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Anupama's fairytale marriage to Anand falls apart when she discovers a white patch on her foot and learns that she has leukoderma.

On her first trip to the USA, Sudha Murthy, a proud Indian, is surprised at having to deal with ignorant questions like, 'You play with snakes, and cows are allowed to wander on the highways. Is that true?' Even immigration officers degradingly interrogate her because she looks and dresses 'different'. A couple of years later, she is once again travelling to the US. Will she have to face the same demeaning stereotypes again? Read on to find out.

Keshav has two sons. While one lives in New York, the other stays in their village, and both lead extremely different lives. Although both sons are successful, only one of them is happy, When Keshav's son in New York visits home, he knows everyone is going to be excited. He is already adored and praised by everyone in his village, especially by his parents. But he also regrets his decision of leaving India. How can a man who has everything not be happy? Read on to find out.

Did you know there was a time when bears spoke, the moon laughed and babies were found inside fish? Have you heard of the two-horned sage who had never seen a woman in his life? Did you know Ravana's half-brother was the god of wealth? Have

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you ever seen a man with a thousand arms? The tales in this collection surround the two most popular avatars of Lord Vishnu-Rama and Krishna-and their lineage. Countless stories about the two abound, yet most are simply disappearing from the hearts and minds of the present generation. Bestselling author Sudha Murthy takes you on an arresting tour, all the while telling you of the days when demons and gods walked alongside humans, animals could talk and gods granted the most glorious boons to common people.

'Gopi, I can't believe a year has passed since I met you. You have brought me so much happiness!' In this second book in the bestselling Gopi Diaries series, Gopi is stronger, bigger, more confident than the little pup he was in the first book, but he is also cheekier and more mischievous! He faces new situations, new challenges, even new dog companions with endless energy and spirit. And then comes the day when he faces the biggest surprise of them all... Written in Sudha Murthy's inimitable style, this simple story told from a dog's perspective shows us just why pets are so precious - for their love, devotion and boundless affection. This is a book for Sudha Murthy's fans of all ages as Gopi paws himself yet again into the hearts of children and adults alike. A long, long time ago, seawater was sweet and drinkable. How it became salty is a remarkable story. India's favourite storyteller brings alive this timeless

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tale with her inimitable wit and simplicity. Dotted with charming illustrations, this gorgeous chapter book is the ideal introduction for beginners to the world of Sudha Murty.

Every one of us has a life-affirming story to tell... The inspiring true stories of the interesting people who inhabit the pages of Sudha Murty's books leave an indelible impression on us. But the books are able to chronicle the stories only of the men and women Mrs Murty has come across personally in the course of her social work. There must be so many more wonderful stories that scores of others have to share. *Something Happened on the Way to Heaven* is a collection of twenty such memorable true-life stories. Handpicked by Sudha Murty from entries submitted in an open competition run by Penguin, they capture the hope, faith, kindness and joy that life is full of even as we make our way through the daily grind. Moving and uplifting, this is an anthology that will engross and delight every reader who believes in the goodness of the human heart.

Traditional Chinese edition of *The Hard Way* by Lee Child, a mystery thriller involving espionage and hostage taking. In Traditional Chinese. Distributed by Tsai Fong Books, Inc.

Autobiographical anecdotes on the life of the Kannada writer.

Autobiographical fictional stories.

'Shrikant Was Restless . . . Holding A Bakula

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Flower In His Palm, He Was Wondering Why He Was Fascinated By This Tiny Flower, That Was Neither As Beautiful As A Rose Nor Had The Fragrance Of A Jasmine Or A Champaka. And Yet, It Was Very Special To Him. It Held An Inexplicable Attraction For Him.&Rsq; /Strong Shrimati And Shrikant Are Neighbours And Star Students Of Their School In The Small North Karnataka Town Of Hubli. It Leaves No One In Surprise When They Come First And Second Respectively In The Final Board Exams. Soon Shrikant Discovers He Is Strangely Attracted To Shrimati, A Plain-Looking Yet Charming Person, Who Always Does Better Than Him In The Exams. Shrimati Too Falls In Love With The Amiable And Handsome Shrikant And The Two Get Married. Shrikant Joins An It Company And Starts Rapidly Climbing The Corporate Ladder. He Works Relentlessly And Reaches The Pinnacle Of His Industry, While Shrimati Abandons Her Academic Aspirations And Becomes His Uncomplaining Shadow, Silently Fulfilling Her Duties As A Corporate Leader&Rsq;S Wife. But One Day, While Talking To An Old Professor, She Starts Examining What She Has Done With Her Life And Realizes It Is Dismally Empty . . . Gently Falls The Bakula Is The Story Of A Marriage That Loses Its Way As Ambition And Self-Interest Take Their Toll. Written Nearly Three Decades Ago, Sudha Murthy&Rsq;S First Novel Remains Startlingly Relevant In Its Scrutiny Of

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Modern Values And Work Ethics.

When someone uses their powers for the wrong reasons, only they reap the benefits. But when someone uses their powers for the right reasons, an entire kingdom can reap those benefits. Sumant was a smart man, who loved using his cleverness to make a quick buck—sometimes tricking shopkeepers into giving him free sweets and sometimes conning people in order to earn a lot of gold. But he might face his biggest challenge yet when the king of Vidishanagara orders his arrest. Sumant has to put his brain to the ultimate test and somehow turn his situation around. Find out in Emperor of Alakavati, another one of Sudha Murthy's gems that deftly shows the two sides of having a clever mind.

Extraordinary stories about ordinary people's lives
Over the years, Sudha Murthy has come across some fascinating people whose lives make for interesting stories and have astonishing lessons to reveal. Take Vishnu, who achieves every material success but never knows happiness; or Venkat, who talks so much that he has no time to listen. In other stories, a young girl goes on a train journey that changes her life forever; an impoverished village woman provides bathing water to hundreds of people in a drought-stricken area; a do-gooder ghost decides to teach a disconsolate young man Sanskrit; and in the title story, a woman in a flooded village in Odisha teaches the author a life lesson she will never forget.

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From the bestselling author of *Wise and Otherwise* and *The Old Man and His God*, this is another heart-warming collection of real-life stories that will delight readers of all ages.

Through *Grandma's Bag Of Stories*, Sudha Murty recreates the traditional way of storytelling, where kids sit around a grandparent, while getting mesmerised by one interesting tale after another. Have you noticed how the onion has so many layers? And have you seen your mother's eyes water when she cuts an onion? Here is a remarkable story to tell you why. India's favourite storyteller brings alive this timeless tale with her inimitable wit and simplicity. Dotted with charming illustrations, this gorgeous chapter book is the ideal introduction for beginners to the world of Sudha Murty.

Translated from Kannada.

How many names does Arjuna have? Why was Yama cursed? What lesson did a little mongoose teach Yudhishthira? The Kurukshetra war, fought between the Kauravas and the Pandavas and which forced even the gods to take sides, may be well known, but there are innumerable stories set before, after and during the war that lend the Mahabharata its many varied shades and are largely unheard of. Award-winning author Sudha Murty reintroduces the fascinating world of India's greatest epic through the extraordinary tales in this collection, each of which is sure to fill you with a sense of wonder and

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bewilderment.

An unforgettable collection of short fiction, poetry and comic art from Australia and beyond . . . A boy who tries to fly, a cricket game in a refugee centre, a government guide to kissing, the perils of hunting goannas, an arranged marriage, an awkward blind date, a girl who stands on her head, an imprisoned king and a cursed Maori stone . . . Sometimes funny, sometimes dramatic, always compelling, this collection featuring both established writers and emerging talent will broaden your horizons and excite your imagination. Including: James Roy * Tanveer Ahmed * Michael Pryor * Ursula Dubosarsky * Sonya Hartnett * Doug MacLeod * Oliver Phommavanh * Brenton McKenna * Tara June Winch * Sudha Murty * Oodgeroo

Kings and misers, princes and paupers, wise men and foolish boys, the funniest and oddest men and women come alive in this sparkling new collection of stories. The clever princess will only marry the man who can ask her a question she cannot answer; the orphan boy outwits his greedy uncles with a bag of ash; and an old couple in distress is saved by a magic drum. Sudha Murty's grand parents told her some of these stories when she was a child; others she heard from her friends from around the world. These delightful and timeless folk tales have been her favourites for years, and she has recounted them many times over to the young people in her life. With

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this collection, they will be enjoyed by many more readers, of all ages.

Fifty Vignettes Showcase The Myriad Shades Of Human Nature A Man Dumps His Aged Father In An Old-Age Home After Declaring Him To Be A Homeless Stranger, A Tribal Chief In The Sahyadri Hills Teaches The Author That There Is Humility In Receiving Too, And A Sick Woman Remembers To Thank Her Benefactor Even From Her Deathbed. These Are Just Some Of The Poignant And Eye-Opening Stories About People From All Over The Country That Sudha Murthy Recounts In This Book. From Incredible Examples Of Generosity To The Meanest Acts One Can Expect From Men And Women, She Records Everything With Wry Humour And A Directness That Touches The Heart. First Published In 2002, Wise And Otherwise Has Sold Over 30,000 Copies In English And Has Been Translated Into All The Major Indian Languages. This Revised New Edition Is Sure To Charm Many More Readers And Encourage Them To Explore Their Inner Selves And The World Around Us With New Eyes. &Nbsp;

"There have been many instances, where at some point of their life, woman are victimized to exploitation." THIS IS A STORY OF ONE SUCH WOMAN WHO FIGHTS THE BATTLE OF EXPLOITATION TO RETAIN HER DIGNITY AND SELF RESPECT BACK. BARKHA- a simple middle

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class girl, catches the gaze of a wealthy businessman-VICKY MALHOTRA. Things take an ugly turn when she realizes that everything that he intended to do with her were not as righteous as he seemed them to be. Does Barkha keep mum and endure it? Or does she fight back? and how? Does the legal justice as well as the natural justice favor her?? "Being in the law background and conducting many counselling sessions, I have come across various women going through enormous tsunami's in their life. This story is one among'st them."

Books are like best friends-always there for you when you need them. And it's not just you; Your favourite authors also feel the same way. In this collection, find out which are the books that inspired Dr A.P.J. Abdul Kalam; what is Ruskin Bond's favourite book series; Subhadra Sen Gupta's favourite reading spots and how Sudha Murthy's longstanding relationship with libraries continues to this day. Plus, Roopa Pai talks about her love for Enid Blyton, Jash Sen narrates how reading detective fiction in a spooky old house only added to the fun, Arundhati Venkatesh reminisces about her childhood spent in the company of books and Anita Nair fondly describes the 'place of enchantment' a book provided her. Plus, there are more delightful anecdotes by Satyajit Ray, Tanu Shree Singh, Jerry Pinto, Nilanjana Roy and Deepa Agarwal. Brimming with nostalgia and a love for books, I'd Rather Read will make you fall in love with the written word all over again.

Collection of real life stories from India.

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These are just some of the questions you will find answered in this delightful collection of stories recounting real-life incidents from the life of Sudha Murthy-teacher, social worker and bestselling writer. There is the engaging story about one of her students who frequently played truant from school. The account of how her mother's advice to save money came in handy when she wanted to help her husband start a software company, and the heart-warming tale of the promise she made-and fulfilled-to her grandfather, to ensure that her little village library would always be well supplied with books. Funny, spirited and inspiring, each of these stories teaches a valuable lesson about the importance of doing what you believe is right and having the courage to realize your dreams.

What would you do if a bird with golden wings alighted on your terrace and offered you fabulous riches? A poor little girl is rewarded with lovely gifts when she takes pity on a hungry bird and feeds it all the rice she has, but what happens when the girl's greedy, nosy neighbour hears the story and tries to get bigger and better gifts for herself? Why did the once sweet sea water turn salty? How did it happen that the learned teacher forgot all his lessons and had to be helped out by the school cook? And what did the king do so that the people of his kingdom did not come to know that he has horrible donkey ears hidden under his turban? Sudha Murthy's new, enchanting collection of stories bubbles over with fun. Delightful colour illustrations bring to life tales of magical creatures, princesses and kings, ordinary witty men and women in a book that will bring hours of joy to

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readers young and old.

What Do You Do When Your Grandmother Asks You To Teach Her The Alphabet? Or The President Of India Takes You On A Train Ride With Him? Or Your Teacher Gives You More Marks Than You Deserve? These Are Just Some Of The Questions You Will Find Answered In This Delightful Collection Of Stories Recounting Real-Life Incidents That Happened To Sudha Murthy, Teacher, Social Worker And Wife Of The Man Who Founded India'S Best-Known Software Company, Infosys.

Whether It Is About The Letter She Dashed Off To J.R.D Tata Because His Company Did Not Want To Employ Women, Or The Student Who Always Falls Short Of Attendance In Her Class And Later Realizes His Mistake, Or How Her Mother'S Advice Of Saving Money Came In Handy When Her Husband Wanted To Start A Software Company, Each Of These Stories Teaches A Valuable Lesson, Of Simplicity, Patriotism And The Importance Of Love And Friendship. Funny, Heartwarming And Spirited, These Stories Will Inspire Children To Make A Difference In The World Around Them And To Become Better People.

Trying to make sense of the horrors of World War II, Death relates the story of Liesel--a young German girl whose book-stealing and story-telling talents help sustain her family and the Jewish man they are hiding, as well as their neighbors.

City girl Noonie is surprised at the pace of life in her grandparents' village in Karnataka. But she quickly gets used to the gentle routine there and involves herself in a flurry of activities, including papad making, organizing

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picnics and learning to ride a cycle, with her new-found friends. Things get exciting when Nooni stumbles upon an ancient fabled stepwell right in the middle of a forest. Join the intrepid Nooni on an adventure of a lifetime in this much-awaited book by Sudha Murthy that is heart-warming, charming and absolutely unputdownable.

The Day I Stopped Drinking Milk: Life Stories From Here And There is a book that comprises 23 short stories that are based on the personal events in the life of Murthy. One of the stories is about Chitra, whose story is highly inspiring. This book explains how Chitra's life was completely transformed after meeting Murthy during a train journey from Mumbai to Bangalore. Chitra had gotten onto the train without a ticket, but the author took her in and provided her with shelter. Chitra studies and later moves abroad and is very appreciative of Murthy's gesture. In another story, the readers are introduced to Vishnu, who is a highly successful man, yet he doesn't know what it feels like to be happy. In another story, entitled *Ganga's Ghat*, the readers are introduced to an old lady, who desires to achieve something in life. She experiences contentment as a result of seeing to the needs of her fellow villagers by setting up a bathing facility. The story *Changing India* revolves around the author's experiences in America, hearing two different opinions about the country. One of the stories in this book revolves around Venkat, who doesn't heed to other people's advice, but only speaks. In the cover story of this book, *The Day I Stopped Drinking Milk: Life Stories From Here And There*, the readers are introduced to a family residing in Odisha, with whom the

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loving, human family. How Gopi sees the world around him and what he thinks of the people in his life give the story a truly unique flavour. Written in Sudha Murthy's inimitable style, these are books children and adults will treasure as the simple stories talk of basic values even when told from a dog's perspective.

Have you ever stopped to marvel at the earth's beauty: at snow-capped mountains and oceans so deep; at colourful flowers and extraordinary animals? The tale of how such beauty came into existence is a curious one indeed. India's favourite storyteller brings alive this timeless tale with her inimitable wit and simplicity. Tricked out with enchanting illustrations, this gorgeous chapter book is the ideal introduction for beginners to the world of Sudha Murthy.

Did you know that the Trinity often turned to goddesses to defeat the asuras? Did you know that the first clone in the world was created by a woman? The women in Indian mythology might be fewer in number, but their stories of strength and mystery in the pages of ancient texts and epics are many. They slayed demons and protected their devotees fiercely. From Parvati to Ashokasundari and from Bhamati to Mandodari, this collection features enchanting and fearless women who frequently led wars on behalf of the gods, were the backbone of their families and makers of their own destinies. India's much-loved and bestselling author Sudha Murthy takes you on an empowering journey -through the yarns forgotten in time-abounding with remarkable women who will remind you of the strong female influences in your life.

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Did you know that Brahma once had five faces? Why do snakes have a forked tongue? Do gods cheat? Why does Shiva sport a crescent moon on his head? The Trinity, consisting of Brahma, Shiva and Vishnu, is the omnipresent trio responsible for the survival of the human race and the world as we know it. They are popular deities of worship all over India, but what remain largely unknown are some of their extraordinary stories. Award-winning author Sudha Murthy walks by your side, weaving enchanting tales of the three most powerful gods from the ancient world. Each story will take you back to a magical time when people could teleport, animals could fly and reincarnation was simply a fact of life.

It's 2020 and children are stuck indoors as the novel coronavirus finds its way into India. A nationwide lockdown is announced and amidst the growing crisis, Ajja and Ajji welcome their grandchildren and Kamlu Ajji into their house in Shiggaon. From stitching masks, sharing household chores, preparing food for workers to losing themselves in timeless tales, the lockdown turns into a memorable time for the children as they enter the enchanting world of goddesses, kings, princesses, serpents, magical beanstalks, thieves, kingdoms and palaces, among others. The myriad stories told by their grandparents become the biggest source of joy, making the children compassionate, worldly-wise and more resilient than ever. Following the trail of the best-selling *Grandma's Bag of Stories*, India's favourite author Sudha Murthy brings to you this collection of immortal tales that she fondly created during the lockdown period for

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readers to seek comfort and find the magic in sharing and caring for others. Wonderfully woven in her inimitable style, this book is unputdownable and perfect for every child's bookshelf!

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