

Reading

Amazon Tours The Science of Everyday Life by Marty Jopson

Have you ever wondered why ice floats and water is such a freaky liquid? Or why chillies and mustard are both hot but in different ways? This fascinating scientific tour of household objects has the answer to all of these, and many more, baffling questions about the chemistry and physics of the everyday stuff we use every day.

The Disappearing Spoon by Sam Kean

The fascinating tales in this book follow carbon, neon, silicon, gold and every single element on the periodic table as they play out their parts in human history, finance, mythology, conflict, the arts, medicine and the lives of the (frequently) mad scientists who discovered them.

Phosphate Rocks by Fiona Erskine

This book offers the reader two quite different books for the price of one, being a pacy murder mystery which also offers a fascinating insight into the workings of an industrial plant and the chemistry behind the processes involved.

Principles of American Nuclear Chemistry by Thomas McMahon

What was life like for the scientists working at Los Alamos? This novel imagines this life through the wide eyes of the thirteen-year-old son of an MIT physicist who worked on the project. Filled with the sensuous excitement of scientific discovery and the outrageous behaviour of people pushed beyond their limits, this book is a coming-of-age story that explores the mysterious connections between love and work, inspiration and history.

Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus

Smart, funny, joyous and powerful, this book featuring an unconventional female scientist with a quiet game-plan to change the world is undoubtedly one of 2022's most gloriously enjoyable debut novels.