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Weird Rules to Follow
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Based on the author's own experiences, a Tsimshian tween narrates her close connections to family and the power of friendship—and the pain when it fades—in this vibrant and moving story set in 1980s northern British Columbia. As Mia increasingly recognizes class and cultural differences and the racism and internalized shame that result, the snapshot-like short chapters beautifully capture a place and time and a girl coming of age.