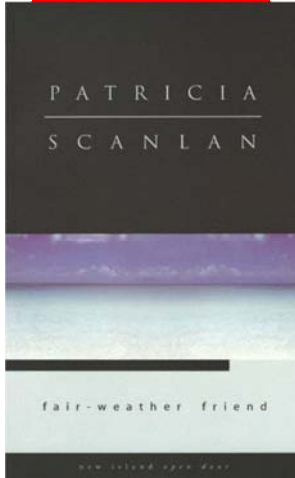
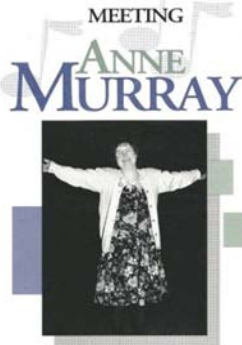


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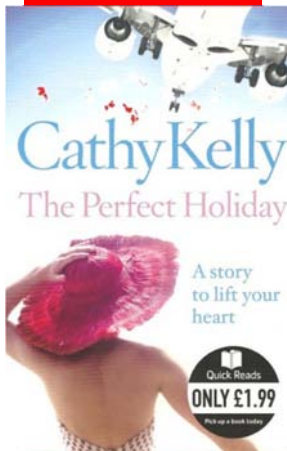
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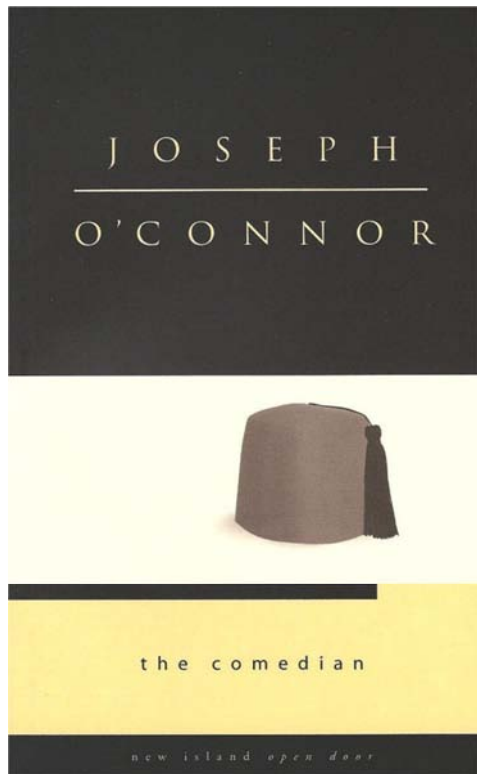
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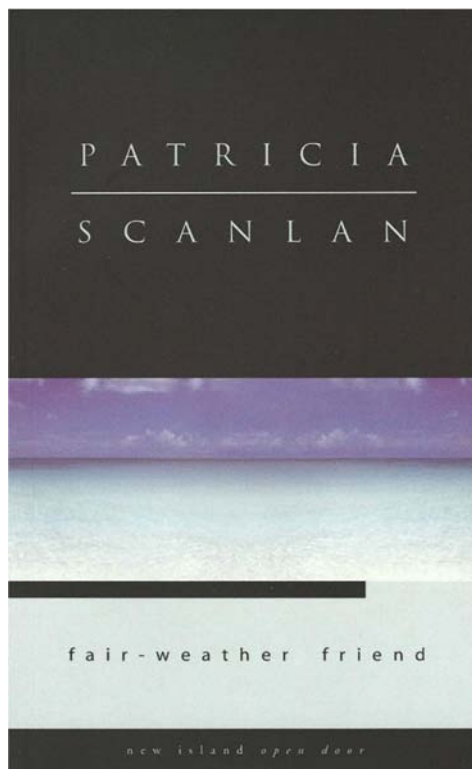
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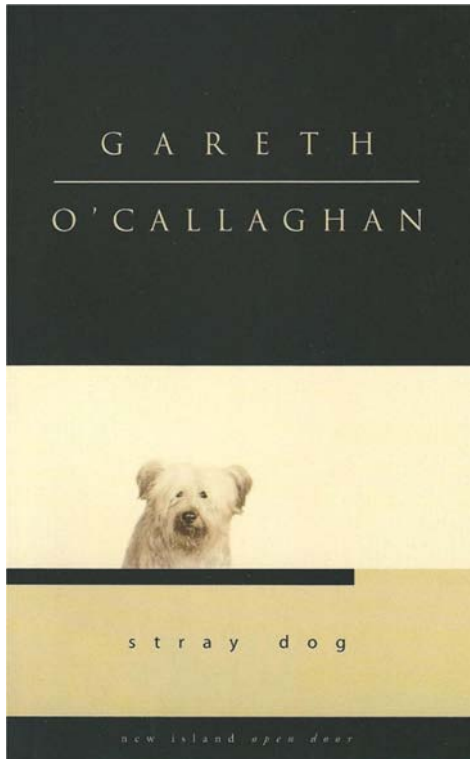
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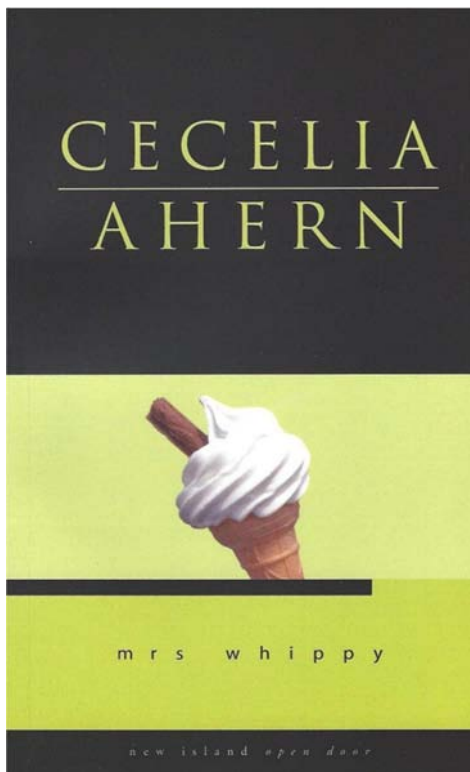
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**Author:** Joseph O'Connor  
**Readability:** Grade 3-4  
**Subject:** Fiction  
**ISBN:** 1-902602-37-4  
**Publisher:** New Island *Open Door*  
**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** It is 1975 in a small town near Dublin. Starsky and Hutch rule the television screen, and, in Northern Ireland, bombs are going off. It is a heady time for a boy whose life is about to change. His father is by day a delivery man for a bakery. Das's dream, however, is to be a comedian, a stage performer, a star. Who can predict what will happen to this simple family when fame knocks at the door?



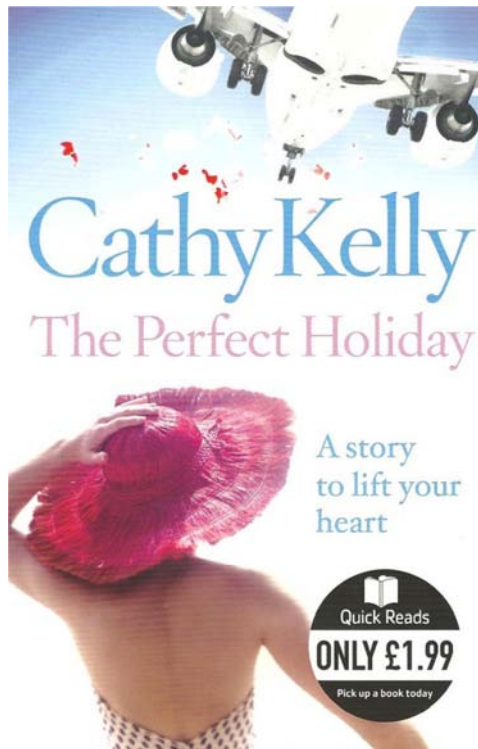
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**Author:** Patricia Scanlan  
**Readability:** Grade 3-4  
**Subject:** Fiction  
**ISBN:** 1-904301-47-9  
**Publisher:** New Island *Open Door*  
**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** Melissa and Sophie have been life-long friends. Or that's what Sophie likes to think. Sophie is a giver; Melissa is a taker. But their friendship is put to the test on a holiday in Spain. When the gorgeous Paulo appears on the scene, Melissa drops Sophie like a hot potato. Hurt and furious, Sophie feels that the holiday is a disaster.



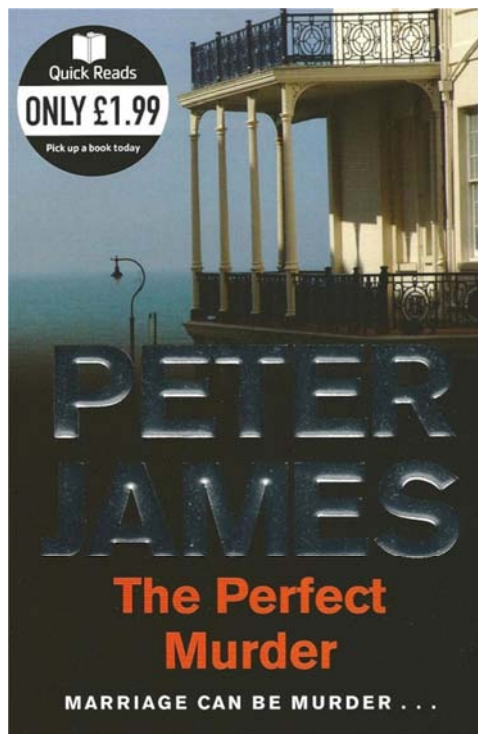
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**Subject:** Fiction  
**ISBN:** 978-1-90430-1493  
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**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** Jo and John's marriage has been stalled for years. But they carry on, outwardly together while inwardly drifting further and further apart. Then the unthinkable happens. John is diagnosed with a terminal illness, and Jo is overcome with sadness and regret. There just isn't enough time to rebuild their relationship, to fall in love again.



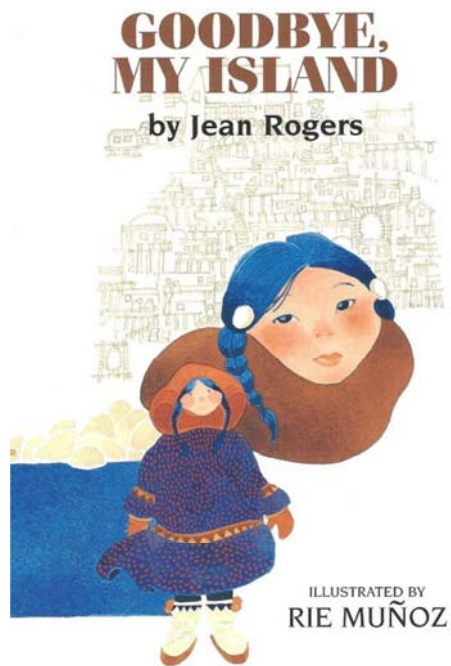
**Title:** Mrs. Whippy  
**Author:** Cecelia Ahern  
**Readability:** Grade 3-4  
**Subject:** Fiction  
**ISBN:** 978-1-90549-4009  
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**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** Emelda is 46 years old. Her husband, Charlie, has left her for a 23-year-old dancer. Her five difficult sons worship their father and blame Emelda for his leaving. For comfort she turns to her only true friend-ice-cream. But lately there's a handsome man driving the ice-cream van. Could romance be about to blossom?



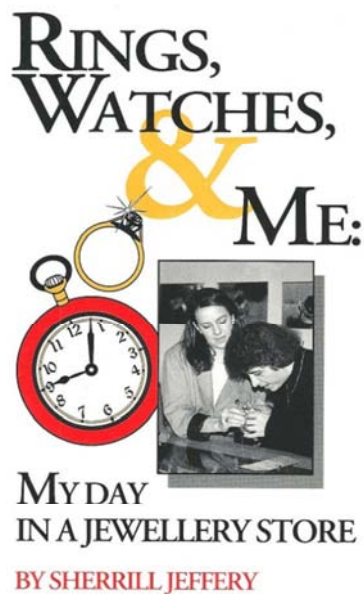
**Title:** The Perfect Holiday  
**Author:** Cathy Kelly  
**Readability:** Grade 5  
**Subject:** Fiction  
**ISBN:** 978-0-00-733144-4  
**Publisher:** Harper Collins Publishers  
**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** On an idyllic Greek island, Anthony and Claire have begun to repair their damaged marriage. Susie is on her last girly holiday with best friend Chloe before she ties the knot. But on the flight home, unexpected and startling events force all of them to face up to aspects of their lives they have been avoiding for so long.



**Title:** The Perfect Murder  
**Author:** Peter James  
**Readability:** Grade 3-4  
**Subject:** Fiction  
**ISBN:** 978-0-330-50785-1  
**Publisher:** Pan Books  
**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** Victor Smiley and his wife Joan have been married for nearly twenty years. Victor secretly loathes Joan more and more each day. Victor decides there is only one way to get Joan out of his life for ever, but he's about to get a nasty surprise. As it turns out, Victor's not the only one with murder in mind...



**Title:** Goodbye My Island  
**Author:** Jean Rogers  
**Readability:** Grade 4-7  
**Subject:** Fiction  
**ISBN:** 978-0-88240-538-1  
**Publisher:** Alaska Northwest Books  
**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** Esther Atoolik's village is getting smaller; there aren't enough children to keep the school open. What to do? the people ask. Should we abandon our island? Here is the tender, true story of Esther's last season in her island home.



**Title:** Rings, Watches, & Me: My Day in a Jewellery Store  
**Author:** Sherrill Jeffery  
**Readability:** Adult Learner  
**Subject:** Job Shadow  
**ISBN:** 0-9695587-3-2  
**Publisher:** Prospects Literacy Association  
**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** Sherrill Jeffery, adult learner and author, writes about her day in a jewellery store. She learns many new and interesting things and even makes some new friends.



# The Drawing Lesson



By Lyle Atkinson

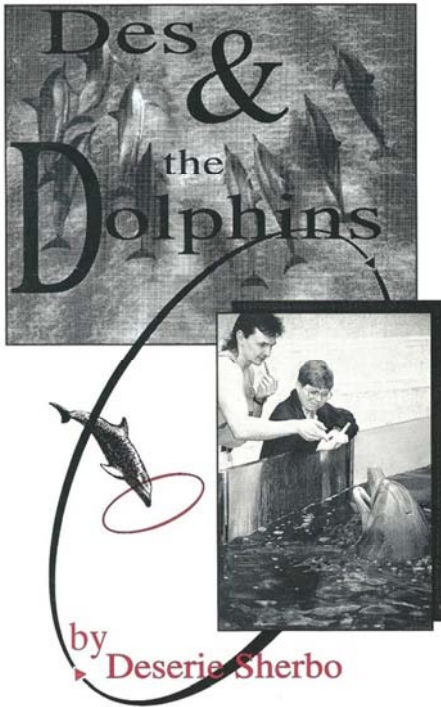
**Title:** The Drawing Lesson  
**Author:** Lyle Atkinson  
**Readability:** Adult Learner  
**Subject:** Job Shadow  
**ISBN:** 0-9695587-5-9  
**Publisher:** Prospects Literacy Association  
**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** Lyle Atkinson, adult learner and author, writes a bit about his life after having an aneurysm. He loves to draw and got a chance to meet his favourite artist Robert Bateman.

# MEETING ANNE MURRAY



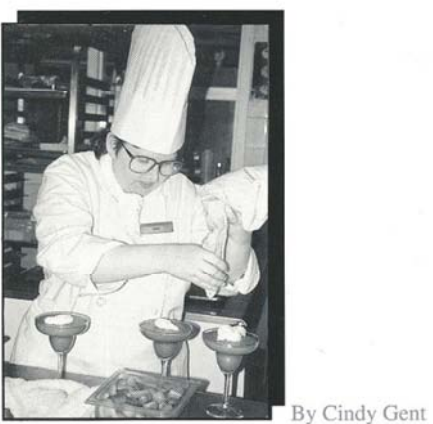
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**Author:** Louise Symons  
**Readability:** Adult Learner  
**Subject:** Job Shadow  
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**Description:** Louise Symons, author and adult learner, writes about her first meeting with her favourite singer Anne Murray.

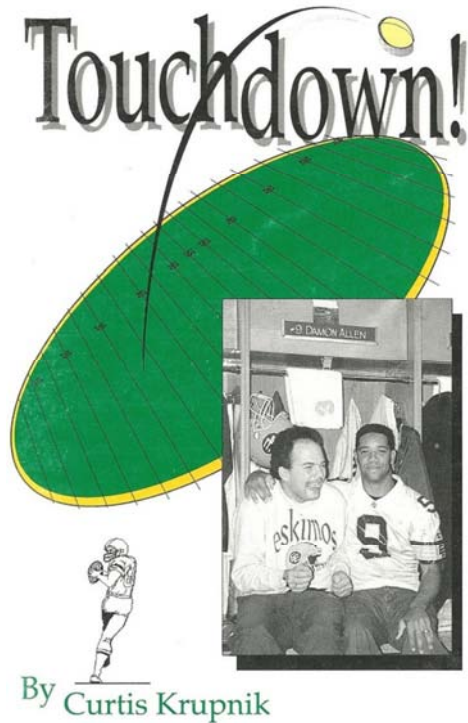


**Title:** Des & the Dolphins  
**Author:** Deserie Sherbo  
**Readability:** Adult Learner  
**Subject:** Job Shadow  
**ISBN:** 0-9695587-7-5  
**Publisher:** Prospects Literacy Association  
**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** Deserie Sherbo writes about her trip to Dolphin Lagoon at the West Edmonton Mall.

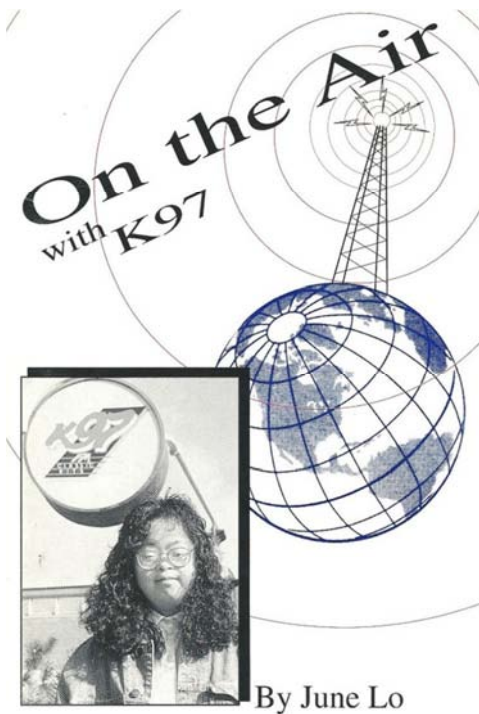
# Making Mousse at the Mac



**Title:** Making Mousse at the Mac  
**Author:** Cindy Gent  
**Readability:** Adult Learner  
**Subject:** Job Shadow  
**ISBN:** 0-9695587-8-3  
**Publisher:** Prospects Literacy Association  
**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** Cindy Gent loves dessert but has never had the chance to make a fancy dessert. She got that chance at the Hotel Macdonald in downtown Edmonton. Cindy writes about making chocolate mousse there with a new friend.

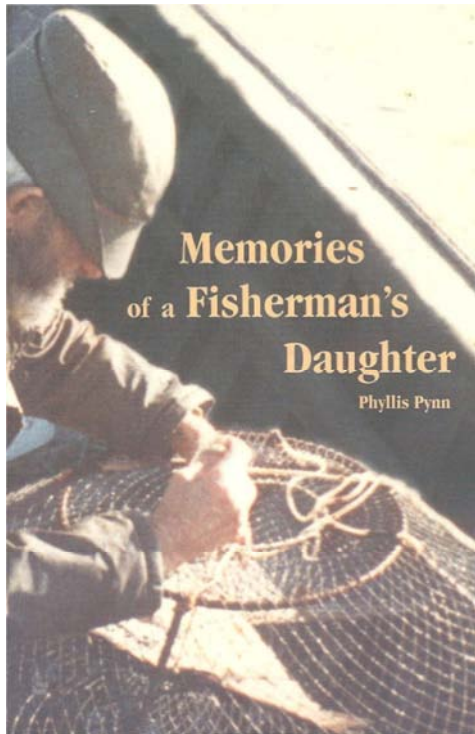


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**Author:** Curtis Krupnik  
**Readability:** Adult Learner  
**Subject:** Job Shadow  
**ISBN:** 0-9695587-6-7  
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**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** Curtis Krupnik has been a lifetime sports fan and has wanted to meet his favourite quarterback Damon Allen since he joined the Edmonton Eskimos.

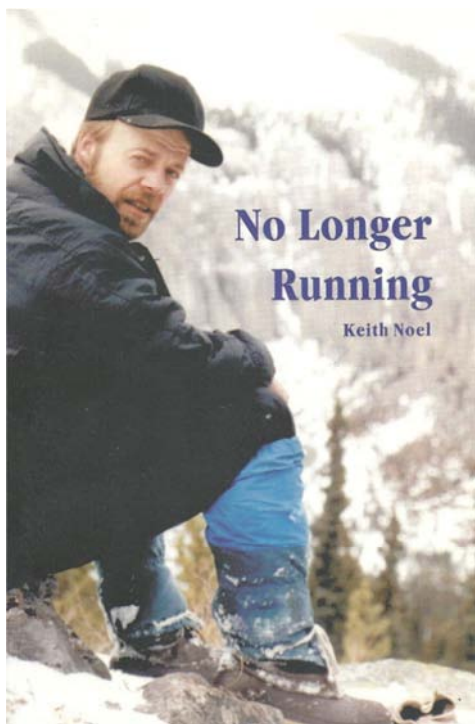


**Title:** On the Air with K97  
**Author:** June Lo  
**Readability:** Adult Learner  
**Subject:** Job Shadow  
**ISBN:** 0-9695587-9-1  
**Publisher:** Prospects Literacy Association  
**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** June Lo, adult learner and author, writes about her tour of K97 radio station. She met many interesting and kind people who showed her what it is like to work in the radio business.

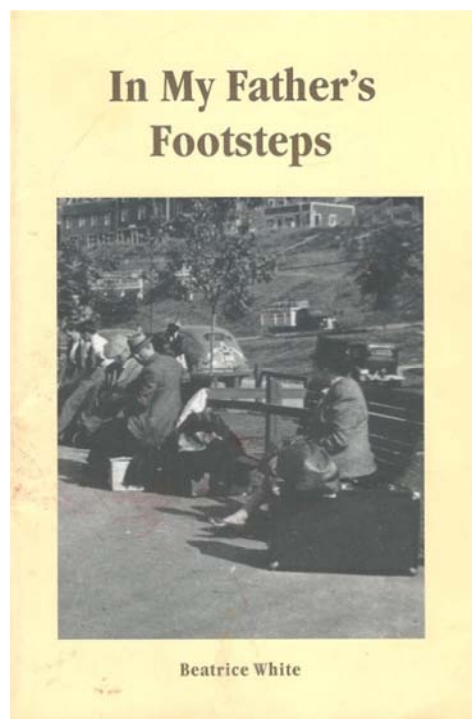




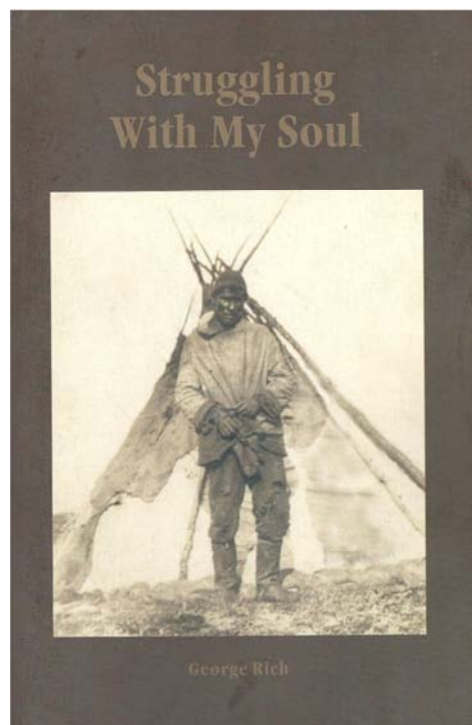
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**Author:** Phyllis Pynn  
**Readability:** Grade 1-3  
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**Publisher:** Harrish Press  
**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** Phyllis Pynn's *Memories of a Fisherman's Daughter* uses both a poem and stories to explore the world of her childhood. Her father is at the centre of all her memories—as a fisherman, storyteller and “fiddler”: in Quirpon a fiddler was any entertainer or musician.



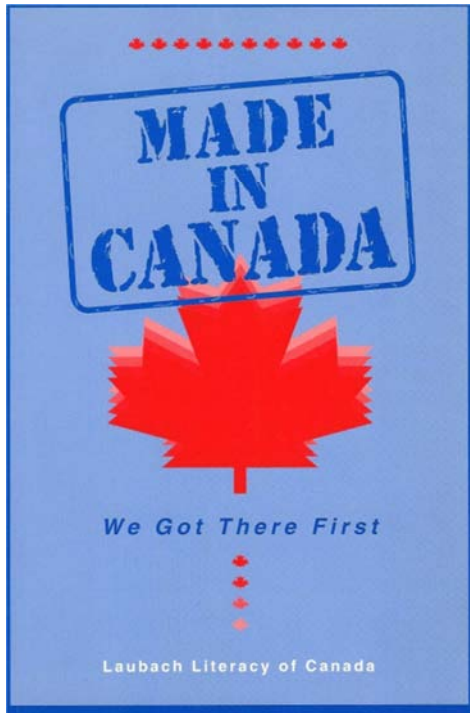
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**Author:** Keith Noel  
**Readability:** Grade 1-3  
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**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** Keith travels from Newfoundland to Alberta and finds himself facing old fears in a new setting. Working in a park in the Rocky Mountains, he finds that nature and its beauty help and inspire him. But he feels he must go back home to face the past and to fulfill his dream of finishing his education.



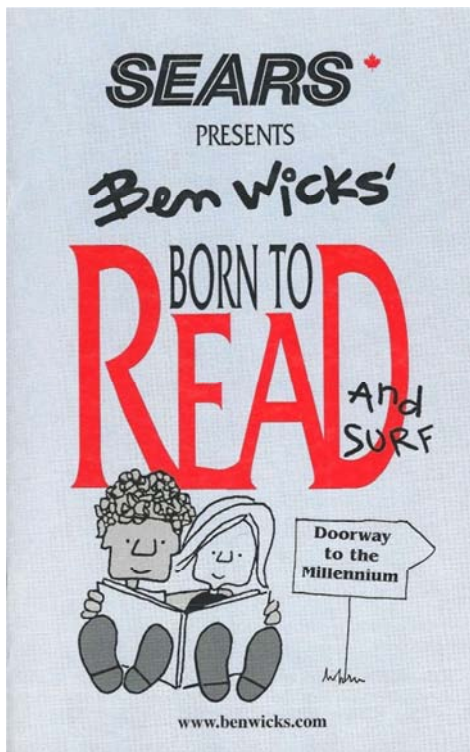
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**Author:** Beatrice White  
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**Subject:** Memoir  
**ISBN:** 0-9681338-8-6  
**Publisher:** Harrish Press  
**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** *In My Father's Footsteps* is Beatrice Whites' touching story of three generations in a family whose members must go away to work. Forced apart, they are held together by the bonds of love.



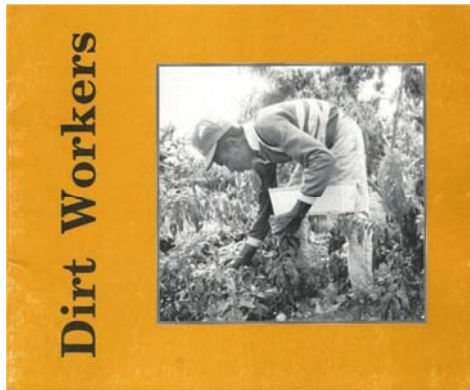
**Title:** Struggling With My Soul  
**Author:** George Rich  
**Readability:** Grade 4-7  
**Subject:** Memoir  
**ISBN:** 0-9681338-7-8  
**Publisher:** Harrish Press  
**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** The author is a Labrador Innu whose family and people gave up their nomadic way of life to settle in Davis Inlet. But the promises of a better life in the new place quickly turned to alcoholism, despair and tragedy. Rich's story is one of a people coming apart, but it is also a story of healing- and of the hard work it takes to put one's life, one's soul and one's community back together.



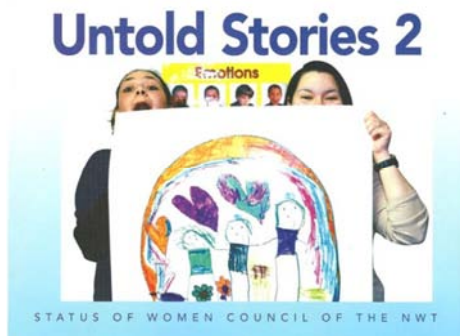
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**Author:** Laubach Literacy of Canada  
**Readability:** Grade 5-8  
**Subject:** Canadian History  
**ISBN:** 0-920877-21-4  
**Publisher:** Laubach Literacy of Canada  
**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** Canadians are modest by nature. It is seldom we boast about what we have done. It will surprise many to learn of our inventions. It will surprise you when you read of many accomplishments in the field of sports, science and social issues.



**Title:** Born to Read and Surf  
**Author:** Ben Wicks  
**Readability:** Grade 4-6  
**Subject:** Canadian History  
**ISBN:** 1-895651-24-7  
**Publisher:** Ben Wicks & Associates  
**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** The internet can be a scary place for parents. How can we protect our children where we cannot go? How can we utilize the internet for education? These questions and more are answered *Born to Read and Surf*.



**Title:** Dirty Workers  
**Author:** Lindalee Tracey  
**Readability:** Grade 1-3  
**Subject:** Non-Fiction  
**ISBN:** 0-9694363-0-0  
**Publisher:** The Gannett Foundation  
**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** It is not easy working on a farm and trying to support a family. Many people come from different countries to work off the land in Canada. It is not an easy life.

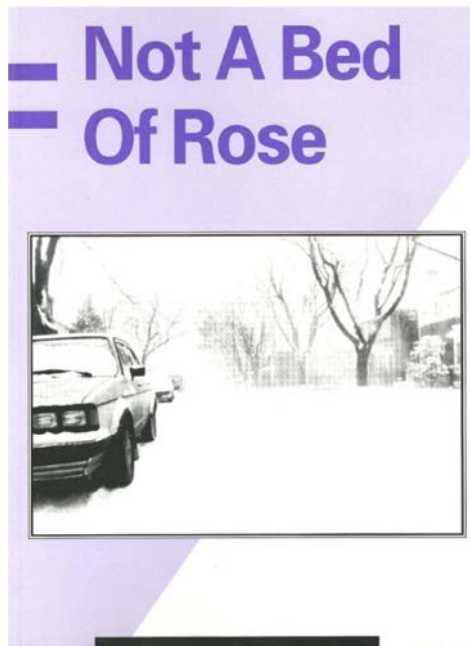


**Title:** Untold Stories 2  
**Author:** The Status of Women Council of the NWT  
**Readability:** Grade 3-4  
**Subject:** Non-Fiction  
**ISBN:** N/A  
**Publisher:** The Status of Women Council of the NWT  
**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** Untold Stories 2 has stories of women who took steps to find support in leaving or resolving their violent relationships.





**Title:** The Best of Tundra Wolfe  
**Author:** Wally Wolfe  
**Readability:** Grade 3  
**Subject:** Comics  
**ISBN:** N/A  
**Publisher:** The Best of Tundra Wolfe  
**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** A collection of Wally Wolfe's northern comics.



**Title:** Not a Bed of Rose  
**Author:** Stories from: *St. Vincent and the Grenadines and Canada*  
**Readability:** Grade 1-3  
**Subject:** Non-Fiction  
**ISBN:** 0-9694975-2-0  
**Publisher:** Toronto ALFA Centre  
**Format:** Paperback book  
**Description:** Adults write about life in the Caribbean and life in Canada. Their stories describe hopes, dreams and harsh realities.