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The Hyperactive Child Book — Patricia Kennedy, Leif Terdal, and Lydia Fusetti. This guide to attention deficit-hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) outlines the causes, treatments, medications, professionals in the field, means of diagnosis, methods of discipline, and schools appropriate for ADHD children from toddlerhood through teenage years. Originally published in hardcover in 1993. St. Martin, 1994, 276 p., paperback, \$12.95.

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U.S. Outdoor Atlas & Recreation Guide — John Oliver Jones. Appropriate for the traveling outdoor adventure seeker, this guidebook features maps and charts indicating recreational areas in all 50 states. The agencies that run these facilities, telephone numbers, hours, fees, available activities, on-site accommodations, restrictions, and available literature are just some of the details provided about each site. HM, 1994, 216 p., color photos and illus., paperback, \$19.95.

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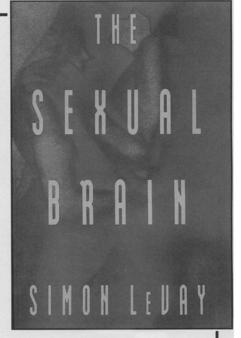
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