exist in the darkest of places. A touching tribute to the endurance of the human spirit.



### ***Voices on the Wind***

by Evelyn Anthony

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Kate Alfurd had a reputation for living in the past: in her quiet Sussex village her stories of working for the French Resistance seemed both farfetched and remote. Even in Kate's own mind the details were beginning to blur, until a stranger came into her life and forced her to relive those terrible days when she not only lost her lover, but far more besides. . . . Then, with the stranger, she returns to the south of France and discovers the startling truth behind those distant events.

A novel of taut suspense and poignant love from one of Britain's most exciting thriller writers.



### ***Diary of a Medical Nobody***

by Kenneth Lane

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In the late twenties Dr. Kenneth Lane, newly qualified and mortgaged up to the hilt, set off for a small Somerset town to become a GP. From shaky beginnings, when no one wanted to be treated by this enthusiastic yet inexperienced young doctor, Kenneth Lane built up a popular, thriving practice. And what a colourful bunch of patients they were—from a practical joker who concealed his symptoms, to honeymooners who battled against pneumonia in a gipsy caravan.

A charming, true story of a family practice before penicillin and the NHS.

### ***A Dinner of Herbs***

by Catherine Cookson

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For as long as she could remember Mary Ellen Lee had been set on capturing Roddy Greenbank's heart. Yet burning ambition lures Roddy away from his remote Northumberland home and his childhood friends, maybe for ever. Roddy, Mary Ellen and their loyal companion Hal Roystan, who harbours a legacy of hatred that neither love nor success can temper, stand at the heart of this powerful story; three characters whose lives are intertwined by an inexorable fate.

Bestselling author Catherine Cookson's gritty new novel is a dramatic exploration of unbridled passion.

