

## The Long Walk

*When Bina shifts to a school in Nauti—which is a long way from Koli, her village—she must daily cross the mountain, the river and walk through the jungle to get there. She is accompanied by Prakash, a boisterous twelve year old, and Sonu, her excitable younger brother. Together, they have many adventures—from helping old Mr Mani save his potatoes from porcupines to visiting the town of Tehri; and from escaping a landslide to encountering a leopard in the jungle.A touching and warm story by Ruskin Bond, this beautifully illustrated book showcases life in the hills and the wonders of friendship and bravery.*

*In this #1 national bestseller, “master storyteller” (Houston Chronicle) Stephen King, writing as Richard Bachman, tells the tale of the contestants of a grueling walking competition where there can only be one winner—the one that survives. In the near future, when America has become a police state, one hundred boys are selected to enter an annual contest where the winner will be awarded whatever he wants for the rest of his life. Among them is sixteen-year-old Ray Garraty, and he knows the rules—keep a steady walking pace of four miles per hour without stopping. Three warnings and you’re out—permanently. With an introduction by Stephen King on “The Importance of Being Bachman.”*

*The official companion title for ‘The Walk’, where a 3.5m-high puppet will walk 8,000 km along the refugee route though Europe to the UK, in celebration of the contribution that migrants and refugees make to the cultures and communities through which they pass and to the countries in which they find a new home.*

*When the Sudanese civil war reaches his village in 1985, 11-year-old Salva becomes separated from his family and must walk with other Dinka tribe members through southern Sudan, Ethiopia and Kenya in search of safe haven. Based on the life of Salva Dut, who, after emigrating to America in 1996, began a project to dig water wells in Sudan. By a Newbery Medal-winning author.*

### A Love

### The Long Walk for Bina

### The Stand –Volume 1

### Home

### Alta California

In this compelling, emotionally engaging novel set in 1880, a half-Chinese girl and her white father try to make a home in Dakota Territory, in the face of racism and resistance.

When her little sister, Akeer, becomes sick when they are returning home from the water hole, Nya must carry her and the water back to their village, one step at a time.

This is the story of how, over a period of one hundred and ninety-two days, I was torn away from the life I knew and loved, and dragged down to the depths of despair; of how I endured enforced isolation and near-starvation at the hands of Somali pirates; and of how I made a choice to survive by any and all means that I could muster. In September 2011 Judith Tebbutt and her husband David set out on an adventurous holiday to Kenya. A couple for thirty-three years, they had first met in Zambia: Africa had played a major part in their life together. After a joyous week on safari in the Masai Mara, they flew on to a beach resort forty kilometres south of Somalia. And there, in the early hours of 11 September, tragedy struck them. Judith was torn away from David by a band of armed pirates, dragged over sea and land to a village in the arid heart of lawless Somalia, and there held hostage in a squalid room, a ransom on her head. There, too, she learned the terrible truth that the responsibility of securing her release now rested with her son Ollie. But though she was isolated, intimidated and near-starved, Judith resolved to survive - walking endless circuits of her nine-foot prison, trying to make her captors see her as a human being, keeping her faith at all times in Ollie. Powerful, moving and at times quite devastating, this is Judith Tebbutt's story in her own words. It is a memoir of the life she shared with her beloved husband, an unflinching account of the ordeal that overturned her world, and a testament to the inner resilience and familial love that sustained her through captivity. There is nothing so bad in life as to have no hope - to believe you have been defeated, to give in to that. Now that I found myself in confinement, four thousand miles from home under a hostile sky, I would not accept that fate for myself.

WINNER OF THE WOMEN'S PRIZE FOR FICTION 2009 AN OPRAH'S BOOK CLUB PICK Jack Boughton - prodigal son - has been gone twenty years. He returns home seeking refuge and to make peace with the past. A bad boy from childhood, an alcoholic who cannot hold down a job, Jack is perpetually at odds with his surroundings and with his traditionalist father, though he remains Boughton's most beloved child. His sister Glory has also returned, fleeing her own mistakes, to care for their dying father. A moving book about families, about love and death and faith, Home is unforgettable. It is a masterpiece. One of the greatest living novelists' BRYAN APPLEYARD, SUNDAY TIMES 'A luminous, profound and moving piece of writing. There is no contemporary American novelist whose work I would rather read' MICHAEL ARDITTI, INDEPENDENT 'Her novels are replete with a sense of felt life, with a deep and abiding sympathy for her characters and a full understanding of their inner lives' COLM TOIBIN 'Utterly haunting' JANE SHILLING, SUNDAY TELEGRAPH

### Fairie Lotus

### The Long Walk With Little Amal

From San Diego to San Francisco, A Journey on Foot to Rediscover the Golden State

The Quest for the Truth Behind The Long Walk, the Greatest Survival Story Ever Told

### The Long Walk

There are a few questions that lie just below the surface for many Christians. Does God really love me despite my failures? Can God use me for good in this world despite all my sin and shortcomings? Do my doubts and questions about faith make God think less of me? Do I have a future in the family of God despite my past? In the biblical story of the Prodigal Son, Jesus answers all those questions that lurk in the heart of so many believers. In The Long Walk Home, author and pastor Matt Carter takes a fresh look at this age-old story and helps the reader discover and experience, once again, the radical, never-ending love of God for His sons and daughters.

Master Corporal Paul Franklin was injured in a 2006 suicide bombing in Kandahar that left one diplomat dead and two fellow soldiers wounded. Within four months of losing both his legs, Franklin learned to walk on artificial legs. He continues to represent the courage of troops overseas as he rebuilds his life at home with his wife and young son. His is a story of loss, courage, love and hope that will inspire all those-military and civilians alike-who wonder how they will take that next step when tough times challenge the body and spirit.

Personal observations on campus turmoil at San Francisco State College during the administration of President Hayakawa by a novelist and member of the College's Department of English.

This national bestseller chronicles one man 's 650-mile trek on foot from San Diego to San Francisco—sure to appeal to readers of naturalist works like Edward Abbey 's Desert Solitaire, Paul Thoreau 's On the Plain of Snakes, and Mark Kenyon 's That Wild Country. In 1769, an expedition led by Gaspar de Portola sketched a route that would become, in part, the famous El Camino Real. It laid the foundation for the Golden State we know today, a place that remains as mythical and captivating as any in California. Nick Neely realized how little he knew about its history. So he set off to learn it bodily, with just a backpack and a tent, trekking through stretches of California both lonely and urban. For twelve weeks, following the journal of expedition missionary Father Juan Crespi , Neely kept pace with the ghosts of the Portola expedition—nearly 250 years later. Weaving natural and human history, Alta California relives Neely 's adventure, while telling a story of Native cultures and the Spanish missions that soon devastated them, and exploring the evolution of California and its landscape. The result is a collage of historical and contemporary California, of lyricism and pedestrian serendipity, and of the biggest issues facing California today—air and water, agriculture, oil and gas, immigration, and development—all of it one step at a time. " Rich in little-known history ... Up the Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo county coasts, then inland into the Salinas Valley to Monterey Bay. Somewhere along here, the owl moons and woodpeckers do something you might not have thought possible in 2018: they make you fall, or refall, in love with California, ungrudgingly, wildfires and insane housing prices and all ... What a journey, you think. What a state." —San Francisco Chronicle

### The Long Walk at San Francisco State, and Other Essays

### The Long Walk Home

### Contemporary Black American Cinema

### The Road to Wigan Pier

### Based on a True Story

*Poet and philosopher Jan Zwicky bears passionate witness to the leading edge of environmental cataclysm.*

*This book will provide readers with an experience in spiritual direction with Nouwen, well-known author, priest, and guide. Readings, stories, questions for personal reflection and guided journal inquiry as articulated by Nouwen in his courses are gathered to provide an unparalleled resource on a thoughtful spiritual life.*

*Making use of the formerly secret archives of the Soviet government, interviews, and first-hand personal experiences, Nathaniel Davis describes how the Russian Orthodox Church hung on the brink of institutional extinction twice in the past sixty-five years. In 1939, only a few score widely scattered priests were still functioning openly. Ironically, Hitler's invasion and Stalin's reaction to it rescued the church -- and parishes reopened, new clergy and bishops were consecrated, a patriarch was elected, and seminaries and convents were reinstated. However, after Stalin's death, Khrushchev resumed the onslaught against religion. Davis reveals that the erosion of church strength between 1948 and 1988 was greater than previously known and it was none too soon when the Soviet government changed policy in anticipation of the millennium of Russia's conversion to Christianity. More recently, the collapse of communism has created a mixture of dizzying opportunity and daunting trouble for Russian Orthodoxy. The newly revised and updated edition addresses the tumultuous events of recent years, including schisms in Ukraine, Estonia, and Moldova, and confrontations between church traditionalists, conservatives and reformers. The author also covers battles against Greek-Catholics, Roman Catholics, Protestant evangelists, and pagans in the south and east, the canonization of the last Czar, the church's financial crisis, and hard data on the slowing Russian orthodox recovery and growth. Institutional rebuilding and moral leadership now beckon between promise and possibility.*

*These memoirs from one of the great leaders of our time are essential reading for anyone who wants to understand history - and then go out and change it! Barack Obama The riveting memoirs of the outstanding moral and political leader of our time, Long Walk to Freedom brilliantly re-creates the drama of the experiences that helped shape Nelson Mandela's destiny. Emotive, compelling and uplifting, Long Walk to Freedom is the exhilarating story of an epic life: a story of hardship, resilience and ultimate triumph told with the clarity and eloquence of a born leader. 'Enduring... . Mandela emulates the few great political leaders such as Lincoln and Gandhi, who go beyond mere consensus and move out ahead of their followers to break new ground' Sunday Times 'The authentic voice of Mandela shines through this book ... humane, dignified and magnificently unembittered' The Times 'Burns with the luminosity of faith in the invincible nature of human hope and dignity ... Unforgettable' Andre Brink*

### A Long Walk in the Australian Bush

### Looking for Mr. Smith

### A Long Walk in Wintertime

### The Bachman Books

### In the Land of Good Living

**'It is only when you meet someone of a different culture from yourself that you begin to realize what your own beliefs really are.'** **The Road to Wigan Pier is George Orwell's 1937 study of poverty and working-class life in northern England. It is the book which established Orwell as among Britain's foremost political and social commentators. It is, moreover, for any reader who wishes to gain a deeper understanding of Orwell's life, work and legacy. This non-fiction work set the tone for Orwell's subsequent career, by focusing on class relations within Britain and political solutions to social problems. The Road to Wigan Pier has remained widely read since his death, running to several editions, and providing a point of comparison for later social and political commentaries.**

**World War II destroyed literally everything Gita cherished, leaving her destitute in a dangerous world. So began her lonely, heart-rending search for love and a country to call home. But Godas absolute mercy was about to prove that even her worst ordeals would become her ultimate victory! The Long Walk Home is the true story of Brigitta Poldemaa Barker, a young Estonian woman who struggled through horror and the loss of everything but life itself, a pertinent subject for todayas uncertain times.**

**Long Walk to Freedom** by Nelson Mandela is the amazing story of a true hero of our times; his famous biography has been specially adapted for children in a beautiful illustrated picture book format. Discover how a little boy whose father called him "troublemaker" grew up to fight apartheid, become South Africa's first black president and campaign for freedom and justice throughout the world. Adapted by poet Chris van Wyk and illustrated by South African artist Paddy Bouma, with an introduction from Archbishop Desmond Tutu, **Long Walk to Freedom** introduces children to the life of one of the world's most beloved leaders.

**The Long Walk is about a girl named Amara who lives in Africa. In Amara's village, she does not have access to clean water. One day, Amara meets a girl from America named Sam. Once Sam realizes that Amara does not have clean water to drink, she goes back to America to try and raise money to get a well built for Amara and her family. At the end of the story, Amara has a new well in her village and clean water for life.**

### Emp

### Long Walk To Freedom

### A Long Walk Home

### Race, Gender and Sexuality at the Movies

### A Contemporary History Of Russian Orthodoxy

In the tradition of Michael Herr's Dispatches and works by such masters of the memoir as Mary Karr and Tobias Wolff, a powerful account of war and homecoming. Brian Castner served three tours of duty in the Middle East, two of them as the commander of an Explosive Ordnance Disposal unit in Iraq. Days and nights he and his team—his brothers—would venture forth in heavily armed convoys from their Forward Operating Base to engage in the nerve-racking yet strangely exhilarating work of either disarming the deadly improvised explosive devices that had been discovered, or picking up the pieces when the alert came too late. They relied on an army of remote-controlled cameras and robots, but if that technology failed, a technician would have to don the eighty-pound Kevar suit, take the Long Walk up to the bomb, and disarm it by hand. This lethal game of cat and mouse was, and continues to be, the real war within America's wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. But The Long Walk is not just about battle itself. It is also an unflinching portrayal of the toll war exacts on the men and women who are fighting it. When Castner returned home to his wife and family, he began a struggle with a no less insidious foe, an unshakable feeling of fear and confusion and America's guilt that he terms "The Crazy." His thrilling, heartbreaking, stunningly honest book immerses the reader in two harrowing and simultaneous realities: the terror and excitement and camaraderie of combat, and the lonely battle against the enemy within—the haunting memories that will not fade, the survival instincts that will not switch off. After enduring what he has endured, can there ever again be such a thing as "normal"? The Long Walk will hook you from the very first sentence, and it will stay with you long after its final gripping page has been turned.

Contemporary Black American Cinema offers a fresh collection of essays on African American film, media, and visual culture in the era of global multiculturalism. Integrating theory, history, and criticism, the contributing authors deftly connect interdisciplinary perspectives from American studies, cinema studies, cultural studies, political science, media studies, and Queer theory. This multidisciplinary methodology expands the discursive and interpretive registers of film analysis. From Paul Robeson's and Sidney Poitier's star vehicles to Lee Daniels's directorial forays, these essays address the career legacies of film

stars, examine various iterations of Blaxploitation and animation, question the comedic politics of "fat suit" films, and celebrate the innovation of avant-garde and experimental cinema.
George Meegan is an adventurer, lecturer, school reformer, and world traveler. He holds eight Guinness World Records, the most official world records for any European. This includes "The Longest Unbroken March of All Time" that which is described in this book. The epic journey he began linked Tierra del Fuego, South America to Prudhoe Bay, Alaska. The 19,019 miles, was completed in 2,425 days / 41 million steps. He was shot at and nearly killed by a Street Gang in Panama. He traversed the historically impassable Darien Gap, married his Japanese sweetheart, became a father, and waswelcomed by US President Jimmy Carter! Across the United States the World Walk preceded town-to-town. George found he had discovered the 'American Dream! From New York, where he was honoured by Meegan Day in Brooklyn. He proceeded through northern USA, into Canada's Yukon, and onto the final step into the Arctic Circle. On the afternoon of September 18, 1983, he crossed frozen tundra to the edge of the Arctic Ocean, dipped his hand into the cold, silvery water, and was done. He fell to his knees and wept. Until this day no human had ever traversed the entire Americas, be it by vehicle or even ship or aircraft; but of course, Meegan was on foot. Today, nearly three decades later, the feat remains unequalled. At age 31, George Meegan had walked 19,019 unbroken miles, and rose from the water's edge to face a new challenge of dealing with his journey for the entire remainder of his life. The Longest Walk took place between 1977 and 1983. In 2000, he completed about 500km across the ice to reach Barrow, Alaska, the largest Eskimo settlement in the world. It was the final action of the 20th century at the historic millennium. (Meegan uniquely got the USA government (by order of the White House) to 'fall down on knees' and apologize before to the First Nations for historical travesties. The story of the Long Walk found its way to Doda, Mead of New York. Just before publication, the book editor died, and then, after 199-years, Doda, Mead slipped beneath the waves into bankruptcy. So, notwithstanding powered coverage, it was too late. The sunk publisher took the book down with them, after being told that his book was bound to become a bestseller. The English Publishers told him 'They would publish nothing he wrote!' In 1989, Paragon House pressed out a few thousand copies, but few saw it. Xlibris, ETC. of Philadelphia resurrected it; all in all, not a success. Still, from time to time, Meegan received letters asking about the abrupt vanish of The Longest Walk. Now, the answer is the 2021 Third Edition. This is the original story, with unpublished photos, an extended appendix, and Yoshiko, his wife makes an encore!

A young boy has been selected to be one of 100 to take the Long Walk—a deadly contest of endurance and determination, in which each step could be his last.#X1E.8

### The True Story of a Trek to Freedom

### Spiritual Direction

### One Woman's Story of Kidnap, Hostage, Loss - and Survival

### A Long Walk to Water

### Nya's Long Walk

When forty-three-year-old Fiona Edwards first sees the lanky backpacker striding up the lane toward her award-winning farmhouse bed-and-breakfast in the remote mountains of North Wales, she's puzzled. She's used to unexpected strangers, but few arrive on foot. The man to whom she opens her door is middle-aged, unshaven, sweat-soaked . . . and arrestingly handsome. What neither of them knows at that moment is that their lives are about to change forever. American Alec Hudson has carried the ashes—and the memory—of his late ex-wife, Gwynne, all the way from London's Heathrow Airport, honoring her request that he scatter them atop a mountain they had climbed together years before—the same brooding peak whose jagged cliffs rise to the sky from the back pastures of Fiona's farm. But the weather doesn't cooperate, and as Fiona and Alec wait for it to clear, they are drawn together by mutual loss, longing, and the miracle of love at midlife. On the day he finally reaches the summit, Alec is caught in a vicious hailstorm. As he struggles to descend, he stumbles upon the body of a man he recognizes from a photograph at the farm: it is Fiona's ailing and reclusive husband, David, and he is close to death. Will North's debut novel, The Long Walk Home, is a story about grief and hope, about love and loss, and about two people struggling with the agonizing complexities of fidelity—to a spouse, to a moral code, to each other, and to a passion neither thought would ever appear again. By turns lyrical and gripping, set amid a landscape of breathtaking beauty and unpredictable danger, this is a story you will not soon forget. For news, reviews, and a visual walking tour, visit WillNorthOnline.com. From the Hardcover edition.

Sophie is at work on Friday morning, when the power goes out. As she waits for it to be restored she notices that her fully charged cell phone won't turn on. A horrifying thought crosses her mind and she runs to look out the window. The street is full of cars that are all stalled and people milling around looking at their non-working cell phones. She realizes that this is much worse than a simple power outage and that she must act quickly if she wants to survive. Sophie convinces a co-worker to join her attempt to get home, even though in her heart she knows deep down that she will be disappointed when she gets there.

A wickedly smart, funny, and irresistibly off-killer account of an improbable thousand-mile journey on foot into the heart of modern Florida, the state that Russell calls "America Concentrate." In the summer of 2016, Kent Russell--broke, at loose ends, hungry for adventure--set off to walk across Florida. Mythic, superficial, soaked in contradictions, maligned by cultural elites, segregated from the South, and literally vanishing into the sea, Florida (or, as he calls it: "America Concentrate") seemed to Russell to embody America's divided soul. The journey, with two friends intent on filming the ensuing mayhem, quickly reduces the trio to filthy drifters pushing a shopping cart of camera equipment. They get waylaid by a concerned citizen bearing a rifle; buy cocaine from an ex-wrestler; visit a spiritual medium. The narrative overflows with historical detail about how modern Florida came into being after World War II, and how it came to be a petri dish for a in a suddenly, increasingly diverse new land of minority-majority cities and of unrivaled ethnic and religious variety. Russell has taken it all in with his incomparably focused lens and delivered a book that is both an inspired travelogue and a profound rumination on the nation's soul--and his own. It is a book that is wildly vivid, encyclopedic, erudite, and ferociously

irreverent--a deeply ambivalent love letter to his sprawling, brazenly varied home state.
One wet and blooming spring William J. Lines and an American companion undertook a 400-mile walk of the Bibbulmun trail of southwestern Australia. In this fascinating chronicle of the journey Lines draws on conservationist philosophy and his own observations to explore human interaction -- Aboriginal and white, farming and industrial, private and government -- with the Australian environment. The lessons that arise in the course of the book have universal application. A Long Walk in the Australian Bush reveals at dose range the devastation of the great temperate eucalypt forests while interweaving stories about forestry, mining, science, economics, conservation, and language, converging on the themes of nature, reality, objectivity, and understanding. A century of exploitation by politicians, loggers, and developers is described alongside personal experience and a strong sense of place. Lines contrasts the knowledge, wisdom, myths, and superstitions of the ancients -- including the Greeks and the Nyungar, the original inhabitants of the western Australian forest -- with contemporary human values. Extrapolating from his first-hand observations of ecological damage, he condemns the prevailing policies of extracting the maximum resource from nature, regardless of the cost. These policies are not unique to Australia. In fact, Lines writes, the approach to forestry that prevails in Western Australia has been borrowed from the United States Forest Service. With passion and immediacy, A Long Walk in the Australian Bush draws connections between the history, use, and abuse of Western Australia's forests and the use and abuse of the planet.

### Long Walk to Freedom

### Illustrated Children's edition

Paul Franklin's Journey from Afghanistan : a Soldier's Story

### A Step at a Time

### A Journey to the Heart of Florida

What do you do when your mother falls ill and is sent to a rest home, and your father is away working on the Great Ocean Road? How do you survive when the only things you have are the clothes on your back and the promise you made to keep your family together? For Isa Wyatt, there's only one thing she can do. She gathers together her brothers and her sister, packs an old pram with their belongings, and sets off to find her father. It is a long walk, and the children have to face the dangers and hardships of a country suffering the Depression. But on their journey, Isa soon learns that most people will give everything they have to help a small, courageous family survive. And some will do anything to stop them.

A deadly biochemical virus called Captain Trips kills nearly everyone it infects, and the individuals who survive the virus are sought by the government that engineered it.

A Long Walk Home is Rachel Clark's evocative and moving account of her treatment and experiences with health professionals in Britain and Australia while she was living with, and dying from, cancer. It includes an Epilogue by her twin sister Naomi Jefferies, and learning points for health professionals by John Hasler and David Pendleton.

At only thirteen, Mikey Quinn is arrested for stealing a rabbit to feed his family. Despite his age, he's shown no mercy by the wealthy lawyer who sends him to prison. He returns home to find that his mother has died and his younger siblings taken into the workhouse. With only his determination, Mikey makes his way to London to seek a better life for his family. Whilst there, he meets Eleanor who he recognises as the daughter of the lawyer who ruined his life. Desperate, they band together forging a new life for themselves on the streets of London. Overlooking their initial differences, the two come to rely on each other and, when the time comes to return to Hull, they face the long walk home together.

### A Story of War and the Life That Follows

### An Oprah's Book Club Pick

### Navajo Stories of the Long Walk Period

### Discovering the Fullness of Life in the Love of the Father

In 1973, after nine years of being held prisoner in North Vietnam, Lieutenant William Hill is released and returned to the United States, but his physical freedom belies a spirit still in bondage

For years, readers wrote asking if Richard Bachman was really world-bestselling Stephen King writing under another name. Now the secret is out - and so, brought together in one volume, are these three spellbinding stories of future shock and suspense. The Long Walk: A chilling look at the ultra-conservative America of the future where a grueling 450-mile marathon is the ultimate sports competition. Roadwork: An immovable man refuses to surrender to the irresistible force of progress. The Running Man: TV's future-favourite game show, where contestants are hunted to death in the attempt to win a \$1 billion jackpot.

A moving account of cancer treatment written by a terminally ill patient, which spells out important messages for patients and the health professionals who look after them. Contributions from medical communicators highlight the priorities for health professionals.

Looks to authenticate the events told in the book "The Long Walk," which detailed the story of a group of POWs who escaped a labor camp in Siberia and walked to freedom in India during World War II.

### A Long Walk To Church

### Captain Trips

### The Longest Walk

Alice McDonald has escaped all the obvious traps that lie in wait for women. She loves her job but enjoys her clever, spirited children too; her husband (Dan the New Man) does his share at home, and their London house is always full of friends. At her thirty-seventh birthday party, Alice reflects that their life has been a pretty successful production so far. But love can be treacherous, and children are never quite what they seem. Two months later, far from home and alone on a desperate quest through the bleak lanes of Norfolk, Alice wonders how it fell apart so quickly. Were things ever as good as they seemed? Had the McDonalds really been happy, or was it no more than a stage illusion?

I hope The Long Walk will remain as a memorial to all those who live and die for freedom, and for all those who for many reasons could not speak for themselves' Slavomir Rawicz Slavomir Rawicz was a young Polish cavalry officer. On 19 November 1939 he was arrested by the Russians and after brutal interrogation he was sentenced to twenty-five years in a gulag. After a three-month journey in the dead of winter to Siberia, life in a Soviet labour camp meant enduring hunger, extreme cold, untreated wounds and illnesses and facing the daily risk of arbitrary execution. Realising that to remain meant almost certain death, Rawicz, along with six companions, escaped. In June 1941, they crossed the trans-Siberian railway and headed south, climbing into Tibet and freedom in British India nine months later, in March 1942, having travelled over four thousand miles on foot through some of the harshest regions in the world, including the Gobi Desert, Tibet and the Himalayas. First published in 1956, this is one of the greatest true stories of escape, adventure and survival against all odds. In 2010, a film, The Way Back, based on the book, directed by six-time Academy Award-nominee Peter Weir (Master and Commander, The Truman Show, and The Dead Poets Society) was released. It starred Colin Farrell, Jim Sturgess and Ed Harris.

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