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The men's 100m final at the 1988 Olympics has been described as the dirtiest race ever - but also the greatest. Aside from Johnson's blistering time, the race is infamous for its athletes' positive drug tests. This is the story of that race, the rivalry between Johnson and Lewis, and the

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repercussions still felt almost a quarter of a century on.

A crisis in the author's life forces her to examine the issues of love, friendship, sex, illness, and death.

Travel with Olympic gold medalist Jessie Diggins on her compelling journey from America's heartland to international sports history, navigating challenges and triumphs with rugged grit and a splash of glitter
Pyeongchang, February 21, 2018. In the nerve-racking final seconds of the

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women's team sprint freestyle race, Jessie Diggins dug deep. Blowing past two of the best sprinters in the world, she stretched her ski boot across the finish line and lunged straight into Olympic immortality: the first ever cross-country skiing gold medal for the United States at the Winter Games. The 26-year-old Diggins, a four-time World Championship medalist, was literally a world away from the small town of Afton, Minnesota, where she first strapped on skis. Yet, for all her

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history-making achievements, she had never strayed far from the scrappy 12-year-old who had insisted on portaging her own canoe through the wilderness, yelling happily under the unwieldy weight on her shoulders: "Look! I'm doing it!" In *Brave Enough*, Jessie Diggins reveals the true story of her journey from the American Midwest into sports history. With candid charm and characteristic grit, she connects the dots from her free-spirited upbringing in the woods of Minnesota

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to racing in the bright spotlights of the Olympics. Going far beyond stories of races and ribbons, she describes the challenges and frustrations of becoming a serious athlete; learning how to push through and beyond physical and psychological limits; and the intense pressure of competing at the highest levels. She openly shares her harrowing struggle with bulimia, recounting both the adversity and how she healed from it in order to bring hope and understanding to others

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experiencing eating
disorders. Between
thrilling accounts of
moments of triumph,
Diggins shows the
determination it takes to
get there—the struggles
and disappointments, the
fun and the hard work, and
the importance of
listening to that small,
fierce voice: I can do it.
I am brave enough.

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Ben Johnson, Carl Lewis
and the 1988 Olympic 100m
Final

My Sister's Lies

My Story So Far

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Jessica Ennis:
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Unbelievable - From My
Childhood Dreams To
Winning Olympic Gold
Colonial Settlers, Tribal
Nations, and the Kidnap
That Shaped America
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***In this groundbreaking
book about how women
perceive, are prepared for,
and cope with ambition and
achievement, psychiatrist
Anna Fels examines
ambition at the deepest
psychological level. Cutting
to the core of what
ambition can provide—the
essential elements of a***

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fulfilling life—Fels describes why, for women but not for men, ambition still remains fraught with often painful conflict. Fels draws on case studies, research, interviews, and autobiographies of accomplished and celebrated women past and present—writers, artists, architects, politicians, actors—to explore the ways in which women are brought up to avoid recognition and visibility in favor of traditional feminine values and why they often choose to nurture and defer to rather

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than compete with men. She poses invaluable questions: What is the nature of ambition and how important is it in a woman's life? What are the forces that promote or impede its development? To what extent does ambition go against a woman's very nature? And she challenges currently held theories about the state of mind and the needs of men. Incisive and highly readable, Necessary Dreams is a unique exploration of the options and obstacles women face in the pursuit of their goals. It is a book

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that every woman will want—and need—to read. In a Tokyo in the not too distant future a young girl studies deligently with ambitions of soon attending space academy. If things work out just right, her future may very well be among the stars as well. And yet, every time she looks up to the stars there is a sense of melancholy in her heart. A sadness surrounds Asumi, as space exploration itself has profoundly impacted her life for as long as she can remember. But she is not alone...A young man

wearing a lion's mask is always beside her. He speaks of the constellations and galaxies as if he they were like home. He knows what it is like to love the stars--slightly bitter and yet always so warm and inviting. Truth is he has gone through much of Asumi is just experiencing. And now in spirit he will forever be with Asumi guiding her on her path to space.

A powerful and gripping human story of the 2012 London Olympics hero On August 4, 2012, Mo Farah braved the pain and

punishment to seize Olympic gold in the 10,000m—and in the process went from being a talented athlete to a UK national treasure. Seven days later, Mo seized his second gold at the 5000m to go where no British distance runner had gone before. Records have tumbled before him: European track records at 1500m, 5000m indoors, and 10,000m; British track records at 5000m, 3000m indoors, and 10k on the road have all fallen to Mohamed "Mo" Farah: the boy from Somalia who came

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to Britain at the age of eight, leaving behind his twin brother, with just a few words of English, and a natural talent for running. His secondary school PE teacher Alan Watkinson spotted his potential and began easing this human gazelle towards the racetrack. In 2001 Mo showed his promise by winning the 5000m at the European Junior Championships. Soon he was smashing a string of British and European records. He began living with a group of elite Kenyan runners, following their

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*strict regime of run, sleep,
eat, and rest. After a*

*disappointing Olympics in
Beijing Mo took the bold
decision to relocate to
Portland, Oregon to work
under legendary coach
Alberto Salazar. The results
were emphatic as Mo took
silver at the 10,000m and
then raced to gold in the
5000m at the 2011 World
Championships in Daegu.
Even better would soon
follow at London 2012.
Twin Ambitions is much
more than an
autobiography by a great
Olympic champion. It's a
moving human story of a*

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***man who grew up in
difficult circumstances,
separated from his family at
an early age, who struggled
to overcome seemingly
insurmountable obstacles
and realize his dream.***

***Top five Best Books About
Running, Runner's World
Magazine Top three Best
Books About Running,***

***readers of Runner's World
Magazine (December 2009)***

***A phenomenal portrait of
courage and desire that will
do for college cross-country
what John Feinstein's A
Season on the Brink did for
college basketball.***

A Novel

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The Class

Running for My Life

Cutting for Stone

A Memoir

A Season Inside with Mark

Wetmore, Adam Goucher,

and the University of

Colorado Men's Cross-

Country Team

Sir Alex Ferguson's compelling story is always honest and revealing he reflects on his managerial career that embraced unprecedented European success for Aberdeen and 26 triumphant seasons with Manchester United. Sir Alex Ferguson's best-selling autobiography has now been updated to offer reflections on

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events at Manchester United since his retirement as well as his teachings at the Harvard Business School, a night at the Oscars and a boat tour round the Hebrides, where he passed unrecognised. The extra material adds fresh insights and detail on his final years as United's manager. Both the psychology of management and the detail of football strategy at the top level can be complex matters but no one has explained them in a more interesting and accessible way for the general reader than Sir Alex does here. MY AUTOBIOGRAPHY is revealing, endlessly entertaining and above all inspirational. From world-renowned author

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Erich Segal comes a powerful and moving saga of five extraordinary members of the Harvard class of 1958 and the women with whom their lives are intertwined. Five lives, five love stories: Danny Rossi, the musical prodigy, risks it all for Harvard, even a break with his domineering father. Yet his real problems are too much fame too soon—and too many women. Ted Lambros spends his four years as a commuter, an outsider. He is obsessed by his desire to climb to the top of the Harvard academic ladder, heedless of what it will cost him in personal terms. Jason Gilbert, the Golden Boy—handsome, charismatic, a brilliant

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athlete—learns at Harvard that he cannot ignore his Jewish background. Only in tragedy will he find his true identity. George Keller, a refugee from Communist Hungary, comes to Harvard with the barest knowledge of English. But with ruthless determination, he masters not only the language but the power structure of his new country. Andrew Eliot is haunted by three centuries of Harvard ancestors who cast giant shadows on his confidence. It is not until the sad and startling events of the reunion that he learns his value as a man. Their explosive story begins in a time of innocence and spans a turbulent quarter century,

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culminating in their dramatic
twenty-five year reunion at which
they confront their classmates—and
the balance sheet of their own lives.
Always at the center; amid the
passion, laughter, and glory, stands
Harvard—the symbol of who they
are and who they will be. They were
a generation who made the
rules—then broke them—whose
glittering successes, heartfelt
tragedies, and unbridled ambitions
would stun the world. Praise for
The Class “Erich Segal’s
best.”—Pittsburgh Press “First class
entertainment.”—Cosmopolitan “An
absorbing page-
turner.”—Publishers Weekly “A
panoramic saga.”—Philadelphia

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"Walter Braum is pregnant with his own twin brother and, frankly, he's having one hell of a time figuring out how to tell people. It is an exceedingly freaky manifestation of a rare medical condition called Vanishing Twin Syndrome. But it is also a sudden thorn in Walter's psyche, bringing into question most everything he thought he knew about himself and his life. To make matters worse, when his twin is born a genius with fresh eyes on the world, Walter is forced to face the self doubt and personal recrimination that has stunted his growth for decades. So Walter decides to strip his life down

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to essentials and to set out after the strongest passion he can remember having: his youthful desire to be a rock star. Granted, Walter can't play an instrument, nor has he ever taken a lesson. But these are precisely the types of obstacles that his twin would shatter in pursuit of his goals. My Vanishing Twin is the story of a man who sets out to realign his life with his purest, long-forgotten ambitions under the oddest of medical and familial circumstances, only to find that none of his pursuits - not music, not success, not business and industry, not beauty or truth, and not even sibling rivalry - will alleviate the responsibility he must

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take for his own life decisions." --
back cover of work

Read the #1 New York Times best-selling series before it continues in A Map of Days. Bonus features • Q&A with author Ransom Riggs • Eight pages of color stills from the film • Sneak preview of Hollow City, the next novel in the series A mysterious island. An abandoned orphanage. A strange collection of very curious photographs. It all waits to be discovered in Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children, an unforgettable novel that mixes fiction and photography in a thrilling reading experience. As our story opens, a horrific family tragedy sets sixteen-year-old

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Jacob journeying to a remote island off the coast of Wales, where he discovers the crumbling ruins of Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children. As Jacob explores its abandoned bedrooms and hallways, it becomes clear that the children were more than just peculiar. They may have been dangerous. They may have been quarantined on a deserted island for good reason. And somehow—impossible though it seems—they may still be alive. A spine-tingling fantasy illustrated with haunting vintage photography, Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children will delight adults, teens, and anyone

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who relishes an adventure in the shadows. "A tense, moving, and wondrously strange first novel. The photographs and text work together brilliantly to create an unforgettable story."—John Green, New York Times best-selling author of *The Fault in Our Stars* "With its X-Men: First Class-meets-time-travel story line, David Lynchian imagery, and rich, eerie detail, it's no wonder *Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children* has been snapped up by Twentieth Century Fox. B+"—*Entertainment Weekly* "'Peculiar' doesn't even begin to cover it. Riggs' chilling, wondrous novel is already headed to the movies."—*People* "You'll love it if

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you want a good thriller for the summer. It's a mystery, and you'll race to solve it before Jacob figures it out for himself."—Seventeen
Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children

Monster Mountain Chase!

ALEX FERGUSON My
Autobiography

One Lost Boy's Journey from the Killing Fields of Sudan to the Olympic Games

An Autobiographical Study of the Years 1900-1925

Astronomical Ambition and the Promise of Technology

“A rousing tale of frontier daring and ingenuity, better than legend on every front.” — Pulitzer Prize–winning author

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Stacy Schiff A Goodreads Most Anticipated Book In his first work of narrative nonfiction, Matthew Pearl, bestselling author of acclaimed novel *The Dante Club*, explores the little-known true story of the kidnapping of legendary pioneer Daniel Boone's daughter and the dramatic aftermath that rippled across the nation. On a quiet midsummer day in 1776, weeks after the signing of the Declaration of Independence, thirteen-year-old Jemima Boone and her friends Betsy and Fanny Callaway disappear near the Kentucky settlement of Boonesboro, the echoes of their faraway screams lingering on the air. A Cherokee-Shawnee raiding party has taken the girls as the latest salvo in the blood feud between American Indians and the colonial settlers who have decimated native lands and resources. Hanging Maw, the raiders' leader, recognizes one of the captives as Jemima

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Boone, daughter of Kentucky's most influential pioneers, and realizes she could be a valuable pawn in the battle to drive the colonists out of the contested Kentucky territory for good. With Daniel Boone and his posse in pursuit, Hanging Maw devises a plan that could ultimately bring greater peace both to the tribes and the colonists. But after the girls find clever ways to create a trail of clues, the raiding party is ambushed by Boone and the rescuers in a battle with reverberations that nobody could predict. As Matthew Pearl reveals, the exciting story of Jemima Boone's kidnapping vividly illuminates the early days of America's westward expansion, and the violent and tragic clashes across cultural lines that ensue. In this enthralling narrative in the tradition of Candice Millard and David Grann, Matthew Pearl unearths a forgotten and dramatic series of events from early in the Revolutionary

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War that opens a window into America's transition from colony to nation, with the heavy moral costs incurred amid shocking new alliances and betrayals.

From Olympic gold medal winner Mo Farah and bestselling author Kes Gray, comes a fun fiction series which will get kids reading, and running too! After returning home from a long cross-country run, it's time for Mo and his friends to decide where to go on their next running adventure. Sandwiches at the ready, the friends head somewhere beautiful, with glistening snow and sparkling lakes ... The Rocky Mountains! But crossing states is tiring work, and with lots of new creatures (and monsters!) to meet along the way, will Mo and friends ever get time for a sandwich break? Here comes Bigfoot ...
RUN!

An autobiographical account of a young nurse's involvement in World War I

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In the tradition of John Green's *The Fault in Our Stars* and *Me and Earl and the Dying Girl*, this incredibly moving and harrowing true story of a teenager diagnosed with cancer is "a resounding affirmation of how music can lift one's spirits beyond gray skies and bad news (Kirkus Reviews)." Punk's not dead in rural West Virginia. In fact, it blares constantly from the basement of Rob and Nat Rufus—identical twin brothers with spiked hair, black leather jackets, and the most kick-ass record collection in Appalachia. To them, school (and pretty much everything else) sucks. But what can you expect when you're the only punks in town? When the brothers start their own band, their lives begin to change: they meet friends, they attract girls, and they finally get invited to join a national tour and get out of their rat box little town. But their plans are cut short when Rob is diagnosed

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with a rare form of cancer that has already progressed to Stage Four. Not only are his dreams of punk rock stardom completely shredded, there is a very real threat that this is one battle that can't be won. While Rob suffers through nightmarish treatments and debilitating surgery, Nat continues on their band's road to success alone. But as Rob's life diverges from his brother's, he learns to find strength within himself and through his music. *Die Young with Me* is a "raw, honest picture of the weirdness of growing up" (Marky Ramone) and the story of a brave teen's battle with cancer and the many ways music helped him cope through his recovery.

Saving Tarboo Creek

John Britten

Rock and Roll Will Save Your Life

The Dirtiest Race in History

Notes on an Execution

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Laura Trott and Jason Kenny

**The USA Today and Kindle Top #25
Bestseller 'A real tear-jerker' THE
SUN 'A stunning read' MIRANDA
DICKINSON**

**Hodder & Stoughton admire Sir
Mo's bravery in revealing his
experience of being trafficked as a
child. His memoir TWIN
AMBITIONS, published in 2013, is
based on the story he felt able to tell
at the time, which we understood to
be the true version of events. It is
now clear that Sir Mo did not wish to
share some of his difficult early
experiences and we respect the
decisions he made both then and
now. 4 August, 2012. Super
Saturday. On the most electric night
in the history of British sport, Mo**

Farah braved the pain and punishment to seize Olympic gold in the 10,000m - and in the process went from being a talented athlete to a national treasure. Seven days later, Mo seized his second gold at the 5000m to go where no British distance runner has gone before. Records have tumbled before him: European track records at 1500m, 5000m indoors, and 10,000m; British track records at 5000m, 3000m indoors and 10k on the road have all fallen to Mohamed 'Mo' Farah: the boy from Somalia who came to Britain at the age of eight, leaving behind his twin brother, and with just a few words of English, and a natural talent for running. His secondary school PE teacher Alan

Watkinson spotted his potential and began easing this human gazelle towards the racetrack. In 2001 Mo showed his promise by winning the 5000m at the European Junior Championships. Soon he was smashing a string of British and European records. He began living with a group of elite Kenyan runners, following their strict regime of run, sleep, eat and rest. Mo was determined to leave no stone uncovered in his bid for distance-running glory. After a disappointing Olympics in Beijing Mo took the bold decision to relocate to Portland, Oregon to work under legendary coach Alberto Salazar. The results were emphatic as Mo took silver at the 10,000m and then raced to gold

in the 5000m at the 2011 World Championships in Daegu. Even better would soon follow at London 2012. TWIN AMBITIONS is much more than an autobiography by a great Olympic champion. It's a moving human story of a man who grew up in difficult circumstances, separated from his family at an early age, who struggled to overcome seemingly insurmountable obstacles and realise his dream.

When the contented King Bidgood refuses to get out of his magnificent bathtub, one by one all the members of the court become involved in luring the stubborn monarch from his tub, in a new edition of an award-winning title packaged with a musical CD that contains six original

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**songs. A Caldecott Honor Book,
ALA Notable Children's Book, &
Children's BOMC Main.**

**A New York Times Bestseller • A
Read with Jenna Today Show Book
Club Pick! Named a Best Book of
the Year by The New York Times
Book Review, The Washington Post,
People, Entertainment Weekly, USA
Today, TIME, The A.V. Club,
Buzzfeed, and PopSugar “I can’t
believe how good this book is.... It’s
wholly original. It’s also perfect....
Wilson writes with such a light
touch.... The brilliance of the novel
[is] that it distracts you with these
weirdo characters and mesmerizing
and funny sentences and then hits
you in a way you didn’t see coming.
You’re laughing so hard you don’t**

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even realize that you've suddenly caught fire." —Taffy Brodesser-Akner, author of *Fleishman is in Trouble*, *New York Times Book Review* From the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Family Fang*, a moving and uproarious novel about a woman who finds meaning in her life when she begins caring for two children with a remarkable ability. Lillian and Madison were unlikely roommates and yet inseparable friends at their elite boarding school. But then Lillian had to leave the school unexpectedly in the wake of a scandal and they've barely spoken since. Until now, when Lillian gets a letter from Madison pleading for her help. Madison's twin stepkids are

moving in with her family and she wants Lillian to be their caretaker. However, there's a catch: the twins spontaneously combust when they get agitated, flames igniting from their skin in a startling but beautiful way. Lillian is convinced Madison is pulling her leg, but it's the truth. Thinking of her dead-end life at home, the life that has consistently disappointed her, Lillian figures she has nothing to lose. Over the course of one humid, demanding summer, Lillian and the twins learn to trust each other—and stay cool—while also staying out of the way of Madison's buttoned-up politician husband. Surprised by her own ingenuity yet unused to the intense feelings of protectiveness she feels

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for them, Lillian ultimately begins to accept that she needs these strange children as much as they need her—urgently and fiercely. Couldn't this be the start of the amazing life she'd always hoped for? With white-hot wit and a big, tender heart, Kevin Wilson has written his best book yet—a most unusual story of parental love.

The Autobiography

My Vanishing Twin

Random Family

Testament of Youth

The Girls

One Family's Quest to Heal the Land

This New York Times bestseller intimately depicts urban life in a

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gripping book that slips behind cold statistics and sensationalism to reveal the true sagas lurking behind the headlines of gangsta glamour. In her extraordinary bestseller, Adrian Nicole LeBlanc immerses readers in the intricacies of the ghetto, revealing the true sagas lurking behind the headlines of gangsta glamour, gold-drenched drug dealers, and street-corner society. Focusing on two

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romances—Jessica's dizzying infatuation with a hugely successful young heroin dealer, Boy George, and Coco's first love with Jessica's little brother, Cesar—Random Family is the story of young people trying to outrun their destinies. Jessica and Boy George ride the wild adventure between riches and ruin, while Coco and Cesar stick closer to the street, all four caught in a precarious dance between survival and death.

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Friends get murdered;
the DEA and FBI
investigate Boy George;
Cesar becomes a
fugitive; Jessica and
Coco endure
homelessness, betrayal,
the heartbreaking
separation of prison,
and, throughout it all,
the insidious damage of
poverty. Charting the
tumultuous cycle of the
generations—as girls
become mothers, boys
become criminals, and
hope struggles against
deprivation—LeBlanc
slips behind the cold

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sensationalism and comes
back with a riveting,
haunting, and true
story.

On 4 August 2012 Jessica
Ennis kicked off what
some described as the
greatest night in
British sporting
history. For her it was
the end of a long,
winding, and sometimes
harrowing road. Nobody
was under more pressure
at the London Olympics
than 'the face of the
Games'. Yet Jessica
delivered the heptathlon

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gold medal, and the huge outpouring of relief she showed afterwards hinted at the roller-coaster journey she had been on. Behind the smiles and politeness, Jessica has endured much. Bullied at school for being small, she proved to critics and rivals alike that size really didn't matter. Hers is an inspiring tale of following your dreams no matter what life throws at you. In 2008 Jessica thought her career might be over when she was

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injured on the eve of the Olympic Games in Beijing. But she overcame this setback to rebuild her career and technique, becoming the world and European champion in successive years. Her biggest test was yet to come, though, when her rivals overhauled her in the build-up to London. Unbelievable is a refreshingly candid account of her rise to fame in a highly charged world in which body image issues and drug

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abuses lurk. From the unique pressures facing her, to behind-the-scenes glimpses into the greatest show on earth, and a revealing account of her love-hate relationship with her long-term coach, Jessica reveals the truth behind the smiles for the first time. Unbelievable includes exclusive behind-the-scenes photos. This is the story of how the girl next door became London's poster girl, and how an ordinary

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woman used an extraordinary talent to claim the title of the world's greatest all-round female sports star.

It was a blustery late spring day in 1954 and a young Oxford medical student flung himself over the line in a mile race. There was an agonising pause, and then the timekeeper announced the record: three minutes, fifty-nine point four seconds. But no one heard anything after that

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first word - 'three'.

One of the most iconic barriers of sport had been broken, and Roger Bannister had become the first man to run a mile in under four minutes. To this day, more men have conquered Mount Everest than have achieved what the slender, unassuming student managed that afternoon. Sixty years on and the letters still arrive on Roger Bannister's doormat, letters testifying to the enduring appeal of

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the four-minute mile and the example it set for the generation of budding athletes who were inspired to attempt the impossible. In this frank memoir, Sir Roger tells the full story of the talent and dedication that made him not just one of the most celebrated athletes of the last century but also a distinguished doctor, neurologist and one of the nation's best-loved public figures. With characteristically trenchant views on drugs

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in sport, the nature of modern athletics and record breaking, the extraordinary explosion in running as a leisure activity, and the Olympic legacy, this rare and brilliant autobiography gives a fascinating insight into the life of a man who has lived life to the fullest.

NATIONAL BESTSELLER

“Defiantly populated with living women . . . beautifully drawn, dense with detail and specificity . . . Notes

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on an Execution is
nuanced, ambitious and
compelling." —Katie
Kitamura, NEW YORK TIMES
BOOK REVIEW (Editors'
Choice) "A searing
portrait of the
complicated women caught
in the orbit of a serial
killer. . . .

Compassionate and
thought-provoking."
–BRIT BENNETT, #1 New
York Times bestselling
author of The Vanishing
Half Recommended by New
York Times Book Review •
Los Angeles Times •
Washington Post •

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eyes of the women in his life—from the bestselling author of *Girl in Snow*. Ansel Packer is scheduled to die in twelve hours. He knows what he's done, and now awaits execution, the same chilling fate he forced on those girls, years ago. But Ansel doesn't want to die; he wants to be celebrated, understood. Through a kaleidoscope of women—a mother, a sister, a homicide detective—we learn the story of

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Ansel's life. We meet his mother, Lavender, a seventeen-year-old girl pushed to desperation; Hazel, twin sister to Ansel's wife, inseparable since birth, forced to watch helplessly as her sister's relationship threatens to devour them all; and finally, Saffy, the detective hot on his trail, who has devoted herself to bringing bad men to justice but struggles to see her own life clearly. As the clock ticks down, these

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three women sift through
the choices that
culminate in tragedy,
exploring the rippling
fissures that such
destruction inevitably
leaves in its wake.

Blending breathtaking
suspense with
astonishing empathy,
Notes on an Execution
presents a chilling
portrait of womanhood as
it simultaneously
unravels the familiar
narrative of the
American serial killer,
interrogating our system
of justice and our

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and staggering
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to be human in our
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this brilliant and
gripping

masterpiece."—ASHLEY

AUDRAIN, New York Times

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Manhood in America

26 Marathons

Love, Drugs, Trouble,

and Coming of Age in the

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Marion and Shiva Stone are twin brothers born of a secret union between a beautiful Indian nun and a brash British surgeon. Orphaned by their mother's death and their father's disappearance and bound together by a preternatural connection and a shared fascination with medicine, the twins come of age as Ethiopia hovers on the brink of revolution. Moving from Addis Ababa to New York City and back again, Cutting for Stone is an unforgettable story of love and betrayal, medicine and ordinary miracles—and two brothers whose fates are forever

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"Four-time Olympic
marathoner Meb Keflezighi
shares his lessons on life,
family, faith, and running
through a reflection on each of
the 26 marathons he's run in
his storied career. When four-
time Olympian Meb Keflezighi
ran his final marathon in New
York City on November 5,
2017, it marked the end of an
extraordinary distance-running
career. Meb will be
remembered as the only
person in history to win both
the Boston and New York City
marathons as well as an
Olympic marathon silver
medal. Meb's last marathon

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was also his 26th, and each of those 26 marathons has come with its own unique challenges, rewards, and outcomes for him. Through focused narrative, Meb describes key moments and triumphs that made each marathon a unique learning experience and shows runners--whether recreational or professional--how to apply the lessons he's learned to their own running and lives. Chronologically organized by marathon, 26 Marathons offers wisdom Meb has gleaned about life, family, identity, and faith in addition to tips about running, training, and nutrition. Equal parts inspiration and

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practical advice, this book will provide readers an inside look at the life and success of one of the greatest runners living today"--

Offers the true story of a Sudanese boy who, through unyielding faith, overcame a wartorn nation to become an American citizen and an Olympic contender.

"Updated to include her New York, London, and Helsinki victories"--P. [4] of cover.

Alexander Hamilton

Running with the Buffaloes

Twin Tracks

Gods Behaving Badly

Brave Enough

The story of Team GB's double

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Olympic champion
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In Lori Lansens' astonishing second novel, readers come to know and love two of the most remarkable characters in Canadian fiction. Rose and Ruby are twenty-nine-year-old conjoined twins. Born during a tornado to a shocked teenaged mother in the hospital at Leaford, Ontario, they are raised by the nurse who helped usher them into the world. Aunt Lovey and her husband, Uncle Stash, are middle-aged and with no children of their own. They relocate from the town to the drafty old farmhouse in the country that has been in Lovey's family for generations.

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Joined to Ruby at the head, Rose's face is pulled to one side, but she has full use of her limbs. Ruby has a beautiful face, but her body is tiny and she is unable to walk. She rests her legs on her sister's hip, rather like a small child or a doll. In spite of their situation, the girls lead surprisingly separate lives. Rose is bookish and a baseball fan. Ruby is fond of trash TV and has a passion for local history. Rose has always wanted to be a writer, and as the novel opens, she begins to pen her autobiography. Here is how she begins: I have never looked into my sister's

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eyes. I have never bathed
alone. I have never stood in
the grass at night and
raised my arms to a
beguiling moon. I've never
used an airplane bathroom.
Or worn a hat. Or been
kissed like that. I've never
driven a car. Or slept
through the night. Never a
private talk. Or solo walk.
I've never climbed a tree.
Or faded into a crowd. So
many things I've never done,
but oh, how I've been loved.
And, if such things were to
be, I'd live a thousand
lives as me, to be loved so
exponentially. Ruby, with
her marvellous
characteristic logic, points
out that Rose's

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autobiography will have to be Ruby's as well – and how can she trust Rose to represent her story accurately? Soon, Ruby decides to chime in with chapters of her own. The novel begins with Rose, but eventually moves to Ruby's point of view and then switches back and forth. Because the girls face in slightly different directions, neither can see what the other is writing, and they don't tell each other either. The reader is treated to sometimes overlapping stories told in two wonderfully distinct styles. Rose is given to introspection and secrecy.

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Ruby's style is "tell-all" –
frank and decidedly sweet.
We learn of their early
years as the town "freaks"
and of Lovey's and Stash's
determination to give them
as normal an upbringing as
possible. But when we meet
them, both Lovey and Stash
are dead, the girls have
moved back into town, and
they've received some
ominous news. They are on
the verge of becoming the
oldest surviving craniopagus
(joined at the head) twins
in history, but the question
of whether they'll live to
celebrate their thirtieth
birthday is suddenly
impossible to answer. In
Rose and Ruby, Lori Lansens

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has created two precious characters, each distinct and loveable in their very different ways, and has given them a world in Leaford that rings absolutely true. The girls are unforgettable. The Girls is nothing short of a tour de force.

10 gold medals don't come easy... First comes the graft. Thousands of hours on the pedals, forever turning left, following that black line round, pushing your body harder than it is designed to go. Then comes the sacrifice. All familiar pleasures stripped away in search of perfection. Then the pain. Muscles burning,

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stomach churning, an ache in the bones. To pull all of this together to achieve an Olympic gold is impressive; to be part of a couple doing this in the same sport is rare; to do it ten times between you is unprecedented. Laura Trott and Jason Kenny, Britain's most successful female and male Olympians, invite us into their world, on to the boards of the velodrome and down the back straight of British pro cycling to give us the inside track on what it takes to become a champion. This is the story of the races that gripped a nation; one of sprints and pursuits, tactics, mind

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games, medals and trials; of being so tired you collapse by the side of the track, so out of form you can't finish a practice session; of what goes through the mind of an Olympian as they power towards the finish line; and of how a boy from Bolton and a girl from Cheshunt became the best in the world, while finding in each other the perfect partner.

From Marie Phillips, hailed by the Guardian Unlimited website as a "hot author" destined to "break through" in 2007, comes a highly entertaining novel set in North London, where the Greek gods have been living in obscurity since the

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seventeenth century. Being immortal isn't all it's cracked up to be. Life's hard for a Greek god in the twenty-first century: nobody believes in you any more, even your own family doesn't respect you, and you're stuck in a dilapidated hovel in North London with too many siblings and not enough hot water. But for Artemis (goddess of hunting, professional dog walker), Aphrodite (goddess of beauty, telephone sex operator) and Apollo (god of the sun, TV psychic) there's no way out... until a meek cleaner and her would-be boyfriend come into their lives and turn the world

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upside down. Gods Behaving
Badly is that rare thing, a
charming, funny, utterly
original novel that
satisfies the head and the
heart.

"[This] unflinching,
incendiary debut combines
the espionage novels of John
le Carré with the racial
complexity of Ralph
Ellison's Invisible
Man."--Publishers Weekly
(starred review) What if
your sense of duty required
you to betray the man you
love? It's 1986, the heart
of the Cold War, and Marie
Mitchell is an intelligence
officer with the FBI. She's
brilliant, but she's also a
young black woman working in

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an old boys' club. Her career has stalled out, she's overlooked for every high-profile squad, and her days are filled with monotonous paperwork. So when she's given the opportunity to join a shadowy task force aimed at undermining Thomas Sankara, the charismatic revolutionary president of Burkina Faso whose Communist ideology has made him a target for American intervention, she says yes. Yes, even though she secretly admires the work Sankara is doing for his country. Yes, even though she is still grieving the mysterious death of her

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sister, whose example led Marie to this career path in the first place. Yes, even though a furious part of her suspects she's being offered the job because of her appearance and not her talent. In the year that follows, Marie will observe Sankara, seduce him, and ultimately have a hand in the coup that will bring him down. But doing so will change everything she believes about what it means to be a spy, a lover, a sister, and a good American. Inspired by true events--Thomas Sankara is known as "Africa's Che Guevara"--American Spy knits together a gripping spy

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thriller, a heartbreaking
family drama, and a

passionate romance. This is
a face of the Cold War
you've never seen before,
and it introduces a powerful
new literary voice. Advance
praise for American Spy
"Echoing the stoic cynicism
of Hurston and Ellison, and
the verve of Conan Doyle,
American Spy lays our
complicities--political,
racial, and sexual--bare.
Packed with unforgettable
characters, it's a stunning
book, timely as it is
timeless."--Paul Beatty, Man
Booker Prizewinning author
of The Sellout "American Spy
is by turns suspenseful,
tender, and funny, always

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smart and searingly honest. Lauren Wilkinson renders the world of spies with vivacity and depth, and shines a penetrating light on what it's like to be a black woman in America. But like all great novels, this one teaches us most about ourselves and our values.

"--Sara Nović, author of
Girl at War

King Bidgood's in the
Bathtub

Die Young with Me

Twin

Love's Work

Giant Telescopes

Air Traffic

Every night, astronomers use a new generation of giant telescopes at observatories around the world to

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study phenomena at the forefront of science. By focusing on the history of the Gemini Observatory--twin 8-meter telescopes located on mountain peaks in Hawaii and Chile--Giant Telescopes tells the story behind the planning and construction of modern scientific tools, offering a detailed view of the technological and political transformation of astronomy in the postwar era. Drawing on interviews with participants and archival documents, W. Patrick McCray describes the ambitions and machinations of prominent astronomers, engineers, funding patrons, and politicians in their effort to construct a modern facility for cutting-edge science--and to

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establish a model for international cooperation in the coming era of "megascience." His account details the technological, institutional, cultural, and financial challenges that scientists faced while planning and building a new generation of giant telescopes. Besides exploring how and why scientists embraced the promise and potential of new technologies, he considers how these new tools affected what it means to be an astronomer. McCray's book should interest anyone who desires a deeper understanding of the science, technology, and politics behind finding our place in the universe. A heartbreaking yet deeply hopeful memoir about life as a twin in the face of autism. When Allen Shawn

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and his twin sister, Mary, were two, Mary began exhibiting signs of what would be diagnosed many years later as autism. Understanding Mary and making her life a happy one appeared to be impossible for the Shawns. At the age of eight, with almost no warning, her parents sent Mary to a residential treatment center. She never lived at home again. Fifty years later, as he probed the sources of his anxieties in *Wish I Could Be There*, Shawn realized that his fate was inextricably linked to his sister's, and that their natures were far from being different. Twin highlights the difficulties American families coping with autism faced in the 1950s. Shawn also examines the secrets and family dramas as his

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father, William, became editor of The New Yorker. Twin reconstructs a parallel narrative for the two siblings, who experienced such divergent fates yet shared talents and proclivities. Wrenching, honest, understated, and poetic, Twin is at heart about the mystery of being inextricably bonded to someone who can never be truly understood.

Drooling fanatic, n. 1. One who drools in the presence of beloved rock stars. 2. Any of a genus of rock-and-roll wannabes/geeks who walk around with songs constantly ringing in their ears, own more than 3,000 albums, and fall in love with at least one record per week. With a life that's spanned the phonographic era and the digital age, Steve Almond

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lives to Rawk. Like you, he's secretly longed to live the life of a rock star, complete with insane talent, famous friends, and hotel rooms to be trashed. Also like you, he's content (sort of) to live the life of a rabid fan, one who has converted his unrequited desires into a (sort of) noble obsession. *Rock and Roll Will Save Your Life* traces Almond's passion from his earliest (and most wretched) rock criticism to his eventual discovery of a music-crazed soul mate and their subsequent production of two little superfans. Along the way, Almond reflects on the delusional power of songs, the awkward mating habits of drooling fanatics, and why Depression Songs actually make us feel so much better.

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The book also includes: • sometimes drunken interviews with America's finest songwriters • a recap of the author's terrifying visit to Graceland while stoned • a vigorous and credibility-shattering endorsement of Styx's Paradise Theater • recommendations you will often choose to ignore • a reluctant exegesis of the Toto song "Africa" • obnoxious lists sure to piss off rock critics But wait, there's more. Readers will also be able to listen to a special free mix designed by the author, available online at www.stevenalmond.com, for the express purpose of eliciting your drool. For those about to rock—we salute you!

From the beloved Pulitzer Prize-

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winning poet: an extraordinary memoir and blistering meditation on fatherhood, race, addiction, and ambition. Gregory Pardlo's father was a brilliant and charismatic man--a leading labor organizer who presided over a happy suburban family of four. But when he loses his job following the famous air traffic controllers' strike of 1981, he succumbs to addiction and exhausts the family's money on more and more ostentatious whims. In the face of this troubling model and disillusioned presence in the household, young Gregory rebels. Struggling to distinguish himself on his own terms, he hustles off to Marine Corps boot camp. He moves across the world, returning to the

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United States only to take a job as a manager-cum-barfly at his family's jazz club. *Air Traffic* follows Gregory as he builds a life that honors his history without allowing it to define his future. Slowly, he embraces the challenges of being a poet, a son, and a father as he enters recovery for alcoholism and tends to his family. In this memoir, written in lyrical and sparkling prose, Gregory tries to free himself from the overwhelming expectations of race and class, and from the tempting yet ruinous legacy of American masculinity. *Air Traffic* is a richly realized, deeply felt ode to one man's remarkable father, to fatherhood, and to the frustrating yet redemptive ties of family. It is also a scrupulous,

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searing examination of how
manhood can be fashioned in our
cultural landscape.

The Autobiography of an Ex-
Colored Man

The Inside Track

Twin Spica, Volume: 01

Necessary Dreams

The autobiography of the legendary
Manchester United manager

What I Learned about Faith,
Identity, Running, and Life from My
Marathon Career

***The protagonist of this
fictional autobiography
wrestles with race in
America from the
perspective of someone who
learns that he is
considered black but also***

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that he can pass as white if he wants to. His personal ambitiousness and racial ambivalence makes him a sort of American Hamlet: undone by indecision. Will he be "a credit to his race" by advancing an African-American heritage he loves and appreciates in the face of a hostile culture, or will he retreat into the mediocrity of a safe, white, middle-class family life? Along the way, he shares his penetrating observations about race relations in the American north and south, about the

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American culture, about
the emerging bohemian jazz
subculture in New York
City, and about traditions
of African American
religious music and
oratory. This book is part
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Since his tragically early
death from cancer in 1995,
John Britten has
deservedly taken his place
as an original New Zealand
hero. He was the man who,
with a small dedicated
team in Christchurch,

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designed and built from scratch the extraordinary Britten V-twin motorcycle. His bike enthralled legions of fans worldwide, who were captured by the elegance, originality and power of the machine, but also by the romance of his story an individual taking on the power and might of some of the worlds biggest and best motorcycle manufacturers, and winning. This is a book with appeal far beyond the motorcycling fraternity, for it has a universally inspiring theme that extraordinary things are

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possible when a person can
turn their dreams into
reality.

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Economist Best Book of
2014. A vibrant, colorful,
and revelatory inner
history of China during a
moment of profound
transformation From
abroad, we often see China
as a caricature: a nation
of pragmatic plutocrats
and ruthlessly dedicated
students destined to rule
the global economy—or an
addled Goliath, riddled*

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with corruption and on the edge of stagnation. What we don't see is how both powerful and ordinary people are remaking their lives as their country dramatically changes. As the Beijing correspondent for *The New Yorker*, Evan Osnos was on the ground in China for years, witness to profound political, economic, and cultural upheaval. In *Age of Ambition*, he describes the greatest collision taking place in that country: the clash between the rise of the individual and the Communist Party's struggle

to retain control. He asks probing questions: Why does a government with more success lifting people from poverty than any civilization in history choose to put strict restraints on freedom of expression? Why do millions of young Chinese professionals-fluent in English and devoted to Western pop culture-consider themselves "angry youth," dedicated to resisting the West's influence? How are Chinese from all strata finding meaning after two decades of the relentless

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pursuit of wealth? Writing with great narrative verve and a keen sense of irony, *Osnos* follows the moving stories of everyday people and reveals life in the new China to be a battleground between aspiration and authoritarianism, in which only one can prevail. When the Freeman family decided to transform a drainage ditch into a stream that could again nurture salmon, they knew the task would be formidable but the rewards plentiful. *Saving Tarboo Creek* artfully blends the

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*story of the family's
efforts with profound
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lives by engaging with the
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the land ethic
passionately promoted by
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grandfather, Aldo Leopold,
in his influential book A
Sand County Almanac, this
timely tribute to our
natural environment and
the urgent need to protect
it is destined to be
another inspiring classic.
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