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BRING ME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS
Robyn Carr

Have you been enjoying the Netflix adaptation of Robyn Carr's beloved Virgin River series? Then pick up one of the Christmas books set in Virgin River and settle in for a cozy romance. In Bring Me Home for Christmas, Becca Timm joins her brother's weekend trip to Virgin River to meet with (and hopefully get over) her old flame, Denny Cutler. But she ends up stuck in Virgin River for much longer than she originally planned, with much more time to potentially give Denny a second chance...

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MURDER ON THE ORIENT EXPRESS
Agatha Christie

If you haven't read the queen of murder mysteries, winter is a great time to start. A passenger train is stranded in the snow, and a businessman has somehow been murdered in his locked train compartment. Fortunately, eccentric Belgian detective Hercule Poirot is on the train - and the case.