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The Ride of Our Lives

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NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • From the author of *The Eighty-Dollar Champion*, the remarkable story of the heroic rescue of priceless horses in the closing days of World War II In the chaotic last days of the war, a small troop of battle-weary American soldiers captures a German spy and makes an astonishing find—his briefcase is empty but for photos of beautiful white horses that have been stolen and kept on a secret farm behind enemy lines. Hitler has stockpiled the world's finest purebreds in order to breed the perfect military machine—an equine master race. But with the starving Russian army closing in, the animals are in imminent danger of being slaughtered for food. With only hours to spare, one of the U.S. Army's last great cavalrymen, Colonel Hank Reed, makes a bold decision—with General George Patton's blessing—to mount a covert rescue operation. Racing against time, Reed's small but determined force of soldiers, aided by several turncoat Germans, steals across enemy lines in a last-ditch effort to save the horses. Pulling together this multistranded story, Elizabeth Letts introduces us to an unforgettable cast of characters: Alois Podhajsky, director of the famed Spanish Riding School of Vienna, a former Olympic medalist who is forced to flee the bomb-ravaged Austrian capital with his entire stable in tow; Gustav Rau, Hitler's imperious chief of horse breeding, a proponent of eugenics who dreams of genetically engineering the perfect warhorse for Germany; and Tom

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Stewart, a senator's son who makes a daring moonlight ride on a white stallion to secure the farm's surrender. A compelling account for animal lovers and World War II buffs alike, *The Perfect Horse* tells for the first time the full story of these events. Elizabeth Letts's exhilarating tale of behind-enemy-lines adventure, courage, and sacrifice brings to life one of the most inspiring chapters in the annals of human valor. Praise for *The Perfect Horse* "Winningly readable . . . Letts captures both the personalities and the stakes of this daring mission with such a sharp ear for drama that the whole second half of the book reads like a WWII thriller dreamed up by Alan Furst or Len Deighton. . . . The right director could make a Hollywood classic out of this fairy tale."—*The Christian Science Monitor* "Letts, a lifelong equestrienne, eloquently brings together the many facets of this unlikely, poignant story underscoring the love and respect of man for horses."—*Kirkus Reviews*

The Color of Water

"The incredible true story of a woman who rode her horse across America in the 1950s, fulfilling her dying wish to see the Pacific Ocean, from the #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Perfect Horse* and *The Eighty-Dollar Champion*. In 1954, Annie Wilkins, a sixty-

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three-year-old farmer from Maine, embarked on an impossible journey. She had no relatives left, she'd lost her family farm to back taxes, and her doctor had just given her two years to live--but only if she "lived restfully." He offered her a spot in the county's charity home. Instead, she decided she wanted to see the Pacific Ocean just once before she died. She bought a cast-off brown gelding named Tarzan, donned men's dungarees, loaded up her horse, and headed out from Maine in mid-November, hoping to beat the snow. She had no map, no GPS, no phone. But she had her ex-racehorse, her faithful mutt, and her own unflinching belief that Americans would treat a stranger with kindness. Between 1954 and 1956, Annie, Tarzan, and her dog, Depeche Toi, journeyed more than 4,000 miles, through America's big cities and small towns, meeting ordinary people and celebrities--from Andrew Wyeth (who sketched Tarzan) to Art Linkletter and Groucho Marx. She received many offers--a permanent home at a riding stable in New Jersey, a job at a gas station in rural Kentucky, even a marriage proposal from a Wyoming rancher who loved animals as much as she did. As Annie trudged through blizzards, forded rivers, climbed mountains, and clung to the narrow shoulder as cars whipped by her at terrifying speeds, she captured the imagination of an apprehensive Cold War America. At a time when small towns were being bypassed by Eisenhower's brand-new interstate highway system, and the reach and

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impact of television was just beginning to be understood, Annie and her four-footed companions inspired an outpouring of neighborliness in a rapidly changing world"--

Along for the Ride

The REAL RIDE by Lisa Worrell-Whittle is a real ride indeed! If you are human, if you value victory through loss, joy over disappointment, love beyond betrayal, forgiveness over anger, this book will not disappoint! This is a remarkable journey into the world of one remarkable woman" a horsewoman, an entrepreneur, artist, the granddaughter of a beloved pastor, a daughter/wife/mother/friend. Her story is direct and personal. Born and raised in a small town in Virginia, Lisa has what my grandmother called"pluck." She does not shy away from living, not from life's challenges, heartaches or hard work. She is always getting back up and in the saddle with true female grit, humor, and love. Lisa weaves her life story from the present to the past and back again, always tying her life lessons together in a humorous knot of love. You will feel like she is sharing her wisdom from across the kitchen table. Within the first chapter, the ride begins with a triumphant win with her champion horse, Mark, then Lisa witnesses his tragic death just days before she closed the deal to

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sell her trophy-winning stallion. It was a sale which would set her up financially for the rest of her life. Lisa and Mark had a remarkable ride in which Lisa solidly established herself as a high-quality horsewoman. She was 100% devoted to Mark, and if you have ever loved an animal, it is easy to imagine the intense love Lisa felt for her beautiful horse. Her raw pain will break your heart wide open. After the rough ride of Mark's death, her journey weaves back to a tragic event in her twenties and through more recent struggles. You will join her on the ride of relationships: mother to daughter, husband to wife, friend to friend, church to true fellowship. We witness love and loss, betrayal and forgiveness, distrust restored to trust and on to self-empowerment. In all her relationships, you get to know a champion and a woman of passion with tremendous humor. You will wish to be her friend and you will find yourself thinking, if this woman found her power, I can too. Incredibly inspiring and entertaining. A very hard book to put down.

Who Was Sally Ride?

Traces the story of a champion equine jumper and the Dutch farmer who rescued him from the slaughterhouse, recounting how the farmer discovered Snowman's jumping talents and trained him to compete

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against the world's thoroughbreds.

The Life of Sally Ride

When Auden goes to stay with her father, stepmother, and new baby sister the summer before she starts college, all the trauma of her parents' divorce is revived, even as she is making new friends and having fun new experiences.

The House on Mango Street

Sally Ride made history as the first American woman in space. A member of the first astronaut class to include women, she broke through a quarter-century of white male fighter jocks when NASA chose her for the seventh shuttle mission, cracking the celestial ceiling and inspiring several generations of women. After a second flight, Ride served on the panels investigating the Challenger explosion and the Columbia disintegration that killed all aboard. In both instances she faulted NASA's rush to meet mission deadlines and its organizational failures. She cofounded a company promoting science and education for children, especially girls.

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Enjoying the Ride

"I am the daughter of the town drunks in a small town in upstate New York and this is my story. Life started off well enough. In the beginning there wasn't even a hint of the chaos that would eventually swallow us all" So begins the life story of Susan Bump. Although sad at times, Susan Bump's biography is ultimately a story of triumph. She overcame a severely dysfunctional family to pursue her dream of training Thoroughbred racehorses. When the dream no longer served her, she quit training and became an activist, protesting for animal and human rights. Ex-thoroughbred racehorse trainer and exercise rider, Susan Bump broke and trained horses for over 30 years. She had to quit when she realized that she was part of the problem rather than part of the solution. Susan eventually became a human and animal rights activist. A member of San Diego (California) Animal Defense team, Susan successfully protested inhumane pet stores in San Diego leading to criminal charges against the owners. She was arrested for trespassing in the small town of Valley Center, Ca. when she gave water to dying animals on a hot summer day. Her story made front page news in the local paper, The North County Times. So many animal lovers supported her in court that the newspapers called them her 'entourage.' She currently lives with her 8 wonderful dogs on a 47,000

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acre, Arizona ranch in a 100-year-old adobe house in the magical town of Arivaca. There is never a dull moment in My Wild Ride. The 'untamed life of a girl with no self-esteem' offers lots of tears, but lots of laughs, too. This is her Wild Ride.

The Five People You Meet in Heaven

Charlotte Hopper finds her carefully constructed life as a nurse practitioner at El Centro, a non-profit women's health center in rural Pennsylvania, falling apart when an old college friend moves in next door, threatening to reveal a devastating and tragic secret from the past that could destroy everything. By the author of Quality of Care. Original.

Full Ride

This book is my life story, with an emphasis on my toxic marriage, divorce, and my recovery.

Ride for Your Life!

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"A series of connected personal stories drawn from the author's life and work as an ER doctor that explores how we are all broken--physically, emotionally, and psychically--and what we can do to heal ourselves as we try to heal others"--

Life Is a Wheel

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Family Planning

"We Ride Upon Sticks . . . is for the kind of adults who watch Stranger Things and still have, somewhere, an athletic award inscribed on a paper plate." -NPR **NPR "Best Books of 2020** **TIME "Must Read Books of 2020"** **Book Riot "Best Books of 2020** **Literary Hub "Our 65 Favorite Books of 2020** Acclaimed novelist Quan Barry delivers a tour de female force in this delightful novel. Set in the coastal town of Danvers, Massachusetts, where the accusations began that led to the 1692 witch trials, We Ride Upon Sticks follows the 1989 Danvers High School Falcons field hockey team, who will do anything to make it to the state finals—even if it means tapping into some devilishly dark

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powers. In chapters dense with 1980s iconography—from Heathers to "big hair"—Barry expertly weaves together the individual and collective progress of this enchanted team as they storm their way through an unforgettable season. Helmed by good-girl captain Abby Putnam (a descendant of the infamous Salem accuser Ann Putnam) and her co-captain Jen Fiorenza (whose bleached blond "Claw" sees and knows all), the Falcons prove to be wily, original, and bold, flaunting society's stale notions of femininity in order to find their glorious true selves through the crucible of team sport and, more importantly, friendship.

My Wild Ride

With the fair in town, Creepella looks forward to enjoying herself, but when rollercoaster riders begin to disappear, Creepella investigates the mystery.

The Physician's Wife and the Things that Pertain to Her Life

The Ride of Her Life

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As a boy in Brooklyn's Red Hook projects, James McBride knew his mother was different. But when he asked about it, she'd simply say 'I'm light-skinned.' Later he wondered if he was different too, and asked his mother if he was black or white. 'You're a human being,' she snapped. 'Educate yourself or you'll be a nobody!' And when James asked what colour God was, she said 'God is the colour of water.' As an adult, McBride finally persuaded his mother to tell her story - the story of a rabbi's daughter, born in Poland and raised in the South, who fled to Harlem, married a black man, founded a Baptist church, and put twelve children through college.

Sally Ride: A Photobiography of America's Pioneering Woman in Space

#1 New York Times Bestseller Newbery Honor Book Winner of the Schneider Family Book Award (Middle School) Wall Street Journal Best Children's Books of 2015 New York Public Library's 100 Books for Reading and Sharing An exceptionally moving story of triumph against all odds set during World War II, from the acclaimed author of Jefferson's Sons and for fans of Number the Stars. Ten-year-old Ada has never left her one-room apartment. Her mother is too humiliated by

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Ada's twisted foot to let her outside. So when her little brother Jamie is shipped out of London to escape the war, Ada doesn't waste a minute—she sneaks out to join him. So begins a new adventure for Ada, and for Susan Smith, the woman who is forced to take the two kids in. As Ada teaches herself to ride a pony, learns to read, and watches for German spies, she begins to trust Susan—and Susan begins to love Ada and Jamie. But in the end, will their bond be enough to hold them together through wartime? Or will Ada and her brother fall back into the cruel hands of their mother? This masterful work of historical fiction is equal parts adventure and a moving tale of family and identity—a classic in the making.

Sally Ride

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • A grand vision defined: The CEO of Disney, one of Time's most influential people of 2019, shares the ideas and values he embraced to reinvent one of the most beloved companies in the world and inspire the people who bring the magic to life. Robert Iger became CEO of The Walt Disney Company in 2005, during a difficult time. Competition was more intense than ever and technology was changing faster than at any time in the company's history. His vision came down to three clear ideas: Recommit to the

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concept that quality matters, embrace technology instead of fighting it, and think bigger—think global—and turn Disney into a stronger brand in international markets. Twelve years later, Disney is the largest, most respected media company in the world, counting Pixar, Marvel, Lucasfilm, and 21st Century Fox among its properties. Its value is nearly five times what it was when Iger took over, and he is recognized as one of the most innovative and successful CEOs of our era. In *The Ride of a Lifetime*, Robert Iger shares the lessons he's learned while running Disney and leading its 200,000 employees, and he explores the principles that are necessary for true leadership, including:

- Optimism. Even in the face of difficulty, an optimistic leader will find the path toward the best possible outcome and focus on that, rather than give in to pessimism and blaming.
- Courage. Leaders have to be willing to take risks and place big bets. Fear of failure destroys creativity.
- Decisiveness. All decisions, no matter how difficult, can be made on a timely basis. Indecisiveness is both wasteful and destructive to morale.
- Fairness. Treat people decently, with empathy, and be accessible to them.

This book is about the relentless curiosity that has driven Iger for forty-five years, since the day he started as the lowliest studio grunt at ABC. It's also about thoughtfulness and respect, and a decency-over-dollars approach that has become the bedrock of every project and partnership Iger

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pursues, from a deep friendship with Steve Jobs in his final years to an abiding love of the Star Wars mythology. “The ideas in this book strike me as universal” Iger writes. “Not just to the aspiring CEOs of the world, but to anyone wanting to feel less fearful, more confidently themselves, as they navigate their professional and even personal lives.”

The War that Saved My Life

Gabby gets her fair share of frights at a country carnival in this spooky Creepover tale. Adventurous Gabby Carter is excited to visit her best friend Sydney in Sydney’s new town in Iowa. Gabby is wondering what they’re going to do, surrounded by cornfields, when they discover an amazing carnival full of kids their age..and two very cute boys. But then strange things start happening at the fair: the Tilt-a-Whirl spins a little too quickly, and the eyes of the painted face on the funhouse follow Gabby. Gabby can’t believe she’s the one begging cautious Sydney to leave the carnival—but Sydney won’t leave! Can Gabby convince Sydney they don’t want to find out how haunted this carnival truly is? This roller coaster of a story is rated a Level 4 on the Creep-o-Meter.

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The REAL RIDE

Sally Ride

The only man pragmatic Lilly Hart needs in her life is a six year old. Widowed two years ago, Lilly leaves the shelter of her intrusive in-laws' home to stand on her own and provide for her young son by working for the summer as a cook at Lake Manawa. However, her in-laws find that life utterly unsuitable for their grandson, and when a row ensues, a handsome stranger--who designs roller coasters, of all things--intercedes on her behalf. Still, Lilly is not about to get involved with any man, especially this cocky (though charismatic) gentleman. Little does she know she is about to begin the ride of her life. Filled with delightful characters and the romance of summer, The Ride of Her Life is another supremely entertaining story from the witty Lorna Seilstad. Readers will laugh out loud and sigh contentedly as they spend the summer of 1906 in Lake Manawa.

The Ride of a Lifetime

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"Based on his popular series in the New York Times chronicling his cross-country bicycle trip, bestselling author Bruce Weber shares his adventures from his solo ride across the USA. Riding a bicycle across the US is one of those bucket-list goals that many dream about but few achieve. Bestselling author and New York Times reporter Bruce Weber made the trip, solo, over the summer and fall of 2011--at the age of fifty-seven. Expanding upon his popular series published in The New York Times, *Life Is a Wheel* is the witty and inspiring account of his journey, where he extols the pleasures of cycling and reflects on what happened on his adventure, in the world, in the country, and in his life. The story begins on the Oregon coast with a middle-aged man wondering what he's gotten himself into and ends in triumph on the George Washington Bridge, wondering how soon he might try it again. Part travelogue, part memoir, part paean to the bicycle as a simple and elegant mode of both mobility and self-expression--and part wry and panicky account of a fifty-seven-year-old man's attempt to stave off mortality--*Life Is a Wheel* is an elegant and entertaining escape for any armchair traveler"--

The Countess de Bonneval: her Life and Letters

Becca has plenty to hide and everything to lose--but with her future on

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the line, she's willing to risk it all. This gripping novel from New York Times bestselling author Maragaret Peterson Haddix "will rivet readers" (Publishers Weekly). Becca's claim to fame is one she's been hiding from for the past three years: Her father is a notorious embezzler, and when he was caught, his excuse was, "How else is a guy like me supposed to put his kid through college?" Three years after the trial and imprisonment that destroyed Becca's life, she and her mother have started over again and are living in a town where no one knows their secret. But as college—and its cost—looms large, Becca begins to wonder how they'll afford it. And how she can apply for financial aid without divulging her secret? A local scholarship opportunity seems like a dream come true, but as the application process commences, Becca uncovers a chain of secrets that could destroy everything she's worked so hard to build. But the truth could also lead her toward the future she's always dreamed of..

The Beauty in Breaking

In this lighthearted historical romance set in 1906, a charming roller coaster designer takes a no-nonsense young widow on the ride of her life.

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Life As I Know It

This series explores the lives of American people who did great things for the United States. Learn about thee important people and what they were like. Read about the person's family, childhood, school years, working years, and accomplishments. Find out why that person will always be remembered.

The Ride Of Her Life

Sally Ride was more than the first woman in space—she was a real-life explorer and adventurer whose life story is a true inspiration for all those who dream big. Most people know Sally Ride as the first American female astronaut to travel in space. But in her lifetime she was also a nationally ranked tennis player, a physicist who enjoyed reading Shakespeare, a university professor, and the founder of a company that helped inspire girls and young women to pursue careers in science and math. Posthumously, she was a recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom. From Sally Ride's youth to her many groundbreaking achievements in space and beyond, Sue Macy's riveting biography tells the story of not only a pioneering astronaut, but a leader and

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explorer whose life, as President Barack Obama said, “demonstrates that the sky is no limit for those who dream of reaching for the stars.”

Quality of Care

The bestselling coming-of-age classic, acclaimed by critics, beloved by readers of all ages, taught in schools and universities alike, and translated around the world from the winner of the 2018 PEN/Nabokov Award for Achievement in International Literature. *The House on Mango Street* is the remarkable story of Esperanza Cordero, a young Latina girl growing up in Chicago, inventing for herself who and what she will become. Told in a series of vignettes—sometimes heartbreaking, sometimes deeply joyous—Sandra Cisneros' masterpiece is a classic story of childhood and self-discovery. Few other books in our time have touched so many readers.

The Unexpected

"Stepping back, June undid her jeans and pushed her pants and underwear down, leaving herself naked. Harlan clearly appreciated the

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view. "Anybody tell you you're beautiful?" he asked. "Not lately." She stepped out of her boots and climbed back into bed, straddling his chest as she opened his jeans.

The Eighty-dollar Champion

The worst summer of her life has one seriously hot perk . . . These days, everything in Katelyn Jackson's life revolves around her pop star brother. His schedule, his tour, his fans—it's like Connor Jackson's become the centre of the universe. And this summer, it's going to get a lot worse. The entire family is going on tour, and Katelyn's now officially part of her brother's "entourage." Un-freaking-believable. Good-bye soccer dreams, good-bye friends, good-bye any kind of life. But Katelyn's not the only one going on tour with her brother. Her favourite band ever—Skyline—is on tour as well. Which includes lead singer Zach Matthews, whose deep, caramel eyes seem to make Katelyn's heart pound about a zillion beats a minute. Don't mind me, I'm just fangirling here. Only somewhere between the endless bus rides and cruddy room service food, there's some serious chemistry fizzing between Katelyn and Zach. And it feels a little too amazing to be real When Connor Jackson's reputation and career are threatened—and all of her soccer dreams are on the line—Katelyn's

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world suddenly feels like it's on the verge of collapse. And Katelyn must decide whether she's just Connor Jackson's kid sister, tagging along for the ride or if she's finally ready to step into a spotlight of her own.

If I Stay

Presents a brief biography of Sally Ride, in simple text with illustrations, describing the life of the first American woman to travel in space.

The Ride of Her Life

With no memory of the car accident itself, 17-year-old Mia must come to terms with never really knowing what happened one horrific winter's day that changed her life forever.

Along for the Ride

From legendary playwright August Wilson comes the powerful, stunning dramatic bestseller that won him critical acclaim, including the Tony

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Award for Best Play and the Pulitzer Prize. Troy Maxson is a strong man, a hard man. He has had to be to survive. Troy Maxson has gone through life in an America where to be proud and black is to face pressures that could crush a man, body and soul. But the 1950s are yielding to the new spirit of liberation in the 1960s, a spirit that is changing the world Troy Maxson has learned to deal with the only way he can, a spirit that is making him a stranger, angry and afraid, in a world he never knew and to a wife and son he understands less and less. This is a modern classic, a book that deals with the impossibly difficult themes of race in America, set during the Civil Rights Movement of the 1950s and 60s. Now an Academy Award-winning film directed by and starring Denzel Washington, along with Academy Award and Golden Globe winner Viola Davis.

Josie M. Davidson, Her Life and Work

Eddie is a wounded war veteran, an old man who has lived, in his mind, an uninspired life. His job is fixing rides at a seaside amusement park. On his 83rd birthday, a tragic accident kills him, as he tries to save a little girl from a falling cart. He awakes in the afterlife, where he learns that heaven is not a destination. It's a place where your life is explained to you by five people, some of whom you knew,

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others who may have been strangers. One by one, from childhood to soldier to old age, Eddie's five people revisit their connections to him on earth, illuminating the mysteries of his "meaningless" life, and revealing the haunting secret behind the eternal question: "Why was I here?"

Ride of Your Life

Mitch was five when he learned his mother would be in a wheelchair for the rest of her life. If he hadn't grown up with such an inspirational mother, however, he wouldn't have been prepared for what would come. At 35, the same age as his mother when she had her accident, Mitch began experiencing symptoms of primary progressive multiple sclerosis, a particularly disabling form of MS, and his physical challenges grew to resemble his mother's. In the ensuing years, he muddled through the ethical swamp of clinical trials, navigated the minefield of experimental treatments, and became a popular blogger and disability advocate. Equal parts entertaining and inspiring, *Enjoying the Ride* tells an extraordinary mother and son story, provides a behind-the-scenes view of the lives of disabled people, and reveals the previously untold story about the night Mitch's mother was injured.

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Fences

Drake is an omega wolf who just wants to be left alone, which becomes difficult when the Alpha of his pack decides he wants him as a mate. Rather than accept, Drake decides to run, and he's been running ever since. He relishes in the thrill of the wild and the easiness of freedom. When he runs low on cash, however, he makes a snap decision to head down south to participate in an amateur rodeo to earn the prize money. His only problem? He's never ridden a bull in his life. Luckily, a friendly trucker points him in the direction of a local dude ranch where he can find a teacher. Gabe has dealt with a lot in his lifetime and lost many he held dear. It left him hardened and with little tolerance for his own kind. Luckily, he's spent the last decade in a peaceful life on his ranch, with work to keep him busy and his ranch hands to keep him company. He was prepared to live out the rest of his days like this until a storm in the form of a young Omega came hurtling into his life, single-handedly awakening desires that had long been dormant. Now the two of them have to decide to keep going on the paths they've paved for themselves or to take a chance and blaze a new trail. Disclaimer: The Ride of Your Life book is a passionate long novel with over 400 pages packed of lovely man on male action. Very steamy M/M eBook for a mature audience ONLY.

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The Perfect Horse

The Ride of Your Life

Years before millions of Americans tuned in to watch her historic space flight aboard the Challenger in 1983, Sally Ride stayed up late to watch Neil Armstrong become the first person to walk on the moon. The next morning, she woke up to win her first round singles match at a national junior tennis tournament. Sally Ride: A Photobiography of America's Pioneering Woman Astronaut, is an intimate journey from her formative years to her final moments. Before she was an astronaut, Sally was a competitive tennis player who excelled at the game to such an extent that Billie Jean King told her she could play on the pro circuit. Before she earned a Ph.D. in physics, she was called an underachiever by her high school classmates. After her first historic space flight—she took a second in 1984—Sally continued to break ground as an inspirational advocate for space exploration, public policy, and science education, who fought gender stereotypes and opened doors for girls and women in all fields during the second half of the twentieth century. This vivid photobiography, written by Sally's life, writing,

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and business partner, Tam O'Shaughnessy, offers an intimate and revealing glimpse into the life and mind of the famously private, book-loving, tennis-playing physicist who made history.

Lady Long Rider

A dedicated obstetrician, Clara Raymond comes face to face with her childhood friend, Lydia Benson, who had once saved Clara's life following a horseback-riding accident, a brief reunion that ends in tragedy and sends Clara on an odyssey back to her California past and to a rediscovery of the meaning of life. A first novel. Original.

The Ride of Her Life (Lake Manawa Summers Book #3)

In 1978, Sally Ride, a PhD candidate at Stanford University, responded to a newspaper ad to join the US astronaut program. She was accepted and became the first American woman astronaut to fly in space! Among her other accomplishments, she played tennis like a professional, was an astrophysicist who helped develop a robotic arm for space shuttles, and later, through Sally Ride Science, worked to make science cool and accessible for girls. Sally Ride, who died on

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July 23, 2012, will continue to inspire young children.

Sally Ride

In *Life As I Know It*, Michelle Payne tells her deeply moving story. It will lift your spirits, stir your heart and give you courage. Michelle was put on a horse aged four. At five years old her dream was to win the Melbourne Cup. At thirty she rode into history as the first female jockey to win the Cup. It was a moment that inspired everyone who dreams of beating the odds.

We Ride Upon Sticks

Mike Leonard is a lucky man. It's not everyone who gets parents like Jack and Marge. At eighty-seven, Jack is a pathological optimist with an inexhaustible gift of gab. Marge, Jack's bride of sixty years, though cut from the same rough bolt of Irish immigrant cloth, is his polar opposite—pessimistic and proud of it. What was their son, Mike, thinking when he took a sabbatical from his job with NBC News so he could pile these two world-class originals along with three of his grown kids and a daughter-in-law into a pair of rented RVs and hit the

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road for a month? Mike was thinking that he wanted to give his parents the ultimate family reunion. And so, one February morning, three generations of Leonards set out on their journey under the dazzling Arizona sky. Thirty minutes later, one of the humongous recreational vehicles has an unplanned meeting with a concrete island at a convenience store. Thus begins the adventure of a lifetime—and an absolute gem of a book. In the course of their humorous, often poignant cross-country tour, from the desert Southwest to the New England coastline, the Leonards reminisce about their loves, their losses, and their rich and heartwarming (and sometimes heartbreaking) lives, while encountering a veritable Greek chorus of roadside characters along the way. The home stretch finds the clan racing back to Chicago, hoping to catch the arrival of the next generation, Jack and Marge's first great-grandchild. Through it all, Mike pieces together a century of family lore and lunacy—and discovers surprising sides to his parents that allow him to see them in a whole new light. Mike Leonard has captivated millions of television viewers with his wry and witty feature stories for NBC's Today. Now he brings that same engaging charm and keen insight to the foibles and passions of his own blessedly unique family. By turns uproariously funny and deeply moving, *The Ride of Our Lives* delivers a lifetime of laughs, lessons, and priceless memories. This edition's exclusive DVD features never-

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before-seen footage from the trip as well as candid family video and photographs.

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