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For You My Friend, I Wish . . . is a collection of 350 deliciously warm and funny wishes packaged in a colorful, illustrated book that every woman will want to present to at least one other friend. For You My Friend, I Wish . . . includes heartfelt wishes ranging from the practical to the whimsical, and it's sure to become a sought-after hit in gift book aisles everywhere.

Get three stories in one boxed set from #1 NY Times Bestselling Author Barbara Freethy (Includes 1 Novella & 2 Novels) Fans of Nora Roberts, Susan Mallery and Kristin Hannah will enjoy these emotionally compelling and romantic stories about wishes and the power of love. *A Secret Wish* One night in San Francisco, three women make a birthday. Liz is turning thirty. A successful nurse, she has a good career, but no man to share her life. All her friends are married, and she's alone, still trying to outrun a tragedy from her past. Then she meets a handsome stranger. *Angela*, a member of a large, loving Italian family, is facing thirty-five with no baby in the nursery. Eight years of infertility treatments have put a strain on her marriage. Will she have to choose between her husband and having a child? When she is mugged by an unexpected assailant her life takes a new turn. *Carole*, a corporate wife, is staring down forty candles. Having grown up poor, she worked hard to get ahead, but when her kids bail on her birthday, and she discovers her husband with another woman, she realizes that she may have nothing at all. She goes back to where it all began, the mother she left behind, and the man whose heart she once broke. Three women, three birthdays and one unforgettable night that will change their lives forever. *Just A Wish Away* Bestselling Author Barbara Freethy, takes us back to the

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beach in an emotional love story between two best friends who have been separated for a very long time. Alexa Parker and Braden Elliott fell in love when they were twelve years old. On a summer day, while searching for sea glass on the beaches of Washington State, they discovered an unusually shaped bottle. The ever-imaginative Alexa declared it a genie's bottle. Popping the cork, they were surprised by a rogue wave that sprayed them with a fine, cool mist. Closing their eyes, they each made a wish ... Before their love had a chance to grow, life, family and tragedy separated the two best friends. Now fifteen years later, Alexa returns to Sand Harbor after her aunt is injured in a mysterious break-in at her antique store. Braden is also back, but he's not the innocent boy Alexa remembers. His military service has left him with physical and emotional scars. Can the sweet love of youth be recaptured by two now cynical souls? Can solving the mystery of the past bring them to a new future? Or will it take a wish, maybe two ...

When Wishes Collide In a moment of desperation two strangers make a wish, only to discover that sometimes a wish can take you down an unexpected path ... straight toward a life-changing love. Adrianna Cavello's life changed in an instant when a break-in at her restaurant took the life of her boyfriend and left her too traumatized to return to work. Months later, with everything she's ever wanted on the line, Adrianna makes a wish by tossing a coin into a fountain known for making miracles. Wyatt Randall is also in need of a miracle. Two years earlier, his ex-wife kidnapped their daughter, and Wyatt is desperate to find his little girl. A new lead raises his hopes, but quickly fizzles out. When his coin clashes with another, he sees what little hope he has flying away. Adrianna and Wyatt soon learn that they have more in common than two coins that collided. In fighting for the lives they lost, they must learn how to trust each other and how to love again. Only then will they discover that

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meeting each other might not be what they wished for, but exactly what they need. Praise for the Wish Series! "I know and understand these women and their challenges. I care about them and I was immediately engaged in each of their emotional and rewarding stories." Lynn - Amazon Reviewer on A SECRET WISH "Barbara Freethy has written strong, interesting characters whose lives intersect. The plot twists make for a great read . Five stars." Carol - An Amazon Reviewer on A SECRET WISH

Bryana's Biggest Wish is a one-of-kind adventure set in the magical and colorful Bantu forest. Bryana, an adorable and kind-hearted fairy, embarks on a quest to grant the biggest wish anyone has ever seen. Throughout her journey she discovers that it's o.k. to make mistakes and try again while never being afraid to think bigger. As she encounters those in need, she uses her powers to believe, give, imagine, create and hope. In the end, Bryana discovers that the biggest wish of all is love. Bryana's Biggest Wish is a beautifully illustrated introduction to life lessons that every child will remember.

Bereft and penniless after the death of their father, the local Vicar and Private Chaplain to the Earl of Chadwood, the beautiful Olivia Lambrick, her younger brother Tony and her five-year-old sister Wendy are desperate for the new Earl to arrive at Chad Hall. Having inherited the title after his two cousins drowned in a sailing accident, it has taken the Earl a year to travel home from India. And meanwhile, with no one to pay the estate's workers and pensioners, the entire village is almost starving. Olivia hopes that the Earl will honour the allowance her mother received as the late Earl's cousin, but to her chagrin, he is a handsome but hard and unsympathetic man. Refusing Olivia's pleas and those of his half-brother, Gerald, who faces the debtors' prison because of his high living in London, the Earl has a

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very unpleasant solution Ð he will pay GeraldÕs debts only if he marries Olivia!ÊÊÊÊÊÊÊÊÊÊÊÊÊÊÊÊ But Fate intervenes unexpectedly when the Earl is attacked by a vicious mob of youths from the village and, almost fatally injured by a knife thrust, is then carried to OliviaÕs home.ÊÊÊÊÊÊÊÊÊÊÊÊÊÊÊÊ While Gerald uses a Power of Attorney to save the village, pay off his debts and look after the pensioners, Olivia saves the life of the man she hates and prays with all her heart that somehow love will save the day.Ê

For Olivia Harding, the offer of employment at a small private school came as something of a godsend. With no qualifications, she hadn't expected to find a job so easily, let alone one that still brought her into contact with the eminent surgeon Haso van der Eisler. Olivia always looked forward to Haso's visits, though she knew he came mainly to see his goddaughter, Nel. The idea that Haso should marry the child's glamorous mother seemed obvious to all, but Olivia's stubborn heart told her otherwise!

The night Caroline Presley makes a wish on the first star her life changes overnight. When Lila Cutler, Editor-in-Chief of Lilac, decides she wants to move on, she picks Caroline as her replacement. Despite Caroline's misgivings about whether the online magazine can continue its success, she accepts. Within a month, the media world is buzzing about Lilac's new stylemaker. Soon the country's most fabulous aestheticians, stylists, make-up artists, chefs, and trainers are at Caroline's disposal and they are eager to please. Her new position and popularity also bring new attention from the men in her life. Suddenly her crush Jack wants her attention. Brandon, the hot photographer, asks her out. Caroline doesn't mind the mysterious circumstances behind her newfound success, but when she looks in their eyes, she wants to know the attraction and feelings are real and not just the power of the stars.

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Whether you're just thinking about getting divorced, somewhere right in the thick of it, or working through post-divorce issues, this simple guide—full of great tips, lists and how-to's—will help you emotionally and practically. *37 Things I Wish I'd Known Before My Divorce* is the result of countless hours of training, personal and professional experience, research, and collaboration. Carry it with you while you navigate this sometimes painful and exasperating, sometimes hopeful and energizing, life transition.

She can't forget what she's lost. He shows her there's more to be found. Months after the loss of her twin, Sara Tucker is still struggling to recover. She ought to be getting ready for college; instead, she's frozen in place. But when her plans for the future unravel, Sara knows she can no longer handle her problems alone. Grant is a supernatural being, dedicated to serving humans in need. He's enjoying his promotion to guardian, but he's restless, too. There's someone he met on a previous assignment that he wants to help—except Sara needs wishes, and Grant's not a genie anymore. When his league accepts her case, Grant volunteers to go. As he works beside Sara to fix the mess of her life, they may both discover that, sometimes, the best way forward is to find a new path.

Filled with endless heartfelt wishes and beautifully cute illustrations, *I Wish You Happiness* is an inspiring book of hope and happiness for wishers of all ages. This timeless book is a truly thoughtful gift for any occasion.

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The second in a series of books about Willow's adventures as she masters her secret fairy powers, navigates sprite training, tries to ignore her perfect older sister, and maintains a friendship with Katie, the most un-normal of humans. Miranda, the most popular girl in fourth grade, comes to school with exciting news: her older cousin is getting married, and Miranda will be in the bridal party! This is great news for Willow, because Miranda's cousin has hired Willow's mom to provide the cake. She is certain this is her chance to finally get closer to Miranda. She makes it sound as if she is very involved in her mother's bakery and wedding planning business. Suddenly Willow is gaining popularity as the fourth grade expert on all things wedding. The only one who doesn't seem impressed is her best friend, Katie. Willow thinks she's finally arrived when Miranda invites her to an exclusive birthday slumber party. The only problem is that it is so exclusive, Katie hasn't been invited. Then, when Willow tries to use some fairy magic to make Miranda's cousin's wedding even bigger and better, everything goes horribly wrong. She might ruin the wedding, blow her first slumber party, and lose her best friend all in one. It's going to take magic to survive fourth grade. Scott Zephyr always heard that there were three things you never spoke of in polite company-religion, sex and politics. So when he decided to write his memoirs, he was determined to write about almost

nothing else except religion, sex and politics. Scott recalls his days as a shy Jewish boy growing up in a Christian neighborhood and questioning his Jewish identity. As he gets older and explores his sexuality, he remembers his failed romantic relationships and the surprising ways that some of them ended. He also becomes involved in the political whirlwinds of his time, from Vietnam to the Middle East wars to Watergate. Scott also explores the world of internet chat rooms, finally meeting the love of his life and making decisions that will change their future forever. Scott and his Australian fiancé, Jess, travel to Iraq with an Aussie aid group but are kidnapped by Islamic insurgents. In the midst of a war zone, they are separated. Iraq is full of surprises as Scott desperately tries to escape, find Jess and help the Iraqi people.

Be careful what you wish for... There's a new drug on the streets called Wishes: little pink pills that bring you your heart's desire — but in a way that'll rival your worst nightmare. Lars Thornsson of the Paranormal Enforcement Agency isn't pleased to have to work the case with two of his most hated and incompetent colleagues. He's even less happy to come home one night to find that his sexy succubus lover Rael has summoned another demon. Rael thinks he knows who's supplying the drugs: an old friend of his with a penchant for cross-dressing. The one thing Rael doesn't understand is why a sweet demon like Shax

would be so malicious. He's determined to get to Shax first and find out the truth, even if it means falling foul of the law — and his lover.

This is a fictional story that young children, who love to dream and own stuffed toys, will enjoy reading. Everyone dreams sometime, why shouldn't stuffed toys have dreams? Can an ordinary stuffed penguin's dream come true on Christmas Eve? Or will he be disappointed and sit, sad and alone, on the toy store shelf forever. Find out what happens as the clock ticks down to that magical hour.

Confession: My life is soooo not sprinkles and sunshine...Hayley's world is far from perfect: Her parents have divorced, her mom has lost her job, and she and her sister Chloe are stuck sharing a bedroom in their grandmother's apartment. Luckily, Hayley has a knack for baking cupcakes -- and cupcakes always make life just a little sweeter! But when she and her best friend Artie start drifting apart, she realizes that it's going to take more than sugar and spice to make things nice.

In this second book of the Captive Hearts series the story of Carrie Ashton continues as the Comanche band she is now part of struggles to remain free as the white man wants to push all Native American people onto reservations and take the land for themselves. As the soldiers attack and destroy the Comanche camps; food sources become scarce as buffalo hunters decimate one of the main Comanche resources, and the white man moves westward, Carrie, now known as Blue Eyes, fights to keep her family together.

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Vicki, who was born at the same time of lighting the Barcelona Summer Olympic Cauldron, considers herself as an original Olympic Child. She lives with her family in a home above a bookshop where her father and grandpa work; they are fond of books avidly while Vicki thinks reading book is a boring work and prefers sport to book. She wishes to obtain the gold medal of the Olympics in diving. Vicki travels to Athens as a tourist for watching the 2004 Summer Olympic Games with her mother, who is a sport journalist, and during this trip she unwillingly starts reading a book; a book that by reading it her brother is going to reveal a mysterious secret for her. Vicki reads the book in the hope of finding her brother's secret, while she doesn't know that reading this book produces great changes in her life and involves her in new adventures, the adventures that carry her to a fantasy world.

Inspiring and uplifting, *The Wish Trees* is rooted in the idea that every child can help make the world a better place. Pre-readers and early readers will love turning the pages to reveal children planting Wish Trees and making wishes. Kids will discover the wonder of trees and enjoy searching for different animals and signs with each new page. Thoughtful, empowering and beautifully written by Canadian writer Andrea Koehle Jones, *The Wish Trees* features adorable and engaging illustrations by talented Venezuelan children's book illustrator Alicia Padron.

Ramat's Wish is the story of a rabbit named Ramat, who goes deep into the wood and discovers a family of humans living there by circumstances of fate. By noticing they were so different, he is immediately interested, and so he decides to observe them for a while. As he observes them, a profound wish is born inside him: He wants to become a human. Ramat talks to his master about his wish, who tries to explain the major challenge of what he is asking for. Ramat does not

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listen to the reasons given by his Master and insists in wanting to be a human. His Master decides to give him the opportunity, not before subjecting him to a hard test, for which he gives him some tools which he shall use in order to succeed. Ramat accepts this test and his adventure begins. At first, the story seems to look like a children's book, but, as the story unfolds, it plunges into a deep topic that makes us meditate on the great challenge of being alive having a Human Experience.

Winnie Porter just couldn't forget the child she'd given up for adoption all those years ago...or the wonderful family that had taken him in. Now it was finally time to see her son one last time. Still reeling from his wife's untimely death, the last thing Aidan Black needed to deal with was the unwed mother who brought his beloved Robbie into the world. Especially when she was all grown up into a beautiful, vivacious young woman who'd immediately drawn his boy into her spell—not to mention Aidan himself. Would Winnie's secret shatter Aidan's family—or make it whole again?

Fifteen-year-old Dusty, a ward of the state, is forced to work in a logging camp during the Depression. Despite the bleakness of her life, spirited Dusty dreams of escape.

Stories of sweet second chances from bestselling author Dee Henderson *The Marriage Wish* A birthday wish leads lonely bachelor Scott Williams to Jennifer St. James...but love is the last thing on Jennifer's mind. Weighed down with sadness and regret, she's certain happiness is out of reach. Only patience, faith and everlasting love can make their marriage wishes come true. *God's Gift* Mission work in Africa is James Graham's life. So when an injury exiles him home, he's left adrift. Can he find new purpose with Rachel Ashcroft? The lovely volunteer's care packages always cheered him while he was in Africa. Now it's James's turn to make her happy...for the rest of his life.

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A small rabbit wishes with all his might to grow big--as big as the forest itself--until he discovers the advantage of being small and smart.

"All the children in the street are writing down a special Christmas wish. But what is Ruby's wish? What does she wish for at Christmas time? Ruby thinks of all the things that make Christmas special..."--Back cover.

Novel units provide teachers with new ways to teach reading, thinking, writing, and the love of literature.

In the year 2040, the United States no longer exists. Instead, it's a province of the former Soviet Union, which has been restored to its past glory. And each newborn child is assigned a Designation Number instead of a name. Now, forty years later, a man known only as 77241 escapes into the past in an effort to discover where the world went wrong. When 77241 comes upon footage of Norma Jeane Baker, known throughout the world as Marilyn Monroe, he becomes haunted by her face, so much so that he seeks out her gravesite and begins speaking to her hologram. As oxygen bombs fall upon the former United States in a final act of destruction, 77241 escapes in a time bubble traveling back to June 1960. Once there, he seeks out Norma Jeane at a movie set. Through her, he attempts to save John F. Kennedy from his all-too-early demise hoping to alter enough of the past to change the world's future destruction. Join 77241 and Norma Jeane as they interact with a cast of historical characters, including Kennedy, Mark Twain and Abraham Lincoln, as they seek to change the course of history in *Norma Jeane's Wishes in Time*.

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The Wish Giver, Three Tales of Coven Tree, by Bill Brittain
Teacher Guide

Maya Hughes wants a child, but years of trying has destroyed her marriage and left Maya unwilling to give her heart to another man. Then a motherless child brings unexpected joy into Maya's life.

Charles wants to find a wish tree. His brother and sister don't believe there is such a thing, but his trusty companion Boggan is ready to join Charles on a journey to find out. And along the way, they discover that wishes can come true in the most unexpected ways. The poetic text and heartwarming illustrations evoke the true essence of the holiday season and will inspire wishers everywhere. This gem of a book deserves center stage year round.

All Children like to daydream a little, but what about Fish. Do Fish wish? who knows for sure, maybe little ones do. If they do what might they dream about or wish for. Or maybe its wiser to be happy as who or what you already are. Well! if we turn over the pages we may just find out. In *Words I Wish I Wrote*, Robert Fulghum reveals the works of writers who have inspired him. During the past four decades he's reviewed and revised the basic principles of his philosophy many times, sometimes as an exercise in personal growth, but more often in response to individual crisis. Then at fifty, seeking a simplicity to counter the complex thinking of his college years, Fulghum wrote a summary essay professing that all he really needed to know he learned in kindergarten. As he approached his sixtieth year, Fulghum became curious about what in his outlook had changed and what

had endured. On review, Fulghum explains, everything he has ever said and thought and written is transparent to him now. As hard as he has tried to speak in his own voice, much of what he's said is neither original nor unique. The best ideas are often old and are continually being revived, recycled, renewed. Wherever his search took him, Fulghum found that someone else has been there before. And more often than not, that person has chosen words Fulghum wishes he had written, using language he can't improve upon. To Fulghum, however, this isn't a discouraging realization. It's a recognition of companionship, which is an affirming consolation. The confirming statements, quotes, and credos that Fulghum recorded in his journals for years are collected here, representing the most important ideas underlying his living and thinking. They are organized thematically into such chapters as Companions, God, Bene-Dictions, Contra-Dictions, Simplify, and Believe. Each begins with Fulghum's own insightful, introductory words, followed by inspiring passages drawn from a diverse group of sources, from Jerry Garcia to Albert Camus, Dylan Thomas to Franz Kafka. At the end of each chapter, Fulghum offers readers his own personal commentary on the sources--where he was introduced to their words, why he returns to them again and again, and how they may change you.

"A beautifully comprehensive look at what it might mean to be a sane and emotionally intelligent parent . . . hugely warm, wise, hopeful and encouraging."--Alain de Botton, author of *How Proust Can Change Your Life* Instant #1 Sunday Times Bestseller Every parent wants their child

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to be happy and every parent wants to avoid screwing them up (the way their parents did!). But how do you do that? In this absorbing, clever, and warm book, renowned psychotherapist Philippa Perry tells us what really matters and what behavior it is important to avoid--the vital dos and don'ts of parenting. Her approach begins with parents themselves and their own psychological make-up and history--and how that in turn influences one's parenting. Instead of mapping out the "perfect" plan, Perry offers a big-picture look at the elements that lead to good parent-child relationships. This refreshing judgement-free book will help you to: - Understand how your own upbringing may affect your parenting - Accept that you will make mistakes and learn what you can do about them - Break negative cycles and patterns - Handle your own and child's feelings - Understand what different behaviors communicate Full of sage and sane advice, *The Book You Wish Your Parents Had Read* is one every parent will want to read and every child will wish their parents had.

A charming Islamic re-telling of the Prophet Yunus' momentous encounter with a whale! Told through the perspective of the whale, the fun rhythmic text and masterful illustrations capture the imagination and will be relished by kids and grown-ups alike! Ages 4+

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