

Placenta The Gift Of Life The Role Of The Placenta In Different Cultures And How To Prepare And Use It As Medicine

Describes the human reproductive system, explains how a baby develops from fertilization to birth, and discusses heredity

In the US edition of this international bestseller, Adam Kay channels Henry Marsh and David Sedaris to tell us the "darkly funny" (The New Yorker) -- and sometimes horrifying -- truth about life and work in a hospital. Welcome to 97-hour weeks. Welcome to life and death decisions. Welcome to a constant tsunami of bodily fluids. Welcome to earning less than the hospital parking meter. Wave goodbye to your friends and relationships. Welcome to the life of a first-year doctor. Scribbled in secret after endless days, sleepless nights and missed weekends, comedian and former medical resident Adam Kay's *This Is Going to Hurt* provides a no-holds-barred account of his time on the front lines of medicine. Hilarious, horrifying and heartbreaking by turns, this is everything you wanted to know -- and more than a few things you didn't -- about life on and off the hospital ward. And yes, it may leave a scar.

Birth is one of the most important events of our lives. A baby's arrival is seen as the completion of pregnancy. However, no birth is complete until the placenta is born also. Sadly, in much of the Western world, the placenta is regarded as medical waste and discarded. Did you know that at the time of birth, the placenta is still very much alive? Do you know the placenta can provide value for both the mother and baby long after the birth? Do you know what your placenta can do for you? Utilizing the placenta after the birth might be an unusual idea for some, even down-right shocking for others. Nonetheless, the placenta is an integral part of every birth and its disposition is rapidly becoming an important part of every expectant mother's birth plans. Ruth Goldberg provides both the traditional and scientific foundations for extracting all the goodness from the placenta. Each of the following options are explored in detail; delayed cord clamping, cordblood collection, cord burning, lotus birth, encapsulation and ritual burial. Each chapter contains resource materials for each option. A wealth of both Sacred and scientific knowledge is contained within these pages and should be on every expectant mother wish list and in every birth professional's library.

Planet-sized amusement parks, robo-pirates, and a sentient placenta! Step right up! Captain Carl the robo-pirate is one of the few Artificial Intelligences living on Venus-the amusement park planet. When Carl is given the spark of intelligence by his creator, he becomes a creator himself. No longer just an automaton from a pirate ride, Captain Carl creates the love of his life and searches for her perfect body. He thinks he's found it in a big placenta. But programming is everything. When the placenta's desire to reproduce kicks-in, the whole park is endangered as the organ grows to monster size, spreading placenta babies across the planet and eating all the rides (and the people riding them!). Captain Carl must band together with a cat, a creator, and the Pope of The Church of Transubstantial Birth Fear to stop his love from killing everyone and destroying the park. Yarrrrr!

"Mama Natural's Week to Week Guide to Pregnancy is the modern (and yet ancient) approach to pregnancy and childbirth. "Natural" recognizes that pregnancy and birth are normal, and that having a baby is a wondrous biological process and rite of passage--not a medical condition. This book draws upon the latest research showing how beneficial and life-changing natural birth is for both babies and moms. Full of weekly advice and tips for a healthy pregnancy, Grace details vital nutrition to take, natural remedies for common and troublesome symptoms, as well as the appropriate (and inappropriate) use of interventions. Pregnancy, childbirth, health, health and wellness, parenting, family"--

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In this New York Times bestseller and longlist nominee for the National Book Award, “our greatest living chronicler of the natural world” (The New York Times), David Quammen explains how recent discoveries in molecular biology affect our understanding of evolution and life’s history. In the mid-1970s, scientists began using DNA sequences to reexamine the history of all life. Perhaps the most startling discovery to come out of this new field—the study of life’s diversity and relatedness at the molecular level—is horizontal gene transfer (HGT), or the movement of genes across species lines. It turns out that HGT has been widespread and important; we now know that roughly eight percent of the human genome arrived sideways by viral infection—a type of HGT. In *The Tangled Tree*, “the grandest tale in biology....David Quammen presents the science—and the scientists involved—with patience, candor, and flair” (Nature). We learn about the major players, such as Carl Woese, the most important little-known biologist of the twentieth century; Lynn Margulis, the notorious maverick whose wild ideas about “mosaic” creatures proved to be true; and Tsutomu Wantanabe, who discovered that the scourge of antibiotic-resistant bacteria is a direct result of horizontal gene transfer, bringing the deep study of genome histories to bear on a global crisis in public health. “David Quammen proves to be an immensely well-informed guide to a complex story” (The Wall Street Journal). In *The Tangled Tree*, he explains how molecular studies of evolution have brought startling recognitions about the tangled tree of life—including where we humans fit upon it. Thanks to new technologies, we now have the ability to alter even our genetic composition—through sideways insertions, as nature has long been doing. “*The Tangled Tree* is a source of wonder....Quammen has written a deep and daring intellectual adventure” (The Boston Globe).

In the process, they reveal the vital importance of this organ—which is composed mostly of fetal cells—for us as individuals and as a species.

Pregnancy and childbirth are not to be feared; they are divinely appointed processes that can be joyful, spiritual, and bring families closer to God. *The Gift of Giving Life: Rediscovering the Divine Nature of Pregnancy and Birth* offers something that no other pregnancy book has before—a spiritual look at pregnancy and birth by and for LDS women and other women of faith. Through moving stories women in the scriptures, women from early Latter-day Saint history, and dozens of modern mothers, *The Gift of Giving Life* assures readers that God cares deeply about the entire procreative process. *The Gift of Giving Life* does not advocate for any one type of birth or approach to prenatal care, rather it intends to unify our families and communities in regard to the sacredness of birth. We also aim to provide you with resources, information, and inspiration that you may not have had access to all in one place before.

Topics covered include: constant nourishment, meditation, fear, pain, healing from loss, the physical and spiritual ties between the Atonement and childbirth, the role of the Relief Society in postpartum recovery and more. Birthing women, birth attendants, childbirth educators, and interested readers of all faiths are invited to rediscover within these pages the divinity and gift of giving life.

The Placenta: From Development to Disease examines research into placental function and its clinical implications to provide a springboard for improving clinical practice and enhancing medical research. Influential information is extracted from the compelling narrative by the use of ‘take home’ features including: Clinical Pearls – point to important issues in clinical practice Research Spotlights - highlight key insights into placental understanding Teaching Points – explain basic concepts for novice readers *The Placenta: From Development to Disease* is ideal for both experienced clinicians and researchers and those new to the field. Anyone who needs to understand the central importance of the placenta in the well being of their maternal and fetal patients should read this book.

"An old Russian proverb claims that labor will go more smoothly if both parents-to-be confess the names of all their previous lovers. So all that screaming and yelling you hear in the delivery

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suite? It might not be pain related.” When it comes to childbirth and child rearing, what can other cultures teach us about motherhood? And what can we learn from the way our great grandmothers did things? Many young women are looking to folk wisdom and folk tradition for guidance (just think of the rise in midwives, doulas, belly-binding, postpartum herb baths, and placenta smoothies). This book is full of little gems—customs, folklore, and cultural practices from around the world as well as the voices of contemporary mothers. This beautifully illustrated book is a delightful read with a good dose of humor and fun. It's a refreshingly different gift for new mothers.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Ali Wong's heartfelt and hilarious letters to her daughters (the two she put to work while they were still in utero) cover everything they need to know in life, like the unpleasant details of dating, how to be a working mom in a male-dominated profession, and how she trapped their dad. “Knife-sharp . . . a genuine pleasure.”—The New York Times **NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY** Time • Variety • Chicago Tribune • Glamour • New York In her hit Netflix comedy special *Baby Cobra*, an eight-month pregnant Ali Wong resonated so strongly that she even became a popular Halloween costume. Wong told the world her remarkably unfiltered thoughts on marriage, sex, Asian culture, working women, and why you never see new mom comics on stage but you sure see plenty of new dads. The sharp insights and humor are even more personal in this completely original collection. She shares the wisdom she's learned from a life in comedy and reveals stories from her life off stage, including the brutal single life in New York (i.e. the inevitable confrontation with erectile dysfunction), reconnecting with her roots (and drinking snake blood) in Vietnam, tales of being a wild child growing up in San Francisco, and parenting war stories. Though addressed to her daughters, Ali Wong's letters are absurdly funny, surprisingly moving, and enlightening (and gross) for all. Praise for *Dear Girls* “Fierce, feminist, and packed with funny anecdotes.”—Entertainment Weekly “[Wong] spins a volume whose pages simultaneously shock and satisfy. . . . *Dear Girls* is not so much a real-talk handbook as it is a myth-puncturing manifesto.”—Vogue “[A] refreshing, hilarious, and honest account of making a career in a male-dominated field, dating, being a mom, growing up, and so much more... Yes, this book is addressed to Wong's daughters, but every reader will find nuggets of wisdom and inspiration and, most important, something to laugh at.”—Bustle

Mesmerized and somewhat unnerved by his 97-year-old father's vitality and optimism, David Shields undertakes an original investigation of our flesh-and-blood existence, our mortal being. Weaving together personal anecdote, biological fact, philosophical doubt, cultural criticism, and the wisdom of an eclectic range of writers and thinkers—from Lucretius to Woody Allen—Shields expertly renders both a hilarious family portrait and a truly resonant meditation on mortality. *The Thing About Life* provokes us to contemplate the brevity and radiance of our own sojourn on earth and challenges us to rearrange our thinking in crucial and unexpected ways.

The first 40 days after the birth of a child offer an essential and fleeting period of rest and recovery for the new mother. Based on author Heng Ou's own postpartum experience with *zuo yuezi*, a set period of “confinement,” in which a woman remains at home focusing on healing and bonding with her baby, *The First Forty Days* revives the lost art of caring for the mother after birth. As modern mothers are pushed to prematurely “bounce back” after delivering their babies, and are often left alone to face the physical and emotional challenges of this new stage of their lives, the first forty days provide a lifeline—a source of connection, nourishment, and guidance. The book includes 60 simple recipes for healing soups; replenishing meals and snacks; and calming and lactation-boosting teas, all formulated to support the unique needs of the new mother. In addition to the recipes, this warm and encouraging guide offers advice on arranging a system of help during the postpartum period, navigating relationship challenges, and honoring the significance of pregnancy and birth. The

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First Forty Days, fully illustrated to feel both inspiring and soothing, is a practical guide and inspirational read for all new mothers and mothers-to-be—the perfect ally during the first weeks with a new baby.

This is a guide for women who want to prepare their own placenta in their own home with the help of their family or friends. Inside you will find instructions for the raw method and the TCM method of preparing placenta capsules, a supplies list, information on dosage, benefits of placenta consumption and full color photographs to help you along the way. Please check out our other two guides in the "DIY Placenta" series: "DIY Placenta Art: Prints + Photos + Cord Keepsakes" and "DIY Placenta Edibles: Smoothies + Tinctures + Chocolates," both available on Amazon & Create Space in electronic or hard copy form. Feel free to visit our website for more info: 2DoulasonaMission.com

This inclusive guide to how every family begins is an honest, cheerful tool for conversations between parents and their young ones. To make a baby you need one egg, one sperm, and one womb. But every family starts in its own special way. This book answers the "Where did I come from?" question no matter who the reader is and how their life began. From all different kinds of conception through pregnancy to the birth itself, this candid and cozy guide is just right for the first conversations that parents will have with their children about how babies are made. Describes the evolution of the placenta, examining its history, how it manages to exist in the mother's body, and its job protecting the fetus from potentially harmful substances.

Imagine being told that your child is going to die, more than 2 years before it happens. You don't know how much time you will have with the child, which child it will be, or even how the child will die... In a book called *A Gift For Life*, author Paula L. Taylor shares the heartbreaking pain of losing her son. But through a gift of love from her beloved aunt and godmother, and her never-ending faith, Paula was able to take these gifts and turn them into hope for herself and her family.

With these gifts of love, faith, and hope, Paula finds a way to put them all together, uses them to move forward, and in the end, discovers a gift for life. Kim Osterholzer, a midwife who's caught over 500 babies since 1993, ushers readers behind the doors of Amish homes as she recounts her lively, entertaining, and life-changing adventures learning the heart and art and craft of midwifery. In *A Midwife in Amish Country*, Kim chronicles the escapades of her nine-year apprenticeship grappling with the nuance and idiosyncrasies of homebirth as she tagged along after the woman who helped her birth her own babies at home. With drama and insight, she recounts the beauty and painstaking effort of those early years spent catching babies next to crackling woodstoves, by oil lamp and lantern light, and in farmhouses powered by windmills for running water and sporting outhouses for the unmentionables. She found herself catching babies born into leaky wading pools and through howling snow storms: huge babies, tiny babies, breech babies, and twin babies. Some births kept her from home for days on end, others she missed by heart-pounding seconds, yet every birth enthralled her, whether halting hemorrhages, sharing breath with tiny lungs, or bouncing through wild rides in ambulances. Too many times to count, Kim stumbled home feeling overwhelmed and inadequate, yet as she strained against her misgivings, self-doubts, and seemingly insurmountable challenges, those intimate, sacred moments transformed her as time after time

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she rocked back upon her heels to soak in the spellbinding magic of hearty cries filling the air—the cries of brand-new lives with newly expanding lungs, of hardy men with overflowing hearts, of life-bearing women with the reward of their labors filling their arms—a harmony of cries that mingled with Kim's own and that, together, rose heavenward from rumpled beds speckled and splattered with the sweat, tears, and blood of those births. The very beds of those conceptions became sacred spaces awash with love and joy and gratitude. She persevered, and her experiences became profoundly empowering as she unearthed the foundation and cornerstone of true midwifery—how to use her heart as well as her hands to serve, and to serve in the simplest of womanly ways---stroking, smoothing, wiping, tidying, nourishing, comforting, hearing, encouraging, validating, and witnessing. Slowly, steadily, Kim learned to play her part as midwife to the Amish—her part in a symphony of inimitable women—a single, piping strain among the melodies of those skilled, focused, strong, and harmonious—women unflagging in their passion to welcome new lives earth-side effectively and gently. And at last, tried and tested, Kim took her rightful place among them.

The placenta, the root of your origin, is a miraculous organ that shares and protects your life. It is the conductor that unites you with your mother and serves as the control panel of the womb-ship that sustains you until you are born. It was conceived at the moment of your genesis. Your placenta is genetically identical to you. Though you share some of your parents' genetic identity, unless you have a monozygotic (identical) twin, no one, except your placenta, has ever been so perfectly, exactly you. Sexual reproduction, the act of creating new life, only works because of the placenta. As mammals, we reproduce sexually, so sex is the reddest, hottest tile in the mosaic of our earthly lives, and the placenta is the mandala in the center of this miracle. Historically, our creation stories tell of the Earth Mother birthing the world: her amniotic fluid became the oceans, the placenta became the Tree of Life. This demonstrates how essential the placenta is to our survival and how embedded it is in our psyche. According to Chaos Theory, dynamic systems are sensitive to start up conditions. Human beings are extremely dynamic systems, and our survival hinges on the strength of our individual immune systems. The placenta is the commander-in-chief of the baby's immune system during embryonic development (i.e. condition of start-up). Thus, we must protect our offspring's placentas by being gentle during the transition of birth, to give our children the best possible start and protect the very foundation of their immune systems.

'Quite simply the best book about science and life that I have ever read' - Alice Roberts How does life begin? What drives a newly fertilized egg to keep dividing and growing until it becomes 40 trillion cells, a greater number than stars in the galaxy? How do these cells know how to make a human, from lips to heart to toes? How does your body build itself? Magdalena Zernicka-Goetz was pregnant at 42 when a routine genetic test came back with that dreaded word: abnormal. A

quarter of sampled cells contained abnormalities and she was warned her baby had an increased risk of being miscarried or born with birth defects. Six months later she gave birth to a healthy baby boy and her research on mice embryos went on to prove that – as she had suspected – the embryo has an amazing and previously unknown ability to correct abnormal cells at an early stage of its development. *The Dance of Life* will take you inside the incredible world of life just as it begins and reveal the wonder of the earliest and most profound moments in how we become human. Through Magda's trailblazing research as a professor at Cambridge – where she has doubled the survival time of human embryos in the laboratory, and made the first artificial embryo-like structures from stem cells – you'll discover how early life is programmed to repair and organise itself, what this means for the future of pregnancy, and how we might one day solve IVF disorders, prevent miscarriages and learn more about the dance of life as it starts to take shape. *The Dance of Life* is a moving celebration of the balletic beauty of life's beginnings.

Encompassing advice on meditation, journaling, and daydreaming, a guide helps expectant mothers heighten their spiritual awareness during pregnancy, allowing for peace and joy to permeate their relationships with their babies, spouse, and other family members.

Diagnosis of PPH -- Management of atonic PPH -- Management of retained placenta -- Choice of fluid for replacement or resuscitation -- Health systems and organizational interventions -- PPH care pathways -- Research implications -- Plans for local adaptation of the recommendations -- Plans for supporting implementation of these recommendations -- GRADE tables.

She Is Everywhere! Volume 3 presents a bold, brave, and beautiful compilation of womanist/feminist essays, poems, and artwork showcasing work from an international community of women and men who honor the Sacred Female. The fifty contributors in this anthology—scholars, creative writers, and visual artists—share their vision for a world that reclaims the inviolability of the Divine Female in all Her many and varied manifestations. *She Is Everywhere! Volume 3* is the latest edition of a leading-edge series which, like its predecessors, offers an invaluable contribution to women's spirituality, religion, philosophy, and women's studies. The contemporary voices contained within its pages echo an ancient clarion call to embrace the values of justice with compassion, equality for all people, and transformation. "We have a calling in this world—namely, to prevent the destruction from continuing." —Claudia von Werlhof "I am in the presence of a divine Mother, and She is fulfilling a deep longing inside of me." —Nicole Margiasso-Tran "She was, I am, my daughter is because we are all Her." —Etoyle McKee Just as dark matter (mother) in space shapes galaxies and holds them together, we are shaped and held by the African Dark Mother who has given us Her life force, and resides in the very depths of our being, where the macrocosm is literally reflected in the microcosm." —Leslene della-Madre Contributors to this volume consider the implications of 'the Age of Breath': a

spiritual shift in human awareness to the needs of the other figured through breathing. Awareness of the breath allows us to attend to our bodies and the bodies of others, to animals, nature, other cultures, oppressed minorities, and the other of sexual difference. As a way to connect body and spirit, self and other, nature and culture, and East and West, breathing emerges as the significant theological and philosophical gesture of our time. Philosophy has too often cut off metaphysical thought from this living, breathing world with its animal and female bodies, just as religious traditions have repressed the breathing flesh in favour of calcified word. The re-introduction of breath into philosophy and theology draws our awareness back to the body, to respect for the other, and to nature, making awareness of the breath essential for an embodied ethics of difference in our globalized, ecological age. These themes are addressed by an international team of scholars, including Luce Irigaray.

A candid, feminist, and personal deep dive into the science and culture of pregnancy and motherhood Like most first-time mothers, Angela Garbes was filled with questions when she became pregnant. What exactly is a placenta and how does it function? How does a body go into labor? Why is breast best? Is wine totally off-limits? But as she soon discovered, it's not easy to find satisfying answers. Your obstetrician will cautiously quote statistics; online sources will scare you with conflicting and often inaccurate data; and even the most trusted books will offer information with a heavy dose of judgment. To educate herself, the food and culture writer embarked on an intensive journey of exploration, diving into the scientific mysteries and cultural attitudes that surround motherhood to find answers to questions that had only previously been given in the form of advice about what women ought to do—rather than allowing them the freedom to choose the right path for themselves. In *Like a Mother*, Garbes offers a rigorously researched and compelling look at the physiology, biology, and psychology of pregnancy and motherhood, informed by in-depth reportage and personal experience. With the curiosity of a journalist, the perspective of a feminist, and the intimacy and urgency of a mother, she explores the emerging science behind the pressing questions women have about everything from miscarriage to complicated labors to postpartum changes. The result is a visceral, full-frontal look at what's really happening during those nine life-altering months, and why women deserve access to better care, support, and information. Infused with humor and born out of awe, appreciation, and understanding of the female body and its strength, *Like a Mother* debunks common myths and dated assumptions, offering guidance and camaraderie to women navigating one of the biggest and most profound changes in their lives. First published in 1997. Routledge is an imprint of Taylor & Francis, an informa company.

Learn to ride a bicycle with Einstein, have your first kiss with Kant, get your first job with Adam Smith, and weather midlife with Dante. Let history's greatest minds illuminate life's turning points. In *Breakfast with Socrates*, Robert Rowland Smith brought the power of philosophy down to earth by proving, in a very engaging and entertaining way, that human moments meet big ideas on a regular basis. Now Smith offers the natural offspring of that book, expanding the "day in a life" concept to life as a whole in *Driving with Plato*. Start with being born. For some, like Sartre, you get off to a bad start: You

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didn't ask to be born, and there's little point to it anyway, as life is meaningless. And yet for Martin Heidegger, if you hadn't been born, you'd have no sense of your own being, and that would be a tragic loss. How about midlife crisis? When Dante wrote *The Divine Comedy*, he deliberately set his story of spiritual transformation at the halfway point of his life. Nietzsche, too, in his autobiography, spoke of burying his forty-fifth year as he went on to yet higher forms of actualization as a self-styled superman. Drawing on the great philosophers, as well as on literature, art, politics, and psychology, Smith creates the richest possible range of ideas for readers to contemplate, all in a warm, humorous voice that revels both in life's absurdities and in the pure delight of discovery. Grounding abstract ideas in concrete experience, *Driving with Plato* helps us think more deeply about the key events in our lives even as it provides a philosophical education that everyone can appreciate and enjoy.

Placenta Wit is an interdisciplinary anthology of stories, rituals, and research that explores mothers' contemporary and traditional uses of the human afterbirth. Authors inspire, provoke and highlight diverse understandings of the placenta and its role in mothers' creative life-giving. Through medicalization of childbirth, many North American mothers do not have access to their babies' placentas, nor would many think to. Placentas are often considered to be medical property, and/ or viewed as the refuse of birth. Yet there is now greater understanding of mother and baby-centred birth care, in which careful treatment of the placenta and cord can play an integral role. In reclaiming birth at home and in clinical settings, mothers are choosing to keep their placentas. There is a revival, and survival, of family and community rituals with the placenta and umbilical cord, including burying, art making, and consuming for therapeutic use. Claiming and honouring the placenta may play a vital role in understanding the sacredness of birth and the gift of life that mothers bring. *Placenta Wit* gathers narrative accounts, scholarly essays, creative pieces and artwork from this emergence of placental interests and uses. This collection includes understandings from birth cultures and communities such as home-birth, hospital-birth, midwifery, doula, Indigenous, and feminist perspectives. Once lost, now found, *Placenta Wit* authors capably handle and care for this wise organ at the roots of motherhood, and life itself.

"In this revision of his already classic text, William May shows us once again the wisdom of the Catholic Church's moral tradition in its application to contemporary bioethics. Illuminating and engaging - and with the attention to nuance that marks all of May's writing." - Edward J. Furton, M.A., Ph.D., Ethicist and Director of Publications, The National Catholic Bioethics Center "Since it was first published, Dr. May's text *Catholic Bioethics and the Gift of Human Life* has served an irreplaceable role in Catholic moral education. His new revision adds clear systematic treatments of several additional issues of pressing moral concern to the Church and society. Catholic educators everywhere will welcome this excellent revision. I welcome it! - E. Christian Brugger, Associate Professor of Moral Theology, Institute for the Psychological Sciences "With so much bioethical thinking supporting the 'culture of death,' I can think of no better champion of a 'culture of life' than Professor William E. May. Professor May has given us a book which is useful not only for its masterful summary of the moral magisterium on bioethics, but also for its treatment of such issues as contraception, artificial reproduction, the care of the dying, human experimentation, and the definition

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of death and organ transplants." - Dr. Mark S. Latkovic, Associate Professor of Moral Theology, Sacred Heart Major Seminary What the Church teaches - and why - on issues of euthanasia, in vitro fertilization, genetic counseling, assisted suicide, living wills, persistent vegetative state, organ transplants, and more.

"How Big is a Placenta Bowl? And Other Weird Questions You'll Ask When Planning a Home Birth" tackles your most outrageous and irreverent home birth questions and delivers practical advice for couples preparing to give birth at home. From cord blood banking and circumcision to newborn immunizations and insurance coverage, "How Big is a Placenta Bowl?" answers all your home birth questions, including: How messy is home birth? How much will it cost? How do I get the gunk out of the birth tub? How do I choose a midwife? How can I convince others I'm not crazy? What should I wear? Why the heck do I need olive oil? Should I have my other kids at the birth? One of the only guides to home birth written specifically for a United States audience, the book also includes a special section for husbands and partners on what they need to know, and it contains detailed state-by-state information about midwifery regulations, insurance coverage, and newborn testing procedures. Also included is a birth kit checklist and a sample birth plan for home birthers.

A medical mistake during an IVF procedure. An unthinkable situation . . . you're pregnant with the wrong baby. You can terminate, but you can't keep him. What choice would you make? Carolyn and Sean Savage had been trying to expand their family for years. When they underwent an IVF transfer in February 2009, they knew it would be their last chance. If they became pregnant, they would celebrate the baby as an answer to their prayers. If not, they would be grateful for the family they had and leave their fertility struggles behind forever. They never imagined a third option. The pregnancy test was positive, but the clinic had transferred the wrong embryos. Carolyn was pregnant with someone else's baby. The Savages faced a series of heartbreaking decisions: terminate the pregnancy, sue for custody, or hand over the infant to his genetic parents upon delivery. Knowing that Carolyn was carrying another couple's hope for a baby, the Savages wanted to do what they prayed the other family would do for them if the situation was reversed. Sean and Carolyn Savage decided to give the ultimate gift, the gift of life, to a family they didn't know, no strings attached.

Inconceivable provides an inside look at how modern medicine, which creates miracles daily, could allow such a tragic mistake, and the many legal ramifications that ensued with both the genetic family and the clinic. Chronicling their tumultuous pregnancy and its aftermath, which tested the Savage's faith, their relationship to their church, and their marriage, Inconceivable is ultimately a testament to love. Carolyn and Sean loved this baby, making it impossible for them to imagine how they could give him life and then give him away. In the end, Inconceivable is a story of what it is to be a parent, someone who nurtures a life, protects a soul, only to release that child into the world long before you're ready to let him go.

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In the tradition of Silent Spring and The Sixth Extinction, an urgent, meticulously researched, and groundbreaking book about the ways in which chemicals in the modern environment are changing—and endangering—human sexuality and fertility on

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the grandest scale, from renowned epidemiologist Shanna Swan. In 2017, author Shanna Swan and her team of researchers completed a major study. They found that over the past four decades, sperm levels among men in Western countries have dropped by more than 50 percent. They came to this conclusion after examining 185 studies involving close to 45,000 healthy men. The result sent shockwaves around the globe—but the story didn't end there. It turns out our sexual development is changing in broader ways, for both men and women and even other species, and that the modern world is on pace to become an infertile one. How and why could this happen? What is hijacking our fertility and our health? *Count Down* unpacks these questions, revealing what Swan and other researchers have learned about how both lifestyle and chemical exposures are affecting our fertility, sexual development—potentially including the increase in gender fluidity—and general health as a species. Engagingly explaining the science and repercussions of these worldwide threats and providing simple and practical guidelines for effectively avoiding chemical goods (from water bottles to shaving cream) both as individuals and societies, *Count Down* is at once an urgent wake-up call, an illuminating read, and a vital tool for the protection of our future.

Showing that Mormonism is a genuine restoration of Primitive Christianity. To demonstrate to Latter Day Saints that "" Mormonism"" is what it exactly what it claims to be a genuine restoration of the Gospel. Mormonism is an genuine restoration of the Gospel as it was taught by disciples of the Primitive Church. This is important because through out the world Mormonism is labeled as a non-scriptural, non-Christian ""cult,"" which departs in alarming in alarming ways from the traditional concepts of the bible. The claim that Mormonism is a ""cult,"" and not a Christian religion, is based on the fact that Mormonism accepts none of the traditional creeds of ""orthodoxy."" The chief difficulty with this assessment is that so-called ""orthodoxy"" never existed before the fourth or fifth centuries, until the Church's original teachings had been radically altered by Greek- informed metaphysical concepts, bearing little relationship to the thought of the earliest Christians!

Placenta Wit is an interdisciplinary anthology of stories, rituals, and research that explores mothers' contemporary and traditional uses of the human afterbirth. Authors inspire, provoke and highlight diverse understandings of the placenta and its role in mothers' creative life-giving. Through medicalization of childbirth, many North American mothers do not have access to their babies' placentas, nor would many think to. Placentas are often considered to be medical property, and/ or viewed as the refuse of birth. Yet there is now greater understanding of motherand baby-centred birth care, in which careful treatment of the placenta and cord can play an integral role. In reclaiming birth at home and in clinical settings, mothers are choosing to keep their placentas. There is a revival, and survival, of family and community rituals with the placenta and umbilical cord, including burying, art making, and consuming for therapeutic use. Claiming and honouring the placenta may play a vital role in understanding the sacredness of birth and the gift of life that mothers bring. *Placenta Wit* gathers narrative accounts, scholarly essays, creative pieces and artwork from this emergence of placental interests and uses. This collection includes understandings from birth cultures and communities such as home-birth, hospital-birth, midwifery, doula, Indigenous, and feminist perspectives. Once lost, now found, *Placenta Wit* authors capably handle and care for this wise organ at the roots of motherhood, and life itself.

