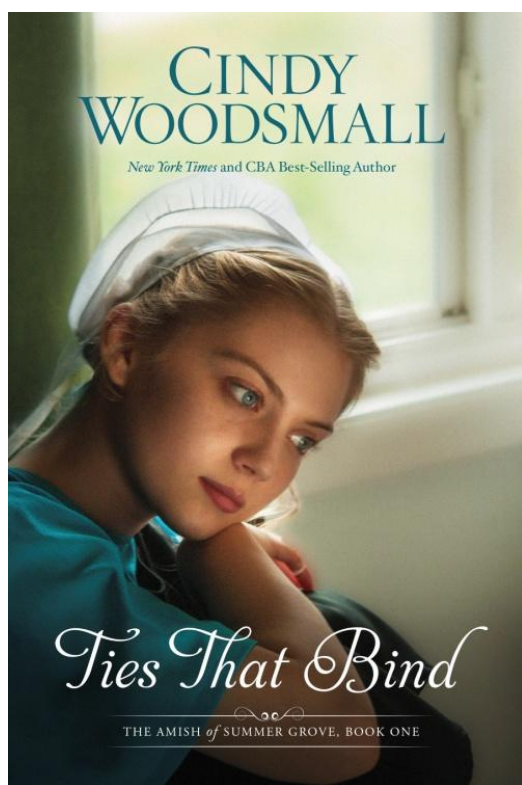


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What if Everything You Thought You Knew About Your Identity Was a Lie?



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