

# A Free Life Ha Jin

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*How to Write a Book in 24 Hours* Oct 10 2020 Best-selling author James Green shares his own ground-breaking 6-step formula for producing top quality, highly successful non-fiction books in just 24 hours. 24 Hour Bestseller: How to Write a Book in 24 Hours will provide you with a 6-step writing blueprint that you can set on full 'rinse and repeat mode' providing you with a step-by-step recipe for writing success. After becoming disillusioned with his own writing struggles, the author decided to completely re-engineer the entire process, providing a plan for: generating and validating new book ideas; creating comprehensive book outlines; writing in a quick, easy and enjoyable way; publishing the completed books effortlessly. Inside 24 Hour Bestseller, you will learn: How to stir your creative juices to constantly think up new book ideas; How to validate and evaluate your ideas for maximum profit; How to create a solid book outline that will make the writing process a breeze; How to turn your writing into a fun game; How to stay motivated; When to outsource (and when not to); How to craft your book title and description for maximum impact; How to publish your book to KDP easily; Book

pricing strategies; And much more... If you've become overwhelmed and disillusioned with the whole writing process, this book will be your guide and your tonic, re-energizing your authoring efforts. You'll be more productive than ever, and most importantly, you will find writing enjoyable once again! Whether you're a complete novice and have never even written a book before, are struggling to come up with new book ideas, or are a seasoned author who simply needs some tips on how to write more effectively, then this book is for you. 24 Hour Bestseller will guide you step-by-step through the entire formula and get you authoring for success once more!"

**The Bridegroom** Apr 15 2021 From the remarkable Ha Jin, winner of the National Book Award for his celebrated novel *Waiting*, a collection of comical and deeply moving tales of contemporary China that are as warm and human as they are surprising, disturbing, and delightful. In the title story, the head of security at a factory is shocked, first when the handsomest worker on the floor proposes marriage to his homely adopted daughter, and again when his new son-in-law is arrested for the "crime" of homosexuality. In "After Cowboy Chicken Came

to Town," the workers at an American-style fast food franchise receive a hilarious crash course in marketing, deep frying, and that frustrating capitalist dictum, "the customer is always right." Ha Jin has triumphed again with his unforgettable storytelling in *The Bridegroom*.

**The Writer as Migrant** May 29 2022 As a teenager during China's Cultural Revolution, Ha Jin served as an uneducated soldier in the People's Liberation Army. Thirty years later, a resident of the United States, he won the National Book Award for his novel *Waiting*, completing a trajectory that has established him as one of the most admired exemplars of world literature. Ha Jin's jo...

**A Free Life** Nov 03 2022 A New York Times Notable Book One of the Best Books of the Year: Chicago Tribune, Chicago Sun-Times, Entertainment Weekly, Slate In *A Free Life*, Ha Jin follows the Wu family — father Nan, mother Pingping, and son Taotao — as they sever their ties with China in the aftermath of the 1989 massacre at Tiananmen Square and begin a new life in the United States. As Nan takes on a number of menial jobs, eventually operating a restaurant with Pingping, he struggles to adapt to the American way of life and to hold his family together, even as he pines for a woman he loved and lost in his youth. Ha Jin's prodigious talents are in full force as he brilliantly brings to life the struggles and successes of the contemporary immigrant experience.

**Jacky Ha-Ha** Dec 12 2020 A hilarious class clown tells jokes to escape her worries in James Patterson's #1 New York Times bestselling middle grade novel. With her irresistible urge to tell a joke in every situation -- even when she really, really shouldn't -- twelve-year-old Jacky Ha-Ha loves to make people laugh. And cracking wise helps distract her from thinking about not-so-funny things in her life, like her mom serving in a dangerous, faraway war, and a dad who's hardly ever home. But no matter how much fun Jacky has, she can't seem to escape her worries. So one starlit night, she makes a promise to keep her family together . . . even if she has to give up the one thing that makes her happy. But can she stop being Jacky Ha-Ha, if that's who she really is?

**10% Happier** Jun 25 2019 #1 New York Times Bestseller REVISED WITH NEW MATERIAL

Winner of the 2014 Living Now Book Award for Inspirational Memoir "An enormously smart, clear-eyed, brave-hearted, and quite personal look at the benefits of meditation." —Elizabeth Gilbert Nightline anchor Dan Harris embarks on an unexpected, hilarious, and deeply skeptical odyssey through the strange worlds of spirituality and self-help, and discovers a way to get happier that is truly achievable. After having a nationally televised panic attack, Dan Harris knew he had to make some changes. A lifelong nonbeliever, he found himself on a bizarre adventure involving a disgraced pastor, a mysterious self-help guru, and a gaggle of brain scientists. Eventually, Harris realized that the source of his problems was the very thing he always thought was his greatest asset: the incessant, insatiable voice in his head, which had propelled him through the ranks of a hypercompetitive business, but had also led him to make the profoundly stupid decisions that provoked his on-air freak-out. Finally, Harris stumbled upon an effective way to rein in that voice, something he always assumed to be either impossible or useless: meditation, a tool that research suggests can do everything from lower your blood pressure to essentially rewire your brain. *10% Happier* takes readers on a ride from the outer reaches of neuroscience to the inner sanctum of network news to the bizarre fringes of America's spiritual scene, and leaves them with a takeaway that could actually change their lives.

**What's Wrong with Pauly?** May 17 2021 Billy Johnson doesn't give it a second thought when he joins in with his friends making fun of a little girl in a wheelchair. Then Pauly comes into his life, and Billy not only learns a valuable lesson about compassion and acceptance but he gets a new best friend! Grades 3-4

**Hi My Name Is Cj** Mar 15 2021 *Hi My Name Is C.J.* is an easy to read, fun, interactive children's book. Meet 5 year-old C.J. and learn about all the things he likes and does. Enjoy the interactive pages by writing your own C.J. story and have fun drawing and coloring the characters. Have fun and use your imagination.

**The Banished Immortal** Sep 20 2021 From the National Book Award-winning author of *Waiting*: a narratively driven, deeply human biography of the Tang dynasty poet Li Bai—also known as Li

Po In his own time (701-762), Li Bai's poems—shaped by Daoist thought and characterized by their passion, romance, and lust for life—were never given their proper due by the official literary gatekeepers. Nonetheless, his lines rang out on the lips of court entertainers, tavern singers, soldiers, and writers throughout the Tang dynasty, and his deep desire for a higher, more perfect world gave rise to his nickname, the Banished Immortal. Today, Bai's verses are still taught to China's schoolchildren and recited at parties and toasts; they remain an inextricable part of the Chinese language. With the instincts of a master novelist, Ha Jin draws on a wide range of historical and literary sources to weave the great poet's life story. He follows Bai from his origins on the western frontier to his ramblings travels as a young man, which were filled with striving but also with merry abandon, as he raised cups of wine with friends and fellow poets. Ha Jin also takes us through the poet's later years—in which he became swept up in a military rebellion that altered the course of China's history—and the mysterious circumstances of his death, which are surrounded by legend. The Banished Immortal is an extraordinary portrait of a poet who both transcended his time and was shaped by it, and whose ability to live, love, and mourn without reservation produced some of the most enduring verses.

**Authentic Happiness** Jan 01 2020 In this important, entertaining book, one of the world's most celebrated psychologists, Martin Seligman, asserts that happiness can be learned and cultivated, and that everyone has the power to inject real joy into their lives. In *Authentic Happiness*, he describes the 24 strengths and virtues unique to the human psyche. Each of us, it seems, has at least five of these attributes, and can build on them to identify and develop to our maximum potential. By incorporating these strengths - which include kindness, originality, humour, optimism, curiosity, enthusiasm and generosity -- into our everyday lives, he tells us, we can reach new levels of optimism, happiness and productivity. *Authentic Happiness* provides a variety of tests and unique assessment tools to enable readers to discover and deploy those strengths at work, in love and in raising

children. By accessing the very best in ourselves, we can improve the world around us and achieve new and lasting levels of authentic contentment and joy.

*Jacky Ha-Ha: My Life Is a Joke* Jul 07 2020 In the #1 New York Times bestselling series, class clown Jacky Hart is a triple threat onstage and she wants to act and sing all summer long -- but her parents have other plans. Jacky Hart has found a hidden talent in the performing arts, and she's a triple threat onstage! She wants nothing more than to act and sing all summer -- but her parents have other plans for her. Jacky reluctantly signs up for a summer job in her resort town of Seaside Heights, New Jersey, where tourists come to enjoy the beach and fun carnival atmosphere. Now she has serious responsibilities like her job and babysitting her younger sisters, but Jacky longs to perform in the summer stock performance of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. Can she handle all of her important commitments and still have fun with her friends -- or will she learn that juggling isn't one of her many talents? James Patterson's middle grade jokester Jacky returns in this wild romp through summer in the Jersey Shore, featuring lively illustrations by French artist duo Kerascoët.

**The Power of Habit: by Charles Duhigg | Summary & Analysis** Aug 08 2020 Detailed summary and analysis of *The Power of Habit*.

**Her Perfect Life** Nov 10 2020 It's been six years since U.S. Air Force pilot Katie Slater was shot down over Iraq and taken prisoner. Now, Katie is back home--only it's not home anymore and her perfect life has become a total mystery. Includes bonus features. Original.

*Zero Waste Home* Jul 19 2021 Part inspirational story of how the author transformed her family's life for the better by reducing their waste to an astonishing 1 liter per year; part practical guide that gives readers tools & tips to diminish their footprint & simplify their lives. Original.

*Although Of Course You End Up Becoming Yourself* Feb 11 2021 NOW A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE, STARRING JASON SEGAL AND JESSE EISENBERG, DIRECTED BY JAMES PONSOLDT An indelible portrait of David Foster Wallace, by turns funny and inspiring, based on a five-day trip with award-winning writer David Lipsky during Wallace's Infinite Jest tour In

David Lipsky's view, David Foster Wallace was the best young writer in America. Wallace's pieces for Harper's magazine in the '90s were, according to Lipsky, "like hearing for the first time the brain voice of everybody I knew: Here was how we all talked, experienced, thought. It was like smelling the damp in the air, seeing the first flash from a storm a mile away. You knew something gigantic was coming." Then Rolling Stone sent Lipsky to join Wallace on the last leg of his book tour for *Infinite Jest*, the novel that made him internationally famous. They lose to each other at chess. They get iced-in at an airport. They dash to Chicago to catch a make-up flight. They endure a terrible reader's escort in Minneapolis. Wallace does a reading, a signing, an NPR appearance. Wallace gives in and imbibes titanic amounts of hotel television (what he calls an "orgy of spectation"). They fly back to Illinois, drive home, walk Wallace's dogs. Amid these everyday events, Wallace tells Lipsky remarkable things—everything he can about his life, how he feels, what he thinks, what terrifies and fascinates and confounds him—in the writing voice Lipsky had come to love. Lipsky took notes, stopped envying him, and came to feel about him—that grateful, awake feeling—the same way he felt about *Infinite Jest*. Then Lipsky heads to the airport, and Wallace goes to a dance at a Baptist church. A biography in five days, *Although Of Course You End Up Becoming Yourself* is David Foster Wallace as few experienced this great American writer. Told in his own words, here is Wallace's own story, and his astonishing, humane, alert way of looking at the world; here are stories of being a young writer—of being young generally—trying to knit together your ideas of who you should be and who other people expect you to be, and of being young in March of 1996. And of what it was like to be with and—as he tells it—what it was like to become David Foster Wallace. "If you can think of times in your life that you've treated people with extraordinary decency and love, and pure uninterested concern, just because they were valuable as human beings. The ability to do that with ourselves. To treat ourselves the way we would treat a really good, precious friend. Or a tiny child of ours that we absolutely loved more than life itself. And I think it's probably possible to achieve that. I think part of the job we're here

for is to learn how to do it. I know that sounds a little pious." —David Foster Wallace

**Under the Red Flag** Jan 25 2022 The winner of the 1996 PEN/Hemingway Award for Fiction and three Pushcart Prizes presents twelve stories set during China's Cultural Revolution, tales of moral degeneration and ideological cruelty that won the Flannery O'Connor Award for Short Fiction.

[A Map of Betrayal](#) Mar 27 2022 A Christian Science Monitor Best Book of the Year From the award-winning author of *Waiting and War Trash*: a riveting tale of espionage and conflicted loyalties that spans half a century in the entwined histories of two countries—China and the United States—and two families. When Lilian Shang, born and raised in America, discovers her father's diary after the death of her parents, she is shocked by the secrets it contains. She knew that her father, Gary, convicted decades ago of being a mole in the CIA, was the most important Chinese spy ever caught. But his diary, an astonishing chronicle of his journey as a Communist intelligence agent, reveals the pain and longing that his double life entailed—and point to a hidden second family that he'd left behind in China. As Lilian follows her father's trail back into the Chinese provinces, she begins to grasp the extent of his dilemma: he is a man torn between loyalty to his motherland and the love he came to feel for his adopted country. She sees how his sense of duty distorted his life, and as she starts to understand that Gary too had been betrayed, Lilian finds that it is up to her to prevent his tragedy from endangering yet another generation of Shangs. A stunning portrait of a multinational family and an unflinching inquiry into the meaning of citizenship, patriotism, and home, *A Map of Betrayal* is a spy novel that only Ha Jin could write.

[It Ends with Us](#) Nov 30 2019 In this "brave and heartbreaking novel that digs its claws into you and doesn't let go, long after you've finished it" (Anna Todd, New York Times bestselling author) from the #1 New York Times bestselling author of *All Your Perfects*, a workaholic with a too-good-to-be-true romance can't stop thinking about her first love. Lily hasn't always had it easy, but that's never stopped her from working hard for the life she wants. She's come a long

way from the small town where she grew up—she graduated from college, moved to Boston, and started her own business. And when she feels a spark with a gorgeous neurosurgeon named Ryle Kincaid, everything in Lily's life seems too good to be true. Ryle is assertive, stubborn, maybe even a little arrogant. He's also sensitive, brilliant, and has a total soft spot for Lily. And the way he looks in scrubs certainly doesn't hurt. Lily can't get him out of her head. But Ryle's complete aversion to relationships is disturbing. Even as Lily finds herself becoming the exception to his "no dating" rule, she can't help but wonder what made him that way in the first place. As questions about her new relationship overwhelm her, so do thoughts of Atlas Corrigan—her first love and a link to the past she left behind. He was her kindred spirit, her protector. When Atlas suddenly reappears, everything Lily has built with Ryle is threatened. An honest, evocative, and tender novel, *It Ends with Us* is "a glorious and touching read, a forever keeper. The kind of book that gets handed down" (USA TODAY).

*Paddy Clarke Ha Ha Ha* Oct 22 2021 Winner of the Booker Prize – Roddy Doyle's witty, exuberant novel about a young boy trying to make sense of his changing world It is 1968. Patrick Clarke is ten. He loves Geronimo, the Three Stooges, and the smell of his hot water bottle. He can't stand his little brother Sinbad. His best friend is Kevin, and their names are all over Barrytown, written with sticks in wet cement. They play football, lepers, and jumping to the bottom of the sea. But why didn't anyone help him when Charles Leavy had been going to kill him? Why do his ma and da argue so much, but act like everything is fine? Paddy sees everything, but he understands less and less. Hilarious and poignant, *Paddy Clarke Ha Ha Ha* charts the triumphs, indignities, and bewilderment of a young boy and his world, a place full of warmth, cruelty, confusion and love. **A Runaway Teenager** Jun 17 2021 What is freedom worth to you? At 14 years old, Quyen (Quin) Ha risked everything for a chance for a better life. Living under the communist regime in Viet Nam, Quyen saw his freedoms being taken away. He dreamed of living in America, where he would be free to pursue the American dream. With nothing but the clothes on his back,

Quyen got on a boat to escape to America. The escape was perilous, with the risk of being caught and imprisoned. Those who made it past the Viet Nam border often didn't survive the stormy seas ahead, and many were never heard from again. Yet Quyen knew that this was the only chance he had for freedom. *A Runaway Teenager* is an inspirational, heartfelt story of one man's journey to freedom and the trials and tribulations he faced along the way. It's an amazing story of faith, love, sacrifice, and courage. It's a story that we all can relate to in different aspects of our lives—from a struggle to pay bills to the pain of losing a loved one. Quyen's story inspires us to look at life as possible instead of impossible. Through it all, Quyen never gave up. He never lost sight of what freedom meant. The love Quyen has for his family exemplifies what a son, a brother, a husband, and a father could be. He created a wonderful life for himself, his family, and those around him. *A Runaway Teenager* will show you the true meaning of "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." You will laugh, you will cry, and most of all, you will see that anything is possible when you live in the greatest country in the world.

Start Simple Jul 27 2019 From veteran food writer, recipe developer, and creator of the James Beard Award-winning *Jarry* magazine comes an innovative approach to vegetarian cooking. What have I got to eat? It's a question we ask every time we open up the refrigerator or pantry door. It might be eggs, some cheese, and half a loaf of bread, or a box of wilting greens, garlic, and some sweet potatoes. Though these ingredients may not seem like much to make a delicious meal, recipe developer and author Lukas Volger knows it's all you need. In *Start Simple* he offers a radically new, uncomplicated, and creative approach to cooking that allows you to use what you already have on hand to make great meals you didn't think were possible. Magic can happen with just a few ingredients: sweet potatoes, tortillas, eggs, cabbage, hearty greens, beans, winter squash, mushrooms, tofu, summer squash, and cauliflower. Volger advises readers to stock up on these eleven building blocks instead of shopping for a single recipe. A protein (tofu, beans, eggs) is a foundation. A crunchy garnish (cabbage, greens) is a finishing

touch. Once these structural components of a meal are established, home chefs can throw in their own variations and favorite flavors—mixing, matching, and adding ingredients to customize their dishes. While *Start Simple* is a vegetarian cookbook—none of the recipes include meat—Volger’s approach transcends categories. His methods aren’t about subscribing to a specific dietary regimen; they are about simply recognizing and embracing the way people cook and eat today. Creating weekly meal plans based on intricate recipes sounds good, but it can be difficult to execute. Having a well-stocked pantry paired with a choose-your-own adventure guide to creating simple yet inventive meals is more practical for your average home cook.

*Atomic Habits* Aug 20 2021 The #1 New York Times bestseller. Over 4 million copies sold! Tiny Changes, Remarkable Results No matter your goals, *Atomic Habits* offers a proven framework for improving—every day. James Clear, one of the world's leading experts on habit formation, reveals practical strategies that will teach you exactly how to form good habits, break bad ones, and master the tiny behaviors that lead to remarkable results. If you're having trouble changing your habits, the problem isn't you. The problem is your system. Bad habits repeat themselves again and again not because you don't want to change, but because you have the wrong system for change. You do not rise to the level of your goals. You fall to the level of your systems. Here, you'll get a proven system that can take you to new heights. Clear is known for his ability to distill complex topics into simple behaviors that can be easily applied to daily life and work. Here, he draws on the most proven ideas from biology, psychology, and neuroscience to create an easy-to-understand guide for making good habits inevitable and bad habits impossible. Along the way, readers will be inspired and entertained with true stories from Olympic gold medalists, award-winning artists, business leaders, life-saving physicians, and star comedians who have used the science of small habits to master their craft and vault to the top of their field. Learn how to: make time for new habits (even when life gets crazy); overcome a lack of motivation and willpower; design your environment to make success easier; get back on

track when you fall off course; ...and much more. *Atomic Habits* will reshape the way you think about progress and success, and give you the tools and strategies you need to transform your habits—whether you are a team looking to win a championship, an organization hoping to redefine an industry, or simply an individual who wishes to quit smoking, lose weight, reduce stress, or achieve any other goal.

**A Little Life** Jun 05 2020 NATIONAL BESTSELLER • A stunning “portrait of the enduring grace of friendship” (NPR) about the families we are born into, and those that we make for ourselves. A masterful depiction of love in the twenty-first century. A NATIONAL BOOK AWARD FINALIST • A MAN BOOKER PRIZE FINALIST • WINNER OF THE KIRKUS PRIZE A *Little Life* follows four college classmates—broke, adrift, and buoyed only by their friendship and ambition—as they move to New York in search of fame and fortune. While their relationships, which are tinged by addiction, success, and pride, deepen over the decades, the men are held together by their devotion to the brilliant, enigmatic Jude, a man scarred by an unspeakable childhood trauma. A hymn to brotherly bonds and a masterful depiction of love in the twenty-first century, Hanya Yanagihara’s stunning novel is about the families we are born into, and those that we make for ourselves. Look for Hanya Yanagihara’s new novel, *To Paradise*, coming in January 2022. *The Book of Ah Ha* Dec 24 2021 Ever wonder how the mind can actually believe that Santa Claus, the Tooth Fairy, and the Easter Bunny are real? Ever suffer over an idea you realized later on wasn’t true? Join Jennie on a fast-paced journey to the end of the mind as she shows the difference between what we make up and what can help us wake up. Come chase squirrels, visit with Santa, and find that place within where suffering is optional. You no longer need to feel angry or empty inside; Jennie knows the way back home to the real you! Are you ready? *Jacky Ha-Ha: A Graphic Novel* May 05 2020 Adapted from James Patterson's #1 New York Times bestselling series, this hilarious and heartwarming graphic novel introduces Jacky Ha-Ha, a class clown who makes people laugh with her so they can't laugh at her! With her irresistible urge to tell a joke in every situation--

even when it's a bad idea--Jacky Ha-Ha loves to make people laugh. And cracking wise helps distract her from thinking about not-so-funny things in her life, like her mom serving in a dangerous, faraway war, and a dad who's hardly ever home. But no matter how much fun Jacky has, she can't entirely escape her worries. So one starlit night, she makes a promise to keep her family together...even if she has to give up the one thing that makes her happy. But can she stop being Jacky Ha-Ha, if that's who she really is? Bright, funny, and fast-paced artwork will have readers laughing their way through Jacky's ha-ha-heartwarming story!

**Life Isn't All Ha Ha Hee Hee** Jun 29 2022

Newly married Chila, a Punjabi girl, is still close to her childhood confidantes--Sunita, a former activist and law student turned depressed housewife and mother, and Tania, who rejected marriage in favor of a high-powered career in television--until Tania makes a documentray about the other two and contemporary Indian life in London. Reprint. 25,000 first printing.

**Inside Out & Back Again** Sep 01 2022

Through a series of poems, a young girl chronicles the life-changing year of 1975, when she, her mother, and her brothers leave Vietnam and resettle in Alabama.

A Good Fall Jul 31 2022 In his first book of stories since *The Bridegroom*, National Book Award-winning author Ha Jin gives us a collection that delves into the experience of Chinese immigrants in America. A lonely composer takes comfort in the antics of his girlfriend's parakeet; young children decide to change their names so they might sound more "American," unaware of how deeply this will hurt their grandparents; a Chinese professor of English attempts to defect with the help of a reluctant former student. All of Ha Jin's characters struggle to remain loyal to their homeland and its traditions while also exploring the freedom that life in a new country offers. Stark, deeply moving, acutely insightful, and often strikingly humorous, *A Good Fall* reminds us once again of the storytelling prowess of this superb writer.

*Diary of the Lost Teenage* Sep 28 2019 After surviving an attempted suicide, Tom Jones, a shy Christian adolescent, learns to use writing in his diary as a means of communicating with himself

as his family settles in on a new life in West Texas. High school football in Texas seems to be the states' unofficial religion, yet it's the emerging of television, "the new God," that starts to have a stronghold in shaping Tom's newly found pop culture world of the 1970's. "The Game" begins when star quarterback Reggie Thomas moves in across the street and takes Tom under his wing, tutoring Tom on the road to the end of innocence. Will the duo score on a last ditch drive to escape with their souls intact, or will they find out how easy it is to get lost in the forbidding world of sex, drugs, and rock and roll? Just as the Stone Age and Ice Age were both lost to history, Tom's diary journals how the Teen Age somehow got lost in history as this page-turner continues to unfold masterfully, sure to leave readers laughing at the anecdotes on an unforgettable journey down memory lane.

**Alive** Apr 27 2022 From one of our most celebrated contemporary writers, winner of the National Book Award and PEN/Faulkner Award: Ha Jin's staggering story "Alive," from the collection *The Bridegroom*. Tong Guhan is a regular businessman, husband, and father, trying to find a job for his daughter and an apartment for his son in rural China. He's next in line to be Vice Director of the cannery where he works. One morning in late July he makes the eleven hour train trip from Muji City to Taifu, to conduct business for his company that he hopes will finally lead to a promotion and the easy life. The events that follow are nothing short of astonishing, as the very earth shifts under Guhan's feet. This is Ha Jin's moving, strange, captivating story of an earthquake and a common man, the ties of family and the powers of circumstance: the perfect introduction to an internationally acclaimed modern master. An eBook short.

Stone Song Nov 22 2021 A Spur Award-winning retelling of the Battle of the Big Horn finds Lakota Sioux leader Crazy Horse endeavoring to reconcile his own beliefs with the wisdom of his tribe and leading his people into a conflict against General Custer and the U.S. Army. Reprint. 15,000 first printing.

**Use It** Aug 27 2019 As eighteen-year-old Cheryl Hunter escapes rural Colorado for the bright lights of Europe, she does so with nothing more than an over-packed suitcase and a dream. Once

there, her mind is bent on solving one problem alone: how does a small-town cowgirl pull off the feat of becoming an international supermodel? When Cheryl is abducted, raped and brutally beaten instead, she is faced with solving a much bigger problem: how does she survive? Using her journey of rising from the ashes as fuel, Hunter delivers a step-by-step method that can be applied by anyone who has ever dealt with less-than-favorable circumstances. In a world where—let's face it—life often hijacks our personal agendas, Cheryl shows you how to immediately take back the reins, design a life you love, and become the unstoppable force of nature you were born to be.

*Between Silences* Apr 03 2020 "Mixing autobiography with invented other voices, this book is an extraordinary meditation on what it means to have lived the history of China in the second half of the twentieth century. At its best, Ha Jin's language is as accessible, penetrating, and mysterious as Pound's *Cathay*. This is a profound book, an event."—Frank Bidart "In these poems Ha Jin gives voice to the millions whose lives were altered and whose tongues were silenced by the Cultural Revolution. . . .If Ha Jin speaks in tongues in these poems, we feel him behind those voices—the hidden director behind the scenes—never as a presence filled with stridency and self-congratulation; he brings a great empathy and compassion to his depiction of the fallible men and women whose acts and attitudes together make up history."—Roger Gilbert, *Hungry Mind Review*

*Once Again* Mar 03 2020 Savannah is a young woman set out to make a difference in the world. But she plans to do it alone. With no family to connect with and no man in her life, she is ready, willing and able to face the challenges life has to offer. She is fearless, or so she thinks. She has planned her life out carefully never realizing that the best plans are sometimes altered. This story is about her journey as her life's plan changes its course.

**West of Here** Jan 13 2021 At the foot of the Elwha River, the muddy outpost of Port Bonita is about to boom, fueled by a ragtag band of dizzily disparate men and women unified only in their visions of a more prosperous future. A failed accountant by the name of Ethan Thornburgh has just arrived in Port Bonita to

reclaim the woman he loves and start a family. Ethan's obsession with a brighter future impels the damming of the mighty Elwha to harness its power and put Port Bonita on the map. More than a century later, his great-great grandson, a middle manager at a failing fish-packing plant, is destined to oversee the undoing of that vision, as the great Thornburgh dam is marked for demolition, having blocked the very lifeline that could have sustained the town. *West of Here* is a grand and playful odyssey, a multilayered saga of destiny and greed, adventure and passion, that chronicles the life of one small town, turning America's history into myth, and myth into a nation's shared experience.

*The Crazy* Sep 08 2020 A *New York Times* Notable Book A *Washington Post*, *Los Angeles Times*, and *San Jose Mercury News* Best Book of the Year Ha Jin's seismically powerful new novel is at once an unblinking look into the bell jar of communist Chinese society and a portrait of the eternal compromises and deceptions of the human state. When the venerable professor Yang, a teacher of literature at a provincial university, has a stroke, his student Jian Wan is assigned to care for him. Since the dutiful Jian plans to marry his mentor's beautiful, icy daughter, the job requires delicacy. Just how much delicacy becomes clear when Yang begins to rave. Are these just the outpourings of a broken mind, or is Yang speaking the truth—about his family, his colleagues, and his life's work? And will bearing witness to the truth end up breaking poor Jian's heart? Combining warmth and intimacy with an unsparing social vision, *The Crazy* is Ha Jin's most enthralling book to date.

**Free Roll** Jan 31 2020 Have you ever wondered: What it's like to daily bet hundreds of thousands of dollars working for some of the largest professional gamblers in Las Vegas? ... How to spend a summer house sitting one of the biggest stars in the world's 11,000 square-foot mansion - without an invitation from its celebrity owner ... Whether the life of crime - specifically, running a shoplifting ring in a middle American mall - pays? ... What causes a son to finally say enough is enough ... and decide "Today is the day I am going to kill my dad." Comedian Brandt Tobler has the answers in this funny, touching and sometimes downright unbelievable memoir of a

small town Wyoming-kid turned "mall-fia" don, turned nationally touring comic. Brand tells his life story with candor, detailing the many pit stops, wrong turns, crazy connections and lucky breaks he experienced along the way to his comedy career, all while trying to balance a toxic relationship with his unreliable jailbird dad. In these pages Brandt will make you laugh (he better - it's his job!) and believe as he does that, when it comes to defining family, blood isn't always thicker than water. -- back cover.

**The Facts of My Life** Oct 29 2019 "It's about time a book came out about one of the most talented and beloved performers in the American theater. Charlotte is the consummate actress, comedienne, entertainer. Her work on stage and screen is always hilarious and somehow also gets you right in the gut. Her story is every bit as brilliant. Read it and smile." -Comedy Legend, Carl Reiner "To think of Charlotte Rae is to smile. Consequently, when I began to read "The Facts of My Life," I was unprepared for the emotional impact it would have on me. By the time I finished the first chapter, dealing as it does with her severely troubled son Andy, I was in tears. "As an old friend of Charlotte's, I thought I knew her fairly well. But as I read on, I discovered that the 'facts of her life' were constantly surprising (as well as amusing and engrossing)! There is so much that I don't know about Charlotte and so much that I now want to know, when the book is finally completed and published, I'll be first in line to get my copy!" -Sheldon Harnick (Composer, Fiddler on the Roof) Charlotte Rae's career spans more than seventy years, from the golden age of television to Shakespeare in the Park, the New York Cabaret scene of the late 1940's and 50's to her hit series, The Facts of Life and well beyond. Off stage and screen, Charlotte's life has been one of joy and challenge, raising an autistic son, coming to terms with alcoholism, the heartache of a broken marriage, the revelation of a gay husband and the sudden challenge of facing middle-age with financial and emotional uncertainties-an crisis she ultimately turned into the determination that brought her stardom. The Facts of My Life is the first opportunity for Charlotte fans to explore the fascinating story of her extraordinary life: poignant and hilarious, a story of courage and triumph, one that speaks

for a generation of women breaking barriers, taking on challenges, overcoming personal tragedy, and paving the way for others.

**A Song Everlasting** Oct 02 2022 From the universally admired, National Book Award-winning, bestselling author of Waiting—a timely novel that follows a famous Chinese singer severed from his country, as he works to find his way in the United States At the end of a U.S. tour with his state-supported choir, popular singer Yao Tian takes a private gig in New York to pick up some extra cash for his daughter's tuition fund, but the consequences of his choice spiral out of control. On his return to China, Tian is informed that the sponsors of the event were supporters of Taiwan's secession, and that he must deliver a formal self-criticism. When he is asked to forfeit his passport to his employer, Tian impulsively decides instead to return to New York to protest the government's threat to his artistic integrity. With the help of his old friend Yabin, Tian's career begins to flourish in the United States. But he is soon placed on a Chinese government blacklist and thwarted by the state at every turn, and it becomes increasingly clear that he may never return to China unless he denounces the freedoms that have made his new life possible. Tian nevertheless insists on his identity as a performer, refusing to give up his art. Moving, important, and strikingly relevant to our times, A Song Everlasting is a story of hope in the face of hardship from one of our most celebrated authors.

**War Trash** Feb 23 2022 Ha Jin's masterful new novel casts a searchlight into a forgotten corner of modern history, the experience of Chinese soldiers held in U.S. POW camps during the Korean War. In 1951 Yu Yuan, a scholarly and self-effacing clerical officer in Mao's "volunteer" army, is taken prisoner south of the 38th Parallel. Because he speaks English, he soon becomes an intermediary between his compatriots and their American captors. With Yuan as guide, we are ushered into the secret world behind the barbed wire, a world where kindness alternates with blinding cruelty and one has infinitely more to fear from one's fellow prisoners than from the guards. Vivid in its historical detail, profound in its imaginative empathy, War Trash is Ha Jin's most ambitious

book to date.