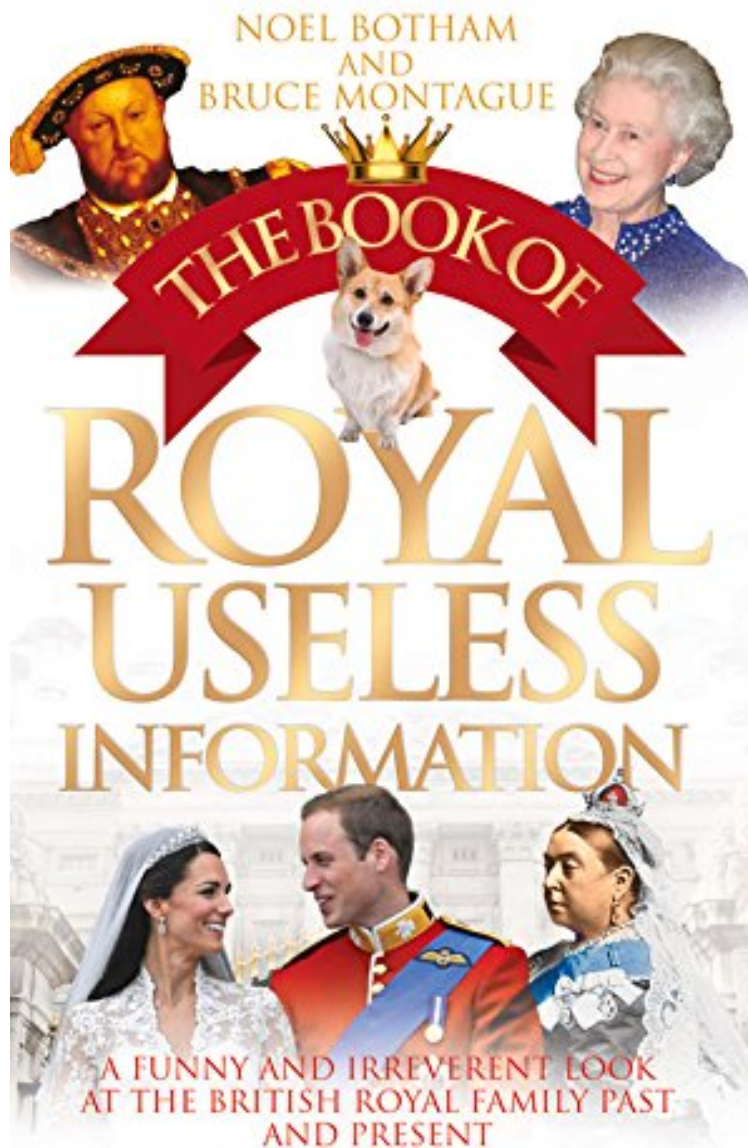


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Noel Botham is the author of the ever-popular *Useless Information* series. Bruce Montague is an actor and has written numerous plays and musicals for the stage and BBC and scripts for Hollywood.