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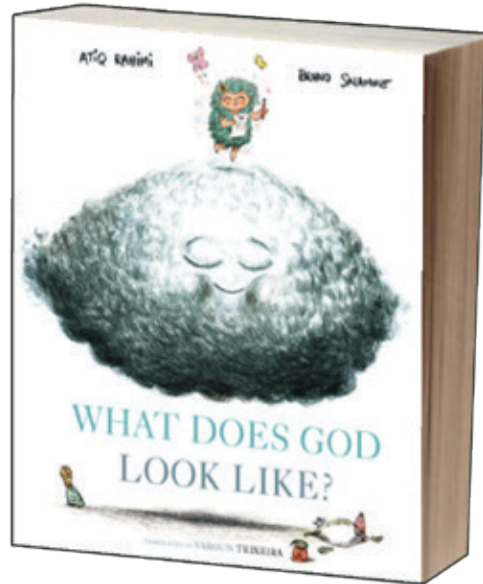
Are there nights when you don't sleep well because your dear Papa has nightmares? You are tired, you have school the next day, but your dear Papa does not want to sleep. There are monsters that he is scared of... but no,no,no, monsters don't exist!

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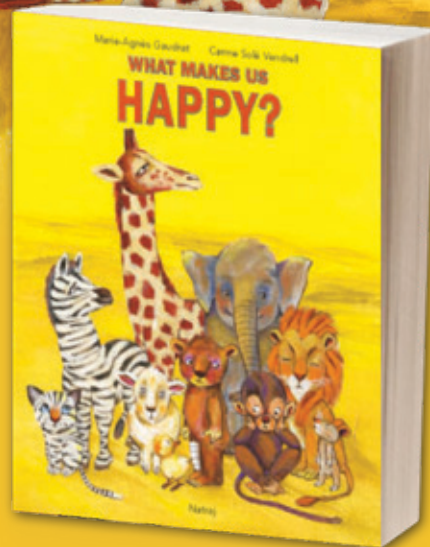
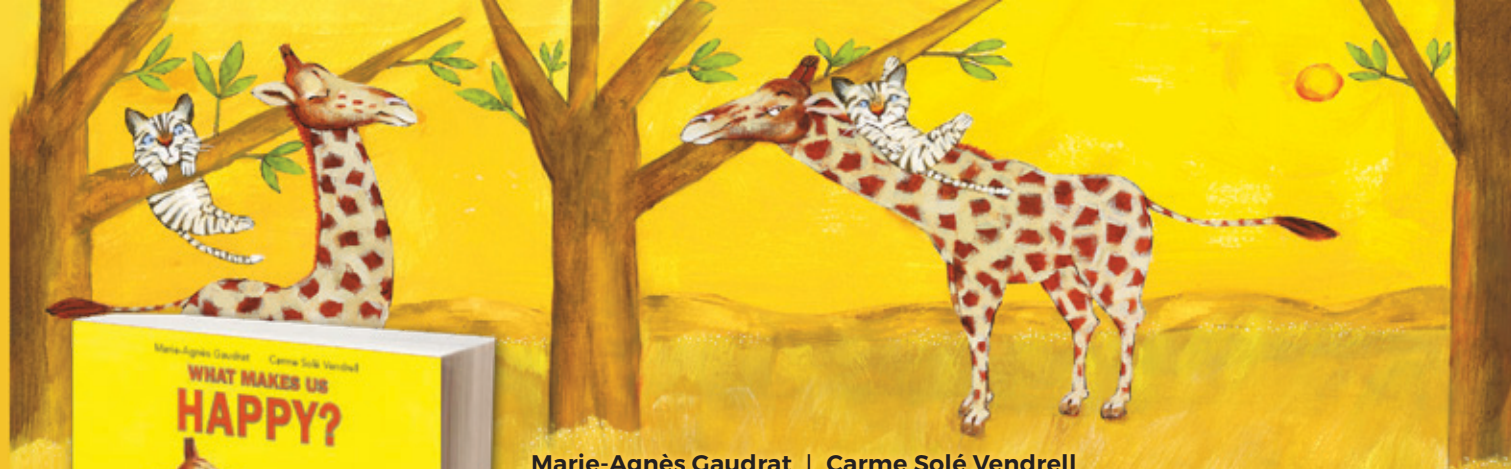
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This unique book with unusual open and close flaps, charming illustrations in large format asks simple questions that make children think of how the simple things they can do and learn will help them grow up into happier and more content adults. Questions like how would you like to win, alone or by taking others along? When you see someone in trouble, will you ignore them or help them? The insightful illustrations that accompany the text are the perfect starting points for questions and discussions between children and their parents and teachers.



Bond spent his growing years in Jamnagar, Dehradun, Delhi and Shimla, all of which occupy a central place in his writing. After a four year stint in London and the Channel Islands in the early 1950s, Bond returned to India and made Landour, Mussoorie, his home.

A prolific writer, Bond has written several books, short stories, poems and essays. He won the Sahitya Academy Award in 1993, was awarded the Padma Shri in 1999 and the Padma Bhushan in 2014.

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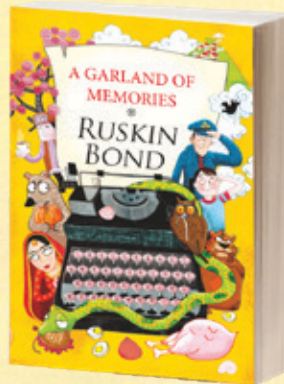
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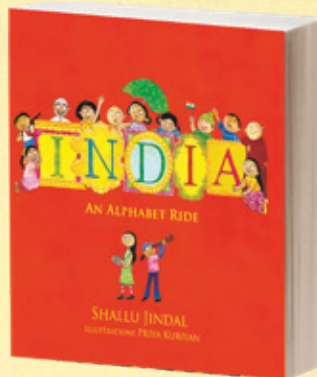
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## DOGS AND US

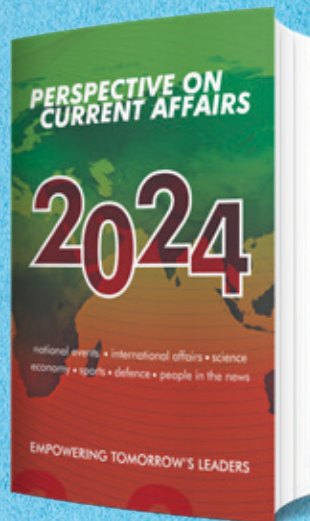
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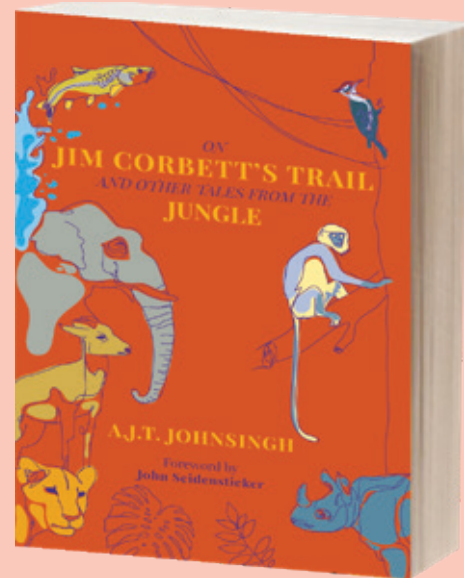
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**Neha Sinha, The Hindu**



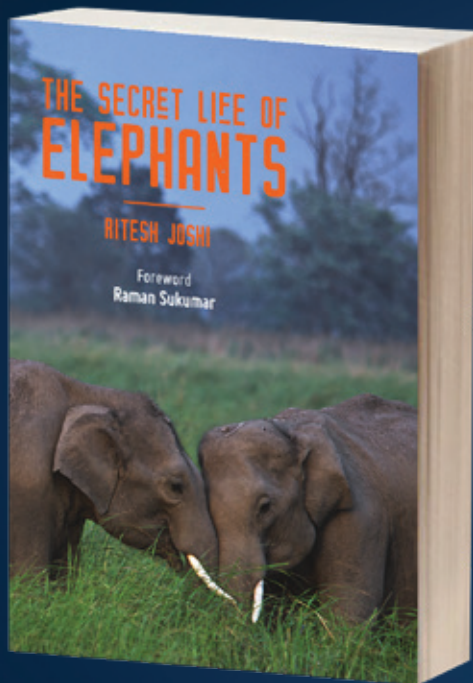
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This book is a unique and unusual blend of field work, anecdotes, observations and research on the lesser known behaviour patterns of Asian elephants. Written in an easy style, the book is of equal interest to the expert and the layperson.

The author, a scientist, spent more than a decade observing elephants in Rajaji National Park, in India. The behaviour patterns documented in this book reflect the changing habitat and ecosystem, raising questions, and observations on new management techniques needed to address conservation challenges for wildlife in India.

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This is an excellent book. Having worked with African elephants all my life, I can see the similarities and differences between the African and the Asian elephants. I liked the way Ritesh has combined statistics and research with stories.

**Dr. Cynthia Moss**, Director, Amboseli Trust for Elephants, Nairobi

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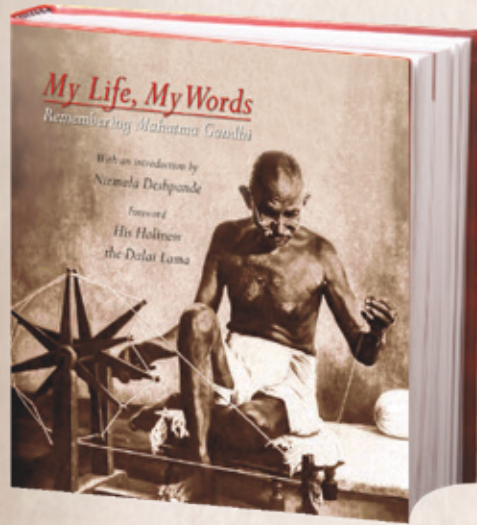
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This book is unusual in many ways - it is the first photo-essay book on lesser known Indian dances; and the book has a free DVD that documents the making of the book and so it actually takes you into the homes and hearts of each of the dancers written about in the book! Join us on a journey that will inspire you and make you proud of your rich heritage.

“The roots of Indian literature, fine arts performing arts and other parts of our culture to back many millennia, to an age which even history does not record. Sadly, much of our heritage, which has survived for so long, does not get the recognition and attention today that is due to it. While one is aware of the more visible and popular dance forms, there are many others which need encouragement to come to the fore. I laud and support any effort by passionate people like Yashasvini who do what they can to showcase and keep our traditional dance forms alive. India needs many more people like her.”

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*– Indira Gandhi*

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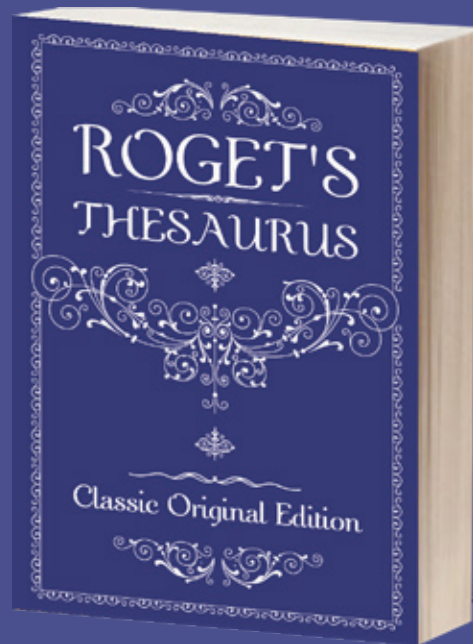


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