

INDIGO LAST MINUTE GIFT GUIDE: HEATHER'S HOLIDAY BOOK PICKS, TOP KID'S TOYS AND 101 GIFT IDEAS

TORONTO (December 11, 2013) – Just in time for the holidays, Indigo (TSX: IDG), Canada's leading purveyor of books, toys, home decor, ideas and inspiration is delighted to announce its last minute gift guide including: [Heather's Holiday Book Picks](#), [Top Kid's Toys](#) and [101 Gift Ideas](#).

Indigo CEO and Chief Booklover Heather Reisman's new favourites are a selection of uplifting and inspiring titles covering fiction, non-fiction, teen and kids. From *Longbourn* by Jo Baker, the story of *Pride and Prejudice* retold from below-the-stairs, to *The Man with the Violin* by Kathy Stinson, a moving tale of a young boy who helps his mom slow down to find a moment of wonder in a fast-paced world – these books are certain to make the perfect gift for any reader on your holiday list.

Fiction

[Longbourn](#) by Jo Baker – A brilliantly imagined, irresistible below-stairs answer to *Pride and Prejudice*: a story of the romance, intrigue and drama among the servants of the Bennet household, a triumphant tale of defying society's expectations, and an illuminating glimpse of working-class lives in Regency England.

[The Goldfinch](#) by Donna Tartt – A novel of shocking narrative energy and power, *The Goldfinch* combines unforgettably vivid characters, mesmerizing language, and breathtaking suspense, while plumbing with a philosopher's calm the deepest mysteries of love, identity, and art.

Non Fiction

[The Bully Pulpit](#) by Doris Kearns Goodwin – the story of Teddy Roosevelt, William Howard Taft, and the chaotic, dynamic America they led one hundred years ago: a polarized country, pit-bull reporters, greedy Wall-streeters, and corrupt politicians. Change the names and dates and this would be a book about modern politics – every page is relevant to the challenges, issues, and frustrations of today.

[I Am Malala](#) by Malala Yousafzai – On October 9, 2012 a beautiful young Pakistani girl, who loved nothing more than to go to school and learn, was shot in the face at close range by a Taliban assassin. Her name is Malala Yousafzai. *I am Malala* is an extraordinary story of bravery, passion, and determination told in Malala's own words.

Teens

[Book Thief](#) by Markus Zusak – Liesel Meminger is a foster girl living outside of Munich who scratches out a meager existence for herself by stealing when she encounters something she can't resist – books. With the help of her accordion-playing foster father, she learns to read and shares her stolen books with her neighbours during bombing raids as well as with the Jewish man hidden in her basement.

Kids

[The Man with the Violin](#) by Kathy Stinson – This is a perfect book to share with children from 6 to 8 years old – it's about amazement, beauty, and knowing that there's wisdom in even the smallest child.

[Fortunately, the Milk](#) by Neil Gaiman – Perfect for children 8 to 10, this book is filled with adventure, aliens, time travel and more. Neil Gaiman's *Fortunately, the Milk* is a modern day *Charlie and the*

Chocolate Factory, hilarious, wonderfully weird, and guaranteed to turn any child into a voracious reader.

[Tap the Magic Tree](#) by Christie Matheson – An innovative, refreshing debut picture book about the changing seasons and the magic of turning a page. Matheson invites the reader to tap, rub, touch, and wiggle illustrations to make an apple tree bloom, produce fruit, and lose its leaves.

[Sparkup – The Magical Book Reader](#) – Record any picture book in your own voice or download professional recordings from the web and Sparkup will follow along. Sparkup clips directly onto a recorded picture book and recognizes the front cover and each page, following children as they turn the pages – even out of order.

Beautiful Book

[Genesis](#) by Sebastião Salgado – Salgado has created a collection of images showing nature, animals, and indigenous peoples in breathtaking beauty. Mastering the monochrome with an extreme deftness to rival the virtuoso Ansel Adams, Salgado brings black-and-white photography to a new dimension.

Cookbook

[The Flavour Principle](#) by Lucy Waverman – Organized around eleven distinctive tastes, from spicy to tart to bitter and beyond, *The Flavour Principle* features more than thirty gorgeous menus with complementary – and sometimes surprising – beverage pairings. Covering flavours from all over the world, this cookbook is a journey around the globe.

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Indigo Top Toys of 2013: Unforgettable toys that will make play time imaginative, rewarding and fun. [Indigo's Top Toys](#) List features an incredible selection of unique toys that will ignite discovery in kids of all ages.

Best Books of 2013: Indigo has made giving the gift of books easy this holiday season, whether you're looking for the [Best Books of 2013](#) or books for any [Reader](#) on your list.

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