

Adam Peaty Edge Sporting Heroes

This inspirational biography for children, written by award-winning author Roy Apps, follows the amazing story of Cristiano Ronaldo from his first street kickabout in Funchal, Maderia, to playing for Manchester Utd and Real Madrid. Illustrated with colour artwork by Alessandro Valdrighi, including graphic novel-style panels, this book is perfect for sport-mad girls and boys with a reading age of 7, but will work perfectly well for older readers too. Printed on off-white paper using a reading font approved by the British Dyslexia Association, the Sporting Heroes series brings to life the skill, grit and determination needed to be a world-class sportsman today. This title is published by Franklin Watts EDGE, which produces a range of books to get children reading with confidence. EDGE - for books kids can't put down.

I am Lou Brown: Social outcast, precocious failure, 5'10" and still growing. I was on the fast track to the Olympic superstardom. Now, I'm training boys too cool to talk to me. In a sport I just made up. In a fish tank. My life has quickly become very weird. Nat Luurtsema's YA debut is side-splittingly funny and painfully true to anyone who's just trying to figure out how they fit into the world.

1941. Klaus Felsen, forced out of his Berlin factory into the SS, arrives in a luminous Lisbon, where Nazis and Allies, refugees and entrepreneurs, dance to the strains of opportunism and despair. Felsen's assignment takes him to the bleak mountains of the north where a devious and brutal battle is being fought for an element vital to Hitler's blitzkrieg. There he meets the man who plants the first seed of greed and revenge that will grow into a thick vine in the landscape of post-war Portugal. Late 1990s. Investigating the murder of a young girl with a disturbing sexual past, Inspector Ze Coelho overturns the dark soil of history and unearths old bones from Portugal's fascist past. This small death in Lisbon is horrific compensation for an even older crime, and Coelho's stubborn pursuit of its truth reveals a tragedy that unites past and present. Robert Wilson's combination of intelligence, suspense, vivid characters, and mesmerizing storytelling richly deserves the international acclaim his novel has received.

Prepare to peek into the mind of a champion, known as the most decorated Olympian of all time with 28 medals, including 23 gold, with this newly updated edition of Michael Phelps's autobiography, *Beneath the Surface*. In this candid memoir, Phelps talks openly about his battle with attention deficit disorder, the trauma of his parents' divorce, and the challenges that come with being thrust into the

limelight. Readers worldwide will relive all the heart-stopping glory as Phelps completes his journey from the youngest man to ever set a world swimming record in 2001, to an Olympic powerhouse in 2008, to surpassing the greatest athlete of ancient Greece, Leonidas of Rhodes, with 13 triumphs in 2016. Athletes and fans alike will be fascinated by insights into Phelps's training, mental preparation, and behind-the-scenes perspective on international athletic competitions. A chronicle of Phelps's evolution from awkward teenager to record-breaking powerhouse, *Beneath the Surface* is a must-read for any sports fan.

This inspirational biography for children, written by award-winning author Roy Apps, follows the dream-come-true story of Jamie Vardy and his amazing rise to become a star striker in Leicester City's Premier League-winning side and top England goalscorer. Illustrated with colour artwork by Alessandro Valdighi, including graphic novel-style panels, this book is perfect for sport-mad girls and boys with a reading age of 7, but will work perfectly well for older readers too. Printed on off-white paper using a reading font approved by the British Dyslexia Association, the *Sporting Heroes* series brings to life the skill, grit and determination needed to be a world-class sportsperson today. This title is published by Franklin Watts EDGE, which produces a range of books to get children reading with confidence. EDGE

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A historical adventure set during the Hundred Years' War. The story follows a young man as he leaves the shelter of an abbey in England and becomes involved with Edward, the Black Prince's campaign in Spain. Doyle later wrote a prequel, titled "Sir Nigel", concerning the early life of one of the heroes in this novel. "We go to France, and from thence I trust to Spain, in humble search of a field in which we may win advancement and perchance some small share of glory. For this purpose I would have you know that it is not my wont to let any occasion pass where it is in any way possible that honor may be gained. I would have you bear this in mind, and give great heed to it that you may bring me word of all cartels, challenges, wrongs, tyrannies, infamies, and wronging of damsels. Nor is any occasion too small to take note of, for I have known such trifles as the dropping of a gauntlet, or the flicking of a breadcrumb, when well and properly followed up, lead to a most noble spear-running."- Sir Nigel, "The White Company".

"Outlander meets Camelot" (Kirsty Logan, author of The Gracekeepers) in the first book of an exciting historical trilogy that reveals the untold story of Languoreth—a powerful and, until now, tragically forgotten queen of sixth-century Scotland—twin sister of the man who inspired the legendary character of Merlin. Intelligent, passionate, rebellious, and brave,

Languoreth is the unforgettable heroine of *The Lost Queen*, a tale of conflicted loves and survival set against the cinematic backdrop of ancient Scotland, a magical land of myths and superstition inspired by the beauty of the natural world. One of the most powerful early medieval queens in British history, Languoreth ruled at a time of enormous disruption and bloodshed, when the burgeoning forces of Christianity threatened to obliterate the ancient pagan beliefs and change her way of life forever. Together with her twin brother Lailoken, a warrior and druid known to history as Merlin, Languoreth is catapulted into a world of danger and violence. When a war brings the hero Emrys Pendragon, to their door, Languoreth collides with the handsome warrior Maelgwn. Their passionate connection is forged by enchantment, but Languoreth is promised in marriage to Rhydderch, son of the High King who is sympathetic to the followers of Christianity. As Rhydderch's wife, Languoreth must assume her duty to fight for the preservation of the Old Way, her kingdom, and all she holds dear. “Moving, thrilling, and ultimately spellbinding” (BookPage), *The Lost Queen* brings this remarkable woman to life—rescuing her from obscurity, and reaffirming her place at the center of the most enduring legends of all time. “Moving, thrilling, and ultimately spellbinding, *The Lost Queen* is perfect for readers of historical fiction like *The Clan of the Cave Bear*

and Wolf Hall, and for lovers of fantasy like Outlander and The Mists of Avalon” (BookPage). Strengthen students' understanding of key OCR GCSE topics and develop the vital skills required to attain the best results possible in the exams, with this expert-written Student Workbook. Written by experienced teachers and examiners, this write-in Student Workbook: - Actively develops knowledge and the ability to recall information with consolidation questions and short topic summaries - Reinforces understanding and boosts confidence with exam-style practice questions and clear spotlight of the Assessment Objectives - Encourages independent learning as students can use the Workbook at home or in class, throughout the course or for last-minute revision, with answers to tasks and activities supplied online

Shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize 2015. Shortlisted for the Baileys Prize for Women's Fiction 2016. Finalist for the National Book Awards 2015. The million copy bestseller, *A Little Life* by Hanya Yanagihara, is an immensely powerful and heartbreaking novel of brotherly love and the limits of human endurance. When four graduates from a small Massachusetts college move to New York to make their way, they're broke, adrift, and buoyed only by their friendship and ambition. There is kind, handsome Willem, an aspiring actor; JB, a quick-witted, sometimes cruel Brooklyn-born painter seeking entry to the art world; Malcolm, a frustrated architect at a prominent firm; and withdrawn, brilliant, enigmatic Jude,

who serves as their centre of gravity. Over the decades, their relationships deepen and darken, tinged by addiction, success, and pride. Yet their greatest challenge, each comes to realize, is Jude himself, by midlife a terrifyingly talented litigator yet an increasingly broken man, his mind and body scarred by an unspeakable childhood, and haunted by what he fears is a degree of trauma that he'll not only be unable to overcome – but that will define his life forever.

"A much-needed book that will strike a chord with so many girls - and help them dare to be different." -

Jacqueline Wilson Molly is in her final year of primary school, with secret dreams of becoming an Olympic swimmer. Having always lived in the shadow of her manipulative friend, Chloe, Molly finally has the chance to compete in a regional swimming contest and define herself on her own terms. But with the pressure of fitting in, and the sudden arrival of her mysterious mum, will she give up on her dreams for a shot at popularity? A hugely exciting debut with a classic underdog story, a wonderfully relatable protagonist, and an important message of friendship, body positivity, and celebrating who you are. "I loved the voice in this accomplished debut, which touches on important issues of bullying and body dysmorphia." - Fiona Noble, *The Bookseller*

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created to entrap them, and even successfully raised the potentially-genocidal tree creature known as the Sapling into a fully-functional, non-murderous adult, through the power of their joint example. Now it's time for a little jaunt through time, purely as tourists. Surely nothing can go wrong...

This inspirational biography for children, written by award-winning author Roy Apps, follows the swimming story of Adam Peaty and his incredible rise to become a Commonwealth gold medalist and world-record holder for 100 metre breaststroke. Illustrated with colour artwork by Alessandro Valdrighi, including graphic novel-style panels, this book is perfect for sport-mad girls and boys with a reading age of 7, but will work perfectly well for older readers too. Printed on off-white paper using a reading font approved by the British Dyslexia Association, the Sporting Heroes series brings to life the skill, grit and determination needed to be a world-class sportsperson today. This title is published by Franklin Watts EDGE, which produces a range of books to get children reading with confidence. EDGE - for books kids can't put down.

Reverend Peter Hampson Ditchfield (1854-1930) was the author of *Our English Villages* (1889), *Old English Sports* (1891), *Books Fatal to Their Authors* (1895), *Old English Customs Extant at the Present Time* (1896), *English Villages* (1901/06), *The Parish Clerk* (1907), *Memorials of Old London* (2v/1908), and *Vanishing England* (1910). "A popular and readable sketch of the history of our villages." Dealing with characteristic features of English villages, such as prehistoric remains

and Roman relics, churches, monasteries, the village inn, village folklore and superstitions and many more. From the time that Tom, aged 8, drew a picture of his ambition to dive at the Olympic Games, he has gone on to become Britain's leading diver, capturing the attention of the world's media along the way. In this easily accessible text read Tom's emotional story, from his childhood years right up to when he took Olympic bronze at London 2012. It takes blood, sweat and tears to get to the top of any sport, and these short, inspirational biographies show just how tough it can be. Focusing on top athletes and sport personalities, each dramatic story brings to life the skill, determination and luck needed to break through into top level competition. This title is published by Franklin Watts EDGE, which produces a range of books to get children reading with confidence. EDGE - for books children can't put down.

Hovern Bog. People live in terror of it-especially the residents of Fenchurch St. Jude, the little village located at its edge. They think of it as a living being. They've seen it reach out with sinewy tentacles . . . to take, entangle, and digest. When 2000-year-old bodies are recovered from the bog, perfectly preserved, it is the discovery of a lifetime for archaeologist David Macauley. But close examination of the corpses reveals a curious fact: all were cruelly, mysteriously murdered, gnawed to death by some unimaginable creature. Soon it becomes apparent that whatever tortured and killed the bodies from ancient times still roams the bog, and no one in Fenchurch St. Jude - especially David and his family - is safe. In *The Bog* (1986), Michael Talbot (1953-1992),

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author of the vampire classic *The Delicate Dependency* and the chilling haunted house novel *Night Things*, delivers an exciting mix of science and the supernatural that will keep readers guessing until the horrific climax.

"One of the better horror novels . . . odd and risky mingling of pure science with fairy lore and gnashed bodies . . . terrific." -- Kirkus Reviews "Exciting!" -- Publishers Weekly "Convincingly original!" -- Ocala Star-Banner

This inspirational biography for children, written by award-winning author Roy Apps, follows the jaw-dropping story of Neymar, from his early days playing for Santos FC in Brazil to winning the double with FC Barcelona in Spain. Illustrated with colour artwork by Alessandro Valdrighi, including graphic novel-style panels, this book is perfect for sport-mad girls and boys with a reading age of 7, but will work perfectly well for older readers too. Printed on off-white paper using a reading font approved by the British Dyslexia Association, the *Sporting Heroes* series brings to life the skill, grit and determination needed to be a world-class sports person today. This title is published by Franklin Watts EDGE, which produces a range of books to get children reading with confidence. EDGE - for books kids can't put down.

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New York Times bestseller Rachel Ignotofsky's *Women in Sports* comes to the youngest readers in board format!

Highlighting the pioneering efforts of women athletes, this board book edition of the original bestseller features simpler text and Rachel Ignotofsky's signature beautiful illustrations reimagined for younger readers to introduce the perfect role models for inspiring a love of sports. The collection includes diverse women across various sports, time periods, and geographic location. The perfect gift for every future athlete!

Winner of the Romantic Novel of the Year Award 2016 1943, in the ruins of Blitzed London... Stella Thorne and Dan

Rosinski meet by chance and fall in love by accident. Theirs is a reluctant, unstoppable affair in which all the odds are stacked against them: she is newly married, and he is an American bomber pilot whose chance of survival is just one in five. ... He promised to love her forever

Seventy years later Dan makes one final attempt to find the girl he has never forgotten, and sends a letter to the house where they shared a brief yet perfect happiness. But Stella has gone, and the letter is opened by Jess, a young girl hiding from problems of her own. And as Jess reads Dan's words, she is captivated by the story of a love affair that burned so bright and dimmed too soon. Can she help Dan find Stella before it is too late?

Now forever is finally running out. 'A wonderful story'

Rosamunde Pilcher 'An epic story of love and loss that will break your heart' Santa Montefiore 'A beautiful, tender story from a naturally gifted storyteller. A wonderful debut novel

and a real weepy!' Lucinda Riley 'A captivating and deliciously

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romantic tale of life-lasting love that will tear your heart in two' Rachel Hore 'I fell completely in love with this novel. Letters to the Lost is extraordinary - vivid, compelling and beautifully told. It will stay with me for a long time' Miranda Dickinson 'A beautifully woven tale of love and loss that breaks your heart and rebuilds it. I couldn't put it down. It was big juicy read that reminded me of books that I loved in the past that wrapped you up, held you tight and didn't put you down until you were left devastated that the book had ended yet totally satisfied' Liz Fenwick 'A warm, compelling and beautifully crafted love story, Letters to the Lost is elegantly written and extremely well-researched, and the wonderfully satisfying ending made me sob' Susan Elliot Wright 'This novel is Romantic with a capital 'R', a story to lose yourself in. It sweeps you up into the lives of its characters and makes you hope that sometimes lost loves can be found' Kate Lord Brown 'Letters to the Lost is sweeping, wonderful and truly, truly romantic' Julie Cohen 'Letters to the Lost pulsates with life, offering a vibrant love story that transcends time and the heartbreak of war. Settle in somewhere comfortable; you are in for an enthralling read' Kate Alcott 'Letters to the Lost is a powerful debut, one of those rare books that grabs you from the first page and doesn't let go. A heart-wrenching, smile-through-the-tears story of love lost and re-found - you won't be able to put it down' Lauren Willig 'A true epic: in character, writing, emotion. You live their lives with them' Vanessa Lafaye, author of Summertime 'A moving period love story' Sunday Mirror 'A beautiful love story' Prima 'A touching story that swept me along to its end' Woman & Home 'Tender, heart-rending and utterly compelling' Good Housekeeping 'A beautiful story that gets under your skin' Sun The Los Angeles Dana Spiotta evokes in her bold and strangely lyrical first novel is a land of Spirit Gyms and Miracle Miles, a great centerless place where chains of

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reference get lost, or finally don't matter. Mina lives with her screenwriter husband and works at her best friend Lorene's highly successful concept restaurants, which exploit the often unconscious desires and idiosyncrasies of a rich, chic clientele. Almost inadvertently, Mina has acquired two lovers. And then there are the other men in her life: her father, a washed-up Hollywood director living in a yurt and hiding from his debtors, and her disturbed brother, Michael, whose attempts to connect with her force Mina to consider that she might still have a heart -- if only she could remember where she had left it. Between her Spiritual Exfoliation and Detoxification therapies and her elaborate devotion to style, Lorene is interested only in charting her own perfection and impending decay. Although supremely confident in a million shallow ways, she, too, starts to fray at the edges. And there is Lisa, a loving mother who cleans houses, scrapes by, and dreams of food terrorists and child abductors, until even the most innocent events seem to hint at dark possibilities. *Lightning Field* explores the language tics of our culture -- the consumerist fetishes, the self-obsession and the peeing possibility that you just might have gotten it all badly wrong. In funny, cutting, unsentimental prose, Spiotta exposes the contradictions of contemporary lives in which "identity is a collection of references." She writes about overcoming not just despair but ambivalence. Playful and dire, raw and poetic, *Lightning Field* introduces a startling new voice in American fiction.

In *No Limits*, Michael Phelps - perhaps the greatest Olympic competitor the world has ever seen - will show us the secrets to his remarkable success, from training to execution. Behind his tally of Olympic gold medals - more than any athlete throughout history - lies a consistent approach to competition, a determination to win, mental preparation, and a straightforward passion for his sport. One of his mottos is

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'Performance is Reality', and it typifies his attitude about swimming. No Limits goes behind the scenes to explore the hard work, sacrifice, and dedication that catapulted Phelps into the international spotlight. Phelps will share remarkable anecdotes about family, his coach, his passion for the sport, and the wisdom that he has gained from unexpected challenges and obstacles. Highlighting memorable races and valuable lessons from throughout his career, Phelps offers candid insight into the mind and experiences of a world champion. No Limits will inspire anyone to follow their passion straight to the finish line.

Digital Sports Journalism gives detailed guidance on a range of digital practices for producing content for smartphones and websites. Each chapter discusses a skill that has become essential for sports journalists today, with student-friendly features throughout to support learning. These include case studies, examples of sports journalism from leading global publications, as well as top tips and practical exercises. The book also presents interviews with leading sport and club journalists with wide-ranging experience at the BBC, Copa90, Wimbledon Tennis, the Guardian and BT Sport, who discuss working with new technologies to cover sports stories and events. Chapters cover: live blogging; making and disseminating short videos; working for a sports club or governing body; finding and transmitting stories on social media; podcasting; longform online journalism. The job of a sports journalist has altered dramatically over the first two decades of the 21st century, with scope to write content across a new variety of digital platforms and mediums. Digital Sports Journalism will help students of journalism and professionals unlock the potential of these new media technologies.

10 gold medals don't come easy... First comes the graft. Thousands of hours on the pedals, forever turning left,

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following that black line round, pushing your body harder than it is designed to go. Then comes the sacrifice. All familiar pleasures stripped away in search of perfection. Then the pain. Muscles burning, stomach churning, an ache in the bones. To pull all of this together to achieve an Olympic gold is impressive; to be part of a couple doing this in the same sport is rare; to do it ten times between you is unprecedented. Laura Trott and Jason Kenny, Britain's most successful female and male Olympians, invite us into their world, on to the boards of the velodrome and down the back straight of British pro cycling to give us the inside track on what it takes to become a champion. This is the story of the races that gripped a nation; one of sprints and pursuits, tactics, mind games, medals and trials; of being so tired you collapse by the side of the track, so out of form you can't finish a practice session; of what goes through the mind of an Olympian as they power towards the finish line; and of how a boy from Bolton and a girl from Cheshunt became the best in the world, while finding in each other the perfect partner. In his quest to define 'sporting greatness', double Olympic champion Alistair Brownlee has spent nearly 4 years interviewing and training with some of the greatest minds in sport to discover what it takes to become – and remain – a champion.

In a world filled with breathtaking beauty, we have often overlooked the elusive magic of certain landscapes. A cloudy river flows into an Arctic wetland where sandhill cranes and muskoxen dwell. Further south, cypress branches hang low over dismal swamps. Places like these-collectively known as swamplands or peatlands-often go unnoticed for their ecological splendor. They are as globally significant as rainforests, yet, because of their reputation as wastelands, they are being systematically drained and degraded.

Swamplands celebrates these wild places, as journalist

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Edward Struzik highlights the unappreciated struggle to save peatlands by scientists, conservationists, and landowners around the world. An ode to peaty landscapes in all their offbeat glory, the book is also a demand for awareness of the myriad threats they face. It inspires us to see the beauty and importance in these least likely of places. Our planet's survival might depend on it.

A funny and empowering new story featuring Love Monster, who now appears in his own animated television show on CBeebies!

Presents a collection of horror tales by such authors as Brian Keene, Tom Piccirilli, Ekaterina Sedia, Jay Lake, and Mary Robinette Kowal.

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----- Cal Hooper thought a fixer-upper in a remote Irish village would be the perfect escape. After twenty-five years in the Chicago police force, and a bruising divorce, he just wants to build a new life in a pretty spot with a good pub where nothing much happens. But then a local kid comes looking for his help. His brother has gone missing, and no one, least of all the police, seems to care. Cal wants nothing to do with any kind of investigation, but somehow he can't make himself walk away. Soon Cal will discover that even in the most idyllic small town, secrets lie hidden, people aren't always what they seem, and trouble can come calling at his door. Our greatest living mystery writer weaves a masterful tale of breath-taking beauty and suspense, asking how we decide what's right and

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wrong in a world where neither is simple, and what we risk if we fail. ----- WHAT EVERYONE IS SAYING ABOUT TANA FRENCH 'An engrossing, unpredictable, beautifully written mystery' SOPHIE HANNAH 'To say Tana French is one of the great thriller writers is really too limiting. Rather she's simply this: a truly great writer' GILLIAN FLYNN 'French offers a masterclass in unreliability' SUNDAY TIMES 'I'm a big fan of Tana French' IAN RANKIN 'The Wych Elm should cement French's place in the first rank of great literary novelists' OBSERVER 'This book confirms Tana French as [crime fiction's] biggest contemporary star' GUARDIAN 'Terrific - terrifying, amazing, and the prose is incandescent' STEPHEN KING 'Completely, indescribably magnificent. Tana French is a pure genius' MARIAN KEYES 'One of the finest writers of contemporary crime fiction ... a work of great strength and beauty' THE DAILY MAIL 'This compulsive, beautifully written thriller - part modern Western, part satisfying mystery - is brilliantly character-driven, perfectly evoking life in a small Irish town' THE SUNDAY MIRROR 'An audacious departure for this immensely talented author . . . not to be missed' THE NEW YORK TIMES 'Immersive and atmospheric ... Cal and Trey could very well be the new sort of heroes we need in this strange world' ARAMINTA HALL 'The Searcher is its own kind of masterpiece' THE WASHINGTON POST 'This mystery about family, memory and the cracks in both will haunt you for a long, long time' ERIN KELLY 'Nuanced and compelling' THE NEW YORKER 'With a tension that mounts inexorably throughout, French creates a world whose characters stay with you long after the book is finished. I didn't want it to end' HARRIET TYCE 'This is a tour de force of suspense and storytelling. Comes closer to perfection than anything I've read in the last decade' SARAH HILARY 'A tale of flawed characters, complex relationships and elusive

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loyalties. Subtle and powerful' CHRIS HAMMER

Ever had a dream - a dream to win? Rebecca Adlington had a dream - to be an Olympic gold medal winner. This is the story of Rebecca's early years and her break through into the British Olympic swimming team.

The polarizing literary debut by Scottish author Ian Banks, *The Wasp Factory* is the bizarre, imaginative, disturbing, and darkly comic look into the mind of a child psychopath. Meet Frank Cauldhame. Just sixteen, and unconventional to say the least: Two years after I killed Blyth I murdered my young brother Paul, for quite different and more fundamental reasons than I'd disposed of Blyth, and then a year after that I did for my young cousin Esmerelda, more or less on a whim. That's my score to date. Three. I haven't killed anybody for years, and don't intend to ever again. It was just a stage I was going through.

How well do you know the Friendly Games? Sports journalist Brian Oliver brings the Commonwealth Games to life with riveting stories of the athletes who have competed over the years. He delves into the best tales of the past and interviews the key protagonists to unveil the highs and lows of this idiosyncratic sporting competition. There is the classic contest between Roger Bannister and John Landy just months after both had at last broken the four-minute mile, and the lesser-known struggles of one of Australia's greatest swimmers, Dawn Fraser, against the petty-minded and all-male 'silver spoon mob' who ran amateur sport. Read the sad tale of Emmanuel Ifeajuna, the first ever black African to win a gold medal, in any sport in any international event. He won high jump gold in 1954 and became a national hero in Nigeria, but after staging a coup was arrested for treachery and shot by firing squad. Find out why the 1974 Games in Christchurch, New Zealand were known as the 'Emigration Games', and the story behind the bitter 1980s swimming pool rivalry between

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England's Adrian Moorhouse and Victor Davis of Canada. There are many more, from that of 4-foot 10-inch weightlifter Precious McKenzie – who rose through brutal abuse and discrimination to record-breaking success and a dance with the Princess Royal – to the penniless and boycotted 1986 Games in Edinburgh that were 'saved' by Robert Maxwell and a bucket of fried chicken. The Commonwealth Games is a fascinating insight into human tales of endeavour, success and failure.

Publisher: Bellissima Publishing, LLC Imprint: Bellissima Publishing ISBN/SKU: 0977191680 ISBN Complete: 0-9771916-8-0 Title: Mind Training For Swimmers Publication Date: 11/25/2005 Language: English Book Description (formally called "Annotation"): "Mind Training For Swimmers" is truly everything you ever could want to know about positive thinking and how to improve your swim or sport performance. Written by Craig Townsend, Australia's Swim Guru, it is filled with examples and teaching points that are sound, thorough, and based upon solid scientific thinking. The author is the Director of It's Mind over Matter in Sydney, Australia; and he has worked in the area of mental training for swimming, sports and personal development for over fifteen years! He possesses a Diploma in Clinical Hypnosis, and for over twenty years he has researched and experimented with various methods of tapping the potential of the human mind. His program has received world recognition, and has now been put into book form. Bellissima Publishing, LLC is proud to have Craig Townsend among its writers. This is a must read book that should be required reading for every swim coach and swimmer! It is a book that can help anyone move towards positive thinking and self-recognition.

A comprehensive account of a nine week journey at the end of the 19th century

When vampires stalk among us . . . Robbed of his

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supernatural powers, Harry Keogh is back from Starside, the vampire sourceworld. A mere man again - denied access to the metaphysical Möbius Continuum, no longer able to communicate with the dead - now he must rebuild his life in a world made safe only through his efforts. But safe for how long? E-Branch, Britain's mindspy organisation, wants Harry back with his invaluable talents intact. Likewise the Great Majority, his countless dead friends across the world, who know that he's needed as never before. For the old thread has risen anew! Crumbling in their graves, the teeming dead fear for Harry. If the ex-Necroscope can't find and destroy the last of the Ferenczys, that nightmare vampire dynasty, they know that the vampire will find him. He must regain his powers - or risk becoming a vampire himself, undead for ever

. . .

The title story of this collection — a devilishly ironic riff on H. P. Lovecraft's "Pickman's model" — was nominated for a World Fantasy Award, while "Probiscus" was nominated for an International Horror Guild award and reprinted in *The Year's Best Fantasy and Horror 19*. In addition to his previously published work, this collection contains an original story.

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