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Baseball and the American Vision;  
Impossible Missions & Expeditions

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Mystery Novel as a Reflection of its Time;  
The Reader, the Writer, and the Detective;  
The Landscape of the American Mystery  
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One Session- *A Trip to the Beach; Into Thin  
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Coming Home: Contemporary Prize-  
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Expeditions; Coming Home: Contemporary  
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