

The TBR tag

Hello everyone,

I haven't done tags on my blog. My online friend, Stephen, put this one up recently on his blog and I really enjoyed reading it, so I thought I'd give it a go! (It was created by Rachel in 2014)

How do you keep track of your TBR pile?

I have a TBR folder on Goodreads...however, I have a major problem with it!! I use Goodreads all the time and my TBR list on it is RIDICULOUS; it's currently at 1, 269 books!?! I tried to make this more reasonable with a 'most wanted' TBR, however, that is currently at 462 books, so that clearly didn't work!! I really don't know how people have a short list while still watching and reading so many reviews of great books! If you have your life sorted in this respect, please teach me your ways!!! I also have a shelf in my room with a TBR of physical books, and have several lined up in my Audible, Kindle and Scribd libraries.

Is your TBR mostly print or e-book?

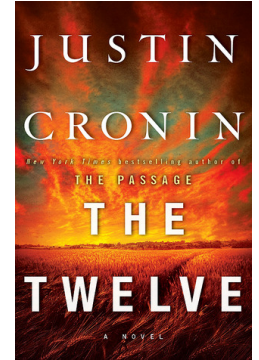
I listen to a lot of my books, so I have multiple audiobooks waiting for me. My goal for this year was to read more physical books, so I do have quite a few on my TBR too.

How do you determine which book from your TBR to read next?

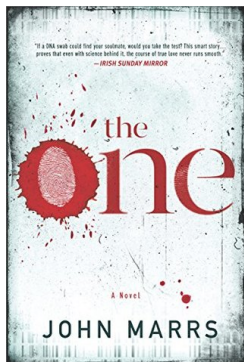
This year I've been reading a lot of historical fiction because that is the genre I'm writing at the moment, so I have been generally reaching for those from my TBR. I also have had a few books for uni to read. Otherwise I choose fairly randomly just in terms of my mood and what I've heard hyped most recently. I'm terrible at picking up books I've had on my TBR for longer than a few months, even if I was really excited

to read them at the time!

A book that's been on your TBR the longest



On my Goodreads TBR, the book is *The Twelve* by Justin Cronin. I really want to get to this because I enjoyed the first book in the series, *The Passage*, and I'd like to read it before I watch the series. I heard him talk when he came into uni a few years ago and he was really interesting.



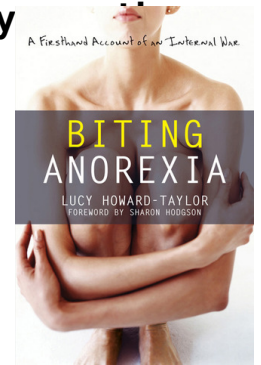
A book that you recently added to your TBR

The most recent book I've added is *The One* by John Marrs. This is down to Stephen's interview with John on his blog. Again, I'd like to read this before the Netflix series comes out.

A book on your TBR strictly because of its beautiful cover

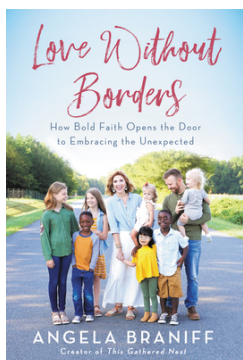
Although book covers attract me in bookstores, I wouldn't put it on my TBR because of that – I'd have to feel that the synopsis or writing would suit my tastes, so I can't say a book for this question!

A book on your TBR that you NEVER plan on actually



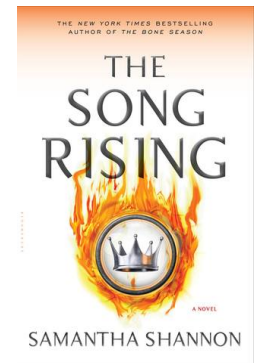
This is a hard one because I HAVE 1, 269 BOOKS ON MY TBR so who knows??!! But looking at the books I've had on there for the longest, I'd say Biting Anorexia by Lucy Howard-Taylor. That's not because I don't want to read it – I put it on my TBR to gain a better understanding of the condition because I used to be a nurse, and I still would like to do that – but because I HAVE 1, 269 BOOKS ON MY TBR, it's probably not something I will actually get to.

An unpublished book on your TBR that you're excited for



I don't really put these on my list for some reason, but there is Love Without Borders by Angela Braniff, which comes out next April. I stumbled across Angela's YouTube channel a few months ago when she and her husband were going through the adoption process for their EIGHTH child. I am very interested in adoption, and though I generally don't watch family channels because I don't have kids and therefore don't gain much from their tips and daily lives, I have enjoyed seeing their experiences in relation to adoption and bringing up so many children, and would like to read about them too.

A book on your TBR that basically everyone has read except you



I really want to read *The Song Rising* by Samantha Shannon, which is the third book in *The Bone Season* series. I really enjoyed the other books and have heard so many good things about this one, so I must get to it!

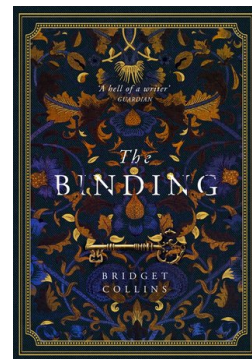
A book on your TBR that everyone recommends to you



I've heard and read so many positive reviews about *The Poet X* by Elizabeth Acevedo. I love books that are written in verse and they are relatively hard to come by, so I am really keen to read this one.

A book on your TBR that you're just dying to read

I really want to get to *The Binding* by Bridget Collins. It's sitting on my bedside table and I have started it, but my bad habit of starting to read other books at the same time has taken over and I haven't got far into, even though it sounds right up my alley!



The number of books on your Goodreads TBR shelf

I love that Stephen said that he has 'a scary total of 158 books' on his because, as I've said, I HAVE 1, 269 BOOKS ON MY TBR!!!

I won't tag anyone in particular for this, but I recommend you do it because it's a fun one, and I'd love to read your answers!

I hope the next book you pick from your TBR turns out to be a great one!