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### Fiction comes to Rathbone & Indigo

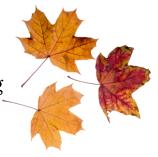
We have now moved some copies of our Quick Reads Collection to the libraries at Rathbone and Indigo. We have also purchased some new titles to keep the collection up to date. "Libraries store the energy that fuels the imagination. They open up windows to the world and inspire us to explore and achieve, and contribute to improving our quality of life" Sidney Sheldon

At Indigo we have created a nice reading corner with soft chairs and the fiction collection for you to browse through.

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Look out for the jigsaws and mindful colouring soon to arrive at Rathbone and Indigo.

Coming soon









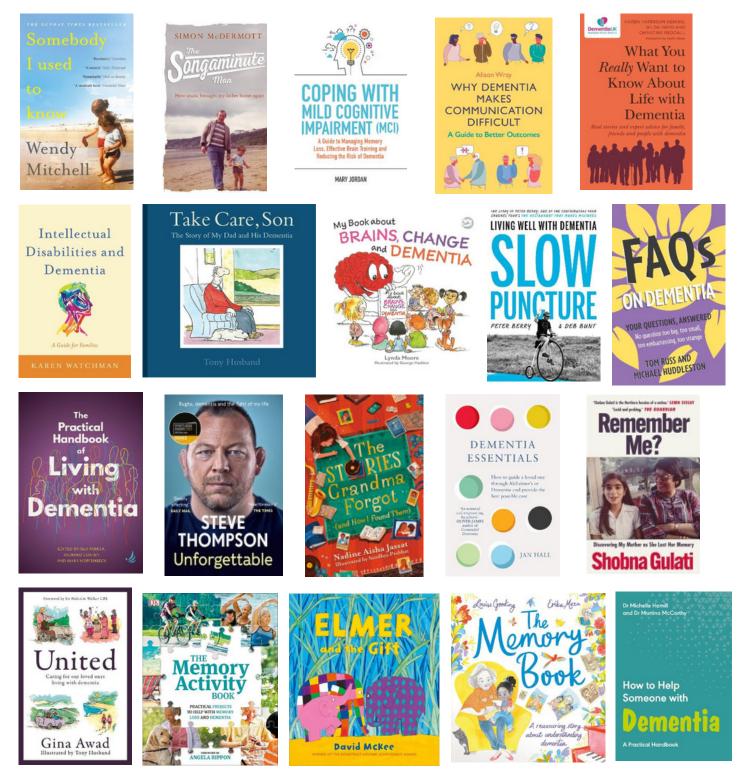
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# **Reading well for Dementia**

Recommended helpful reading for people living with dementia. There are also books for family, friends and carers. The booklist provides reliable information, advice and support as well as personal stories and age-appropriate books for children.



All of these titles are available to loan and can be sent to one of our three libraries for you to collect.



### Spotlight on...

- Do you have an OpenAthens account?
- Do you know what one is?

An OpenAthens account is a single sign-on tool made to easily access lots of library resources and research.

It provides free and full access to:

•Full-text journal articles and certain databases

- •Ways to search for articles & research
- •Point of Care Tools and clinical guidelines

### Did you know....

that if you need evidence to support your work, we can do an Evidence Review for you, ensuring that you have the latest information?

We have done reviews to support a range of work on a variety of topics.

For example, we have produced information to support:

- New policies
- New ways of working
- Current clinical and management practice
- Service development
- Research projects

If you would like us to do an Evidence Review for you, just complete <u>this form</u>.

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#### Evidence Review

Therapeutic lies in dementia care

#### Key messages

- There is a lack of evidence specifically relating to MDTs, but the principles raised should be applied to all staff involved in the use of therapeutic lying with people with dementia.
- There is agreement on a definition of therapeutic lying across all the evidence that includes reference to the patients' best interests [2][3][4][5][6][8].
- Much of the evidence calls for improved training [5][6][7], especially in communication skills [1][4][9], and argues that this may reduce the need for therapeutic lies to be used [1].
- Therapeutic lies should only be used in very specific and pre-agreed scenarios [3][9], and only with the agreement of all carers (including family) and staff [2][3][4][10], although one article [9] disputes the validity of involving family members
- Risk assessments should be carried out in advance of any agreement to use therapeutic lies [3][4] as they may lead to inconsistent care and confused communication strategies [3].
- The details of the therapeutic lies should be documented in care plans and notes, so it is available to all staff [3][4][9][10].
- Details used in the therapeutic lie must be consistent with the patient's previous experience [4] as if the lie was discovered it may be detrimental to the patient [8].





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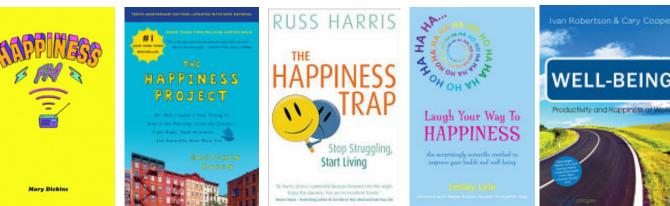
## Puzzle time



Visit https://www.evidentlybetter.org/files/2024/08/Autumn-puzzle-answers.png to find the answers

### **Take 5... books on Happiness**

### chosen by Tracy Owen



Happiness FM Mary Dickins

The happiness project

The happiness trap Gretchen Rubin Russ Harris

Laugh your way to happiness Lesley Lyle

Well-being: Productivity and Happiness at Work Ivan Robertson







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