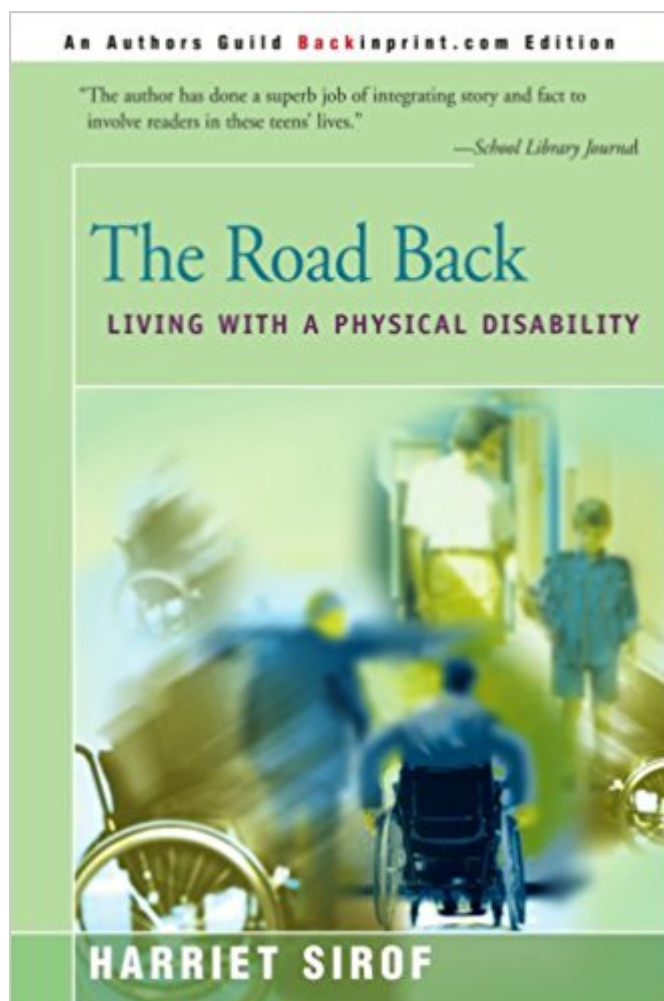


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# The Road Back: Living With A Physical Disability



## Synopsis

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