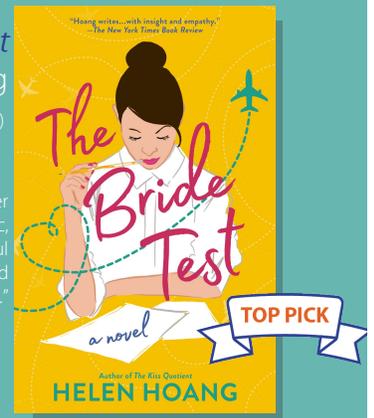




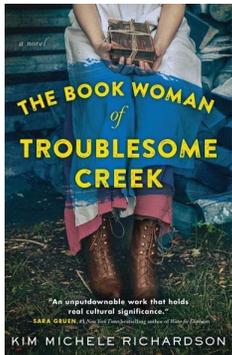
*The Bride Test*  
by Helen Hoang  
(Berkley Jove)

"On the autism spectrum, Khai doesn't feel anything for anyone. His mother recruits Esme, a young Vietnamese woman, to marry him. A realistic, humorous romance that reveals the slow path to love and a meaningful relationship. For those who loved *The Kiss Quotient*, *The Rosie Project*, and *The Wedding Date*."

—Jessica C. Williams, Tiffin-Seneca Public Library, Tiffin, OH  
NovelList read-alike: *A Bollywood Affair* by Sonali Dev



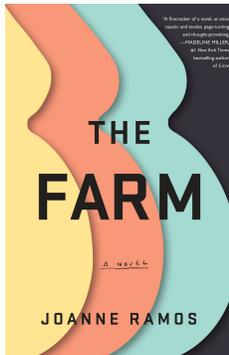
May 2019 - The top ten books published this month that librarians across the country love.



*The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek*  
A Novel  
by Kim Michele Richardson

(Sourcebooks Landmark)  
"Blue-skinned Cussie brings books via horseback to rural, racially intolerant Kentucky in the 1930s. Her efforts demonstrate that people crave intellectual stimulation even when they are poverty stricken in a food desert. For fans of Sandra Dallas and Lee Smith."

—Courtenay Reece, Millville Public Library, Millville, NJ  
NovelList read-alike: *Over the Plain Houses* by Julia Franks



*The Farm*  
A Novel  
by Joanne Ramos

(Random House)  
"What sounds like an easy way to make money while indulging in a spa-like oasis propels young pregnancy surrogates into ethically complex decisions, racial inequities, and new friendships. For those who loved *The Handmaid's Tale* and *Future Home of the Living God*."

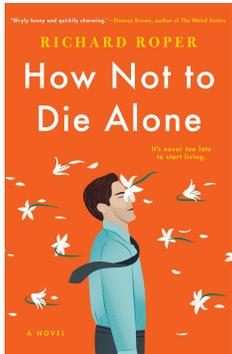
—Jessica Sweedler DeHart, Neill Public Library, Pullman, WA  
NovelList read-alike: *A River of Stars* by Vanessa Hua



*The Flatshare*  
A Novel  
by Beth O'Leary

(Flatiron Books)  
"In this entertaining and humorous romance, Tiffany and Leon share a flat, but have never met. Who says you can't fall in love if your only communication has been through Post-It notes? For fans of *Bridget Jones's Diary* and *Josh and Hazel's Guide to Not Dating*."

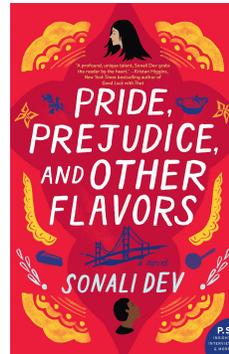
—Kelly Moore, Carrollton Public Library, Carrollton, TX  
NovelList read-alike: *Attachments* by Rainbow Rowell



*How Not to Die Alone*  
by Richard Roper  
(G.P. Putnam's Sons)

"Andrew's Council job is finding people to pay for funerals for the recently deceased, and he seems bound to a similar lonely destiny. When lively Peggy joins the staff, he begins to wonder if there's more to life than model trains. Give to fans of Jojo Moyes, Nick Hornby, and Gail Honeyman."

—Jennifer Knight, North Olympic Public Library System, Port Angeles, WA  
NovelList read-alike: *Terms & Conditions* by Robert Glancy



*Pride, Prejudice, and Other Flavors*  
A Novel  
by Sonali Dev

(William Morrow Paperbacks)  
"Trisha Raje is a talented neurosurgeon, from an immigrant Indian family, descended from royalty. When she meets a patient's brother, we embark on a classic tale of enemies to lovers. With likable characters and an appealing story line, I highly recommend this book. For readers who enjoyed *Pride and Prejudice* and *The Wedding Party*."

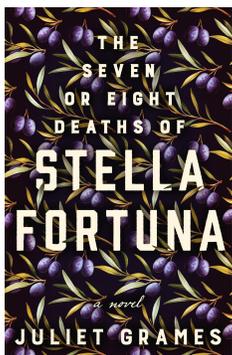
—Ellen Firer, Merrick Library, Merrick, NY  
NovelList read-alike: *Unmarriageable* by Soniah Kamal



*Red, White & Royal Blue*  
A Novel  
by Casey McQuiston

(St. Martin's Griffin)  
"First Son Alex Claremont-Diaz is in his last semester of university and has an antagonistic relationship with Prince Henry of Wales. But friendship and then love blossoms when they are forced to pretend to be buddies after an embarrassing altercation. For fans of a good rom-com."

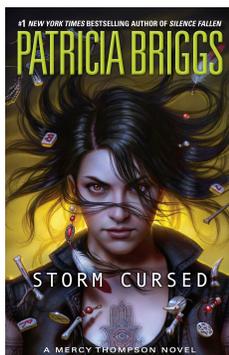
—Nita Gill, Brookings Public Library, Brookings, SD  
NovelList read-alike: *The Royal We* by Heather Cocks & Jessica Morgan



*The Seven or Eight Deaths of Stella Fortuna*  
A Novel  
by Juliet Games

(Ecco)  
"The life story of Italian-American Stella Fortuna is told through an interesting conceit, the times she nearly died. We follow her through an impoverished childhood in rural Italy, coming to America as a teenager, and finally wife, mother, and widow in suburban Connecticut. For fans of *The Stars Are Fire* and *Daughter of Fortune*."

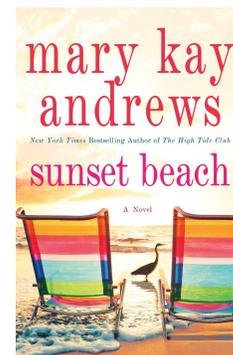
—Celia Morse, Berkley Public Library, Berkley, MA  
NovelList read-alike: *The Boston Girl* by Anita Diamant



*Storm Cursed*  
by Patricia Briggs  
(Ace)

"Mercy Thompson has opened her garage again and is trying to get back to normal. Now that the Tri-Cities is neutral ground, all kinds of supernatural beings are heading her way. If you're a Briggs fan, you're going to love this book and look forward to the next. For fans of the Walker Papers and Weather Warden series."

—Helen Imre, Franklin Township Public Library, Somerset, NJ  
NovelList read-alike: *The Jane Yellowrock* novels by Faith Hunter



*Sunset Beach*  
A Novel  
by Mary Kay Andrews  
(St. Martin's Press)

"After her mother's death, Drue Campbell inherits her grandparent's beach cottage in Sunset Beach, Florida where she takes a job with her estranged father who is married to her high school frenemy. For readers who enjoyed *The Identicals* and *Life's a Beach*."

—Evelyn Janoch, Rocky River Public Library, Rocky River, OH  
NovelList read-alike: *The Perfect Couple* by Elin Hilderbrand