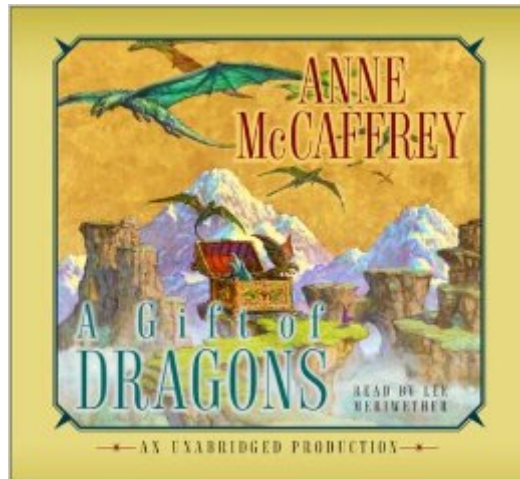


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# A Gift Of Dragons



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For more than thirty years, Pern has conjured visions of brave men and women mounted upon the backs of dragons. As anyone knows who has been touched by the storytelling magic of Anne McCaffrey, to read of the exotic world of Pern is to inhabit itâ"and to experience its extraordinary dragons is to soar aloft with them and share their dazzling adventures. Now, *A Gift of Dragons* brings together three beloved stories and a thrilling new tale of Pern in a single volume illustrated with beautiful artwork by Tom Kidd. In âœThe Smallest Dragonboy,â•Keevan is the youngest dragonrider candidate, determined to impress a dragon when the next clutch of eggs hatches. But what transpires will surprise everyoneâ"Keevan most of all. In âœThe Girl Who Heard Dragons,â•a young girlâ"™s rare ability to communicate with dragons puts her family in danger and will bring her face to face with her greatest fearsâ"and with her most secret desire. The âœRunner of Pernâ•is a girl named Tenna, who follows family tradition by delivering messagesâ"and who will find her destiny on the mossy traces that runners have used for centuries under the dragon-filled sky. And finally, a very special gift: an exciting new Pern adventure, published here for the first time, fresh from the imagination of Anne McCaffrey. From the Hardcover edition.

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