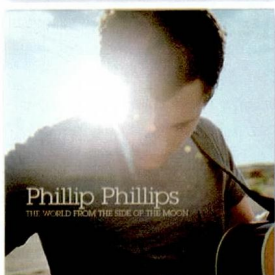
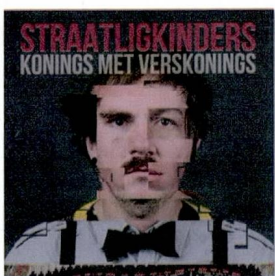




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***Rocks**

**PHILLIP PHILLIPS
THE WORLD FROM THE
SIDE OF THE MOON**

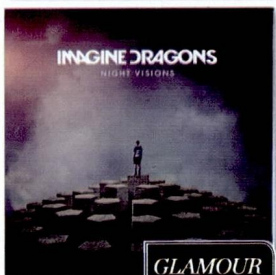
Winner of *American Idol* Season 11, Phillip wowed viewers with his small-town charm, husky voice and unconventional guitar playing – and his debut album is winning our vote once again. Expect smooth and easy-going rock-folk tunes in a blend that's reminiscent of Dave Matthews and Mumford & Sons.

Key track 'Home'
Get it For easy listening
☆☆☆☆○

**STRAATLIGKINDERS
KONINGS MET
VERSKONINGS**

The latest offering from this Afrikaans punk-rock foursome is quintessential Straatligkinders – but with a more refined, sophisticated and slightly toned down sound. Religious belief is a theme that runs through many of the songs, all delivered via accessible head-banging beats.

Key track 'Duiwel dans'
Get it For punk with soul
☆☆☆☆○



GLAMOUR
MUST-
HEAR

**IMAGINE DRAGONS
NIGHT VISIONS**

This US band's debut is sure to please alternative-rock lovers. Filled with playful flourishes, catchy hooks, jaunty tunes and grandiose moments, the album is one that'll have you singing along just about anywhere! And if you're in the mood for a riddle, try to solve the anagram hidden within the band's name – one they've so far refused to reveal.

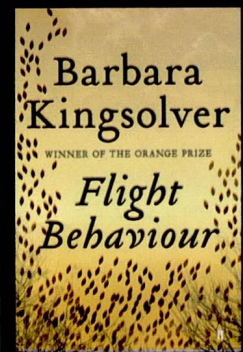
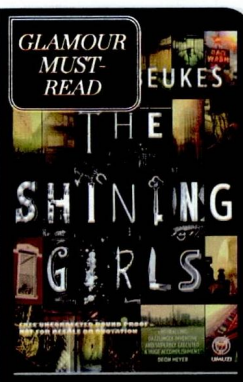
Key track 'It's time'
Get it For a mood lifter
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**RIHANNA
UNAPOLOGETIC**

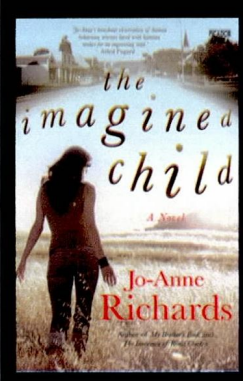
RiRi's aptly-titled seventh album proves she's truly taken charge of her sound and image. The provocative CD cover is matched to fearless songs, from the emotional 'Stay' to 'Nobody's business', a controversial duet with Chris Brown. And top radio hits like 'Diamonds' showcase her expanding vocal prowess.

Key track 'Stay' feat Mikky Ekko
Get it For a girls' night
☆☆☆☆○

***Reads**



"I'd decided early on that if I couldn't dress elegant, I'd dress memorable."
– Barbara Kingsolver



**The Shining Girls by
Lauren Beukes (Random
House Struik, R153)**

Set in Chicago during the Great Depression, this new novel by award-winning SA science fiction author Lauren Beukes is no ordinary crime thriller. It follows the grisly path of Harper Curtis, a violent vagabond who travels across time, leaving a trail of brutal murders in his wake. His gruesome attacks are untraceable – until Kirby Mazrachi, a former victim who managed to escape Harper's clutches, begins to hunt him down. This paranormal story will give you chills and keep you on the edge of your seat right up to its climactic end.

**Flight Behaviour by Barbara
Kingsolver (Faber & Faber, R215)**

A young rural mother of two, Dellarobia is trapped in a bleak marriage. Then, one afternoon, she encounters a valley of bright orange butterflies – an occurrence that soon attracts the attention of the world's scientists. A few weeks later, dashing biologist Ovid Byron arrives in town, liberating Dellarobia from her stifling relationship and encouraging her (and the reader) to truly consider the effects of climate change. A heart-warming love story and a clever investigation into the troubles of our time.

**The Imagined Child by Jo-Anne
Richards (Picador Africa, R152)**

Busy screenwriter Odette Frietas leaves Joburg to make a quieter start in Nagelaten. But her hopes for a calmer life in this small Free State town are dashed when two people are murdered. The locals, however, refuse to even discuss these crimes, forcing Odette to question both her own reality and the town's self-imposed silence. This psychological thriller will have you guessing from the first to the very last page.