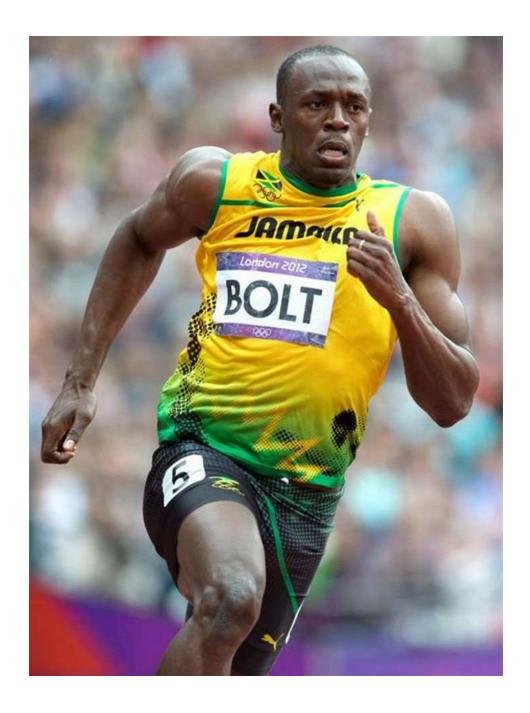
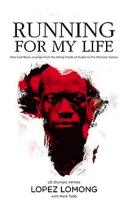
One Lost Boy Journey From The Killing Fields Of Sudan To The Olympic Games



Once upon a time, in the midst of the devastating civil war that plagued Sudan, there emerged a tale of resilience, hope, and triumph. This is the remarkable story of one lost boy who went from the killing fields of Sudan to the Olympic Games.

His name is John Deng. Born in a small village in war-torn Sudan, John's childhood was marred by violence and loss. He witnessed unthinkable atrocities as his village was raided, his family torn apart, and his dreams shattered. But amid the chaos and despair, a flicker of hope ignited within him.



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by Lopez Lomong (Kindle Edition)

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Separated from his family at a young age, John became one of the "Lost Boys of Sudan" - a group of over 20,000 boys who embarked on a treacherous journey to escape the horrors of civil war. Facing starvation, disease, and the constant threat of death, these brave young boys walked thousands of miles to find safety in refugee camps in neighboring countries.

It was during this harrowing journey that John discovered his love for running. Each step he took was infused with a determination to survive and create a better future for himself. With no access to proper running shoes or training facilities, he relied solely on his innate talent and indomitable spirit to propel him forward.

Eventually, John's journey led him to the United States, where he found refuge and the opportunity for a fresh start. Recognizing his raw potential, a local coach took him under his wing and provided the guidance he needed to hone his athletic skills.

Against all odds, John's talent blossomed. He went on to compete in various national and international track and field championships, earning recognition for his exceptional speed and endurance. His name became synonymous with triumph over adversity.

But John's Olympic dream didn't come without countless hurdles and setbacks. He faced formidable challenges, both on and off the track. From the constant struggle for financial support to the emotional weight of his past experiences, every step of his journey was an uphill battle.

However, John's determination never wavered. He drew strength from the memory of his family, the countless lost lives, and the burning desire to prove that dreams can indeed come true.

And so, after years of unwavering dedication and perseverance, John Deng stood on the starting line of the Olympic Games. It was a moment that encapsulated the hopes and dreams of an entire nation, a testament to the power of the human spirit to rise above adversity.

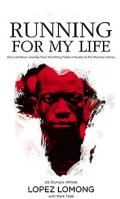
As the starting gun fired, John sprinted forward with the weight of his journey behind him. In that moment, he carried the hopes of the lost boys, the resilience of a war-torn nation, and the dreams of countless individuals who had faced unimaginable hardships.

With each stride, John pushed himself to the limit, surpassing all expectations. He soared past his competitors, his determination fueling his every move. As the crowd erupted in thunderous applause, John crossed the finish line, his arms raised in triumph.

John Deng's journey from the killing fields of Sudan to the Olympic Games is a testament to the incredible strength of the human spirit. It serves as a reminder that no matter how insurmountable the obstacles may seem, with unwavering determination and the belief in oneself, anything is possible.

Today, John continues to inspire others with his story. He uses his platform to advocate for peace, raise awareness about the ongoing conflicts in Sudan, and support refugees around the world. His journey is a beacon of hope and a reminder that even in the darkest of times, we can find light.

So, let John Deng's story be a lesson to us all. Let it remind us that our dreams are worth pursuing, no matter the challenges that lie ahead. And let it ignite the fire within us to create a world where every lost boy and girl can find their way to the Olympic Games.



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Running for My Life is not a story about Africa or track-and-field athletics. It is about outrunning the devil and achieving the impossible; it is about faith, diligence, and the desire to give back. It is the American dream come true and a stark reminder that saving one can help save thousands more.

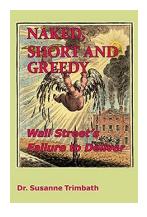
In this heart-wrenching story, you'll learn about

- Lopez Lomong's harrowing kidnapping at the age of six, becoming one of the Lost Boys of Sudan;
- his survival in a prison refugee camp and his miraculous escape;
- how he arrived in the U.S. through the Unaccompanied Refugee Minor program; and
- Lomong's journey from high-school track star to U.S. Olympic team captain.

Lopez Lomong chronicles his inspiring ascent from a barefoot lost boy of the Sudanese Civil War to a Nike-sponsored athlete on the U.S. Olympic Team. Though most of us fall somewhere between the catastrophic lows and dizzying highs of Lomong's incredible life, every reader will find in his story the human spark to pursue dreams that might seem unthinkable, even from circumstances that might appear hopeless.

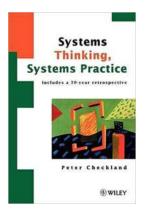
"Lopez Lomong's story is one of true inspiration. His life is a story of courage, hard work, never giving up, and having hope where there is hopelessness all around. Lopez is a true role model." MICHAEL JOHNSON, Olympic Gold Medalist

"This true story of a Sudanese child refugee who became an Olympic star is powerful proof that God gives hope to the hopeless and shines a light in the darkest places. Don't be surprised if after reading this incredible tale, you find yourself mysteriously drawn to run alongside him." RICHARD STEARNS, president, World Vision US and author of The Hole in Our Gospel



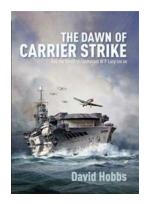
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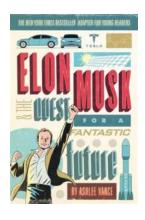
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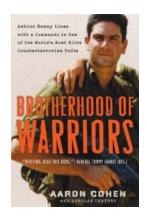
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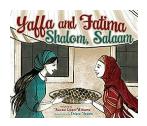
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