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This brilliantly reported, unforgettable true story reveals how one of the most monstrous sexual criminals in the history of the Mormon church preyed on his victims even as he was protected by the church elders who knew of his behavior. When Seattle attorney Tim Kosnoff agreed to listen to an eighteen-year-old man who claimed to have been molested by his Mormon Sunday school teacher, he had no idea he was embarking on a quest for justice on behalf of multiple victims or that the battle would consume years of his life and pit him against the vast, powerful, and unrepentant Mormon church itself. As Kosnoff began to investigate the case, he discovered that the Sunday school teacher, a mysterious figure named Frank Curtis, possessed a long and violent prison record before he was welcomed into the church, where he became a respected elder entrusted with the care of prepubescent Mormon boys. Through Lisa Davis's deft storytelling, two astonishing narratives unfold. The first shows how Brother Curtis ingratiated himself into the lives of young boys from working-class Mormon families where money was tight, and was accepted by mothers and fathers who saw in him a kindly uncle or grandfather figure who enjoyed the blessing of the church. Having gained the families' trust, Curtis became fiendishly helpful, offering to supervise

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trips or overnights out of the sight of parents, when he could manipulate his victims or ply them with alcohol. The other narrative is a real-life legal thriller. As Davis shows, Kosnoff and his partners tirelessly assembled the case against the church, sifting through records, tracking down victims, and convincing them to testify about Brother Curtis's acts. What began as a case of one plaintiff turned into a complex web stretching across multiple states. Joined by what would become a team of attorneys and investigators, Kosnoff found himself up against one of the most insular institutions in the United States: the secretive and powerful Mormon church. The amazing legal case at the heart of *The Sins of Brother Curtis* shows how the church's elite, well-funded team of attorneys claimed the church was protected under the Constitution from revealing that Curtis had molested a number of Mormon boys. Yet Kosnoff and his devoted legal team (which included a female investigator adept at getting parents of victims to talk to her) succeeded in forcing the church to reveal that it knew about Curtis and ultimately achieved a successful settlement. Emotionally powerful page by page, *The Sins of Brother Curtis* delivers a redemptive reading experience in which the truth, no matter how painful and hidden, is told at last and justice is hard won. This is a remarkable story, all true. Maggie Sanders might be blind, but she won't invite anyone to her pity party.

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Ever since losing her sight six months ago, Maggie's rebellious streak has taken on a life of its own, culminating with an elaborate school prank. Maggie called it genius. The judge called it illegal. Now Maggie has a probation officer. But she isn't interested in rehabilitation, not when she's still mourning the loss of her professional-soccer dreams, and furious at her so-called friends, who lost interest in her as soon as she could no longer lead the team to victory. Then Maggie's whole world is turned upside down. Somehow, incredibly, she can see again. But only one person: Ben, a precocious ten-year-old unlike anyone she's ever met. Ben's life isn't easy, but he doesn't see limits, only possibilities. After awhile, Maggie starts to realize that losing her sight doesn't have to mean losing everything she dreamed of. Even if what she's currently dreaming of is Mason Milton, the magnetic lead singer of Maggie's new favorite band, who just happens to be Ben's brother. But when she learns the real reason she can see Ben, Maggie must find the courage to face a once-unimaginable future...before she loses everything she has grown to love.

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Clay Christensen's groundbreaking bestselling work in education now updated and expanded, including a new chapter on Christensen's seminal "Jobs to Be Done" theory applied to education. "Provocatively titled, Disrupting Class is just what America's K-12 education system needs--a well thought-through proposal for using technology to better serve students and bring our schools into the 21st Century. Unlike so many education 'reforms,' this is not small-bore stuff. For that reason alone, it's likely to be resisted by defenders of the status quo, even

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though it's necessary and right for our kids. We owe it to them to make sure this book isn't merely a terrific read; it must become a blueprint for educational transformation." —Joel Klein, Chancellor of the New York City Department of Education "A brilliant teacher, Christensen brings clarity to a muddled and chaotic world of education." —Jim Collins, bestselling author of Good to Great "Just as iTunes revolutionized the music industry, technology has the potential to transform education in America so that every one of the nation's 50 million students receives a high quality education. Disrupting Class is a must-read, as it shows us how we can blaze that trail toward transformation." —Jeb Bush, former Governor of Florida According to recent studies in neuroscience, the way we learn doesn't always match up with the way we are taught. If we hope to stay competitive-academically, economically, and technologically-we need to rethink our understanding of intelligence, reevaluate our educational system, and reinvigorate our commitment to learning. In other words, we need "disruptive innovation." Now, in his long-awaited new book, Clayton M. Christensen and coauthors Michael B. Horn and Curtis W. Johnson take one of the most important issues of our time-education-and apply Christensen's now-famous theories of "disruptive" change using a wide range of real-life examples. Whether you're a school administrator, government official, business leader, parent, teacher, or

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entrepreneur, you'll discover surprising new ideas, outside-the-box strategies, and straight-A success stories. You'll learn how: Customized learning will help many more students succeed in school Student-centric classrooms will increase the demand for new technology Computers must be disruptively deployed to every student Disruptive innovation can circumvent roadblocks that have prevented other attempts at school reform We can compete in the global classroom-and get ahead in the global market Filled with fascinating case studies, scientific findings, and unprecedented insights on how innovation must be managed, *Disrupting Class* will open your eyes to new possibilities, unlock hidden potential, and get you to think differently. Professor Christensen and his coauthors provide a bold new lesson in innovation that will help you make the grade for years to come. The future is now. Class is in session.

Curtis Mayfield was one of the seminal vocalists and most talented guitarists of his era, and his music played a vital role in the civil rights movement: "People Get Ready" was the black anthem of the time. In *Traveling Soul*, Todd Mayfield tells his famously private father's story in riveting detail. Born into dire poverty, raised in the slums of Chicago, Curtis became a musical prodigy, not only singing like a dream but growing into a brilliant songwriter. In the 1960s he opened his own label and production company and worked with many other top artists, including

the Staple Singers. Curtis's life was famously cut short by an accident that left him paralyzed, but in his declining health he received the long-awaited recognition of the music industry. Passionate, illuminating, vivid, and absorbing, *Traveling Soul* will doubtlessly take its place among the classics of music biography.

In the wake of the bombing of Pearl Harbor, the 1942 Rose Bowl was moved from Pasadena to Durham, North Carolina, out of fear of Japanese attacks on the West Coast. It remains the only Rose Bowl game to ever be played outside of Pasadena. Duke University, led by legendary coach Wallace Wade Sr., faced off against underdog Oregon State College, with both teams preparing for a grueling fight on the football field while their thoughts wandered to the battlefields they would soon be on. As the players and coaches prepared for the game, America was preparing for war. President Franklin D. Roosevelt and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill met to discuss the Allied strategy in Europe; a discussion that would change the lives of the boys and men on the field in Durham. Finally, on New Year's Day 1942, under dark gray skies and occasional rain, the two teams clashed on the gridiron in front of a crowd of 56,000, playing one of the most unforgettable games in history. Shortly afterward, many of the players and coaches entered the military and would quickly become brothers on the

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battlefield. Scattered around the globe, the lives of Rose Bowl participants would intersect in surprising ways, as they served in Iwo Jima and Normandy, Guadalcanal and the Battle of the Bulge. Four players from that Rose Bowl game would lose their lives, while many more were severely wounded. In one powerful encounter on the battlefield, OSC's Frank Parker saved the life of Duke's Charles Haynes as he lay dying on a hill in Italy. And one OSC player, Jack Yoshihara, a Japanese-American, never had the chance to play in the game or serve his country, as he was sent to an internment camp in Idaho. In this riveting an emotional tale, Brian Curtis sheds light on a little-known slice of American history and captures in gripping detail an intimate account of the teamwork, grit, and determination that took place on both the football fields and the battlefields of World War II. It was a game created by infamy and a war fought by ordinary boys who did the extraordinary.

The legendary football star draws on the highlights, triumphs, and disasters of his long and illustrious career to reveal how ambition, work ethic, and humility have played a key role in his success both on and off the playing field. Reprint. 25,000 first printing.

One of America's most successful coaches shares a compelling collection of lessons that he has learned not only about football, but also about life,

motivation, leadership, perseverance, and accomplishment.

The Art of Producing is the first book to standardize a specific production process for creating a successful music project from start to finish. Learn how to develop a step-by-step process for critiquing all of the musical components that go into creating a highly refined production that works for all styles of music. The book provides a well-rounded perspective on everything that goes into producing, including vital information on how to creatively work with bands, groups and record companies, and offers insight into high level values and secrets that famous producers have developed through years of trial and error. The book covers detailed production techniques for working with today's latest digital technologies including virtual recording, virtual instruments, and MIDI tracking. Take these concepts, adapt them to your own personal style and you will end up with a successful project of the highest attainable quality with the most potential to be become a hit – or just affect people really deeply.

The good life. In its simplest form, it is what you wish for those you love and care about, as well as for yourself. But what is it? What's the prescription? The truth of the matter is that no doctor can prescribe a pill that will make every heart content. But through the words of extraordinary men and women who have achieved a level of greatness, we can glean insights into passion, dedication, and wisdom.

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So, for today's astute students of the good life, you hold in your hands an admit-one ticket? a timeless collection of inspiration and wisdom. What you go on to do with it is up to you. "A man who views the world the same at fifty as he did at twenty has wasted thirty years of his life." ?Muhammad Ali "It's easy to make a buck. It's a lot tougher to make a difference." ?Tom Brokaw "Look, I don't want to wax philosophic, but I will say that if you're alive you've got to flap your arms and legs, you've got to jump around a lot, for life is the very opposite of death, and therefore you must at very least think noisy and colorfully, or you're not alive." ?Mel Brooks "Anytime you see a turtle up on top of a fence post, you know he had some help." ?Alex Haley "College is something you complete. Life is something you experience. So don't worry about your grade, or the results or success. Success is defined in myriad ways, and you will find it, and people will no longer be grading you, but it will come from your own internal sense of decency." ?Jon Stewart "When the heart is right, the mind and the body will follow." ?Coretta Scott King "My heroes are the ones who survived doing it wrong, who made mistakes, but recovered from them." ?Bono

The New York Times Bestseller, updated With a New Introduction This is the 20th anniversary of the explosive bestseller that changed the way the world viewed one of the greatest athletes in history, revealing for the first time Michael

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Jordan's relentless drive to win anything and everything, at any cost. NBA Hall of Fame columnist Sam Smith had unlimited access to the team and its players during their championship 1991-92 season, which he details in the new introduction, along with candid revelations about his sources, and the reaction from Michael, his teammates, the media, and the fans when the book blasted onto the bestseller lists in 1992 (where it stayed for three months). With more than a million copies in print, *The Jordan Rules* remains the ultimate inside look at one of the most legendary teams in sports history.

*MACHINE AGE: THE ROBOT GRAVEYARD* is a futuristic thriller for middle-grade readers, set in a dark and dangerous Washington DC in the year 2028. Twelve-year-old Jane and her parents are just trying to get by in an age where robot workers have taken over so many jobs that normal people struggle every day just to survive... and where the rich and the poor alike live in constant fear of a vicious gang of subhumans known as insombians. Although insombians normally prey on kids Jane's age, the Walsh family is torn apart when Jane's mother disappears in an apparent insombian attack. Jane hates to let any puzzle go unsolved, especially one that's so important, so her first instinct is to find out herself what happened to her mom. But Jane's dad has other ideas. His only concern is to keep Jane safe. That's why he comes home one day with a

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secondhand robotic nanny that he found on the black market. Jane's nanny robot is called MARY, and when the nannybot starts acting suspiciously, Jane suddenly finds herself with a new puzzle to solve. MACHINE AGE: THE ROBOT GRAVEYARD is the first in a three-part series that follows the adventures of Jane and her best friend Robbie as they try to unravel the mystery of Jane's enigmatic new nannybot. Along the way, they experience the trials and joys of their final year at Rice Underschool: giving bullies their comeuppance, competing on the varsity crossword team against their rich Overschool rivals, studying Early 21st Century History... even trying to figure out the difference between friendship and love. But these struggles and triumphs all happen under the shadow of a sinister conspiracy that is unfolding all around them. As Jane and Robbie discover more about MARY's mysterious past, they are pulled deeper into a web of secrets involving insombians, the US president, and what really happened to Jane's mom. And as they get closer to the truth, the puzzle becomes trickier, and the solution more dangerous.

An exploration of how technology and best intentions collide in the heat of war A New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice In The Bomber Mafia, Malcolm Gladwell weaves together the stories of a Dutch genius and his homemade computer, a band of brothers in central Alabama, a British psychopath, and

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pyromaniacal chemists at Harvard to examine one of the greatest moral challenges in modern American history. Most military thinkers in the years leading up to World War II saw the airplane as an afterthought. But a small band of idealistic strategists, the “Bomber Mafia,” asked: What if precision bombing could cripple the enemy and make war far less lethal? In contrast, the bombing of Tokyo on the deadliest night of the war was the brainchild of General Curtis LeMay, whose brutal pragmatism and scorched-earth tactics in Japan cost thousands of civilian lives, but may have spared even more by averting a planned US invasion. In *The Bomber Mafia*, Gladwell asks, “Was it worth it?” Things might have gone differently had LeMay’s predecessor, General Haywood Hansell, remained in charge. Hansell believed in precision bombing, but when he and Curtis LeMay squared off for a leadership handover in the jungles of Guam, LeMay emerged victorious, leading to the darkest night of World War II. *The Bomber Mafia* is a riveting tale of persistence, innovation, and the incalculable wages of war.

From the bestselling author of *Women Talking*, a “wrenchingly honest, darkly funny novel” (*Entertainment Weekly*). Elf and Yoli are sisters. While on the surface Elfrieda's life is enviable (she's a world-renowned pianist, glamorous, wealthy, and happily married) and Yolandi's a mess (she's divorced and broke,

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with two teenagers growing up too quickly), they are fiercely close-raised in a Mennonite household and sharing the hardship of Elf's desire to end her life. After Elf's latest attempt, Yoli must quickly determine how to keep her family from falling apart while facing a profound question: what do you do for a loved one who truly wants to die? All My Puny Sorrows is a deeply personal story that is as much comedy as it is tragedy, a goodbye grin from the friend who taught you how to live.

A collection of science fiction tales, including the story of a robot boy who wants nothing more than to be loved by his parents.

Risky Business. Revenge of the Nerds. Better Off Dead. Moonlighting. Supernatural. American Dad. New Girl. What do all of these movies and television shows have in common? Curtis Armstrong. A legendary comedic second banana to a litany of major stars, Curtis is forever cemented in the public imagination as Booger from Revenge of the Nerds. A classically trained actor, Curtis began his incredible 40-year career on stage but progressed rapidly to film and television. He was typecast early and it proved to be the best thing that could have happened. But there's more to Curtis' story than that. Born and bred a nerd, he spent his early years between Detroit, a city so nerdy that the word was coined there in 1951, and, improbably, Geneva, Switzerland. His adolescence

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and early adulthood was spent primarily between the covers of a book and indulging his nerdy obsessions. It was only when he found his true calling, as an actor and unintentional nerd icon, that he found true happiness. With whip-smart, self-effacing humor, Armstrong takes us on a most unlikely journey—one nerd's hilarious, often touching rise to the middle. He started his life as an outcast and matured into...well, an older, slightly paunchier, hopefully wiser outcast. In Hollywood, as in life, that counts as winning the game.

When Ada Calhoun found herself in the throes of a midlife crisis, she thought that she had no right to complain. She was married with children and a good career. So why did she feel miserable? And why did it seem that other Generation X women were miserable, too? Calhoun decided to find some answers. She looked into housing costs, HR trends, credit card debt averages, and divorce data. At every turn, she saw a pattern: sandwiched between the Boomers and the Millennials, Gen X women were facing new problems as they entered middle age, problems that were being largely overlooked. Speaking with women across America about their experiences as the generation raised to “have it all,” Calhoun found that most were exhausted, terrified about money, under-employed, and overwhelmed. Instead of their issues being heard, they were told instead to lean in, take “me-time,” or make a chore chart to get their lives and

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homes in order. In *Why We Can't Sleep*, Calhoun opens up the cultural and political contexts of Gen X's predicament and offers solutions for how to pull oneself out of the abyss—and keep the next generation of women from falling in. The result is reassuring, empowering, and essential reading for all middle-aged women, and anyone who hopes to understand them.

Born into a wealthy and powerful Boston family, Renee Charlebois has it all. Except for one small detail - she's been abducted without a trace. Who took her, and why, is a mystery. The case gets dropped on Curtis Westcott's desk, but Boston's Chief of Homicide has little to work with. No clues, no body, no motive. Renee had no enemies, no financial skeletons in the closet, and no bitter ex-boyfriends. Curtis and Aislinn Byrne, his go-to detective on tough cases, work the file hard but come up empty. Then Westcott attends a party and overhears a story that catches his attention - he and Aislinn have their first break. They dig in and unravel a complex series of crimes tied to Renee's disappearance. As they peel back the layers they are convinced Renee is still alive, but that her abductor is on a precise schedule and has every intention of killing her. It's a bizarre and twisted game, and time is quickly running out. *A Killing Game* is Book One in the Curtis Westcott series, set in Boston.

*25 Years of Hell* is not your ordinary prison book. It is a unique and personal

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story of an African American Corrections Officer in the corrupt, primarily Caucasian, upstate New York State Department of Corrections, where being Black is considered a crime. The book dives into the pervasive, systemic abuse and corruption that plagues the Department. Told from the perspective of someone who lived it – for twenty-eight years. When everyone is against you due to the color of your skin – from the civilian plumber to the highest levels in the Department, it is one racial epithet, incident or lynching, after the next. 25 Years of Hell is a case of discrimination and retaliation, jolted by an endless shot of racial steroids. While the robes and hoods of the KKK are overtly nowhere in sight, the individuals who would be wearing them are instead dressed in officer uniforms, thereby remaining covert and outside the auspices of State and Federal authorities. Hell knows no fury like a corrections officer scorned. 25 Years of Hell is a must read, tell-all story of the most ruthless and wretched racist practices, told through the lens of Curtis Brown, who barely survived the daily doses of the 25 years of racial hell he endured.

This book takes a one of a kind look at what it means, and what it takes to be a head coach in the college arena of the new millennium.

Author Marianne Curtis reveals her own personal, heart-wrenching, and, ultimately, inspiring story in Finding Gloria. Her past is laid bare in achingly

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honest detail, and her willingness to share her story with resonate with readers everywhere. Pouring her own hardships out onto the page, Marianne Curtis recounts her experiences growing up as an adopted child: adopted at birth, she was raised in a household where she was subjected to terrible and heart breaking forms of abuse. Her adoptive mother repeatedly tried to break her spirit, insisting that she was worthless and unwanted. In a desperate attempt to escape her circumstance, Curtis fled, as a teenager, to another city. Desperate for acceptance and love, she married at age eighteen, and, by twenty-four, had four children. Her insecurities from her traumatic childhood followed her, however, and eventually led to the dissolution of three marriages and her own mental breakdown. Finally, after the death of her adoptive mother, Curtis searched out her birth family, found them through Facebook, and eventually came to a place of love, healing, peace, and acceptance through the family she had not known for more than four decades. An inspiring story about rising from the ashes of our pasts, Marianne Curtis' memoir is written in a pure, vivid voice, and draws readers in with her will to survive despite the seemingly insurmountable struggles that she faced. Finding Gloria is one woman's incredible story of love, loss, redemption, and forgiveness, even in the face of devastating events. A beautiful and moving tale, Curtis' raw emotion and fragile hope is revealed through her

candid prose and unbreakable spirit.

“Time is something that cannot be bought, it cannot be wagered with God and it is not in endless supply. Time is simply how you live your life.” —Craig Sager

Thanks to an eccentric wardrobe filled with brightly-colored suits and a love of sports that knows no bounds, Craig Sager is one of the most beloved and recognizable broadcasters on television. So when the sports world learned that he was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia (AML) there was an outpouring of love and support from everyone who was inspired by his colorful life and his fearless decision to continue doing the job he loved—despite being told that he would have only three-to-six months to live. Sager has undergone three stem cell transplants—with his son as the donor for two of them—and more than twenty chemotherapy cycles. In *Living Out Loud*, Craig Sager shares incredible stories from his remarkable career and chronicles his heroic battle. Whether he’s sprinting across Wrigley Field mid-game as a college student with cops in pursuit, chasing down Hank Aaron on the field for an interview after Aaron broke Babe Ruth’s home run record, running with the bulls in Pamplona, or hunkering down to face the daunting physical challenges of fighting leukemia, Craig Sager is always ready to defy expectations, embrace life, and live it to the fullest. Including a foreword by Charles Barkley and with unique insight from his son Craig Sager

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II, this entertaining, honest, and introspective account of a life lived in sports reveals the enduring lessons Sager has learned throughout his career and reminds you that no matter what life throws at you, to always look at the bright side.

This book provides solutions for securing important data stored in something as nebulous sounding as a cloud. A primer on the concepts behind security and the cloud, it explains where and how to store data and what should be avoided at all costs. It presents the views and insight of the leading experts on the state of cloud computing security and its future. It also provides no-nonsense info on cloud security technologies and models. *Securing the Cloud: Security Strategies for the Ubiquitous Data Center* takes the position that cloud security is an extension of recognized, established security principles into cloud-based deployments. It explores how those principles can be put into practice to protect cloud-based infrastructure and data, traditional infrastructure, and hybrid architectures combining cloud and on-premises infrastructure. Cloud computing is evolving so rapidly that regulations and technology have not necessarily been able to keep pace. IT professionals are frequently left to force fit pre-existing solutions onto new infrastructure and architectures for which they may be very poor fits. This book looks at how those "square peg/round hole" solutions are

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implemented and explains ways in which the pegs, the holes, or both may be adjusted for a more perfect fit.

Presents a collection of inspiring letters from those affected by the September 11 terrorist attacks, who offer a unique perspective on that day and honor their loved ones by living with purpose.

Celebrate the 25th anniversary of this Newbery and Coretta Scott King Honoree about a hilarious family on a road-trip at one of the most important times in America's history. This special edition makes a perfect gift and includes bonus content! Enter the hilarious world of ten-year-old Kenny and his family, the Weird Watsons of Flint, Michigan. There's Momma, Dad, little sister Joetta, and brother Byron, who's thirteen and an "official juvenile delinquent." When Byron gets to be too much trouble, they head South to Birmingham to visit Grandma, the one person who can shape him up. And they'll be in Birmingham during one of the darkest moments in America's history. "Every so often a book becomes a modern classic almost as soon as it arrives on bookshelves. That happened in the mid-'90s when Christopher Paul Curtis released his first book, *The Watsons Go to Birmingham--1963*." --NPR "One of the best novels EVER." --Jacqueline Woodson, Newbery Honor and National Book Award–winning author of *Brown Girl Dreaming*

When her mom becomes obsessed with taking selfies, a little girl must bring her back to reality. In the wake of the bombing of Pearl Harbor, the 1942 Rose Bowl was moved from Pasadena to Duke University out of fear of further Japanese attacks on the West Coast. Shortly after this unforgettable game, many of the players and coaches left their respective colleges, entered

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the military, and went on to serve around the world in famous battlegrounds, from Iwo Jima and Okinawa to Normandy and the Battle of the Bulge, where fate and destiny would bring them back together on faraway battlefields, fighting on the same team. *Fields of Battle* is a powerful story that sheds light on a little-known slice of American history where World War II and football intersect. Author Brian Curtis captures in gripping detail an intimate account of the teamwork, grit, and determination that took place on both the football and battle fields.

“All my life I had one dream and that was to be in the movies.” He was the Golden Boy of the Golden Age. A prince of the silver screen. Dashing and debonair, Tony Curtis arrived on the scene in a blaze of bright lights and celluloid. His good looks, smooth charm, and natural talent earned him fame, women, and adulation—Elvis copied his look and the Beatles put him on their Sgt. Pepper album cover. But the Hollywood life of his dreams brought both invincible highs and debilitating lows. Now, in his captivating, no-holds-barred autobiography, Tony Curtis shares the agony and ecstasy of a private life in the public eye. No simple tell-all, *American Prince* chronicles Hollywood during its heyday. Curtis revisits his immense body of work—including the unforgettable classics *Houdini*, *Spartacus*, and *Some Like It Hot*—and regales readers with stories of his associations with Frank Sinatra, Laurence Olivier, director Billy Wilder, and film industry heavyweight Lew Wasserman, as well as paramours Natalie Wood and Marilyn Monroe, among others. As forthright as he is enthralling, Tony Curtis offers intimate glimpses into his succession of failed marriages (and the one that has endured), his destructive drug addiction, and his passion as a painter. Written with humor and grace, *American Prince* is a testament to the power of living the life of one’s dreams.

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collision between two dirt bikes Friday night has resulted in the death of a 14-year-old youth from Landmark. RCMP said Brian Mark Kauenhofen was killed when he rear-ended a second bike driven by another youth and a female passenger. The other two riders escaped with minor injuries. In Brian's Last Ride the author brings the reader to the scene of an unintentional hit-and-run; then walks them through the aftermath.

“A vivid exploration of one man's lifelong obsession with an idea . . . Egan's spirited biography might just bring [Curtis] the recognition that eluded him in life.” —Washington Post Edward Curtis was charismatic, handsome, a passionate mountaineer, and a famous portrait photographer, the Annie Leibovitz of his time. He moved in rarefied circles, a friend to presidents, vaudeville stars, leading thinkers. But when he was thirty-two years old, in 1900, he gave it all up to pursue his Great Idea: to capture on film the continent's original inhabitants before the old ways disappeared. Curtis spent the next three decades documenting the stories and rituals of more than eighty North American tribes. It took tremendous perseverance—ten years alone to persuade the Hopi to allow him to observe their Snake Dance ceremony. And the undertaking changed him profoundly, from detached observer to outraged advocate. Curtis would amass more than 40,000 photographs and 10,000 audio recordings, and he is credited with making the first narrative documentary film. In the process, the charming rogue with the grade school education created the most definitive archive of the American Indian. “A darn good yarn. Egan is a muscular storyteller and his book is a rollicking page-turner with a colorfully drawn hero.” —San Francisco Chronicle “A riveting biography of an American original.” —Boston Globe

Perceptual drawing, in which one renders the physical world as it appears to an observer, is

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the focus of this new text for the introductory drawing course. With an emphasis on progressive skill development, Drawing from Observation offers a balanced mix of hands-on technique and perceptual theory while making a compelling argument for the long-term value of studying perception-based drawing.

The original Nonscience was being written in 1970, and it caused a sensation. It was translated, it featured on television, and was widely reviewed. So, to celebrate its fiftieth birthday, it has been republished with a fully updated section for every chapter, so we can follow how its predictions came true. This extraordinary book opens our eyes to a world dominated by Experts. For these all-powerful people, public image and media exposure is all that matters. The old idea of a scientist, driven by a desire to find out the truth, has been superseded by the Expert, who uses confusing language to dominate us all and gain colossal grants of money. Now that we have the internet, there's no need for schools. They have become a state-funded baby-sitting service for working parents. And why do youngsters clamour to go to university? It certainly isn't to broaden their minds--they go because they want to stay up all night, get drunk, get high, and get laid. Experts study the weirdest things. There is a bird called Bugaranus, a fungus they have named Spongiforma squarepantsii, a beetle called Agra cadabra and fly named Pieza rhea. They are all real! Encyclopaedias copy facts

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from each other, so they are riddled with mistakes. You will find published biographies of people like Dag Henrik Esrup-Hellerup, Guglielmo Baldini, and Lillian Virginia Mountweazel--all invented to help fill the pages. None of them was real. We are surrounded by myths and fake news. No, the Amazon rainforest is not the 'lungs of the world', and never has been. Rainforests contribute no oxygen at all to the air we breathe. Our hysteria about plastic is similarly misplaced. Experts prey on the public because people are ignorant of what's going on. We believe that Experts use long words to aid communication. Ford reveals he truth--the terms are there simply to keep outsiders in the dark. This book should be read by everybody with a wish to understand the modern world. Huge enterprises (like the Human Genome Project and the Large Hadron Collider) have conned us all out of billions of pounds, while smaller teams had better results at a fraction of the cost. It is time to call a halt to this global confidence trick--and Nonscience Returns is the book that will guide us. "Brian Curtis tells the stories behind the stories. He brings the meetings, practice sessions, recruiting calls and game day experience to light like never before. Fans who want to know what goes on behind the scenes will find out in this book." –RON ZOOK, head football coach, the University of Florida In Every Week a Season, acclaimed sports reporter and author Brian Curtis takes readers

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on an unprecedented whirlwind tour of NCAA Division I football. It's a world that breeds great drama, a world that millions watch but few understand. It is a multibillion-dollar business. It is an obsession. To get to the beating heart of college football, Curtis embarked on a breakneck itinerary that took him where all red-blooded college football fans long to be: behind the scenes at nine big-time programs. In nine weeks, Curtis visited Colorado State University, the University of Georgia, Boston College, the University of Tennessee, the University of Maryland, the University of Wisconsin, Louisiana State University, Florida State University, and Arizona State University. He braved the rain to watch Wisconsin pull off the upset of the year; he was at Neyland Stadium to see Tennessee manage a thrilling overtime victory; he was in Tallahassee to witness Florida State's dramatic double overtime battle for the ACC title. As added bonuses, he was with Georgia when the team fought for the SEC Championship, and on the LSU sideline when the boys from Baton Rouge defeated Oklahoma to capture the BCS National Championship. At each stop, he brings us inside the game's inner sanctum: in team meetings and scouting sessions; on the field and on the sidelines, during scrimmages, practices, and games; at pre-game traditions, meals, and religious services; in the locker room before the game and at half-time. Virtually nothing and no one was off-limits. Along with the players, Curtis

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got to know the coaches—from the young guns to the legends—spending time with them in their offices and on the road. We see firsthand the challenges of running a major college football program—when called on, coaches must serve as CEOs, PR gurus, lawyers, politicians, and policemen. We also learn of the sacrifices made by wives and children that enable coaches to keep the numerous young athletes under their supervision focused, secure, and happy. Brian Curtis gives a no-holds-barred insider's account that will rank as one of the most honest and accurate books on big-time sports in America. Short of strapping on a helmet, you'll never get closer to the game.

An inspiring case for practicing civil disobedience as a way of life, and a clear vision for a better world—full of play, caring, and human connection. In an era of peak global suffering and uncertainty, there has never been a more opportune time to re-think and re-build our entire social order. And it has never been more clear that our politicians and authorities will not be up to the task . . . only we can create the world we actually want to live in. And we can do it now. In *Living in a World that Can't Be Fixed*, Curtis White argues that the only way to save the planet, bypass social antagonisms, and build communities that actually work for us is through a strong and vital counterculture. He shows us the legacy and effectiveness of countercultural movements that existed long before the storied

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1960s and imagines the similar sweeping changes we could make today—including where we live, how we work, what we eat, and the media we consume. White—“the most inspiringly wicked social critic of the moment” (Will Blythe, Elle)—reveals how the products of our current so-called resistance, from Ken Burns to Black Panther, rarely offer a meaningful challenge to power, and how our loyalty to the “American Lifestyle” is self-defeating and keeps us from making any real social change. The world has been turned upside down, but thankfully we now have a guide for righting it on our terms.

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The overwhelming majority of a software system’s lifespan is spent in use, not in design or implementation. So, why does conventional wisdom insist that software engineers focus primarily on the design and development of large-scale computing systems? In this collection of essays and articles, key members of Google’s Site Reliability Team explain how and why their commitment to the entire lifecycle has enabled the company to successfully build, deploy, monitor, and maintain some of the largest software systems in the world. You’ll learn the principles and practices that enable Google engineers to make systems more scalable, reliable, and efficient—lessons directly applicable to your organization. This book is divided into four sections: Introduction—Learn what site reliability

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