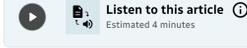




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Heated Rivalry author Rachel Reid has 5 books on the Canadian bestseller list this week

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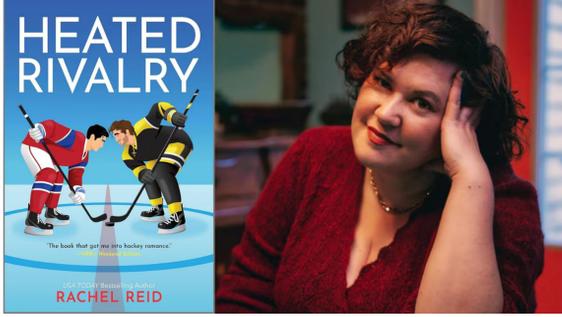
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Here are the bestselling Canadian fiction, nonfiction and children's books from Jan. 10-17.

Bestseller lists are compiled by [Bookmanager](#) using weekly sales stats from more than 260 Canadian independent stores.

Canadian fiction



Heated Rivalry is the second book in the Game Changers series by Rachel Reid. (Carina Press, Caleb Latreille)

Heated Rivalry by Rachel Reid is the No. 1 Canadian fiction title this week and four of her other titles — all part of the same Game Changer series — are in the top 10.

The 2019 romance, from which the hit TV series was adapted, tells the story of a relationship between rival professional hockey players Shane Hollander and Ilya Rozanov. Hollander is a Canadian who plays for the fictional Montreal Voyageurs while the Russian Rozanov plays for the Boston Bears.

They're both at the top of their game but their secret romance, once casual, is starting to feel like something more. As the two become even closer, they are forced to choose between their love of the game and their love of each other.

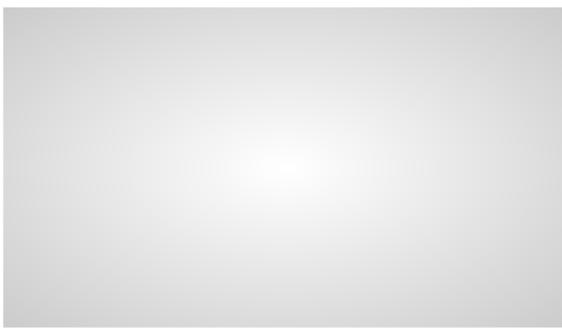
The series adaptation, directed by Montreal filmmaker Jacob Tierney, debuted in November on Crave, and is its most successful original series to date — appealing to a wide range of viewers. *Heated Rivalry* is also on the [Canada Reads 2026 longlist](#).

- [Rachel Reid to publish new Game Changers book this September](#)

See the full Canadian fiction list below:

1. *Heated Rivalry* by Rachel Reid.
2. *Game Changer* by Rachel Reid.
3. *The Long Game* by Rachel Reid.
4. *Pick A Colour* by Souvankham Thammavongsa.
5. *The Black Wolf* by Louise Penny.
6. *Fleshby* David Szalay.
7. *The Paris Express* by Emma Donoghue.
8. *Is This is a Cry for Help?* by Emily Austin.
9. *Role Model* by Rachel Reid.
10. *Tough Guy* by Rachel Reid.

Canadian nonfiction



Book of Lives is a memoir by Margaret Atwood. (McClelland & Stuart, Luis Mora)

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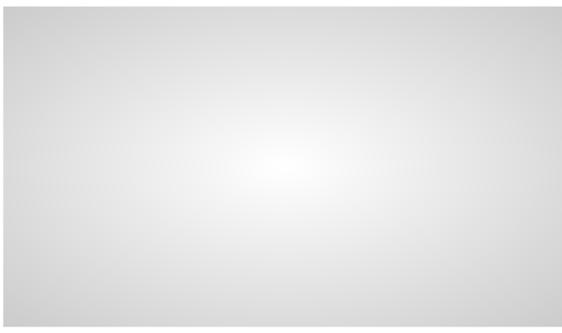
In the memoir, Atwood recounts her early life with her entomologist father and dietitian mother — who spent most of the year in the forest in northern Quebec — her rise to literary stardom and the defining cultural and political moments that shaped her writing. Through her stories, readers will notice the connections between art and real life and get insight into the mind of one of Canada's most celebrated writers.

- [What surprised people about Margaret Atwood's memoir](#)

See the full Canadian nonfiction list below:

1. *Book of Lives* by Margaret Atwood.
2. *The Wealthy Barber* by David Chilton.
3. *One Day, Everyone Will Have Always Been Against This* by Omar El Akkad.
4. *Elbows Up!* edited by Elamin Abdelmahmoud.
5. *Lessons from Cats for Surviving Fascism* by Stewart "Brittlestar" Reynolds.
6. *Sorry, Not Sorry* by Mark Critch.
7. *Values* by Mark Carney.
8. *Vanished Beyond the Map* by Adam Shoalts.
9. *The Smiling Land* by Alan Doyle.
10. *Enshittification* by Cory Doctorow.

Canadian kids



The Paper Bag Princess, written by Robert Munsch and illustrated by Michael Martchenko, celebrates its 40th anniversary in 2020. (Annick Press)

The Paper Bag Princess by Robert Munsch, illustrated by Michael Martchenko, is the No. 1 Canadian kids book this week.

The book, which has rarely left the top 10 since its publication in 1980, tells the story of Princess Elizabeth, who is set to marry Prince Ronald. But when a dragon attacks the castle and kidnaps Ronald, Elizabeth must do what she can to save her prince. The delightful story proves you can be both a princess and a hero.

- [The stories will be the last thing to go: Robert Munsch on his legacy as one of Canada's great storytellers](#)

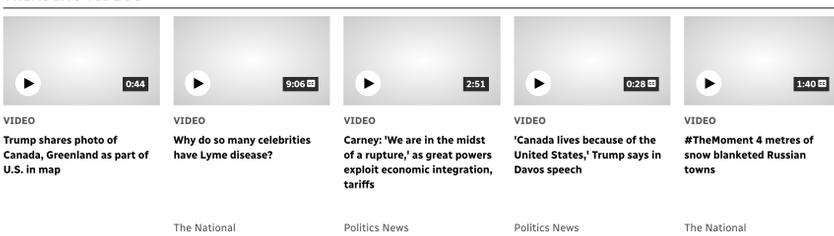
See the full kids list below:

1. *The Paper Bag Princess* by Robert Munsch, illustrated Michael Martchenko.
2. *The Marrow Thieves* by Cherie Dimaline.
3. *Be A Good Ancestor* by Leona Prince and Gabrielle Prince, illustrated by Carla Joseph.
4. *Love You Forever* by Robert Munsch, illustrated by Sheila McGraw.
5. *The New Girl* by Cassandra Calin.
6. *Carson Crosses Canada* by Linda Bailey, illustrated by Kass Reich.
7. *The Inquisitive Raven* by Richard Wagamese, illustrated by Bridget George.
8. *The Barren Grounds* by David A. Robertson.
9. *Hockey in the Wild* by Nicholas Oldland.
10. *Mallory and the Trouble with Twins* by Arley Nopra.

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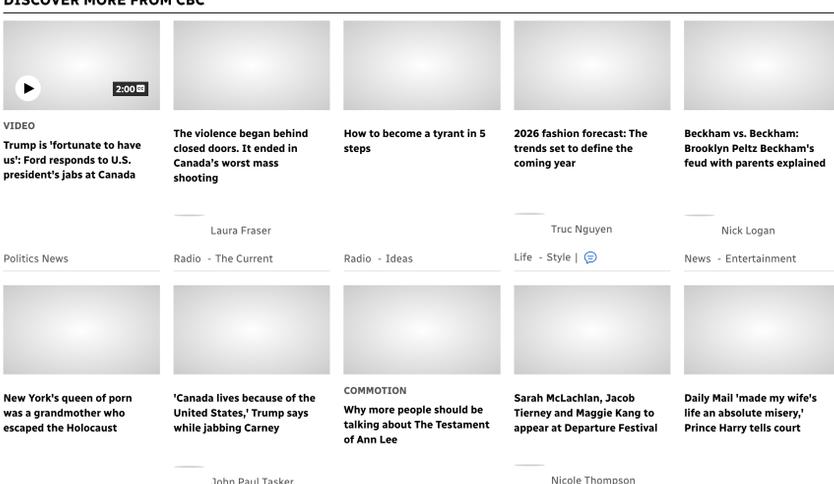
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