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0 of 1 people found the following review helpful. A somewhat interesting book for those interested in homesteading. By Joseph J. Truncale This book is more of an amusing memoir of how the author (Jenna Woginrich) became interested in doing unique things to save money, eating more healthy and finding joy in her lifestyle. She emphasizes that you do not have to move to wild and isolated places to enjoy the homesteading lifestyle. She makes the point that there are many things you could do to eat better, save more money and at the same time still live a more independent life. This 200 page text is organized thirteen topics and includes the following: Raising your own chickens, grow your own meal, beekeeping, the country kitchen, old stuff, DIY wardrobe making tips, working house dogs, Angora rabbits: portable livestock, homemade mountain music, moving on, outside the farm, want more? Research, son and reading group discussion guide. If you are a motivated person who loves doing things on your own when it comes to living more independently, you may want to check out "Made from Scratch: Discovering the pleasures of a handmade life by Jenna Woginrich. I found this book to be fairly interesting even though I have no desire to live the homesteading lifestyle. Rating: 3 Stars. Joseph J. Truncale (Author: Haiku Moments: How to read,

write and enjoy haiku).0 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Getting started with self-sufficiencyBy CissaI loved "Barnheart" from this same author, and this book was great, too.It's a quick read. Like "Barnheart", it does not gloss over the tragedies and drawbacks of trying to be more grounded in creating one's own food etc.- but it does focus more on the positive aspects, like basic canning, baking one's own bread, raising chickens and keeping bees, etc.It's more about the stories behind these things than the things themselves. While there is helpful advice, it's focused more on what happened next- which makes it such an interesting and entertaining read, even when things do not work out (like with the bees).For anyone who has a homestead- well, you're probably too busy to read this! But it's a great read for those of us who want to have a smallholding, and cannot- yet- do it, especially since she gives us a more realistic and less romantic perspective than many such books do.