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Miranda Green is the author of several books on ancient beliefs, including *The World of the Druids* (Thames and Hudson).

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