

# My Father Baliah

A Wall Street Journal Top 10 Nonfiction Book of 2017 A Publishers Weekly Best Book of 2017 A Shelf Awareness Best Book of 2017 "Ants Among Elephants is an arresting, affecting and ultimately enlightening memoir. It is quite possibly the most striking work of non-fiction set in India since Behind the Beautiful Forevers by Katherine Boo, and heralds the arrival of a formidable new writer." —The Economist The stunning true story of an untouchable family who become teachers, and one, a poet and revolutionary Like one in six people in India, Sujatha Gidla was born an untouchable. While most untouchables are illiterate, her family was educated by Canadian missionaries in the 1930s, making it possible for Gidla to attend elite schools and move to America at the age of twenty-six. It was only then that she saw how extraordinary—and yet how typical—her family history truly was. Her mother, Manjula, and uncles Satyam and Carey were born in the last days of British colonial rule. They grew up in a world marked by poverty and injustice, but also full of possibility. In the slums where they lived, everyone had a political side, and rallies, agitations, and arrests were commonplace. The Independence movement promised freedom. Yet for untouchables and other poor and working people, little changed. Satyam, the eldest, switched allegiance to the Communist Party. Gidla recounts his incredible transformation from student and labor organizer to famous poet and founder of a left-wing guerrilla movement. And Gidla

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charts her mother's battles with caste and women's oppression. Page by page, *Gidla* takes us into a complicated, close-knit family as they desperately strive for a decent life and a more just society. A moving portrait of love, hardship, and struggle, *Ants Among Elephants* is also that rare thing: a personal history of modern India told from the bottom up.

As India gears up for the 2020 Tokyo Olympics, the country will focus once again on the moments of glory we have had on the largest sports arena in the world, featuring such stalwarts as Abhinav Bindra, Mary Kom and PV Sindhu. But it will also be time to ask again the question we ask ourselves every four years: why does a country of a billion plus have so little to show for itself at the Olympics? *Dreams of a Billion* gives the reader an inside view of what goes on backstage in the Indian Olympics world, alongside a quick history of how India has fared at the Olympics over the past century, and a look at how the Indian Olympics world has changed in the last decade. Which brings us to the question: How good is India's preparation for Tokyo 2020? Can Tokyo be the gamechanger Indian sport wants it to be and hopes it will be?

Julia Baird, younger half-sister to the late Beatles legend, reveals the unorthodox childhood they shared, memories of their mother, renewed family bonds, and the many sides of John Lennon

"God Bless America", "White Christmas", and "There's No Business Like Show Business" are just some of the more than 1,000 songs written by Irving Berlin. Here is

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an affectionate, intimate, frank memoir of America's most famous and enduring songwriter of this century by his daughter. Photos.

Osho Says It Is Imperative That We Become New Human Beings As We Enter The New Millennium. He Elucidates The Seven Essential Qualities Of The New Man And Examines Issues That Have Bedevilled Generations: Love, Relationships, Marriage, Family, Money, Power, Work, And Morality. Showing Us How To Let Go Of Our Past, He Invites Us To Wake Up To Our Enlightenment.

The author of 100 Promises to My Baby explores 100 questions children ask, sometimes whimsical, often mystical, and shares some insights on how to foster a child's imagination, creativity, and sense of self. "As a mom, I realized early on that my children were looking to me for answers," Mallika Chopra writes. "Even before they could speak, they were asking questions, questions about how to interact with the world. And it was my reaction to these questions that began to shape their worldview, their sense of security and trust." Embracing the responsibilities of parenthood as a sacred trust, Mallika shares with other moms and dads her own quest for answers to the questions her children posed as they sought to make sense of their feelings and the world around them. "Where did I come from? Will you get sick and die? Why do I have to share? Do trees have feelings? Why doesn't anyone want to play with me? What's a bomb?" Whether she is fielding simple queries like "Why do I have to say thank you?" or deeper ones that require much soul searching about her own beliefs, Mallika Chopra

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draws on history and myth, global wisdom, and rich personal anecdotes to craft responses that expand children's sense of wonder. This beautifully designed book, with inspirational reflections and stories accompanying the 100 questions, makes an irresistible gift for any mother of young children or any person asking questions about our place and purpose in the universe.

Social marketing has become an indispensable tool for all types of organizations worldwide. This book presents high-quality cases on the development, implementation, and analysis of different social marketing campaigns that have been created by non-governmental organizations, public administrations, and even businesses. The respective cases reflect the fact that, although social marketing was initially employed by public administrations and NGOs, the number of campaigns developed by all type of organizations, including businesses, is on the rise; in fact, Corporate Social Marketing is now considered to be one of the main CSR initiatives at businesses around the globe. Pursuing an international approach, the cases in the book explore social marketing practices from a diverse set of countries and cultures around the world.

The Diary Of C. Raja Raja Varma, Ravi Varma`S Brother, Is A Huge Source Of Information On The Accomplishmnets Of Ravi Varma And The Working Of His Lithographic Press Over A Ten-Year Period, 1894-05-1905

In 1992 when a Dalit woman left the convent and wrote her autobiography, the Tamil publishing industry found her language unacceptable. So Bama Faustina published her

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milestone work Karukku privately in 1992—a passionate and important mix of history, sociology, and the strength to remember. Karukku broke barriers of tradition in more ways than one. The first autobiography by a Dalit woman writer and a classic of subaltern writing, it is a bold and poignant tale of life outside mainstream Indian thought and function. Revolving around the main theme of caste oppression within the Catholic Church, it portrays the tension between the self and the community, and presents Bama's life as a process of self-reflection and recovery from social and institutional betrayal. The English translation, first published in 2000 and recognized as a new alphabet of experience, pushed Dalit writing into high relief. This second edition includes a Postscript in which Bama relives the dramatic movement of her leave-taking from her chosen vocation and a special note "Ten Years Later".

This edited book includes new policy-relevant research on women's health issues in Africa. Scholars explore critical topics from different disciplinary traditions using a variety of research methodologies and data sources. The contributors include African scholars with in-depth knowledge of their home contexts, who can furnish nuanced interpretations of local health issues and trends; international researchers who bring vigorous comparative viewpoints; emerging scholars adding to scientific knowledge; and more established researchers with a deep global knowledge of women's health issues. The range of women's health issues is vast, including the HIV epidemic and its impacts; domestic violence; the persistence of homebirths; and abortion. In addition, the book investigates emerging health concerns such as CVDs and cancers. Readers will learn that, while old health issues have persisted and assumed new dimensions, newer concerns have materialized and are gaining momentum. The inability of health systems to tackle these issues complicates matters in Africa, creating a

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sense of desperation that can only be successfully confronted through strong political will and strategic planning, grounded in further research. This book was originally published as several special issues of Health Care for Women International.

The extraordinary story of a Dalit family in southern India Poised to inherit a huge tract of land gifted by the Nizam to his father, twenty-one-year-old Narsiah loses it to a feudal lord. This triggers his migration from Vangapally, his ancestral village in the Karimnagar District of Telangana - the single most important event that would free his family and future generations from caste oppression. Years later, it saves his son Baliah from the fate reserved for most Dalits: a life of humiliation and bonded labour. A book written with the desire to make known the inhumanity of untouchability and the acquiescence and internalization of this condition by the Dalits themselves, Y.B. Satyanarayana chronicles the relentless struggle of three generations of his family in this biography of his father. A narrative that derives its strength from the simplicity with which it is told, My Father Baliah is a story of great hardship and greater resilience.

This book is an account of how Dr. Kalam visualizes Information and Communication Technology mining the rural talent. Here, Dr. Kalam presents his dream of schools in India at 2020 as symbiotic nerve centres connecting teachers, students and community; personifying knowledge that exists in the world. He also makes a clarion call to accelerate the process of societal transformation. This would involve raising the standards of governance and safeguarding the sanctity of public institutions. The book uses the metaphor of a tree to describe the process of knowledge bearing fruits of prosperity in the contemporary globalized world where different phases, formative, adult working life, and post-50 experienced senior

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citizens, call for different kinds of learning. The book refers to a contextual contribution of a large number of Indian scientists and artists and proves that there is no age bar to blossom. He advocates creation of conditions that favour growth of diverse individual talents akin to a garden and calls for a scientific mind-set guided by conscience, consensus and by actions that take our social and moral values into account in building our own systems.

Now including an excerpt from *Lust & Wonder*, a new memoir coming in March 2016. *Running with Scissors* is the true story of a boy whose mother (a poet with delusions of Anne Sexton) gave him away to be raised by her psychiatrist, a dead-ringer for Santa and a lunatic in the bargain. Suddenly, at age twelve, Augusten Burroughs found himself living in a dilapidated Victorian in perfect squalor. The doctor's bizarre family, a few patients, and a pedophile living in the backyard shed completed the tableau. Here, there were no rules, there was no school. The Christmas tree stayed up until summer, and Valium was eaten like Pez. And when things got dull, there was always the vintage electroshock therapy machine under the stairs....

*Running with Scissors* is at turns foul and harrowing, compelling and maniacally funny. But above all, it chronicles an ordinary boy's survival under the most extraordinary circumstances. This definitive reference assembles the current knowledge base on the scope and phenomena of sex trafficking as well as best practices for treatment of its survivors. A global feminist framework reflects a profound understanding of the entrenched social inequities and ongoing world events that fuel trafficking, including in its lesser-known forms. Empirically sound insights shed salient light on who buyers and traffickers are, why some survivors become victimizers, and the experiences of victim subpopulations (men, boys, refugees, sexual minorities), as well as emerging trends in prevention and protection, resilience and rehabilitation. These powerful

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dispatches also challenge readers to consider complex questions found at the intersections of gender, race, socioeconomic status, and politics. A sampling of topics in the Handbook: · An organizational systems view of sex trafficking. · Vulnerability factors when women and girls are trafficked. · Men, boys, and LGBTQ: invisible victims of human trafficking. · Organized crime, gangs, and trafficking. · Human trafficking prevention efforts for kids (NEST). · Treating victims of human trafficking: core therapeutic tasks. · From Trafficked to Safe House (C-SAFE). The Handbook of Sex Trafficking will interest a wide professional audience, particularly mental health workers, legal professionals, and researchers in these and related fields. Public health and law enforcement professionals will also find it an important resource.

Traces India's economic and social transformation into a free-market democracy, sharing the stories of its top players while weaving in the author's own life experiences as a former CEO for Procter & Gamble India. Reprint.

Nils-Aslak Valkeapaa was born in 1943 to a reindeer-breeding family in Sapmi, homeland of the Sami, whom outsiders have called "Laps" or "Laplanders". A Finnish citizen, he lives in both Norway and Finland. Much of traditional Sami life was nomadic, involving herding reindeer and living in harmony with the landscapes, weather, and animals of the far north. The poems in *The Sun, My Father* serve as a link between past and present. According to one myth, the Sami are the children of the sun, and the poet honors that myth, reaching back into the Sami past from the point of view of a modern Sami. The Sami edition was originally published in 1988 and won the Nordic Council's Literature Award. The translation team includes Ralph Salisbury, a Native American poet, Lars Nordstrom, a Swedish translator, and Harald Gaski, a Sami scholar.



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For readers of Jhumpa Lahiri and Rohinton Mistry, as well as Lorrie Moore and George Saunders, here are stories on the pathos and comedy of small-town migrants struggling to build a life in the big city, with the dream world of Bollywood never far away. Jayant Kaikini's gaze takes in the people in the corners of Mumbai—a bus driver who, denied vacation time, steals the bus to travel home; a slum dweller who catches cats and sells them for pharmaceutical testing; a father at his wit's end who takes his mischievous son to a reform institution. In this metropolis, those who seek find epiphanies in dark movie theaters, the jostle of local trains, and even in roadside keychains and lost thermos flasks. Here, in the shade of an unfinished overpass, a factory-worker and her boyfriend browse wedding invitations bearing wealthy couples' affectations—"no presents please"—and look once more at what they own. Translated from the Kannada by Tejaswini Niranjana, these resonant stories, recently awarded the DSC Prize for South Asian Literature, take us to photo framers, flower markets, and Irani cafes, revealing a city trading in fantasies while its strivers, eating once a day and sleeping ten to a room, hold secret ambitions close.

'Caste is Race in Ancient Times, Race is Caste in Modern Times, Untouchability is an Aryan Construct. They said God has not created Untouchables.' Kancha

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Ilaiah Shepherd goes on to say, 'Many people from the Brahmin–Baniya castes have written about their own greatness in their autobiographies, in English and in the regional languages. But I have not seen even a single autobiography of a person born and brought up in the shepherd community'. He adds that it is in writing about themselves that people gain a sense of self-respect. Shepherd's evocative memoirs reveal the struggle for education and dignity that a great majority of Indians undergo. As a little boy herding sheep and goats, he and his brother were the first to go to school. The author writes of his long and often interrupted journey to becoming a writer and an intellectual, without support and having to overcome adversities.

On the life and activities of Ayya Vaikundam, 1863-1941, social reformer and Dalit leader from Kerala, India.

What significance does the physical, material body still have in a world of virtual reality and genetic cloning? How do technology and postmodern rhetoric influence our understanding of the body? And how can our discussion of the body affect the way we handle crises in public policy--the politics of race and ethnicity; issues of "family values" that revolve around sexual and gender identities; the choices revolving around reproduction and genome projects, and the spread of disease? Leading scholars in rhetoric and communication, as well

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as literary and cultural studies, address some of the most important topics currently being discussed in the human sciences. The essays collected here suggest the wide range of public arenas in which rhetoric is operative--from abortion clinics and the World Wide Web to the media's depiction of illiteracy and the Donner Party. These studies demonstrate how the discourse of AIDS prevention or Demi Moore's "beautiful pregnancy" call to mind the physical nature of being human and the ways in which language and other symbols reflect and create the physical world.

By bestselling author David Davidar, *Ithaca* is a thrilling account of international publishing. In the early years of the 21st Century, sweeping change is taking place in the publishing industry. Ill-equipped to handle the transformation of their world, a number of publishing houses struggle to survive – one of these is Litmus, an independent firm in the UK. The onus of ensuring that the company remains viable falls upon its publisher, Zachariah Thomas, who also edits its most successful author, Massimo Seppi. Seppi's quartet of novels, featuring angels and archangels, has sold millions of copies worldwide. Unfortunately for Zach and for Litmus, Seppi dies unexpectedly. Without its star writer, Litmus's chances of surviving the economic downturn are slim, and when a giant corporation intent on taking it over begins to move in for the kill, it seems

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impossible that Litmus will remain independent. To keep his company intact, and to give it room to regroup and chart out a strategy for the future, Zach must, among other things, try and mine the Seppi legacy for one last gem. He travels around the globe, from London to the new Litmus subsidiary in Delhi, from negotiating meetings in Toronto to the halls of the renowned Frankfurt Book Fair, from a sales extravaganza in New York City to the streets of Sydney, and more, in his quest to stave off disaster. By turns compelling and thought-provoking, this eagerly anticipated new novel by one of the industry's foremost figures masterfully depicts the exhilarating and surprisingly turbulent world of book publishing.

Translated from Telugu.

"The world was never changed or transformed by politicians, or for that matter, by scientists. The mothers of the world hold the keys." As she eagerly awaited the birth of her first child, Mallika Chopra began to craft a unique gift that would express her profound loving commitment to the baby growing inside of her. 100 Promises to My Baby is that gift--one that reflects her deep awareness of the sacred responsibilities of parenthood. Here the author shares the vows she made to help her child--and all children--grow up feeling cherished and secure, look at the world with wonder and curiosity, and learn spiritual values that enrich life and

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contribute to making the world a better place. Accompanying the 100 promises are short essays, reflections, poems, and stories that have inspired the author throughout her life--and that will inspire readers to think about their own lives, values, and beliefs, and what they would like to pass on to their children.

British agitations, are thoughts of going home to his wife. When he returns, he finds out that his wife has died, leaving behind their infant child. As Kuldeep's world collapses around him, he negotiates the divergent pulls exerted by people around him: a holy man who advocates renunciation; his childhood friend Saroj, who has always loved him; and the tempestuous Prakash who hides an unsavoury past. Sahitya Akademi Award-winning author Nanak Singh draws on personal experiences to create this compelling portrait of Punjab in the 1920s. Originally published in Punjabi in 1940, Adh Kidhiya Phool is an intense meditation on the choices people make and the consequences these may have.

R.D. Laing was one of the best-known and most influential psychiatrists of modern times. Written by his son, this book tells the story of R.D. Laing's life and work. In Deora, a remote village near Lucknow in Uttar Pradesh, Shiva Balak walked 24 kilometres to and back from his school each day, only to be left wondering why there were no schools in his own village. A brilliant student, he struggled through extreme hardships, and achieved laurels by winning a scholarship to fund his post-graduate

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degree in geology in Canada. 'This book chronicles the journey of an extraordinary Indian who has the courage to be ordinary. I went to his village and came away humbled. Dr Misra turned his back on what the affluent West had to offer him, and returned to his country to serve the people of rural India. His is an underdog story of a young scientist from an Indian village whose credit as a discoverer was snatched by his Western colleagues . who had to honour him decades later. This book is a must read for every Indian.' - Mahesh Bhatt, Filmmaker S.B. Misra became a star in the scientific community when he discovered 565-million-year-old fossils that were the oldest records of multicellular life on earth. However, he pondered over the long walk to school each day, which thousands of children were still making in his rural backyard. Abandoning a promising world of fame and recognition, he returned to India to realize his dream - a dream of education for young children in his village. This is an inspiring story of an ordinary Indian in rural India, where class barriers and gender discrimination still exist. This is a story of courage, determination, faith and the will to dream big and fulfill those dreams in the face of adversity.

A poignant account of the author's brief years shared with his civil rights leader father offers insight into their special bond, their separation during Dr. King's imprisonment and the author's 5-year-old witness to the famous "I Have a Dream" speech.

A writer's journey turns into a nightmare when he disembarks from the train to catch a thief and misses the train. Anirudh is forced to spend the night in a tiny railway station

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with barely anyone in sight. A power failure adds to his woes. Guided by the flashlight on his phone, he finds his way to the waiting room. There, he finds thirteen chairs and a dozen passengers seated in the room. The next train is due at dawn, so they decide to pass time by swapping ghost stories... Uncover the mysteries of an ancient Egyptian tomb, travel to the ruins of an old fort and meet the ghosts of China's Forbidden City in this unusual set of eerie, spine-tingling SPOOKY STORIES!

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On the family biography of Y.B. Satyanarayana, Dalit thinker from Andhra Pradesh, India.

Until now, the true story of John Lennon's childhood has never been told. John's sister Julia has herself been on a personal journey that has made it possible only now to reveal the full extent of the pain and difficulties - as well as the happier times - living inside John Lennon's family brought. Julia reveals the various strong, self-willed and selfish women who surrounded John as he grew up. John was removed from his mother at the age of 5 to live with his Aunt Mimi, and here Julia shows for the first time the cruelty of this decision - to both mother and son, she sheds a new light on his upbringing with Mimi which is often at dramatic odds with the accepted tale. John's frequent visits to his mother and sisters gave him the liveliness, freedom and love he sought and allowed him to develop his musical talents. The tragic death of their mother, knocked down outside Aunt Mimi's house by a speeding car when John was 17, meant

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that life for him and his sisters would never be the same again. Poignant, raw and beautifully written, *IMAGINE THIS* casts John Lennon's life in a new light and reveals the source of his emotional fragility and musical genius. It is also one family's extraordinary story of how it dealt with fame and tragedy beyond all imagining. It's no secret that certain social groups have predominated India's business and trading history, with business traditionally being the preserve of particular 'Bania' communities. However, the past four or so decades have seen a widening of the social base of Indian capital, such that the social profile of Indian business has expanded beyond recognition, and entrepreneurship and commerce in India are no longer the exclusive bastion of the old mercantile castes. In this meticulously researched book ? acclaimed for being the first social history to document and understand India's new entrepreneurial groups ? Harish Damodaran looks to answer who the new 'wealth creators' are, as he traces the transitional entry of India's middle and lower peasant castes into the business world. Combining analytical rigour with journalistic flair, *India's New Capitalists* is an essential read for anyone seeking to understand the culture and evolution of business in contemporary South Asia.

Fated to do and to die, only to remember, then forget – why try? Mrs S. Pankajam has always lived two lives: one of ordinary fulfilment in her experiences as a wife to her husband and a mother to her two daughters, and the other a life of desires and sharp observations that only her mind is privy to. When Mrs Pankajam starts losing her memory, her doctor recommends



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she keep a diary to maintain a semblance of continuity in life events. At first, she is reluctant. What is so spectacular about her life that warrants its story being recorded, she wonders. But as she sets pen to paper, meticulously documenting the revelations that her daughters (well past their teens now) continue to subject her to, the discovery of her husband's eccentricities and her own guilty admissions to indulgences that may have caused his cardiac arrest, she finds her childhood persistently wrestling with the present as a marked reminder of a past she cannot run away from. A witty and touching tale about a declining mind trying to make sense of an ever-changing world, Meera Rajagopalan's finely crafted novel is one that challenges the reader to confront long-held beliefs and make amends while it is still possible.

JUMP is a refereed interdisciplinary publication (Print ISSN 2574-3465 & Online ISSN 2574-3481) dedicated to the educational, economic, and social progress of minority and underrepresented communities around the world. JUMP strives to provide a meaningful, intentional, and actionable scholarship that aims to advance social justice. JUMP features narratives, theoretical and empirically-based research articles, reflections, and book reviews relevant to the progress of minority and underrepresented populations in and across social and national contexts. The Journal encourages the submission of manuscripts by scholars and practitioners in any relevant academic fields, including sociology, psychology, higher education, philosophy, and cultural studies. The journal has been indexed in major databases including CiteFactor, world's largest indexing of scholarly journals.

In Theologising with the Sacred 'Prostitutes' of South India, Eve Rebecca Parker theologises with the Dalit women who from childhood have been dedicated to village goddesses and used as 'sacred' sex workers.

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This volume continues the stories of the Israelite patriarchs and prophets who figured in Volume II, as well as of the semi-mythical rulers of ancient Iran. In addition to biblical, Qur'anic, and legendary accounts about Moses, Aaron, and the exodus of the Children of Israel from Egypt; of the Judges, Samuel and Ezekiel; and of Saul, David, and Solomon, it includes a version of Iranian prehistory that emphasizes the role of Manuchihr (Manushihr in Arabic) in creating the Iranian nation and state. Woven into these accounts are stories about figures belonging to the very earliest literatures of the Middle East: the mysterious al-Khidwith echoes from the epic of the Sumero-Akkadian hero Gilgamesh; the legendary exploits of Dhu I-Qarnayn, mirroring the ancient romance of Alexander; and incorporating elements about the encounter of King Solomon and Bilqis, the Queen of Sheba, of Jewish midrash and South Arabian lore. The Islamic empire was at its political and economic height during the tenth and eleventh centuries, and a new civilization was forged at the caliphal court and in society at large. One of the literary triumphs of that civilization was this rich and colorful tapestry belonging to the Islamic genre of "tales of the prophets." The tales in this volume show how threads from all the ancient civilizations of the Middle East were incorporated, absorbed, and Islamized in the brilliant fabric of that new civilization.

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