



The Longest Race

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Roli Books, New Delhi, India, 2005. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Dust Jacket Condition: New. First Edition. The Longest Race is a tale, a fable of skill, passion, rage, love, and finally, peace. Bahadur, a young boy, is the son of a humble watchman in the small town of Rajpur at the foothills of the Himalayas. Fame and fortune seem a far cry from the life he is destined to lead, until he wins a race in school and discovers in himself a passion for long-distance running. Morning after morning, he gets up at dawn to run barefoot in the hills. Finally, he is selected to compete in the state championships. Watching him win is Greg Abberley, the legendary Scottish coach who has trained some of England's greatest distance runners. He is in India on a special mission to find young talent. And the boy he chooses to take back with him to Edinburgh is Bahadur. In Abberley, Bahadur finds a coach who is a visionary, a guru who lets him follow the rhythm of his body and spirit. Bahadur is on his way to becoming a long-distance phenomenon, winning a major marathon in England. The Olympics beckon but when the...



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