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Witty, philosophical, and vividly written, *A Fine Place to Daydream* is a paean to the real Ireland, a moving tale of a surprise romance, and a thrilling account of a hugely exciting season at the track.

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