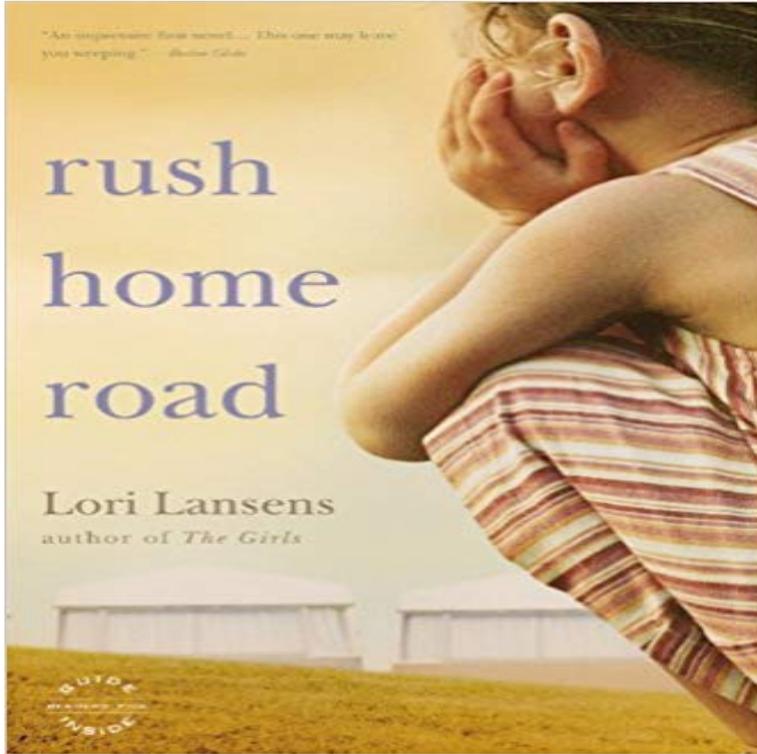


Rush Home Road: A Novel



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Themes in the novel. Growing up is one of the main themes in the novel because this book is about Addy's life. *Rush Home Road* [Lori Lansens] on . *FREE* shipping Start reading *Rush Home Road: A Novel* on your Kindle in under a minute. Don't have a Kindle? Get your Kindle here, or download it. *Rush Home Road: A Novel* [Lori Lansens] on . *FREE* shipping on qualifying offers. *Rush Home Road: A Novel* [Lori Lansens] on . *FREE* shipping on qualifying offers. Sharla Cody is only five, but has already lived a troubled life- The Paperback of the *Rush Home Road: A Novel* by Lori Lansens at Barnes & Noble. FREE Shipping on \$25 or more! When I actually began this book I really did not care for it, as the language and description seemed so crude to me. However, after about an hour I fell in love