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Author



Laurelia Pearson has always loved stories — listening to them, living them, and writing them. Inspired by childhood memories of her father's storytelling and a lifelong love of books, history, old trains, and classic automobiles, she found early joy in writing short stories during her school years.

Her journey has taken her through many seasons of life: studying bookkeeping, reflexology, and aromatherapy; co-managing a business; raising three children; working in education and real estate; and building several small businesses, including *Shanda's Gluten Free Baking*, *Opti-Typing*, and *Opti-Garments*. As someone who is gluten intolerant herself, baking became both a creative outlet and a way to serve others.

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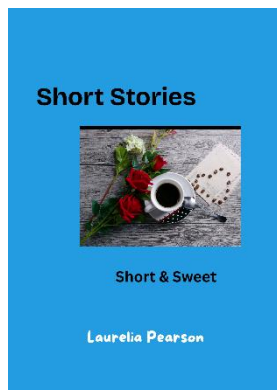
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The excitement of Life - There is never a dull moment. Stories are exciting!



Book

Short Stories – Short & Sweet

Genre: Inspirational short fiction; Reflective Writing

ISBN: 9798513923817; 9798397365741

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Details:

Book Description

Life doesn't always give us time for long novels — sometimes all we want is a moment of calm, comfort, and connection.

Short Stories: Short & Sweet is a contemporary short story collection filled with gentle, feel-good fiction for readers who love cozy reads and bite-sized stories. Each short story captures an everyday moment — quiet reflections, small joys, and meaningful connections — told in a warm, easy-to-read style.

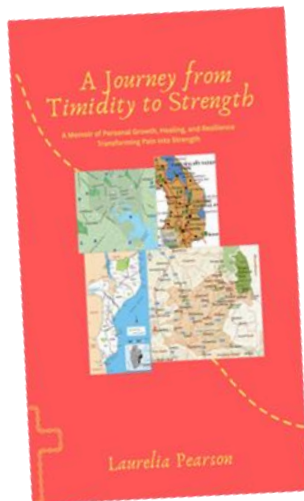
Perfect for coffee-break reading or winding down at the end of the day, these short stories are designed to be enjoyed one at a time, whenever you need a pause. Whether you're a busy reader, a lover of light fiction, or someone searching for uplifting short stories that don't demand hours of commitment, this collection offers comfort without complexity.

If you enjoy relaxing short fiction that is simple, sincere, and quietly satisfying, *Short Stories: Short & Sweet* is the perfect companion.

Endorsements and Reviews:

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Yeeeha! I really enjoyed this story and appreciate the sentiment behind it i.e. history being treated with respect. There is also an immediate identity of Alex, both physically and personally, with wonderful opening and a great ending, leaving the reader with a question, it ends on a note of possible future intrigue. **Theresa P**



A Journey from Timidity to Strength

Genre: Personal Growth; Reflective Writing

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Formats: Ebook -Paperback- Hardcover

Book Description:

A Journey from Timidity to Strength is an inspirational memoir of personal growth that follows one woman's remarkable transformation from a quiet, uncertain girl into a resilient, self-aware woman who learns to claim her voice. Set against the rich and challenging landscapes of **Malawi and South Africa**, this deeply personal life story explores what it means to grow up feeling unseen, to navigate fear and self-doubt, and to slowly discover inner strength through experience, reflection, and courage. As borders are crossed and cultures collide, each chapter reveals the emotional turning points that shape identity, resilience, and self-belief.

This is not a story of instant confidence or overnight success. It is a raw, honest journey of becoming—of learning to stand firm after years of silence, and of finding strength not in perfection, but in persistence.

For readers who love **true inspirational life stories**, women's memoirs, and stories of overcoming fear, this book offers hope, recognition, and the powerful reminder that strength can be learned.

Endorsements and Reviews:

A journey from timidity to strength – a very powerful and inspirational title, which explains very well what the story is about. All the players in the story are well thought out with great, vivid descriptions of each person. I have also picked up a wonderful sense of humour. There is a clear storyline and strong descriptions of locations and people. Laurelia has a natural story telling ability and a light and easy style of writing, **Theresa P**

Speaking Topics:

- The influence of childhood storytelling
- Writing as healing and self-expression
- Balancing creativity, business, and motherhood
- The power of short stories in a busy world
- Turning life experiences into meaningful writing

Sample Interview Questions (Author Interviews, Podcasts, Blogs)

About You as a Writer

1. When did you first realized you wanted to write, and what drew you to storytelling?
2. How did your early love of English and short stories influence your writing today?
3. Who or what has most influenced your voice as an author?
4. How do your life experiences shape the themes you write about?
5. What does writing give you personally?

About *Short Stories: Short & Sweet*

6. What inspired you to write a collection of short stories rather than a novel?
7. Why do you think short stories still resonate so strongly with readers today?
8. Can you describe the emotional tone readers can expect from this collection?
9. Do you have a favourite story in the book, and why?
10. What kind of reader did you have in mind when writing *Short & Sweet*?

About *A Journey from Timidity to Strength*

11. What sparked the idea for *A Journey from Timidity to Strength*?
12. How personal is this journey for you as the author?
13. What does “strength” mean to you in the context of this book?
14. What message do you most hope readers take away?
15. Why was it important for you to tell this story now?

Writing Process & Themes

16. What themes seem to appear repeatedly in your work?
17. How do you approach writing emotional or reflective material?
18. Do you write with a routine, or when inspiration strikes?
19. What challenges did you face while writing these books?
20. How do you know when a story is finished?

For Readers & Aspiring Writers

21. What do readers often tell you after reading your work?
22. Which type of reader will enjoy your books the most?
23. What advice would you give someone who wants to start writing but feels hesitant?
24. How do you deal with self-doubt as a writer?
25. What’s next for you creatively?

Author Fact Sheet

Author Name

Laurelia Pearson

Genres

- Short Fiction
- Reflective & Inspirational Writing
- Personal Growth / Journey Narratives

Published Works

• Short Stories: Short & Sweet

A collection of concise, heartfelt short stories designed to be read in moments but remembered long after. Ideal for readers who enjoy reflective, gentle storytelling.

• A Journey from Timidity to Strength

A deeply personal and inspirational work exploring growth, courage, and self-discovery—following a journey from uncertainty to inner strength.

Writing Style

- Warm, reflective, and emotionally grounded
- Accessible language with strong personal resonance
- Focus on human experience, growth, and quiet strength

Themes

- Personal growth
- Courage and resilience
- Everyday moments
- Self-reflection
- Finding strength through experience

Background Highlights

- Long-standing love for storytelling and language
- Inspired by listening to stories and real-life experiences
- Passion for writing that connects emotionally with readers
- Writes for readers who appreciate sincerity and meaning

Ideal Audience

- Readers who enjoy short, meaningful reads
- Adults seeking inspiration and reflection
- Book clubs and casual readers
- Readers interested in personal journeys and emotional growth

Author Availability

- Interviews (print, podcast, blog)
- Guest articles
- Author features
- Online events