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Valmik Thapar and Fateh Singh Rathore have spent many years in Ranthambhore studying tigers and recently have been able to observe the secret lives of three tigresses with cubs of different ages. By following Noon, Nalghati, Laxmi and their families, they were able to document every stage of the cubs' development from soon after birth to subadulthood and independence. They recorded cubs suckling, playing, climbing trees, exploring their territory, competing for food and their mother's attention and making their first clumsy attempts to hunt for themselves.

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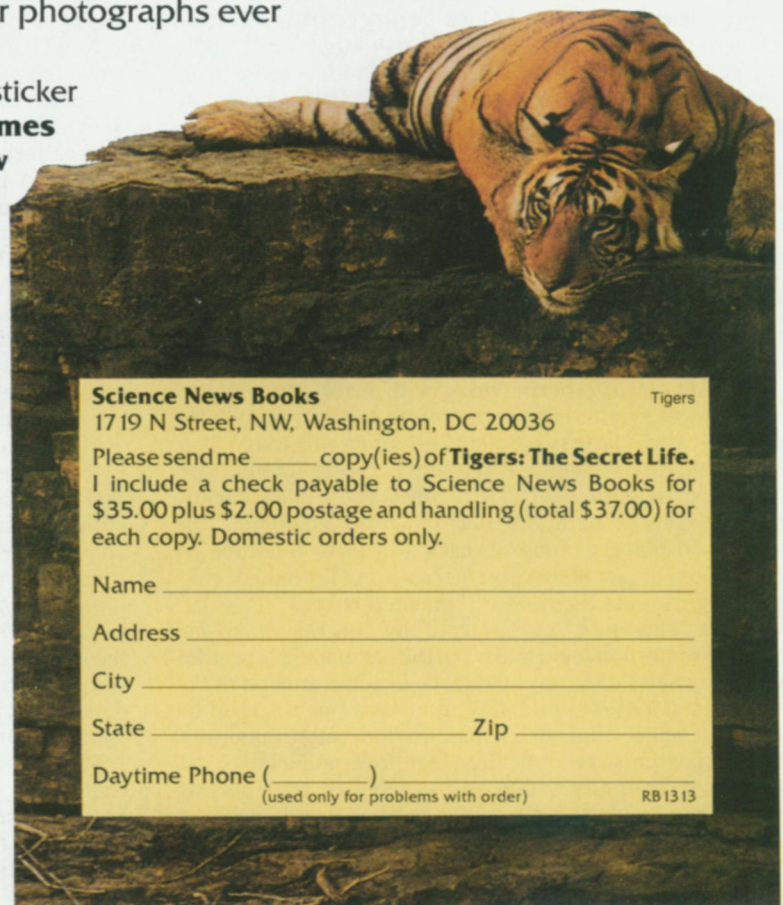
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