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BEAT THE WINTER BLUES AND WARM UP WITH RED-HOT READS

January 29 – February 4

Dead Last by James W. Hall

The sunny Miami climate has attracted a new serial killer, this one stealing a plot from the flagging tv-crime drama *Miami Ops*. Suddenly, our reclusive detective, Thorn, is thrust into the celebrity limelight he tries to avoid.

How It All Began by Penelope Lively

When 70-year-old Charlotte is mugged, the event sets into motion a chain of intertwining events that show how closely we are all connected. The latest from the award-winning British novelist is full of interesting characters, humor and emotion.

I Got This: How I Changed my Ways and Lost What Weighed Me Down by Jennifer Hudson

Most people know that Jennifer Hudson came to America's attention via *American Idol*, but she's since been awarded with both an Oscar and a Grammy for her many talents. However, she's now also known for losing weight, keeping it off and looking fabulous. This memoir touches on all aspects of her young life.

Running the Rift by Naomi Benaron

Jean Patrick is a Rwandan who loves to run and has one dream – running in the Olympics. But the conflict between the ethnic Hutus and Tutsis is escalating in his country. This novel won the Bellwether Prize for fiction dealing with social change.