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Heatwaves in April, monsoons in June and July - forget about the weather and find consolation in a good book.

Our new recommended [titles](#) are ON CHESIL BEACH by Ian McEwan, THE INHERITANCE OF LOSS by Kiran Desai and our Book of the Month is LIFE CLASS by Pat Barker.

Read our [interview](#) with Pat Barker.

Our [guest review](#) is SALT by Jeremy Page written by the Paston Pals, one of our registered groups from Norfolk, where the novel is set.

See our [competition](#) page to win copies of LIFE CLASS and ON CHESIL BEACH.

Congratulations to the 30 winners of [SALT AND HONEY](#) by Candi Miller (too numerous to mention!).

See our fantastic [Virgin Wines offer](#) and receive a £20 introductory wine voucher for every member of your group!

Also see our [offers](#) page for free books. Please first [register](#) your group. You only need to do this once!

Our [Bookgroup of the Month](#) is the Shore Connection from Aberdeenshire.

Fill in the [questionnaire](#) if you'd like to be a BGoTM.

Our group with a [problem](#) is after some men. Can you help?

Applications for the Penguin/Orange Broadband Readers' Group of the Year are now closed. The winner will be announced at the end of August.

In this month's Radio 4 [Bookclub](#) Germaine Greer discussed THE FEMALE EUNUCH, the book that became a landmark in the history of the women's movement. Remember you can "listen again" online.

Congratulations to Chimamanda Ngozie Adichie who has won The [Orange Broadband Prize](#) for HALF OF A YELLOW SUN. See our [review](#) of this fantastic ex Book of the Month.

The International [IMPAC Dublin Literary Award](#) 2007 has been won by Per Petterson for OUT STEALING HORSES. The winner was the only translated book in a formidable shortlist. We also championed it as a previous Book of the Month. Read our [review](#) of this impeccable novel.

This year's [Small Wonder Short Story Festival](#) 19th – 23rd September has another fantastic line-up of authors in the beautiful setting of Charleston in East Sussex.

Can reading make you thin? Apparently, but the downside is you have to read Jilly Cooper for it to work! [Read more.](#)

Would you buy a house with a resident bookgroup? An historic rectory in Dorset is on the market for £700,000 and the deeds include a clause that a thriving bookgroup must be allowed to continue to meet there. Read [more.](#)

Read an [interview](#) with Michael Rosen who has been made the fifth Children's Laureate.

The Reading Agency is working with library services across England to set up 20 [Book Bars](#) where young people will be able to enjoy and share their reading with friends and peers.

More on children's literature - the [2007 CILIP Carnegie Awards](#) have been announced with Meg Rosoff

and Mini Grey as winners. And to celebrate 70 years of the prize Philip Pullman has been awarded the [Carnegie of Carnegies](#) for NORTHERN LIGHTS.

Many thanks to all of you have emailed us to thank us for helping with setting up your group and making your reading choices. Please do remember to forward the newsletter to other members of your group so that they can take advantage of the offers and competitions.

Please note that there will be no newsletter in August.

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