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So often, it's the simplest acts of courage that touch the lives of others. Sudha Murty-through the exceptional work of the Infosys Foundation as well as through her own youth, family life and travels-encounters many such stories . . . and she tells them here in her characteristically clear-eyed, warm-hearted way. She talks candidly about the meaningful impact of her work in the devadasi community, her trials and tribulations as the only female student in her engineering college and the unexpected and inspiring consequences of her father's kindness. From the quiet joy of discovering the reach of Indian cinema and the origins of Indian vegetables to the shallowness of judging others based on appearances, these are everyday struggles and victories, large and small. Unmasking both the beauty and ugliness of human nature, each of the real-life stories in this collection is reflective of a life lived with grace.

Once upon a time, there was a Raja who owned a parrot and its name was Hiramantota. Delving into stories from folklore, epics and legends, Ruskin Bond brings to life a cast of fantastic and extraordinary characters. From the wise parrot Hiramantota who brings the fruit of immortality to the king but suffers grievously for it, to the Green Man of Sinai, who now haunts the desert of Sinai; from the boy wonder Jivaka who can solve all sorts of problems, to Sindbad the sailor, who has magical adventures on his voyages, these stories are as exciting as they are unforgettable. Retold here by Ruskin Bond with his characteristic wit, *The Wise Parrot* is a treasure trove of tales that is sure to delight and entertain a new generation of readers.

OpenURL was devised to solve the "appropriate copy problem." As online content proliferated, it became possible for libraries to obtain the same content from multiple locales: directly from publishers and subscription agents; indirectly through licensing citation databases that contain full text; and, increasingly, from free online sources. Before the advent of OpenURL, the only way to know whether a journal was held by the library was to search multiple resources. An OpenURL link resolver accepts links from library citation databases (sources) and returns to the user a menu of choices (targets) that may include links to full text, the library catalog, and other related services (figure 1). Key to understanding OpenURL is the concept of "context sensitive" linking: links to the same item will be different for users of different libraries, and are dependent on the library's collections. This issue of *Library Technology Reports* provides practicing librarians with real-world examples and strategies for improving resolver usability and functionality in their own institutions.

When the light came on again, she had vanished. Who had kissed me in the dark? As no one came forward to admit to the deed, I could only make wild guesses. A mysterious kiss from a stranger, a sudden infiltration of frogs in a fountain till they are sent off to a zoo, a dead hotel manager with a false nose, a case of death by poisoning that inspires a legendary detective. The stories in this collection bring out the joys, sorrows and excitement of life in a hill-station. *Who Kissed Me in the Dark* will entertain, amuse and bring a lump to the throat.

A Collection Of Essays That Explore Into Refugee Situations In Their Varied Ramifications. Analyses, Various Example Of Cross-Border Migration, Explores Status And Conditions Of Certain Refugee Groups And Attempt Has Been Made To Understand The Pattern Of State Response In Particular Case.

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 Murty 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.

'One of the best young writers of India'—*Indian Express* 'One of the finest contemporary Malayalam writers'—*Mint* In a café by the seaside, two friends, Christy Andrapper and Jesintha, witness the murder of a young man. When Christy discovers that it was Senthil, his classmate from school, who had been shot, he tries to follow up on the investigation. But the police deny such a crime ever took place. The hospital to which Senthil's body was delivered insists he died of a heart attack. Christy begins to suspect a conspiracy. Was he caught in the middle of a giant cover-up? How was his powerful family connected with it? As the mystery deepens, the story moves back and forth between the archipelago of Diego Garcia and peninsular India, delving into the very heart of early Christianity in India. After the success and acclaim of *Goat Days*, Benyamin crafts a clever and absorbing crime-novel-within-a-novel that is dazzlingly inventive and hugely enjoyable.

'Remember the old road, The steep stony path That took us up from Rajpur, Toiling and sweating And grumbling at the climb, But enjoying it all the same..' From 'Remember the Old Road' by Ruskin Bond Sometimes, a journey can be of discovery. And, in this compilation, Ruskin Bond has discovered hair-raising stories of other people's journeys, taken many many years ago. Bond describes the old track from Rajpur to Mussorie, surrounded by Oak trees and colonial buildings in 'The Kipling Road'. Braving blizzards and bandits, M. Huc takes a momentous journey to Ladakh in 'Journey to the Forbidden City', while Osa Johnson, the only woman adventurer in the book, gives her awe-inspiring account of cannibals in 'A Woman Among Cannibals'. Be it travelling for shikar or search for new lands or just for survival, this book is packed with action!

Woodpeckers remain one of the most popular families of birds, and they are certainly one of the more unusual. Their legendary ability to excavate holes in wood is well known,

and they are uniquely adapted for living in trees - though a few species have become more adapted to ground-dwelling. The family ranges from the tiny piculets of tropical forests to the mighty Imperial Woodpecker of Mexico, sadly now extinct. In between there is a considerable variety of species, all of a roughly similar shape and design, inhabiting forests and woodlands through the world except Australasia and Antarctica. Covering 239 species, this book is the first definitive photographic guide to woodpeckers. Detailed text looks in detail at the biology of the birds, with particular emphasis on field identification, along with voice, habitat, status, racial variation and distribution. The text is accompanied by a series of high-quality photographs – more than 750 images, carefully selected to highlight identification criteria. Each species entry is completed by an accurate colour range map. A sister to *Owls of the World* in the Helm Photographic Guides series, *Woodpeckers of the World* is an informative, fact-filled and beautifully illustrated guide to a group beloved by all birders.

In this delightful book on society's most debated institution, Shobhaa Dé writes about how and why marriages work-or don't. With her usual disregard for rules, she reinvents tradition and challenges old stereotypes, addressing all the issues that are central to most Indian marriages: the saas-bahu conundrum (how to escape the role-trap and enjoy each other), the need for honesty (aren't some secrets better left secret?), the importance of romance (no, expressions of love are not unmanly!), and not any less important, how to recognize the warning signs in a hopeless relationship and run before it's too late. Fun, savvy and, above all, pragmatic, this is the ultimate relationship book for all those who want to make the adventure of marriage last a lifetime.

Three hunters skillfully trap and separate a mother elephant from her baby. It's up to Penny, Jack, Lucy and Ethan to reunite and free them back into the wild. Will they succeed with the help of the local hero, Mr. Troy? Or will they fall into a deeper trap themselves? Follow the journey of the undaunted four as their world explodes into a gripping quest filled with the promise of an unforgettable adventure. [http: //www.sindhujohn.com](http://www.sindhujohn.com)

"Explores the simplicity of basic chemical reactions and then builds to the more complex, giving readers a history of the years and the minds that contributed to the research that led to chemistry as we know it today."--

In this collection, you will find some of Ruskin Bond's most-loved stories down the years-from the unlikely friendship between a boy and an old woman in 'The Prospect of Flowers' to the tussle between Binya and Ram Bharosa for a beautiful umbrella in 'The Blue Umbrella'; from the story of a lost love in 'Binya Passes By' to the bond between a boy and a cherry tree in 'The Cherry Tree'. These heart-warming stories will make you laugh and cry by turns

This is the 4th edition of the address book of employment sites on the Internet. The Directory lists over 6,000 job boards, resume databanks and career portals and provides their address (also called their Universal Resource Locator or URL) on the Intern

Time passes and yet it doesn't pass; people come and go, the mountains remain. Mountains are permanent things. They are stubborn, they refuse to move...no matter how hard they try, humans cannot actually get rid of the mountains. That's what I like about them; they are here to stay. Mountains-snow-capped, green and filled with stories. For decades, Ruskin Bond has lived among them and his writings abound in descriptions of these hills-of life as it is lived here, of animals and birds who sometimes even wander into his room, of the many interesting and eccentric characters who he has met here. From having his roof fly off in a freak storm to becoming the 'writer on the hill', Bond has seen it all. Funny, elegiac and filled with beautiful descriptions of people, animals and places, this collection is for every mountain and nature lover.

A compendium of American proverbs, expressions, slang, colloquialisms; British-US glossary; abbreviations and acronyms; and other various odds and ends. Widely used by non-native speakers and translators.

The popular names of many yogic asanas - from Virbhadrā-asana and Hanuman-asana to Matsyendra-asana, Kurma-asana and Ananta-asana - are based on characters and personages from Indian mythology. Who were these mythological characters, what were their stories, and how are they connected to yogic postures? Devdutt Pattanaik's newest book *Yoga Mythology* (co-written with international yoga practitioner Matt Rulli) retells the fascinating tales from Hindu, Buddhist and Jain lore that lie behind the yogic asanas the world knows so well; in the process he draws attention to an Indic worldview based on the concepts of eternity, rebirth, liberation and empathy that has nurtured yoga for thousands of years.

Written by the former Chair of the ANSI C committee, this book is an alphabetized quick reference guide to C. It contains concise definitions with extensive cross-referencing to other entries and, in some cases, a small amount of tutorial material. Many entries describe library functions. A table of punctuation characters assigns a corresponding English word or phrase that is the primary entry in the dictionary for that symbol. It is suitable for all levels of C programmers and includes a broad range of subject matter including advanced topics. Because it does not deal with extensions, it is not aimed at any particular kind of application or set of platforms: it is generic and is applicable to anyone working with C using any mainstream implementation of C.

Recent policy decisions aimed at improving and safeguarding regional surface and subsurface water quality often result in activities at state and local levels to regulate the sale and/or use of many common lawn fertilizer and pesticide products. Clear, comprehensive distribution of the research data generated during the last decade on the environmental fate of fertilizer nutrients and plant protection chemicals in the urban environment is critical to enable informed decisions by our public officials. This book records the proceedings of a RISE-ACS co-sponsored workshop (October 12-13, 2005) designed to provide a forum for turf researchers and environmental scientists to present research and practical

information addressing the realities of turfgrass risk/benefits and how appropriate maintenance practices performed on urban lawns can impact water quality.

While it is often said that a person with a negative attitude cannot be helped, it is also true that a person with a positive attitude cannot be stopped. Life is an obstacle course in which we can often become our own biggest obstacle, but a positive attitude can be transformational. In one sense, this book is a road map for a life journey in achieving more. It offers direction and can help you make positive decisions in a noisy and cluttered environment. Success is neither a miracle nor a mystery. It is the natural outcome of consistently applying certain principles on an ongoing basis. Success does not depend upon special skills, formal education or superior intelligence. Success is a matter of understanding and acting upon principles that have been in existence for centuries. These principles may be simple in themselves but none of them will work unless they are put into firm and decisive action. This book effectively teaches not only the principles of success but also how to avoid expensive and demoralising mistakes. The principles themselves are universal, cutting across country, culture and religion. Diligently practising them will help you develop confidence and allow your life to become more meaningful and rewarding. Applying these principles may require a lot of self-discipline and commitment but, once learned and applied, the results can be rewarding and gratifying. If you want to be successful and happy, then become a student and study the life of successful people in depth; if you want to become wealthy, then study the principles of acquiring wealth. Learning to make a living and learning to live are two different things. This book helps you design a more meaningful life, by making positive choices and avoiding the most common pitfalls. Acquiring facts is knowledge; interpreting facts is understanding; and the proper application of facts is wisdom. This book by Shiv Khera is designed to help you create an action plan to optimize your potential - in other words, to achieve more.

Filled with practical, step-by-step instructions and clear explanations for the most important and useful tasks. This book provides quick recipes for using Hive to read data in various formats, efficiently querying this data, and extending Hive with any custom functions you may need to insert your own logic into the data pipeline. This book is written for data analysts and developers who want to use their current knowledge of SQL to be more productive with Hadoop. It assumes that readers are comfortable writing SQL queries and are familiar with Hadoop at the level of the classic WordCount example.

Results Are Rewarded, Efforts Aren't Bestselling author Shiv Khera reveals the secrets of every successful sales professional, and explains clearly and simply why 'Results Are Rewarded, Efforts Aren't'. You Can Sell teaches you how to gain a thorough and in-depth knowledge of the business world, a clearer understanding of the tasks at hand and, ultimately, how to sell your way to success. This book explains how you can: · Gain success and avoid pitfalls; · Meet and exceed goals; · Establish credibility and grow; · Gain a competitive edge; and · Understand the qualities of a winning professional.

The Gopi Diaries is a series of three books for children about a dog called Gopi. Told in Gopi's voice, the first book, Coming Home, begins with Gopi going to his new home, and tells the story of how he settles down with his 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 Murty'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.

Encourage hearts of gratitude with this Thanksgiving bulletin that features the words "Give Thanks" and "It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you" on a background of autumn embellishments. The letterhead is 8.5" x 11" to fit into your printer or copier; shrink wrapped in packages of 50. The letterhead is part of a matching set that also includes: standard size bulletin; legal-size bulletin; and offering envelope.

City girl Nooni 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 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 Murty that is heart-warming, charming and absolutely unputdownable.

Motivation makes all the difference. And what's more motivating than the expectation of success? The instructions are clear and to the point, so students can quickly get down to writing practice in these 64-page eBook worktexts. Helpful prompts pack the worktext lesson pages including illustrations, examples, and sample responses. Incremental teaching method, 8-page Teacher Notes includes answer key on CD

The New York Times Bestselling Author Thrilling and nail-biting, The Phoenix has all the trademark glamour, suspense and unexpected twists of a classic Sidney Sheldon novel. A deadly enemy will rise again...

A princess thinks she was a bird, a coconut that cost a thousand rupees, and a shepherd with a bag of words...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 grandparents 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 folktales have been her favourites for years, and she has recounted them many times over to the young people in her life. With this collection, they will be enjoyed by many more readers, of all ages. Age group of target audience is 8+.

Job seekers looking for new positions and recruiters seeking new sources of talent will be able to locate one of the more than 40,000 employment sites on the Internet much more quickly through the use of this all-inclusive directory. Completely updated for 2005–2006, this one-of-a-kind directory lists more than 8,000 job boards, organized by occupational field, industry, and geographic focus. In addition to containing all of the larger and better-known sites and thousands of smaller specialty sites, the directory also features resume databanks, career portals, and the (URL) for each of these sites.

"Her freedom depends on one man. A criminal to his realm..."--Page [4] of cover.

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 Murty 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.

'He was described as being the size of a bull-buffalo, with a belly that reached the ground and a white moon between his ears, true tokens of the man-eater, as every native of India knows. He was said to have the power of assuming different shapes and to lure his prey by the imitation of a human voice...' From 'The White Tiger' by Alice Perrin. Selected and edited by Ruskin Bond, this collection of eerie stories is sure to set your nerves racing. Read about an unconquerable, seemingly supernatural man-eater in 'The White Tiger'; The narrator's perilous journey in a dilapidated coach in 'The Phantom Coach'; Sherlock Holmes' investigation of how a speckled band and a whistle is connected to a mysterious death in 'The Adventure of the Speckled Band' and Bond's own encounter with a Jinn in 'The Trouble with Jinns'.

'I had placed one [owl] on a branch of the mango tree, and was stooping to pick up the other, when I received quite a heavy blow on the back of my head. A second or two later, the mother owl swooped down at Grandfather, but he was agile enough to duck out of its way.' This is a collection of Ruskin Bond's 'small town' stories. Meet Ranji's wonderful bat which is his lucky charm, along with wacky parrots, ostriches, owls and a number of idiosyncratic characters in other stories. Hold your breath as Romi cycles through a raging forest fire and follow the Boy Scouts on delightful adventures. Lose yourself in timeless romantic classics 'The Eyes Have It' and 'Time Stops at Shamli' and savour the bittersweetness of 'The Blue Umbrella'. Owls in the Family will take you on a journey through childhood and youth-through romance and thrill, leaving you enchanted with Bond's beautiful world.

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