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Annie Dillard has written twelve books,including in nonfiction *For the Time Being, Teaching a Stone to Talk, Holy the Firm*, and *Pilgrim at Tinker Creek*. She is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Letters and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

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