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Journey Through the Impossible

Growing up during WWII, Dick learns to hunt and fish to feed his family. His self-reliant spirit strengthens while selling blood to earn money for dental school. When his veins refuse to provide more blood money, he joins the Navy to pay for the remainder of graduate school. He steps from his role as an officer to that of a civilian and meets Mary, a gorgeous, intelligent woman with a sense of adventure. Together they build a loving family and fight to establish a cattle ranch and to claim a piece of wilderness for themselves, but will Dick be able to survive encounters with an alligator and unruly neighbors? Will the land they love be decimated by a big corporation? A powerful true story of survival and environmental stewardship, *Impossible Quest*, is an action-packed story of achieving a lifelong dream.

Enrique's Journey

A New York Times Bestseller A dramatic, inspiring memoir by legendary rock climber Tommy Caldwell, the first person to free climb the Dawn Wall of Yosemite's El Capitan "The rarest of adventure reads: it thrills with colorful details of courage and perseverance but it enriches readers with an absolutely captivating glimpse into how a simple yet unwavering resolve can turn adversity into reward." —The Denver Post A finalist for the Boardman Tasker Award for Mountain Literature On January 14, 2015, Tommy Caldwell, along with his partner, Kevin Jorgeson, summited what is widely regarded as the hardest climb in history—Yosemite's nearly vertical 3,000-foot Dawn Wall, after nineteen days on the route. Caldwell's odds-defying feat was the culmination of an entire lifetime of pushing himself to his limits as an athlete. This engrossing memoir chronicles the journey of a boy with a fanatical mountain-guide father who was determined to instill toughness in his son to a teen whose obsessive nature drove him to the top of the sport-climbing circuit. Caldwell's affinity for adventure then led him to the vertigo-inducing and little understood world of big wall free climbing. But his evolution as a climber was not without challenges; in his early twenties, he was held hostage by militants in a

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harrowing ordeal in the mountains of Kyrgyzstan. Soon after, he lost his left index finger in an accident. Later his wife, and main climbing partner, left him. Caldwell emerged from these hardships with a renewed sense of purpose and determination. He set his sights on free climbing El Capitan's biggest, steepest, blankest face—the Dawn Wall. This epic assault took more than seven years, during which time Caldwell redefined the sport, found love again, and became a father. *The Push* is an arresting story of focus, drive, motivation, endurance, and transformation, a book that will appeal to anyone seeking to overcome fear and doubt, cultivate perseverance, turn failure into growth, and find connection with family and with the natural world.

Lands of Lost Borders

From the dying lips of an old Druid, a prophecy was given to Masada. It was a look into the future of his yet unborn child. "One day your son will become a great leader even someday a king". The child was a son and now nineteen years later he was a man. It was a time of change; the Romans had long gone and the vacuum left behind created chaos. The year was 450AD, the year Britannia became a magnet for those who wished to abandon a war-ravaged Europe. Saxons took over the south, Angles settled in the north east, the Celtic tribes ruled the western hills and the Britons became strangers in their own land. Against this turbulent background, one man took upon himself an impossible journey. One that began with a marriage to a beautiful princess and ended with the saving of a nation.

To Shake the Sleeping Self

Take a step forward. Enjoy the process. Dare to listen to God's Voice and hope for the impossible. In *Small Beginnings*, Sara Thurman, artist, author, and founder of a Christian business called Acts 1:8 Blessings, pens her inspiring true story of becoming an artist by pursuing God's calling. Sara shares how her creative path intertwines with our own impossible journey by giving hope to what seems unreachable. *Small Beginnings* is anchored on Sara's belief that we all have an innate ability to create and it will teach you how to discover and focus on your own gifts to build a life and work full of purpose. This woven tapestry of devotional stories and testimonies gives light to the steps she took to reach goals beyond her wildest dreams. For more than 56 years, this former teacher and public school administrator never considered herself an artist. In fact, Sara had never taken a single art class. After believing the truth of a new identity spoken over her, she began to paint and sell her faith-based art. In two short years, she has painted and sold over 800 pieces of Christian inspired art. Sara writes as if you two are talking in her living room or art studio. These poignant and relatable stories go beyond the art world. She will have you laughing, crying and believing you, too, can reach the impossible and be a servant of God.

Border

"On the eve of turning thirty, terrified of being sucked into a life he didn't choose, Jedidiah Jenkins quit his dream job and spent the next sixteen months cycling from Oregon to Patagonia. He chronicled the trip on Instagram, where his photos and

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reflections on life soon attracted hundreds of thousands of followers and got him featured by National Geographic and The Paris Review. Jed now narrates the adventure that started it all: the people and places he encountered on his way to the bottom of the world, and the internal journey that prompted it -- the question of what it means to be an adult; his struggle to reconcile his sexual identity with his conservative Christian upbringing; and his belief in travel as a way to "wake us up" to our lives back home. As he writes in this account of his search for wonder and a life he could believe in, 'It's not about the bike. It's about getting out of your routine -- and that could look like anything.'"

Balkan Ghosts

With so many books about self-realization and success on the racks, why aren't more people self-realized and successful? Huge numbers of people pursuing this type of information prove that many want more from life. They are even willing to invest time and money to learn how to achieve more. So why don't more people actually succeed? Scott Jeffrey realizes what many well-meaning motivators and educators miss: This information must be consistently usable in everyday life. It must be accessible to men and women with impossible work schedules, families, and other time-consuming responsibilities. Through a series of thought-provoking strategies and exercises designed to "tune" what is already within the individual rather than complicating the task with new, often confusing information, Jeffrey helps you organize your thoughts, tap existing power, and claim the success you already own.

Angel on the Square

As she grows up in a commune in rural New York, twelve-year-old Saskia invents an imaginary world to escape her humdrum surroundings, but a mysterious invitation from her father soon attracts her attention

Walking the Amazon

"I know how to watch my back. I'm the only one that ever has." India Maxwell hasn't just moved across the country—she's plummeted to the bottom rung of the social ladder. It's taken years to cover the mess of her home life with a veneer of popularity. Now she's living in one of Boston's wealthiest neighborhoods with her mom's fiancé and his daughter, Eloise. Thanks to her soon-to-be stepsister's clique of friends, including Eloise's gorgeous, arrogant boyfriend, Finn, India feels like the one thing she hoped never to be seen as again: trash. But India's not alone in struggling to control the secrets of her past. Eloise and Finn, the school's golden couple, aren't all they seem to be. In fact, everyone's life is infinitely more complex than it first appears. And as India grows closer to Finn and befriends Eloise, threatening the facades that hold them together, what's left are truths that are brutal, beautiful and big enough to change them forever... From New York Times bestselling author Samantha Young comes a story of friendship, identity and acceptance that will break your heart—and make it whole again.

Building the Impossible: A Refugee's Journey of Giving Back

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From prominent outdoorsman and nature writer Mark Kenyon comes an engrossing reflection on the past and future battles over our most revered landscapes--America's public lands. Every American is a public-land owner, inheritor to the largest public-land trust in the world. These vast expanses provide a home to wildlife populations, a vital source of clean air and water, and a haven for recreation. Since its inception, however, America's public land system has been embroiled in controversy--caught in the push and pull between the desire to develop the valuable resources the land holds or conserve them. Alarmed by rising tensions over the use of these lands, hunter, angler, and outdoor enthusiast Mark Kenyon set out to explore the spaces involved in this heated debate, and learn firsthand how they came to be and what their future might hold. Part travelogue and part historical examination, *That Wild Country* invites readers on an intimate tour of the wondrous wild and public places that are a uniquely profound and endangered part of the American landscape.

The Impossible Journey

In the fall of 1914, safe behind palace walls, Katya Ivanova sees St. Petersburg as a magical place. The daughter of a lady-in-waiting to the Empress, Katya spends all her time with the Grand Duchesses; the royal family feels like her own. But outside the palace, a terrible war is sweeping through Europe, and Russia is beginning to crumble under the weight of a growing revolution. Now, as Katya's once-certain future begins to dissolve, she must seek to understand what is happening to her beloved country and, for the first time in her life, take charge of her own destiny.

Parallel Worlds

What if Christian doctrine is not just unprovable but untenable? Not just implausible but impossible?"*Doctrine Impossible*" takes a hard look at Christian doctrine, not to see what must be accepted as provably true but what can be accepted as not provably false (a claim is false if the assumption of its truth leads inescapably to a self-contradiction). Most criticisms of religion are from atheists who focus on the lack of evidence that God exists. This book focuses on the inescapable self-contradictions in Christian doctrine. The author approaches Christian doctrine objectively rather than reverently, taking its claims at face value to see where they lead. The book is organized as a six-part journey: Why reason is indispensable to faith; the idolatrous nature of scripture-based religion and the blasphemous nature of scriptural depictions of God; self-contradiction in Christian doctrine on sin; self-contradiction in doctrine on salvation; a non-religious model of why evil exists; and the possibility that God is present in and evolving from all sentient life. Throughout, the reader will see how the history of Christianity belies its own lofty claims, how the Bible has been hideously misused throughout history, and how the teachings of Jesus are better understood in light of rational spirituality than of dogmatic religiosity. "*Doctrine Impossible*" is lively, irreverent, provocative, and frequently funny. Thoughtful believers and non-believers interested in religion and its impact on history and society will find it informative and challenging. Atheists will find it a useful complement to the literature detailing the lack of evidence to support religious claims. Honest God-seekers may find in it a new path, more fulfilling than what churches offer. And fundamentalists will hate it for exposing Christianity's core doctrines and apologetics as provably false.

Why The Dutch Are Different

A personal memoir from a young woman born into the changing South of the 1950s, the child of a well-loved Methodist preacher and his hardworking wife, Ruth. Jacqueline loves God wholeheartedly, but still finds herself in conflict with some of her parents' teachings. Trying to please everyone, she makes a disastrous early marriage to a charming and handsome man who hides a terrible secret that eventually leads Jackie to break with her past and find a new fulfillment. A personal memoir of a time and place, and of a strong, beautiful woman who finds that peace and healing come from within.

That Wild Country

A NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER Colin O'Brady's awe-inspiring memoir spans his triumphant recovery from a tragic accident to his gripping 932-mile solo crossing of Antarctica. Prior to December 2018, no individual had ever crossed the landmass of Antarctica alone, without support and completely human powered. Yet, Colin O'Brady was determined to do just that, even if, ten years earlier, there was doubt that he'd ever walk again normally. From the depths of a tragic accident, he fought his way back. In a quest to unlock his potential and discover what was possible, he went on to set three mountaineering world records before turning to this historic Antarctic challenge. O'Brady's pursuit of a goal that had eluded many others was made even more intense by a head-to-head battle that emerged with British polar explorer Captain Louis Rudd—also striving to be “the first.” Enduring Antarctica's sub-zero temperatures and pulling a sled that initially weighed 375 pounds—in complete isolation and through a succession of whiteouts, storms, and a series of near disasters—O'Brady persevered. Alone with his thoughts for nearly two months in the vastness of the frozen continent—gripped by fear and doubt—he reflected on his past, seeking courage and inspiration in the relationships and experiences that had shaped his life. Honest, deeply moving, filled with moments of vulnerability—and set against the backdrop of some of the most extreme environments on earth, from Mt. Everest to Antarctica—The Impossible First reveals how anyone can reject limits, overcome immense obstacles, and discover what matters most.

Conquering the Impossible

NATIONAL BEST SELLER A vivid, surprising portrait of the civic and economic reinvention taking place in America, town by town and generally out of view of the national media. A realistically positive and provocative view of the country between its coasts. For the last five years, James and Deborah Fallows have been traveling across America in a single-engine prop airplane. Visiting dozens of towns, they have met hundreds of civic leaders, workers, immigrants, educators, environmentalists, artists, public servants, librarians, business people, city planners, students, and entrepreneurs to take the pulse and understand the prospects of places that usually draw notice only after a disaster or during a political campaign. The America they saw is acutely conscious of its problems—from economic dislocation to the opioid scourge—but it is also crafting solutions, with a practical-minded determination at dramatic odds with the bitter

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paralysis of national politics. At times of dysfunction on a national level, reform possibilities have often arisen from the local level. The Fallows describe America in the middle of one of these creative waves. Their view of the country is as complex and contradictory as America itself, but it also reflects the energy, the generosity and compassion, the dreams, and the determination of many who are in the midst of making things better. *Our Towns* is the story of their journey—and an account of a country busy remaking itself.

My Appeal to Heaven

In August 2002, Mike Horn set out on a mission that bordered on the impossible: to travel 12,000 miles around the globe at the Arctic Circle - alone, against all prevailing winds and currents, and without motorized transportation. *Conquering the Impossible* is the gripping account of Horn's grueling 27-month expedition by sail and by foot through extreme Arctic conditions that nearly cost him his life on numerous occasions. Enduring temperatures that ranged to as low as -95 degrees Fahrenheit, Horn battled hazards including shifting and unstable ice that gave way and plunged him into frigid waters, encounters with polar bears so close that he felt their breath on his face, severe frostbite in his fingers, and a fire that destroyed all of his equipment and nearly burned him alive. Complementing the sheer adrenaline of Horn's narrative are the isolated but touching human encounters the adventurer has with the hardy individuals who inhabit one of the remotest corners of the earth. From an Inuit who teaches him how to build an igloo to an elderly Russian left behind when the Soviets evacuated his remote Arctic town, Horn finds camaraderie, kindness, and assistance to help him survive the most unforgiving conditions. This awe-inspiring account is a page-turner and an Arctic survival tale in one. Most of all, it's a testament to one man's unrelenting desire to push the boundaries of human endurance.

The Saskiad

Coming Out, Then Coming Home Christopher Yuan, the son of Chinese immigrants, discovered at an early age that he was different. He was attracted to other boys. As he grew into adulthood, his mother, Angela, hoped to control the situation. Instead, she found that her son and her life were spiraling out of control—and her own personal demons were determined to defeat her. Years of heartbreak, confusion, and prayer followed before the Yuans found a place of complete surrender, which is God's desire for all families. Their amazing story, told from the perspectives of both mother and son, offers hope for anyone affected by homosexuality. God calls all who are lost to come home to him. Casting a compelling vision for holy sexuality, *Out of a Far Country* speaks to prodigals, parents of prodigals, and those wanting to minister to the gay community. "But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him." - Luke 15:20 Includes a discussion guide for personal reflection and group use.

Impossible Journey

Yassin al-Haj Saleh is a leftist dissident who spent sixteen years as a political

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prisoner and now lives in exile. He describes with precision and fervour the events that led to Syria's 2011 uprising, the metamorphosis of the popular revolution into a regional war, and the 'three monsters' Saleh sees 'treading on Syria's corpse': the Assad regime and its allies, ISIS and other jihadists, and Russia and the US. Where conventional wisdom has it that Assad's army is now battling religious fanatics for control of the country, Saleh argues that the emancipatory, democratic mass movement that ignited the revolution still exists, though it is beset on all sides. *The Impossible Revolution* is a powerful, compelling critique of Syria's catastrophic war, which has profoundly reshaped the lives of millions of Syrians.

The Impossible First

From the assassination that triggered World War I to the ethnic warfare in Serbia, Bosnia, and Croatia, the Balkans have been the crucible of the twentieth century, the place where terrorism and genocide first became tools of policy. Chosen as one of the Best Books of the Year by *The New York Times*, and greeted with critical acclaim as "the most insightful and timely work on the Balkans to date" (*The Boston Globe*), Kaplan's prescient, enthralling, and often chilling political travelogue is already a modern classic. This new edition of *Balkan Ghosts* includes six opinion pieces written by Robert Kaplan about the Balkans between 1996 and 2000 beginning just after the implementation of the Dayton Peace Accords and ending after the conclusion of the Kosovo war, with the removal of Slobodan Milosevic from power.

Enrique's Journey

Documents the journey of a Honduran teen who braved hardship and peril to reunite with his mother after she was forced to leave him behind and seek migratory work in the United States.

An Impossible Life

"Gary Geddes follows the trail of the legendary Huishen, an Afghan monk who fled from Kabul to China and crossed the Pacific to North America a thousand years before Columbus."--Book jacket.

The Push

'Here is art which conceals art, and intellect which conceals intellect, so that by the end of the book one feels that one understands something one had not understood before. Mr Hall is witty and amusing, but not snide; he has a lightness of touch which allows him to write of extremely serious matters without solemnity; he knows how to convey a great deal in a few words' *Sunday Telegraph* 'He is an observant and witty writer you believe implicitly that he has met the people he writes about, and that they said what he quotes them as saying' *Sunday Times*

Kingdom of Ten Thousand Things

A poignant novel of desperation, escape, and survival across the U.S.-Mexico

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border, inspired by current events. Pulga has his dreams. Chico has his grief. Pequeña has her pride. And these three teens have one another. But none of them have illusions about the town they've grown up in and the dangers that surround them. Even with the love of family, threats lurk around every corner. And when those threats become all too real, the trio knows they have no choice but to run: from their country, from their families, from their beloved home. Crossing from Guatemala through Mexico, they follow the route of La Bestia, the perilous train system that might deliver them to a better life--if they are lucky enough to survive the journey. With nothing but the bags on their backs and desperation drumming through their hearts, Pulga, Chico, and Pequeña know there is no turning back, despite the unknown that awaits them. And the darkness that seems to follow wherever they go. In this striking portrait of lives torn apart, the plight of migrants at the U.S. southern border is brought to light through poignant, vivid storytelling. An epic journey of danger, resilience, heartache, and hope. Praise for *We Are Not From Here*: "With poignant, exhausting lyricism and heart wrenching poetic prose, Jenny Torres Sanchez digs deep and shows us the throbbing, aching corazón--the hopeful, unbreakable spirit of the embattled immigrant. A book for the starving, lost soul." --Guadalupe García McCall, Pura Belpré Award-winning author of *Under the Mesquite* "An incredibly powerful, soul-searing YA. [I]mportant and necessary. I could not put this book down." --Padma Venkatraman, award-winning author of *The Bridge Home* "We Are Not From Here is one of the most relevant and needed young adult novels of the year, a must-read." --Jennifer Mathieu, critically acclaimed author of *The Liars of Mariposa Island* and *Moxie* "An achingly beautifully storymasterfully told Jenny Torres Sanchez is a true leader within young adult fiction." --Christina Diaz Gonzalez, award-winning author of *The Red Umbrella* "We Are Not From Here is absolutely stunning. It's raw and real, gritty and gorgeously told. A story that's painfully relevant today, and told with such precision and beauty, you can feel it. It's breathtaking and left me absolutely breathless." --Lauren Gibaldi, author of *This Tiny Perfect World* "We Are Not From Here is a book that will mark your heart. Jenny Torres Sanchez challenges us to feel, empathize and understand. A searing, necessary and ultimately beautiful book." --Alexandra Villasante, critically acclaimed author of *The Grief Keeper* * "A brutally honest, not-to-be-missed narrative gripping, heart-wrenching, and thrilling." --Kirkus Reviews, STARRED REVIEW * "A candid, realistic story that will leave readers thinking about the characters--and about our own world--long after the last page." --SLJ, STARRED REVIEW * "Gripping, poignant this soul-shaking narrative [recalls] the works of Gabriel García Márquez." --Booklist, STARRED REVIEW

Small Beginnings

In August 1986, Michael Asher and Mariantonietta Peru set out to achieve the impossible: crossing from west to east of the Sahara. They traversed the vast lands of northern Africa long before 'Arab Spring' became word of mouth and threw the region into turmoil. Newly married, Asher and his wife go through a parallel adventure in their marriage. The rigours of the desert bring them closer together, until they discover themselves and adapt to the new milieu.

Impossible Country

"Remarkable: a book about borders that makes the reader feel sumptuously free."

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—Peter Pomerantsev In this extraordinary work of narrative reportage, Kapka Kassabova returns to Bulgaria, from where she emigrated as a girl twenty-five years previously, to explore the border it shares with Turkey and Greece. When she was a child, the border zone was rumored to be an easier crossing point into the West than the Berlin Wall, and it swarmed with soldiers and spies. On holidays in the “Red Riviera” on the Black Sea, she remembers playing on the beach only miles from a bristling electrified fence whose barbs pointed inward toward the enemy: the citizens of the totalitarian regime. Kassabova discovers a place that has been shaped by successive forces of history: the Soviet and Ottoman empires, and, older still, myth and legend. Her exquisite portraits of fire walkers, smugglers, treasure hunters, botanists, and border guards populate the book. There are also the ragged men and women who have walked across Turkey from Syria and Iraq. But there seem to be nonhuman forces at work here too: This densely forested landscape is rich with curative springs and Thracian tombs, and the tug of the ancient world, of circular time and animism, is never far off. *Border* is a scintillating, immersive travel narrative that is also a shadow history of the Cold War, a sideways look at the migration crisis troubling Europe, and a deep, witchy descent into interior and exterior geographies.

The Travel Book

"Lands of Lost Borders carried me up into a state of openness and excitement I haven't felt for years. It's a modern classic." —Pico Iyer A brilliant, fierce writer makes her debut with this enthralling travelogue and memoir of her journey by bicycle along the Silk Road—an illuminating and thought-provoking fusion of *The Places in Between*, *Lab Girl*, and *Wild* that dares us to challenge the limits we place on ourselves and the natural world. As a teenager, Kate Harris realized that the career she craved—to be an explorer, equal parts swashbuckler and metaphysician—had gone extinct. From what she could tell of the world from small-town Ontario, the likes of Marco Polo and Magellan had mapped the whole earth; there was nothing left to be discovered. Looking beyond this planet, she decided to become a scientist and go to Mars. In between studying at Oxford and MIT, Harris set off by bicycle down the fabled Silk Road with her childhood friend Mel. Pedaling mile upon mile in some of the remotest places on earth, she realized that an explorer, in any day and age, is the kind of person who refuses to live between the lines. Forget charting maps, naming peaks: what she yearned for was the feeling of soaring completely out of bounds. The farther she traveled, the closer she came to a world as wild as she felt within. *Lands of Lost Borders* is the chronicle of Harris's odyssey and an exploration of the importance of breaking the boundaries we set ourselves; an examination of the stories borders tell, and the restrictions they place on nature and humanity; and a meditation on the existential need to explore—the essential longing to discover what in the universe we are doing here. Like Rebecca Solnit and Pico Iyer, Kate Harris offers a travel account at once exuberant and reflective, wry and rapturous. *Lands of Lost Borders* explores the nature of limits and the wildness of the self that can never fully be mapped. Weaving adventure and philosophy with the history of science and exploration, *Lands of Lost Borders* celebrates our connection as humans to the natural world, and ultimately to each other—a belonging that transcends any fences or stories that may divide us.

The Europe Book

Born into a family of patriots who served in the Revolutionary War, Christina is a descendant of Captain William Blackler, who commanded the boat that took General George Washington across the Delaware River on Christmas Eve in 1776. Christina's family moves to South America when she is a child on a quest for adventure. They return to Washington, DC six years later. Her father finds himself in the midst of a mysterious interrogation and leaps to his death from a government building. Christina moves to San Francisco to leave the painful past behind. She meets her future husband while windsurfing under the Golden Gate Bridge. They settle in beautiful Marin County. But with the birth of two small daughters, Christina finds herself in a desperate situation with no resources other than herself. While wandering the Marin headlands overlooking the San Francisco bay, Christina offers an Appeal to Heaven as her forefathers did when they were greatly outmatched by the British military. In doing so, she embarks on a journey of awakening and empowerment that is truly miraculous. She offers insight into a solution for the many women and children who find themselves in vulnerable situations. She unlocks the potential of the hidden power that is available to us all and vows to share her story with millions of people throughout the world who are in need of hope and freedom.

Korea: The Impossible Country

850 images. 230 countries. One complete picture. This third edition of Lonely Planet's bestselling reference guide features every country in the world and is now available in paperback- and will continue to delight, inspire and inform travellers of all ages.

The Travel Book

South Korea's amazing rise from the ashes: the inside story of an economic, political, and cultural phenomenon Long overshadowed by Japan and China, South Korea is a small country that happens to be one of the great national success stories of the postwar period. From a failed state with no democratic tradition, ruined and partitioned by war, and sapped by a half-century of colonial rule, South Korea transformed itself in just fifty years into an economic powerhouse and a democracy that serves as a model for other countries. With no natural resources and a tradition of authoritarian rule, Korea managed to accomplish a second Asian miracle. Daniel Tudor is a journalist who has lived in and written about Korea for almost a decade. In *Korea: The Impossible Country*, Tudor examines Korea's cultural foundations; the Korean character; the public sphere in politics, business, and the workplace as well as the family, dating, and marriage. In doing so, he touches on topics as diverse as shamanism, clan-ism, the dilemma posed by North Korea, the myths about doing business in Korea, the Koreans' renowned hard-partying ethos, and why the infatuation with learning English is now causing massive social problems. South Korea has undergone two miracles at once: economic development and complete democratization. The question now is, will it become as some see Japan, a prosperous yet aging society, devoid of energy and momentum? Or will the dynamism of Korean society and its willingness to

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change—as well as the opportunity it has now to welcome outsiders into its fold—enable it to experience a third miracle that will propel it into the ranks of the world's leading nations regarding human culture, democracy, and wealth? More than just one journalist's account, *Korea: The Impossible Country* also draws on interviews with many of the people who made South Korea what it is today. These include: Choi Min-sik, the star of "Old Boy." Park Won-soon, Mayor of Seoul. Soyeon Yi, Korea's first astronaut Hong Myung-bo, legendary captain of Korea's 2002 FIFA World Cup team. Shin Joong-hyun, the 'Godfather of Korean Rock.' Ko Un, poet. Hong Seok-cheon, restaurateur, and the first Korean celebrity to 'come out.' And many more, including a former advisor to President Park Chung-hee; a Shaman priestess ('mudang'); the boss of Korea's largest matchmaking agency; a 'room salon' hostess; an architect; as well as chefs, musicians, academics, entrepreneurs, homemakers, and chaebol conglomerate employees.

We Are Not from Here

One Russian night in 1934, Marya and Georgi's parents disappear. Despite high risks, Katya and Misha had spoken against the government. The children, alone and desperate, fear the worst. Will they ever see their parents again? But all it takes is one crumpled letter to give Marya and Georgi hope and send them on a dangerous mission to reunite their family. They must steal away in the dark of night, escape the city, and find passage to the great Siberian wilderness. And even then, if they succeed in getting away, their journey will have only just begun. In this companion novel to her breathtaking Russian epic *Angel on the Square*, National Book Award winning author Gloria Whelan takes readers on a remarkable journey that is both perilous and transforming.

The Impossible Journey

When 35-year-old Sonja Wasden is involuntarily admitted to a psychiatric hospital by her husband & father, she is sure it is a mistake. A suburban mother of three, Sonja's life appears ideal. How did she get here? Sonja tells the compelling true account of her struggle with depression, mania, an eating disorder, suicide, marriage, and motherhood.

The Impossible Revolution

An astonishing story that puts a human face on the ongoing debate about immigration reform in the United States, now updated with a new Epilogue and Afterword, photos of Enrique and his family, an author interview, and more—the definitive edition of a classic of contemporary America Based on the Los Angeles Times newspaper series that won two Pulitzer Prizes, one for feature writing and another for feature photography, this page-turner about the power of family is a popular text in classrooms and a touchstone for communities across the country to engage in meaningful discussions about this essential American subject. Enrique's Journey recounts the unforgettable quest of a Honduran boy looking for his mother, eleven years after she is forced to leave her starving family to find work in the United States. Braving unimaginable peril, often clinging to the sides and tops of freight trains, Enrique travels through hostile worlds full of thugs, bandits, and

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corrupt cops. But he pushes forward, relying on his wit, courage, hope, and the kindness of strangers. As Isabel Allende writes: "This is a twenty-first-century Odyssey. If you are going to read only one nonfiction book this year, it has to be this one." Praise for Enrique's Journey "Magnificent . . . Enrique's Journey is about love. It's about family. It's about home."—The Washington Post Book World "[A] searing report from the immigration frontlines . . . as harrowing as it is heartbreaking."—People (four stars) "Stunning . . . As an adventure narrative alone, Enrique's Journey is a worthy read. . . . Nazario's impressive piece of reporting [turns] the current immigration controversy from a political story into a personal one."—Entertainment Weekly "Gripping and harrowing . . . a story begging to be told."—The Christian Science Monitor "[A] prodigious feat of reporting . . . [Sonia Nazario is] amazingly thorough and intrepid."—Newsday

Out of a Far Country

A focused celebration of the world's most culturally influential continent, this indispensable bestseller explores Europe in detail, and includes an evocative and in-depth look at each country.

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