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Dreams of Rivers and Seas , Tim Parks, 2008, Delhi (India), 431 pages. For some time now, I have been plagued, perhaps blessed, by dreams of rivers and seas, dreams of water. Just days after controversial anthropologist Albert James writes these

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Adultery and Other Diversions , Tim Parks, 1999, Fiction, 184 pages. A selection of essays reflect upon adultery, fidelity, Europe, ghosts, magic, destiny, and conformity.

Sex Is Forbidden , Tim Parks, May 1, 2013, Fiction, 278 pages. Sex is forbidden at the Dasgupta Institute. So what is the sparkling, magnetically attractive Beth Marriot doing here? Beth is fighting demons: a catastrophic series of events

A Cat, a Hat and a Piece of String , Joanne Harris, 2012, Short stories, English, 284 pages. A second short story collection from Joanne Harris, author of *Chocolat* and *Peaches for Monsieur le Cure*. 'Stories are like Russian dolls; open them up, and in each one you'll

