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## You Are a Badass®

\* Do you face life with joy & anticipation? Or trepidation & fear? \* How do you deal with changes that happen in your life or the world? Can't answer these questions? You're in good company! \* Do you feel anxious when you believe you are not in

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control and do not REALLY know what's going to happen next? Are you afraid to get up in the morning because life is scary? There are millions like you in our crazy, fast-paced modern world.\* Could it be that you are happy in your comfort zone and lost outside it? Sounds like change has you in its thrall. We are not talking clinical depression here or illness, just a general malaise that leaves you unable to carry on your life without feeling that you want to stop the world and get off. It could be just a fear of change. This can be very debilitating and leave one with an inability to see things from a positive point of view, continually thinking about the past and how much better things seemed to be back then. The past is the past.

Shakespeare: "Things without all remedy should be without regard: what's done is done." We cannot live in the past. We have no guaranteed future and this moment, the present is all we can be sure of. And this "present", will be different from those days gone by. It has to be. Ray Kroc of McDonald's fame is credited with first delivering the statement, "We are either 'green and growing', or we are 'ripe and rotting'. Change is inescapable." What this means is that we must be growing/changing each and every day. Yes, you and me and the world itself.

Things will not be the same tomorrow as they are today. It's a fact. Being afraid of change is perhaps like worrying that the sun won't come up in the morning, or that the tide won't come back in. These things WILL happen. How do you overcome this resistance to change? This wish that everything was like it was yesterday? Colin Rochford has written a lovely little book that helps you understand that not all change is bad and that even bad changes have silver linings. He includes a potted

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history of the world, (with a fantastic timeline diagram) showing a few of the massive changes that have beset the human race. The book gives you a way of understanding why changes happen, how they affect you and what to do about them. Specifically, it will help you to overcome your fear of change and turn it into a positive force for good. It will give insights into how change has been managed throughout history and helps you transform from being frightened and threatened by change to someone who embraces the very thought of it and heads out into the sea of humanity each day with a spring in his/her step, ready for whatever the universe throws out. After reading this book you will be transformed. You will no longer wish to stay in your comfort zone. You will want and need, to push past the boundary conditions of your life and leap into the unknown. Living with a growth mentality. Don't just believe me, when I say this is a book you need to read.

M.Bukowska, Indie Author, Poet September 2019  
Colin walks with us through the steps to help us navigate and welcome changes in our lives - big & small, and he keeps guiding us through the labyrinth of life and our own minds until we too, get (re)infected with Colin's zest for truly experiencing life. And if we hit a roadblock - it's ok. We have our own personal, life change coach: "Braving Change", in our pockets; and that's just book 1 of a series you don't want to miss. Mark Baggesen - September 2019  
I really like the voice and message. I think you have a winner of a book. Chapters Cover: 1. Understanding Fear, Change, & Fear Of Change 2. A Short World History Of Change 3. Why We Are Afraid Of Change 4. What We Can Do About It 5. Moving Forward With A Different Focus  
Hitch up your pants or skirts (so

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you don't trip), RUN back up to the top of this page and buy this truth-bomb now while you still can.

### **Facing the Future Without Fear**

This book is Nick Carter's autobiography and self-help hybrid in which he chronicles his struggles with a dysfunctional family and the unimaginable rigors of becoming an internationally successful pop-star at the age of 12. From his battle with addiction to serious health complications and the pain of his younger sister's tragic death, Nick leaves nothing to the imagination and offers true and heartfelt advice to help readers overcome obstacles in their own lives.

### **No Visible Bruises**

"1890, Atlanta. By day, seventeen-year-old Jo Kuan works as a lady's maid for the cruel Caroline Payne, the daughter of one of the wealthiest men in Atlanta. But by night, Jo moonlights as the pseudonymous author of a newspaper advice column for 'the genteel Southern lady'"--

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**#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER •** The brilliant coming-of-age-and-into-superstardom story of one of the greatest artists of all time, in his own words—featuring never-before-seen photos, original scrapbooks and lyric sheets, and the exquisite memoir he began writing before his tragic death **NAMED ONE OF THE BEST MUSIC BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY THE NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW AND ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY THE WASHINGTON POST AND THE GUARDIAN • NOMINATED FOR THE NAACP IMAGE AWARD** Prince was a musical genius, one of the most beloved, accomplished, and acclaimed musicians of our time. He was a startlingly original visionary with an imagination deep enough to whip up whole worlds, from the sexy, gritty funk paradise of “Uptown” to the mythical landscape of Purple Rain to the psychedelia of “Paisley Park.” But his most ambitious creative act was turning Prince Rogers Nelson, born in Minnesota, into Prince, one of the greatest pop stars of any era. *The Beautiful Ones* is the story of how Prince became Prince—a first-person account of a kid absorbing the world around him and then creating a persona, an artistic vision, and a life, before the hits and fame that would come to define him. The book is told in four parts. The first is the memoir Prince was writing before his tragic death, pages that bring us into his childhood world through his own lyrical prose. The second part takes us through Prince’s early years as a musician, before his first album was released, via an evocative scrapbook of writing and photos. The third section shows us Prince’s evolution through candid images that go up to the cusp of his greatest achievement, which we see in the book’s fourth section: his original handwritten

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treatment for *Purple Rain*—the final stage in Prince’s self-creation, where he retells the autobiography of the first three parts as a heroic journey. The book is framed by editor Dan Piepenbring’s riveting and moving introduction about his profound collaboration with Prince in his final months—a time when Prince was thinking deeply about how to reveal more of himself and his ideas to the world, while retaining the mystery and mystique he’d so carefully cultivated—and annotations that provide context to the book’s images. This work is not just a tribute to an icon, but an original and energizing literary work in its own right, full of Prince’s ideas and vision, his voice and image—his undying gift to the world.

### **The Beautiful Ones**

“Wonderful.” —Michiko Kakutani, *New York Times* Celebrating the 20th anniversary of storytelling phenomenon *The Moth*, 45 unforgettable true stories about risk, courage, and facing the unknown, drawn from the best ever told on their stages Carefully selected by the creative minds at *The Moth*, and adapted to the page to preserve the raw energy of live storytelling, *All These Wonders* features voices both familiar and new. Alongside Meg Wolitzer, John Turturro, Tig Notaro, and Hasan Minhaj, readers will encounter: an astronomer gazing at the surface of Pluto for the first time, an Afghan refugee learning how much her father sacrificed to save their family, a hip-hop star coming to terms with being a “one-hit wonder,” a young female spy risking everything as part of Churchill’s “secret army” during

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World War II, and more. High-school student and neuroscientist alike, the storytellers share their ventures into uncharted territory—and how their lives were changed indelibly by what they discovered there. With passion, and humor, they encourage us all to be more open, vulnerable, and alive.

### **When Breath Becomes Air**

A NEW YORK TIMES TOP 10 BOOKS OF THE YEAR \* NATIONAL BOOK CRITICS CIRCLE AWARD FINALIST \* LOS ANGELES TIMES BOOK PRIZE FINALIST \* HELEN BERNSTEIN BOOK AWARD FINALIST \* KIRKUS PRIZE FINALIST NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF 2019 BY: Esquire, Amazon, Kirkus, Library Journal, Publishers Weekly, BookPage, BookRiot, Economist, New York Times Staff Critics “A seminal and breathtaking account of why home is the most dangerous place to be a woman . . . A tour de force.” -Eve Ensler "Terrifying, courageous reportage from our internal war zone." -Andrew Solomon "Extraordinary." -New York Times , "Editors' Choice" "Gut-wrenching, required reading." -Esquire "Compulsively readable . . . It will save lives." -Washington Post "Essential, devastating reading." -Cheryl Strayed, New York Times Book Review An award-winning journalist's intimate investigation of the true scope of domestic violence, revealing how the roots of America's most pressing social crises are buried in abuse that happens behind closed doors. We call it domestic violence. We call it private violence. Sometimes we call it intimate terrorism. But whatever we call it, we generally do

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not believe it has anything at all to do with us, despite the World Health Organization deeming it a “global epidemic.” In America, domestic violence accounts for 15 percent of all violent crime, and yet it remains locked in silence, even as its tendrils reach unseen into so many of our most pressing national issues, from our economy to our education system, from mass shootings to mass incarceration to #MeToo. We still have not taken the true measure of this problem. In *No Visible Bruises*, journalist Rachel Louise Snyder gives context for what we don't know we're seeing. She frames this urgent and immersive account of the scale of domestic violence in our country around key stories that explode the common myths—that if things were bad enough, victims would just leave; that a violent person cannot become nonviolent; that shelter is an adequate response; and most insidiously that violence inside the home is a private matter, sealed from the public sphere and disconnected from other forms of violence. Through the stories of victims, perpetrators, law enforcement, and reform movements from across the country, Snyder explores the real roots of private violence, its far-reaching consequences for society, and what it will take to truly address it.

### **Facing the Mirror**

Humorously Uncovers the Reasons Behind Math's Dreadful Reputation and Shows us How we Can Help Prevent Our Own Children From Adopting Similar Phobic Attitudes

## **Facing the Music and Living to Talk about it**

Contains a selection of the distinguished, Pulitzer Prize-winning critic's writings on music and music criticism, composers, contemporary music, singers and vocal music, musicians, pianists, conductors, and performance practice

### **Steve Goodman**

The author shares his experiences as a member of the boy band Backstreet Boys, the health and substance abuse problems that followed, his road to recovery, and the untimely death of his younger sister, as well what he learned from it all.

## **Peace and Harmony in Daily Living**

A practical guide to overcoming fears, from the daredevil who has walked on a tightrope across Times Square and the Grand Canyon. Nik Wallenda is the face of the Flying Wallendas, the famous circus family known for performing crazy feats without safety nets. Nik is also known for his daring televised tightrope walks, including over Niagara Falls, the Grand Canyon, and, in 2020, he will walk over an active volcano. Nik is a seventh-generation member of the Flying Wallendas and has been walking the wire since he took his first steps, but he had never

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experienced fear until a tragic accident in 2017. The eight-person pyramid he and several members of his family were practicing collapsed, and five of its members fell thirty feet to the ground. Miraculously, they all survived, but the accident changed Nik's life forever. For the first time, he felt fear, and he had to learn to get past it to get back out on the wire. Most of us will never walk a tightrope, but we face things that scare us every day. Whether putting ourselves out there socially or seeking a dream job, all of us allow anxieties and fears to hold us back. Facing Fear is a reader-centric memoir, interweaving parts of Nik's personal story of the accident and how he conquered his fear with practical advice for readers to overcome whatever fears are holding them back. This practical book will help everyday people step out in faith and trust that God will hold them steady, even when they're afraid.

### **The Moment of Lift**

The Way Forward brings fresh clarity and key insights regarding the daily hazards of spiritual warfare and what it means to live out your faith. In his authentic and engaging style, Josh unpacks complicated issues like sin, death, and faith and points the way forward on the path toward spiritual maturity. With simple, helpful advice for finding and connecting with a faith community and living with purpose, this is a must read for everyone ready to take new steps in their faith journey.

### **A Beginner's Guide to the End**

Jennifer Knapp's meteoric rise in the Christian music industry ended abruptly when she walked away and came out publicly as a lesbian. This is her story—of coming to Christ, of building a career, of admitting who she is, and of how her faith remained strong through it all. At the top of her career in the Christian music industry, Jennifer Knapp quit. A few years later, she publicly revealed she is gay. A media frenzy ensued, and many of her former fans were angry with what they saw as turning her back on God. But through it all, she held on to the truth that had guided her from the beginning. In this memoir, she finally tells her story: of her troubled childhood, the love of music that pulled her through, her dramatic conversion to Christianity, her rise to stardom, her abrupt departure from Christian Contemporary Music, her years of trying to come to terms with her sexual orientation, and her return to music and Nashville in 2010, when she came out publicly for the first time. She also talks about the importance of her faith, and despite the many who claim she can no longer call herself a believer, she maintains that she is both gay and a Christian. Now an advocate for LGBT issues in the church, Jennifer has witnessed heartbreaking struggles as churches wrestle with issues of homosexuality and faith. This engrossing, inspiring memoir will help people understand her story and to believe in their own stories, whatever they may be.

## **Facing the Ocean**

YOU ARE A BADASS IS THE SELF-HELP BOOK FOR PEOPLE WHO DESPERATELY WANT TO IMPROVE THEIR LIVES BUT DON'T WANT TO GET BUSTED DOING IT. In this refreshingly entertaining how-to guide, bestselling author and world-traveling success coach, Jen Sincero, serves up 27 bitesized chapters full of hilariously inspiring stories, sage advice, easy exercises, and the occasional swear word, helping you to: Identify and change the self-sabotaging beliefs and behaviors that stop you from getting what you want, Create a life you totally love. And create it NOW, Make some damn money already. The kind you've never made before. By the end of You Are a Badass®, you'll understand why you are how you are, how to love what you can't change, how to change what you don't love, and how to use The Force to kick some serious ass.

## **Hope in the Dark**

A cloth bag containing eight copies of the title.

## **Tightrope**

She was born before women had the right to vote yet went on to become one of

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America's most influential First Ladies. A Gallup poll named her one of the most admired people of the twentieth century and she remains well known as a role model for a life well lived. Roosevelt wrote *You Learn by Living* at the age of seventy-six, just two years before her death. The commonsense ideas and heartfelt ideals presented in this volume are as relevant today as they were five decades ago. Her keys to a fulfilling life? Some of her responses include: learning to learn, the art of maturity, and getting the best out of others.

### **Living Forward**

*Living Life, Facing Death* offers a reflective perspective on how dying fits into our living, whether we are facing our own death, or that of a loved one. It is for those who would like to think deeply about the many meanings death can have as the formative culminating event of a human life.

### **The Lost Symbol**

A striking debut work of experiential reportage illuminating what fear does to us and how it's key to both staying and feeling alive. Frozen in terror during a mountain descent, award-winning journalist Eva Holland reaches her breaking point. Since childhood, she's been gripped by two debilitating phobias: fear of

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losing her mother, and fear of heights. The worst has already happened: Eva's mother died suddenly and unexpectedly in 2015. But now—after an arduous, embarrassing, and tearful finale to her ice-climbing expedition—Eva decides, enough. Fear may define her past, but she won't let it dictate her future. Thus begins Holland's quest to renegotiate her inhibiting relationship with fear. In stirring, raw prose, she reveals what it's like to live in the clutches of paralyzing dread. And with remarkable courage, she tests the limits of what one can do to live less fearfully—from engaging in daring adventure to cutting-edge research: She confronts her acrophobia by jumping out of an airplane, explores the lives of rare individuals who feel little or no fear, and meets with scientists working to eliminate phobias with a single pill. Of course, one doesn't have to go out of the way to face fear; by horrible coincidence, a series of freak accidents leaves Holland deeply shaken. Determined to stay the course, she seeks out a surprisingly effective treatment involving eye movement—to reckon with lingering trauma and anxiety to rid herself of intrusive memories and panics while driving. Ultimately, Holland's odyssey sheds light on universal questions: How do we feel fear, and why? Is fear necessary? Is it rooted in the body or the mind? And it brings her ever closer to knowing: Is there a better way to feel afraid? Finding the nerve to face down her fears, Holland not only shows us how to grapple with our own, but invites us to embrace them as a way to live happier and feel more alive.

### **When I Was a Child**

## **The Story of More**

Intimate and touching, this biography captures the warmth and wit of Steve Goodman, one of the most respected songwriters of the 1970s and early 1980s. Diagnosed with leukemia at the age of 20, this portrait tells how Goodman strove to be a model husband.

## **21 Lessons for the 21st Century**

“One of our major novelists” (Salman Rushdie) tells the story of a woman reflecting on her uncompromising life, and the life of a former lover, in this provocative novel. “Yiyun Li is one of my favorite writers, and *Must I Go* is an extraordinary book.”—Meg Wolitzer, New York Times bestselling author of *The Female Persuasion* and *The Interestings* Lilia Liska has shrewdly outlived three husbands, raised five children, and seen the arrival of seventeen grandchildren. Now she has turned her keen attention to the diary of a long-forgotten man named Roland Bouley, with whom she once had a fleeting affair. Increasingly obsessed with Roland's intimate history, Lilia begins to annotate the diary with her own rather different version of events, revealing the surprising, long-held secrets of her past. She returns inexorably to the memory of her daughter Lucy. This is a novel about life in all its

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messy glory, and of a life lived, by the extraordinary Lilia, absolutely on its own terms. With great candor and insight, Yiyun Li navigates the twin poles of grief and resilience, loss and rebirth, that compass a human heart.

### **The Way Forward**

New York Times Best Seller "A deft and uniquely credible exploration of rural America, and of other left-behind pockets of our country. One of the most important books I've read on the state of our disunion."--Tara Westover, author of *Educated* With stark poignancy and political dispassion Tightrope addresses the crisis in working-class America while focusing on solutions to mend a half century of governmental failure. Drawing us deep into an "other America," the authors tell this story, in part, through the lives of some of the people with whom Kristof grew up, in rural Yamhill, Oregon. It's an area that prospered for much of the twentieth century but has been devastated in the last few decades as blue-collar jobs disappeared. About a quarter of the children on Kristof's old school bus died in adulthood from drugs, alcohol, suicide, or reckless accidents. While these particular stories unfolded in one corner of the country, they are representative of many places the authors write about, ranging from the Dakotas and Oklahoma to New York and Virginia. With their superb, nuanced reportage, Kristof and WuDunn have given us a book that is both riveting and impossible to ignore.

### **Whatever the Cost**

The discovery of a mysterious object in the U.S. Capitol building and a subsequent kidnapping lead Harvard symbologist Robert Langdon into a web of mysterious codes, secret locations, and hidden knowledge.

### **Math**

National Book Award Finalist! Instant New York Times Bestseller! The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian meets Jane the Virgin in this poignant but often laugh-out-loud funny contemporary YA about losing a sister and finding yourself amid the pressures, expectations, and stereotypes of growing up in a Mexican American home. Perfect Mexican daughters do not go away to college. And they do not move out of their parents' house after high school graduation. Perfect Mexican daughters never abandon their family. But Julia is not your perfect Mexican daughter. That was Olga's role. Then a tragic accident on the busiest street in Chicago leaves Olga dead and Julia left behind to reassemble the shattered pieces of her family. And no one seems to acknowledge that Julia is broken, too. Instead, her mother seems to channel her grief into pointing out every possible way Julia has failed. But it's not long before Julia discovers that Olga might not have been as perfect as everyone thought. With the help of her best friend, Lorena, and her first

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love (first everything), Connor, Julia is determined to find out. Was Olga really what she seemed? Or was there more to her sister's story? And either way, how can Julia even attempt to live up to a seemingly impossible ideal?

### **Facing the Music**

“Two nationally-acclaimed real estate entrepreneurs share biblical principles to revolutionize your work and family life, and give you the courage to stand up for what is right.” This book follows the story of highly motivated and entrepreneurial twin brothers, David and Jason Benham, from their formative years and ventures into professional baseball to their rise as owners of a multi-million dollar business empire and securing an HGTV reality series. It’s a journey where the brothers learned how they must die to their dreams not just once, but twice as they walked away from baseball before being called up to the Big Show and later as their TV series was stripped away from them just before airing when the network succumbed to media pressures surrounding their faith. These experiences only helped them realize that the key to powerful living is found when you die to your dreams and face your fears, and choose to live powerfully through it all. The biblical principles they implemented to guide their work and families are revealed in practical terms to apply to our daily lives and give us courage to stand for what is right. The book will expand on principles such as: Show that You are Faithful in Little Be a Fountain to Others and not a Drain Produce More in Value than You

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Receive Work to Your Ability and not Your Pay Breathe Life into All Situations  
Remember that You are Human Beings, not Human Doings Hold to a Standard of  
Disciplined Living Don't Swing at Every Pitch Find Your Greatest Blessings on the  
Other Side of Your Greatest Fears

### **Nerve**

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • In *Sapiens*, he explored our past. In *Homo Deus*, he looked to our future. Now, one of the most innovative thinkers on the planet turns to the present to make sense of today's most pressing issues. "Fascinating . . . a crucial global conversation about how to take on the problems of the twenty-first century."—Bill Gates, *The New York Times Book Review* NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY FINANCIAL TIMES AND PAMELA PAUL, KQED How do computers and robots change the meaning of being human? How do we deal with the epidemic of fake news? Are nations and religions still relevant? What should we teach our children? Yuval Noah Harari's *21 Lessons for the 21st Century* is a probing and visionary investigation into today's most urgent issues as we move into the uncharted territory of the future. As technology advances faster than our understanding of it, hacking becomes a tactic of war, and the world feels more polarized than ever, Harari addresses the challenge of navigating life in the face of constant and disorienting change and raises the important questions we need to ask ourselves in order to survive. In twenty-one accessible chapters that

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are both provocative and profound, Harari builds on the ideas explored in his previous books, untangling political, technological, social, and existential issues and offering advice on how to prepare for a very different future from the world we now live in: How can we retain freedom of choice when Big Data is watching us? What will the future workforce look like, and how should we ready ourselves for it? How should we deal with the threat of terrorism? Why is liberal democracy in crisis? Harari's unique ability to make sense of where we have come from and where we are going has captured the imaginations of millions of readers. Here he invites us to consider values, meaning, and personal engagement in a world full of noise and uncertainty. When we are deluged with irrelevant information, clarity is power. Presenting complex contemporary challenges clearly and accessibly, *21 Lessons for the 21st Century* is essential reading. "If there were such a thing as a required instruction manual for politicians and thought leaders, Israeli historian Yuval Noah Harari's *21 Lessons for the 21st Century* would deserve serious consideration. In this collection of provocative essays, Harari . . . tackles a daunting array of issues, endeavoring to answer a persistent question: 'What is happening in the world today, and what is the deep meaning of these events?'"—BookPage (top pick)

### **I Am Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter**

From its humble start-up beginnings, AirBnB has quickly become a global

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phenomenon. Yet for as many people who love it, there are just as many who can't imagine participating in it. Letting strangers into your house? Why would someone ever choose to do that? In *The World in Your Living Room*, Lauren Meeks tells you exactly why. In her frank and story-telling style, she pokes holes in many common objections people have to hosting strangers in their home, including: -Isn't it dangerous? - What if something terrible happens? - They're so different from me! - They don't speak my language - how would we communicate with each other? - And more By addressing these objections and championing vulnerability, Lauren encourages her readers to open up their hands and homes to the unknown. To allow growth and vibrancy in their lives by embracing the unfamiliar and being willing to learn from those who are different from themselves.

### **The World in Your Living Room**

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER “In her book, Melinda tells the stories of the inspiring people she’s met through her work all over the world, digs into the data, and powerfully illustrates issues that need our attention—from child marriage to gender inequity in the workplace.” — President Barack Obama “*The Moment of Lift* is an urgent call to courage. It changed how I think about myself, my family, my work, and what’s possible in the world. Melinda weaves together vulnerable, brave storytelling and compelling data to make this one of those rare books that you carry in your heart and mind long after the last page.” — Brené Brown, Ph.D.,

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author of the New York Times #1 bestseller Dare to Lead “Melinda Gates has spent many years working with women around the world. This book is an urgent manifesto for an equal society where women are valued and recognized in all spheres of life. Most of all, it is a call for unity, inclusion and connection. We need this message more than ever.” — Malala Yousafzai “Melinda Gates's book is a lesson in listening. A powerful, poignant, and ultimately humble call to arms.” — Tara Westover, author of the New York Times #1 bestseller Educated A debut from Melinda Gates, a timely and necessary call to action for women's empowerment. “How can we summon a moment of lift for human beings – and especially for women? Because when you lift up women, you lift up humanity.” For the last twenty years, Melinda Gates has been on a mission to find solutions for people with the most urgent needs, wherever they live. Throughout this journey, one thing has become increasingly clear to her: If you want to lift a society up, you need to stop keeping women down. In this moving and compelling book, Melinda shares lessons she’s learned from the inspiring people she’s met during her work and travels around the world. As she writes in the introduction, “That is why I had to write this book—to share the stories of people who have given focus and urgency to my life. I want all of us to see ways we can lift women up where we live.” Melinda’s unforgettable narrative is backed by startling data as she presents the issues that most need our attention—from child marriage to lack of access to contraceptives to gender inequity in the workplace. And, for the first time, she writes about her personal life and the road to equality in her own marriage. Throughout, she shows

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how there has never been more opportunity to change the world—and ourselves. Writing with emotion, candor, and grace, she introduces us to remarkable women and shows the power of connecting with one another. When we lift others up, they lift us up, too.

### **Facing the Music**

There's an old joke—"What's the difference between a Sea Story and a Fairy-tale?" A Fairy-tale starts with- "Once upon a time" and ends with "They lived happily ever after." A Sea story starts with "This aint no shit." If you're listening to Sea Stories, well, you can never tell where they're going to end and they don't always end with "Living Happily Ever After." The story you are about to read sounds like a Sea Story with a back story that sounds like a Fairytale. Neither of those thoughts is true and veterans of any war would think this had to be planned by the "Big Boys" someplace. It wasn't! I was 21 and since high school I had been carrying around an old guitar that was my Dad's. He had bought a new one from my uncle. Both sides of my family are musical When I came to Gulf Port, Mississippi from Boot Camp it came with me from home as carryon baggage, when I reported to the Construction Battalion Center awaiting the Battalion's return from Nam. When they came back, again, it came with me! I always liked to play, and with somebody always around, unless someone was sleeping; I'd play after work as I was waiting for one of my friends on our way to chow, I'd play a few notes or a song before heading out. I

guess word got around because someone heard me, and told someone else. The rest just happened! Like a guitar player's dream, in the last place you'd expect a Rock, Country and Mo Town band in whose name alone stated how the people in our country felt at the time; to form and play and add a little more to rock n roll history in the War everyone at home was protesting. In some cases I only added a little to the story because my memory is foggy. But all events happened. I may have the sequence of the occurrences wrong, but they all happened. Other than the names of the guys in the band and our commanding officer, all names have been changed. The songs and partial lyrics were and are part of all of our lives living then, and since that time.

### **What You Wanna Know**

Unprecedented terror attacks and the threat of future unimaginable horrors have struck fear in all of our hearts. Lloyd John Ogilvie has put his finger on our deepest need at this troubled time--the need to respond to our fears with courage. To help us muster our courage Ogilvie analyzes the global, inner and personal causes of fear. He illustrates his message with many well-crafted anecdotes and true stories. And he prescribes biblical and practical antidotes for all of our fears, leading us to God who alone can resolve them at their roots.

## **The Moth Presents All These Wonders**

Each of us has but one life to live on this earth. What we do with it is our choice. Are we drifting through it as spectators, reacting to our circumstances when necessary and wondering just how we got to this point anyway? Or are we directing it, maximizing the joy and potential of every day, living with a purpose or mission in mind? Too many of us are doing the former--and our lives are slipping away one day at a time. But what if we treated life like the gift that it is? What if we lived each day as though it were part of a bigger picture, a plan? That's what New York Times bestselling author Michael Hyatt and executive coach Daniel Harkavy show us how to do: to design a life with the end in mind, determining in advance the outcomes we desire and path to get there. In this step-by-step guide, they share proven principles that help readers create a simple but effective life plan so that they can get from where they are now to where they really want to be--in every area of life.

## **Living Life, Facing Death**

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • From the genre-defying icon Ben Folds comes a memoir that is as nuanced, witty, and relatable as his cult-classic songs. “A Dream About Lightning Bugs reads like its author: intelligent, curious, unapologetically

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punk, and funny as hell.”—Sara Bareilles NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY NPR AND PASTE Ben Folds is a celebrated American singer-songwriter, beloved for songs such as “Brick,” “You Don’t Know Me,” “Rockin’ the Suburbs,” and “The Luckiest,” and is the former frontman of the alternative rock band Ben Folds Five. But Folds will be the first to tell you he’s an unconventional icon, more normcore than hardcore. Now, in his first book, Folds looks back at his life so far in a charming and wise chronicle of his artistic coming of age, infused with the wry observations of a natural storyteller. In the title chapter, “A Dream About Lightning Bugs,” Folds recalls his earliest childhood dream—and realizes how much it influenced his understanding of what it means to be an artist. In “Measure Twice, Cut Once” he learns to resist the urge to skip steps during the creative process. In “Hall Pass” he recounts his 1970s North Carolina working-class childhood, and in “Cheap Lessons” he returns to the painful life lessons he learned the hard way—but that luckily didn’t kill him. In his inimitable voice, both relatable and thought-provoking, Folds digs deep into the life experiences that shaped him, imparting hard-earned wisdom about both art and life. Collectively, these stories embody the message Folds has been singing about for years: Smile like you’ve got nothing to prove, because it hurts to grow up, and life flies by in seconds. Praise for A Dream About Lightning Bugs “Besides being super talented, and an incredibly poignant and multifaceted musician, Ben Folds is a fantastic author. I couldn’t put this book down—and not just because I taped it to my hand. Ben takes us into his mind and into his process from the very beginnings of his childhood to where he is

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today—one of the greatest musicians and writers that has ever graced the art.”—Bob Saget

### **Wasted Blood**

Facing the Music, Larry Brown’s first book, was originally published in 1988 to wide critical acclaim. As the St. Petersburg Times review pointed out, the central theme of these ten stories “is the ageless collision of man with woman, woman with man—with the frequent introduction of that other familiar couple, drinking and violence. Most often ugly, love is nevertheless graceful, however desperate the situation.” There’s some glare from the brutally bright light Larry Brown shines on his subjects. This is the work of a writer unafraid to gaze directly at characters challenged by crisis and pathology. But for readers who are willing to look, unblinkingly, along with the writer, there are unusual rewards.

### **You Learn by Living**

A young readers' edition of an important and inspiring true story of hope and survival during World War II. Fourteen-year-old Lisa Jura was a musical prodigy who hoped to become a concert pianist. But when Hitler's armies advanced on pre-war Vienna, Lisa's parents were forced to make a difficult decision. Able to secure

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passage for only one of their three daughters through the Kindertransport, they chose to send gifted Lisa to London for safety. As she yearned to be reunited with her family while she lived in a home for refugee children on Willesden Lane, Lisa's music became a beacon of hope. A memoir of courage and the power of music to uplift the human spirit, this compelling tribute to one special young woman and the lives she touched will both educate and inspire young readers.

### **Facing Fear**

Bestselling author Rebecca Solnit reminds us that activism has changed the world in remarkable ways.

### **The Children of Willesden Lane**

You know him as B-Rok, a front man for the Backstreet Boys. I know him as G.B., a special nickname shared only between the two of us until Now. I am Brian Littrell's first love and highschool sweetheart. Brian and I were best friends for four years. I was with the Backstreet Boys from the beginning when they were just about to catch their shooting star. From signing their record deal to touring across Europe, Brian and I were inseparable. I saw the ups and downs, and want to share this amazing story with you. Have you ever wondered what it would be like to date one

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of the Backstreet Boys? Are there questions you've always wanted to know the truth about? After the lights go down, what are The Backstreet Boys really like? I want to share with you some personal stories about the band, and some really fun, never before seen photos of Brian and The Backstreet Boys. If it could happen to me, it could happen to you, and I want you to be prepared. I'm just a normal girl who was the first love of one of The Backstreet Boys. If you're going to be the next girlfriend or just want the hottest secrets about The Backstreet Boys, I think you'll enjoy What You Wanna Know. You'll definitely feel closer to those boys you love. Have fun with it, and enjoy! Smiles, Samantha

### **A Dream About Lightning Bugs**

“A gentle, knowledgeable guide to a fate we all share” (The Washington Post): the first and only all-encompassing action plan for the end of life. “There is nothing wrong with you for dying,” hospice physician B.J. Miller and journalist and caregiver Shoshana Berger write in *A Beginner’s Guide to the End*. “Our ultimate purpose here isn’t so much to help you die as it is to free up as much life as possible until you do.” Theirs is a clear-eyed and big-hearted action plan for approaching the end of life, written to help readers feel more in control of an experience that so often seems anything but controllable. Their book offers everything from step-by-step instructions for how to do your paperwork and navigate the healthcare system to answers to questions you might be afraid to ask your doctor, like whether or not

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sex is still okay when you're sick. Get advice for how to break the news to your employer, whether to share old secrets with your family, how to face friends who might not be as empathetic as you'd hoped, and how to talk to your children about your will. (Don't worry: if anyone gets snippy, it'll likely be their spouses, not them.) There are also lessons for survivors, like how to shut down a loved one's social media accounts, clean out the house, and write a great eulogy. An honest, surprising, and detail-oriented guide to the most universal of all experiences, *A Beginner's Guide to the End* is "a book that every family should have, the equivalent of Dr. Spock but for this other phase of life" (New York Times bestselling author Dr. Abraham Verghese).

### **Facing the Music**

Are you afraid when you go to bed? This book will put good thoughts in your head.

### **Must I Go**

Trials Are Unavoidable, But They Don't Have to Define Us. In this book, author Daphne Delay teaches the simple, yet in-depth richness of our righteousness in Christ. She also shares the valuable lesson that she learned in front of her own mirror and how she was able to teach it to her son a few years before a tragic car

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accident. You will learn to see yourself as God sees you and discover the truth about God. You will learn the truth about the lies and deceptions that have held you back, and be taught how to live in the freedom that God intended you to have! The major hindrance to believing, receiving, and ultimately living, however, in the freedoms of righteousness is self—that quick-to-judge reflection in our mirrors (the one who knows all our shortcomings, mistakes, regrets, and insecurities) — the one who stifles most of our aspirations of being worthy of God's love (or anyone else's), simply because we don't love our own reflection. In this revealing message, you will:

- See yourself as God sees you.
- Learn how to drop the dead weight of guilt, condemnation, and regret.
- Discover the truth about God.
- Learn what righteousness is and the benefits that belong to every believer.
- Find out who you are despite what you've been through.
- Learn the truth about the lies and deceptions that have held you back.
- Be taught how to live in the freedom God intended you to have.

### **The Downstairs Girl**

“Hope Jahren is the voice that science has been waiting for.” —Nature “A superb account of the deadly struggle between humanity and what may prove the only life-bearing planet within ten light years, written in a brilliantly sardonic and conversational style.” —E. O. Wilson “Hope Jahren asks the central question of our time: how can we learn to live on a finite planet? The Story of More is thoughtful,

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informative, and—above all—essential.” —Elizabeth Kolbert, author of *The Sixth Extinction* Hope Jahren is an award-winning scientist, a brilliant writer, a passionate teacher, and one of the seven billion people with whom we share this earth. In *The Story of More*, she illuminates the link between human habits and our imperiled planet. In concise, highly readable chapters, she takes us through the science behind the key inventions—from electric power to large-scale farming to automobiles—that, even as they help us, release greenhouse gases into the atmosphere like never before. She explains the current and projected consequences of global warming—from superstorms to rising sea levels—and the actions that we all can take to fight back. At once an explainer on the mechanisms of global change and a lively, personal narrative given to us in Jahren’s inimitable voice, *The Story of More* is the essential pocket primer on climate change that will leave an indelible impact on everyone who reads it.

### **Braving Change**

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