

## J's Life List

- 1) ~~Write a novel I'm proud of~~ 2) Be a published novelist 3) Be part of a thriving writing community 4) Take flight 5) perform 6) Write (and see it performed) a stage play or monologue 7) Learn to belly dance 8) Become a yogi 9) Hike the Grand Canyon 10) Trek through a rainforest 11) ~~Give up meat~~ 12) Write a non-fiction book 13) Be a badass blogger 14) Visit Greece, Italy, Spain, France, Ireland, Scotland, Australia, England, Africa and all the ones I've forgotten 15) Be interviewed on NPR 16) Kiss Michael Chabon (or, you know, just meet him) 17) Create my own job title and get paid to be it 18) Watch the sunset and rise on a tropical beach 19) Meet a president 20) Go on safari 21) Take an acting class 22) Drive a motorcycle 23a) ~~Rewrite BL~~ and 23b) Launch her as she deserves — creatively, fearlessly and quite possibly against the rules 24) Live abroad 25) Learn a song on the harmonica 26) Party with locals 27) Go on a backpacking trip 28) Make a soufflé 29) Write the truth even/especially when it's hard 30) ~~Breathe underwater~~ 31) Live in a beach house 32) Undertake a completely unfamiliar art form 33) play in a drum circle 34) Get sent to a faroff place to do something necessary (a sort of peace time, artistic, Saving Private Ryan thing only more planet-saving than soldier-saving) 35) Start a non-profit 36) ~~Go backstage~~ 37) ~~Teach a class~~ 38) Walk a tightrope 39) Make a movie 40) ~~Write a script~~ 41) Be a "recognized expert" 42) Publish something outside of my comfort zone (like a mystery or a thriller or a joke book) 43) Travel unfamiliar waterways 44) Take a cross-country road trip 45) See the Northern Lights 46) Love to the edges 47) Learn the streets of San Francisco 48) Write something that changes lives 49) Make 1000 Lovely things 50) Do wondrous and unspeakable things atop a waterfall 51) ~~Get a regular writing gig~~ 52) Earn a living doing what I love 53) Ride in a gondola 54) Learn about wines 55) See the Coral Reef 56) Conquer the TBR pile 57) ~~Hula hoop like no one is watching~~ 58) Swim in a rooftop pool 59) Go on a bike trip. 60) Dance the Tango (or the salsa) — something sexy. 61) Get another degree. 62) Take a photography class. 61) Make

a documentary 62) Learn my family's history 63) Grow a substantial organic garden 64) Pass the bar 65) Get a paid regular writing gig 66) Learn massage 67) Become fluent in sign language 68) Volunteer at an animal rescue center 69) Float gently in a cove surrounded by a beautiful Mediterranean landscape 70) Go somewhere on a yacht 71) ~~Successfully meditate~~ 72) Hear whales sing 73) Find my Calcutta 74) Make the perfect mushroom lasagna 75) Go viral 76) Tool about on a Vespa 78) Make a difference 79) Crack a whip (Indiana Jones style)