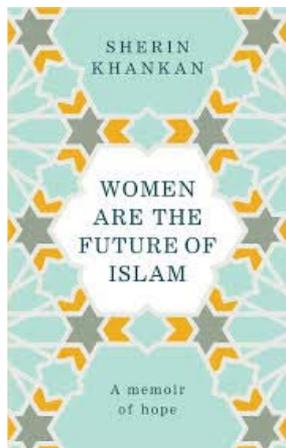


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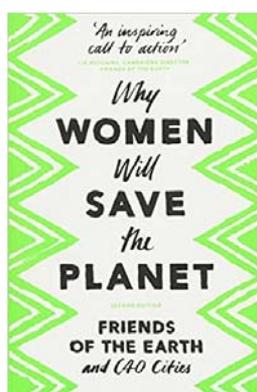
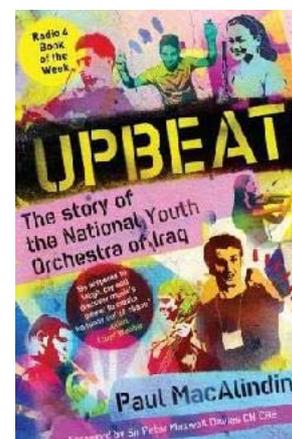


WOMEN ARE THE FUTURE OF ISLAM: A Memoir of Hope Sherin Khankan £12.99

A remarkable woman challenges the idea that Islam should be defined by masculinity and conservatism. Named one of the BBC's 100 Women of 2016, Sherin Khankan is one of the very few female imams in the Western World. In addition she has founded the first mosque for women in Europe. In her revelatory book, she addresses such issues as the place for modern women in Islam, fundamentalism, radical Islamic groups, Islamic divorce, Sufism...and she also describes her own personal journey as a female Muslim activist. *Women Are The Future of Islam* shines a feminist light on a gentler, more inclusive, more liberal – but also fully engaged – side of Islam that we rarely see in the West. It's an eye-opening, highly topical read.

UPBEAT: The story of the National Youth Orchestra of Iraq Paul MacAlindin £9.99

The story of the National Youth Orchestra of Iraq is here told by its musical director from its inception, by young musicians seeking stimulation and connection through music, to its eventual end. The NYOI came through the most difficult and dangerous of times to produce fine music not only in Iraq but also in Britain, Germany and France. A beacon of hope and achievement, the young musicians and their tutors made bridges across their own ethnic divisions, made great music in the most trying and tragic of circumstances and became their country's best ambassadors in 5000 years. This inspiring and fascinating tale is a new perspective on a decade-old political situation, and a story of hope.



WHY WOMEN WILL SAVE THE PLANET Friends of the Earth and C40 Cities £9.99

Big cities don't have to mean a dystopian future. They can be turned around to be powerhouses of well-being and environmental sustainability – if we empower women. This book is a unique collaboration between C40 – the global network of cities committed to addressing climate change – and Friends of the Earth, showcasing pioneering city mayors, key voices in the environmental and feminist movements and academics. The essays collectively demonstrate both the need for women's empowerment for climate action and the powerful change it can bring. A rallying call – for the planet, for women, for everyone.

WOUNDING THE WORLD: How Military Violence and War-Play Invasions Our Lives

Joanna Bourke £12.99

Wars are frequently justified 'in our name'. Militarist values and practices permeate our language, invade our dream space, entertain us at the movies or in front of game consoles. Our taxes pay for those war machines. Our loved ones are killed and maimed. We hear a great deal about the horror of the battlefield, but Bourke acknowledges wider truths: war is unending and violence is deeply entrenched in our society. But it doesn't have to be this way. This book equips readers with an understanding of the history, culture and politics of warfare in order to interrogate and resist an increasingly violent world.





FACTFULNESS: Ten reasons we're wrong about the world – and why things are better than you think

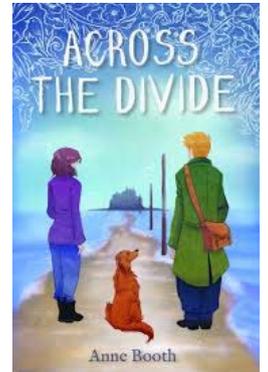
Hans Rosling £12.99

When asked simple questions about global trends – why the world's population is increasing; how many young women go to school; how many of us live in poverty – we systematically get the answers wrong. *Factfulness* offers a radical new explanation of why this happens, and reveals the ten instincts that distort our perspective. Inspiring and revelatory, filled with lively anecdotes and moving stories, *Factfulness* is an urgent and essential book that will change the way you see the world.

ACROSS THE DIVIDE

Anne Booth £6.99

14-year-old Olivia is stuck in the middle of a horrible row which threatens to tear apart her family, her friendships and her community. Should she join the army cadets? How can she negotiate between her peace activist mum, her Quaker best friend and her ex-military granddad? When her mum is arrested on a protest, Olivia doesn't want to be packed off to stay with her dad – but while visiting the island of Lindisfarne she meets a strange young man, caught between war and peace, who may help her decide what to do.



THE DAY WAR CAME

Nicola Davies & Rebecca Cobb £10.00

Imagine if, on an ordinary day, war came. Imagine it turned your town to rubble. Imagine going on a long and difficult journey – all alone. Imagine finding no welcome at the end of it. Then imagine a child who gives you something small but very, very precious... When the government refused to allow 3000 child refugees to enter this country in 2016, Nicola Davies started a campaign which became this book, a powerful aid for explaining the ongoing crisis to younger readers.

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