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An extraordinary "practical resource for beginners" looking to write their own memoir—now new and revised (Kirkus Reviews)! The greatest story you could write is one you've experienced yourself. Knowing where to start is the hardest part, but it just got a little easier with this essential guidebook for anyone wanting to write a memoir. Did you know that the #1 thing that baby boomers want to do in retirement is write a book—about themselves? It's not that every person has lived such a unique or dramatic life, but we inherently understand that writing a memoir—whether it's a book, blog, or just a letter to a child—is the single greatest path to self-examination. Through the use of disarmingly frank, but wildly fun tactics that offer you simple and effective guidelines that work, you can stop treading water in writing exercises or hiding behind writer's block. Previously self-published under the title, *Writing What You Know: Raelia*, this book has found an enthusiastic audience that now writes with intent. *180 Days of Writing* is an easy-to-use resource that will teach third grade students to become efficient writers.

Each two-week unit covers one writing standard centered on high-interest themes. Through daily practice that is easy to implement, students will strengthen their language and grammar skills while practicing the steps of the writing process including prewriting, drafting, revising, and editing. Helpful tools are provided to help teachers differentiate instruction and for formative assessment. These standards-based activities correlate to state standards and College and Career Readiness. Write Essays, Reports, Emails—Anything—Better, Easier, and Faster

A friend once told me, "I hate writing. I prefer math because there's one right answer." Trust me, it's not the first time I've heard those sentences as an English teacher. For so many people, writing is a difficult, time-consuming, stressful chore. But what if I gave you the "right answers" that other teachers never knew to tell you? "How to Write an Essay like an Equation: Write Better, Easier, Faster" is the perfect book for busy students and professionals who want short, practical solutions to their writing challenges. This concise writing guide will help you: Understand the types of audiences every writer faces; Establish an engaging sense of purpose in everything you write; Grasp the main genres of academic and professional writing; Get a main idea across more clearly and persuasively; Support main ideas with compelling evidence and clear structure; Link ideas to each other, creating "flow;" Edit sentences for greater clarity; and Use simple strategies for improving your writing process. Learning about these topics would usually require enrolling in a 16-week course and paying hundreds, if not thousands, of dollars in tuition. You're frugal and busy, though, so I save you all of that money, time, and effort. "How to Write an Essay like an Equation offers writers of all levels an engaging read and an innovative step-by-step approach to writing. I especially appreciate the thought-exercises and activities at the end of each chapter—reflection and application! This book has become my go-to recommendation for student writers." – Jennifer Weiss, Director of an university writing center

"The book will teach you how to highlight your main ideas, link thoughts and sentences, and edit your own work. You want this book if you find writing to be a fuzzy, amorphous activity and want clear steps to follow for creating solid written work." – Rebecca Helton, Edge for Scholars

I can teach only so many students in a class, but by publishing this book, I'm able to offer my best writing

instruction in a much cheaper, faster, easier package. If you improved your writing, how would your life improve? What are you waiting for? All academics need to write, and many struggle to finish their dissertations, articles, books, or grant proposals. Writing is hard work and can be difficult to wedge into a frenetic academic schedule. This revised and updated edition of Paul Silvia's popular guide provides practical, light-hearted advice to help academics overcome common barriers and become productive writers. Silvia's expert tips have been updated to apply to a wide variety of disciplines, and this edition has a new chapter devoted to grant and fellowship writing. George Orwell set out 'to make political writing into an art', and to a wide extent this aim shaped the future of English literature - his descriptions of authoritarian regimes helped to form a new vocabulary that is fundamental to understanding totalitarianism. While 1984 and Animal Farm are amongst the most popular classic novels in the English language, this new series of Orwell's essays seeks to bring a wider selection of his writing on politics and literature to a new readership. In *Why I Write*, the first in the *Orwell's Essays* series, Orwell describes his journey to becoming a writer, and his movement from writing poems to short stories to the essays, fiction and non-fiction we remember him for. He also discusses what he sees as the 'four great motives for writing' - 'sheer egoism', 'aesthetic enthusiasm', 'historical impulse' and 'political purpose' - and considers the importance of keeping these in balance. *Why I Write* is a unique opportunity to look into Orwell's mind, and it grants the reader an entirely different vantage point from which to consider the rest of the great writer's oeuvre. 'A writer who can - and must - be rediscovered with every age.' - *Irish Times*

Have you been meaning to write a book all your life? Do you have a story in your head that won't go away? Well, isn't it about time you did something about that? Written by professional writer, blogger, and television critic Brandon Scott, this book will not only teach you how to write a book, but also what it really takes to be a writer. Presented in short, actionable instructions and easy-to-read references, it'll take you through the steps to not only write one book, but to always be able to write a book. It may not be your fault that you've still not completed your book. There's simply mindset, routines, and learnable skills you've been missing. So, let's change all that. Let's make you an author. Writing a book is not a guaranteed

fast track to vast royalty windfalls and bestseller fame and fortune. Nor is it an ego trip to be put off until retirement. Writing a high quality, content-rich, non-fiction business book to showcase your expertise and promote your brand is the smartest and most cost-effective marketing and business development decision you'll ever make. In 2006 RainToday.com and Wellesley Hills Group published a report called *The Business Impact of Writing a Book*. Of the business book authors surveyed: 94 percent reported that their book improved their brand. 95 percent reported that their book generated more speaking engagements. 96 percent reported that their book generated more clients. 94 percent reported that their book generated more leads. 87 percent reported that their book allowed them to charge higher fees. 87 percent reported that their book allowed them to generate a more desirable client base. 76 percent reported that their book allowed them to close more deals. The overwhelming outcome of this research was, "Assuming you have something worthwhile to say in a book, write one!"

How to Write a Book in 33 Days will explore the numerous benefits of becoming an author and take you through a systematic process to help you travel from an idea on a blank screen to a finished manuscript faster than you ever dreamed possible. It will also walk you through the various publishing options available to you and explore the pros and cons of each.

About the Author: Karen McCreadie is a professional author and ghostwriter. She has written over 35 books, including several international bestsellers. Karen has been commissioned to write for mainstream publishers, including John Wiley & Sons, Marshall Cavendish and Infinite Ideas. And for the record, Karen is not a trained writer so if she can do it - so can you!

New York Times Bestseller • From the "best advice columnist of her generation" (*Esquire*) comes a hilarious, frank, and witty collection of all-new responses, plus a few greatest hits from the beloved "Ask Polly" column in New York magazine's *The Cut*. Should you quit your day job to follow your dreams? How do you rein in an overbearing mother? Will you ever stop dating wishy-washy, noncommittal guys? Should you put off having a baby for your career? Heather Havrilesky is here to guide you through the "what if's" and "I don't know's" of modern life with the signature wisdom and tough love her readers have come to expect. Whether she's responding to cheaters or loners, lovers or haters, the anxious or the down-and-out, Havrilesky writes with

equal parts grace, humor, and compassion to remind you that even in your darkest moments you're not alone. How do you raise children who love to write? Jennifer Hallissy believes that if you give children a solid foundation of writing basics, they will develop a love of writing that lasts a lifetime. In this book, she shares the secrets for supporting young writers, from the smallest of scribblers to middle-schoolers mastering script. You play an important role in nurturing your child's writing development. You are your child's first writing teacher, and their most important writing role model. From teaching your child how to hold a pencil and form the letters of the alphabet, to creating writing spaces and meaningful writing rituals at home, this book gives you all of the information and inspiration you need to raise a confident writer. Fifty-two playful activities are presented as ways to invite your child to write. Each activity offers specific suggestions to meet the needs of Scribblers (pre-writers), Spellers (emerging writers), Storytellers (beginner writers), and Scholars (more experienced young writers)—providing the just-right combination of fun and functional skill development. The Write Start is a treasure trove of irresistible ideas that will help you introduce your child to the wonderful world of writing, now, and for years to come. Ready to write your book? So why haven't you done it yet? If you're like most nonfiction authors, fears are holding you back. Sound familiar? Is my idea good enough? How do I structure a book? What exactly are the steps to write it? How do I stay motivated? What if I actually finish it, and it's bad? Worst of all: what if I publish it, and no one cares? How do I know if I'm even doing the right things? The truth is, writing a book can be scary and overwhelming—but it doesn't have to be. There's a way to know you're on the right path and taking the right steps. How? By using a method that's been validated with thousands of other Authors just like you. In fact, it's the same exact process used to produce dozens of big bestsellers—including David Goggins's *Can't Hurt Me*, Tiffany Haddish's *The Last Black Unicorn*, and Joey Coleman's *Never Lose a Customer Again*. The Scribe Method is the tested and proven process that will help you navigate the entire book-writing process from start to finish—the right way. Written by 4x New York Times Bestselling Author Tucker Max and publishing expert Zach Obront, you'll learn the step-by-step method that has helped over 1,500 authors write and publish their books. Now a

Wall Street Journal Bestseller itself, *The Scribe Method* is specifically designed for business leaders, personal development gurus, entrepreneurs, and any expert in their field who has accumulated years of hard-won knowledge and wants to put it out into the world. Forget the rest of the books written by pretenders. This is the ultimate resource for anyone who wants to professionally write a great nonfiction book. Wondering how to go about writing a great essay? Maybe you don't have much time because your essay is due to be submitted tomorrow or even in a couple of hours... Whether you want to learn how to write better essays, a report, a small part of a research paper or just how to use APA and MLA format for citing quotations; you'll find all the info you'll need to get it done, in this book. *Journey of an Essay Writer* is highly recommended for anyone who needs to brush up on their essay writing skills, quickly. It doesn't matter what your current writing skills are. Each chapter is purposely written with you in mind, so that you can jump into any chapter, without reading any of the others, grab the info you need and start writing your essay. *Journey of an Essay Writer* takes you to a world where writing a great essay is as easy as 123. Ready to establish a consistent writing habit, once and for all? Monica Leonelle digs into the best literature on forming habits and shares the top strategies professional authors are using to make sure they write each and every day. Each tip is easy to implement and will get you writing more in the "in-betweens"—the inactive moments of your life where you are commuting, waiting in line, or otherwise physically stuck with your brain unoccupied! If you've struggled to find time to write due to a day job, family, or an active, busy lifestyle, this book will help you clear your blocks around writing for good and get you writing more often, just a few words at a time. For writers who still haven't found their rhythm and don't have time for long experiments, tracking spreadsheets, or full pomodoros—establish a writing habit that actually fits into your life! **BONUS:** This book includes the full 8x8 Challenge: 8 days to implement the very best shortcuts to writing more, 8 minutes at a time! When 16-year-old poetry blogger Tessa Dickinson is involved in a car accident and loses her eyesight for 100 days, she feels like her whole world has been turned upside-down. Terrified that her vision might never return, Tessa feels like she has nothing left to be happy about. But when her grandparents place an ad in the local newspaper looking for a

typist to help Tessa continue writing and blogging, an unlikely answer knocks at their door: Weston Ludovico, a boy her age with bright eyes, an optimistic smile...and no legs. Knowing how angry and afraid Tessa is feeling, Weston thinks he can help her. But he has one condition -- no one can tell Tessa about his disability. And because she can't see him, she treats him with contempt: screaming at him to get out of her house and never come back. But for Weston, it's the most amazing feeling: to be treated like a normal person, not just a sob story. So he comes back. Again and again and again. Tessa spurns Weston's "obnoxious optimism", convinced that he has no idea what she's going through. But Weston knows exactly how she feels and reaches into her darkness to show her that there is more than one way to experience the world. As Tessa grows closer to Weston, she finds it harder and harder to imagine life without him -- and Weston can't imagine life without her. But he still hasn't told her the truth, and when Tessa's sight returns he'll have to make the hardest decision of his life: vanish from Tessa's world...or overcome his fear of being seen.

100 Days of Sunlight is a poignant and heartfelt novel by author Abbie Emmons. If you like sweet contemporary romance and strong family themes then you'll love this touching story of hope, healing, and getting back up when life knocks you down.

From one of Africa's most influential and eloquent essayists, a posthumous collection that highlights his biting satire and subversive wisdom on topics from travel to cultural identity to sexuality "A fierce literary talent . . . [Wainaina] shines a light on his continent without cliché?"—The Guardian "Africa is the only continent you can love—take advantage of this. . . . Africa is to be pitied, worshipped, or dominated. Whichever angle you take, be sure to leave the strong impression that without your intervention and your important book, Africa is doomed."

Binyavanga Wainaina was a pioneering voice in African literature, an award-winning memoirist and essayist, and a gatherer of literary communities. Before his tragic death in 2019 at the age of forty-seven, he won the Caine Prize for African Writing and was named one of Time's 100 Most Influential People. His wildly popular essay "How to Write About Africa," an incisive and unapologetic piece exposing the harmful and racist ways Western media depicts Africa with implicit bias and subjective clichés, changed the game for African writers and helped set the stage for a new generation of authors, from

Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie to Yaa Gyasi. When Wainaina published a "lost chapter" of his 2011 memoir as an essay called "I Am a Homosexual, Mum," which imagines coming out to his mother, he became a voice for the queer African community as well, adding a new layer to how African sexuality is perceived. *How to Write About Africa* collects these powerful pieces in a lively and imaginative set of essays about sexuality, art, history, and contemporary Africa. Wainaina's writing is playful, robust, generous, and full-bodied. He describes the modern world with sensual, emotional, and psychological detail, giving us a full-color view of a country and continent. These works present a portrait of a giant in African literature who left a tremendous legacy. Chronicles Heinrich Harrer's first attempt to climb the north face of the Swiss Eiger mountain in 1938. "Irreverent." "Funny." "Essential." Read this book before you publish your book. You just wrote your first book. And there you are. Stark naked. Vulnerable. Wondering what to do next to get your masterpiece published. This is the one book you need to read and follow if you're writing a book for the first time. Why? Because you've never written a book before. This is new territory. To write a successful book, you need to find and work with an editor who shares your passion for your work and your message and who will help you make your book sing. And sing a smash hit. A blockbuster of a message, clearly and carefully constructed so readers love you and your work and leave you five-star Amazon reviews only because they don't have more stars to give. This is a toolkit for tinkering under the hood of your working manuscript so you, the author, can take your work as far as you can before an edit and production such as cover design and not dump a half-baked chocolate cake on some poor schlub of an editor to "fix." Don't make first-time author mistakes. No matter what you think, you do need an edit. Not the English teacher next door. You can't self-edit either. A professional editor knows how to navigate those thorny commas and can solve your organizational questions. An editor can guide you through the murky waters of modifiers and passive sentences, correct typos, and get your book manuscript polished and on its way to production. Even if you slept through English class, never turned in book reports, and don't know a thing about publishing the book of your dreams, your name is on the cover and you don't want to be embarrassed. Turn your vulnerability into confidence with these insider secrets to publishing success when working

with an editor. No, this is not a grammar book (ick) or a guide to self-editing (can't be done well). This is not a dry, boring book about usage or sentence structure. Although the author, a veteran nonfiction editor, specializes in memoir, true crime, business/leadership, and self-help, her advice holds true for fiction writers as well. Get your questions answered (and more): Why do I need an editor? How do I find an editor? What do editors do? And how much do they cost? What are the levels of edit? Developmental? Line edit? Copy edit? Proofreading? How do I know what level of editing my manuscript needs? Will an editor tell me if my manuscript sucks? Why do words make a difference? Which words do I overuse? Which words should I never use? How do I know when I'm done writing? How can I work with a cover designer and audiobook engineer? Can my local bookstore help me? Do I need beta readers? BONUS Checklist for Authors to Fine-Tune a Manuscript before Editing Begins BUY a copy today, because you need to know these insider secrets to successfully work with an editor on your way to publishing success. With more than a hundred published novels and more than seventeen million copies of his books in print, USA Today bestselling author Dean Wesley Smith knows how to outline. And he knows how to write a novel without an outline. In this WMG Writer's Guide, Dean takes you step-by-step through the process of writing without an outline and explains why not having an outline boosts your creative voice and keeps you more interested in your writing. Want to enjoy your writing more and entertain yourself? Then toss away your outline and Write into the Dark. The book that Inc. says "every entrepreneur should read" and an FT Book of the Month selection... How did the movie The Shawshank Redemption fail at the box office but go on to gross more than \$100 million as a cult classic? How did The 48 Laws of Power miss the bestseller lists for more than a decade and still sell more than a million copies? How is Iron Maiden still filling stadiums worldwide without radio or TV exposure forty years after the band was founded? Bestselling author and marketer Ryan Holiday calls such works and artists perennial sellers. How do they endure and thrive while most books, movies, songs, video games, and pieces of art disappear quickly after initial success? How can we create and market creative works that achieve longevity? Holiday explores this mystery by drawing on his extensive experience working with businesses and creators such as Google, American Apparel, and the author John Grisham, as well as his interviews

with the minds behind some of the greatest perennial sellers of our time. His fascinating examples include: • Rick Rubin, producer for Adele, Jay-Z, and the Red Hot Chili Peppers, who teaches his artists to push past short-term thinking and root their work in long-term inspiration. • Tim Ferriss, whose books have sold millions of copies, in part because he rigorously tests every element of his work to see what generates the strongest response. • Seinfeld, which managed to capture both the essence of the nineties and timeless themes to become a modern classic. • Harper Lee, who transformed a muddled manuscript into *To Kill a Mockingbird* with the help of the right editor and feedback. • Winston Churchill, Stefan Zweig, and Lady Gaga, who each learned the essential tenets of building a platform of loyal, dedicated supporters. Holiday reveals that the key to success for many perennial sellers is that their creators don't distinguish between the making and the marketing. The product's purpose and audience are in the creator's mind from day one. By thinking holistically about the relationship between their audience and their work, creators of all kinds improve the chances that their offerings will stand the test of time. NATIONAL BESTSELLER • Soon to be a Hulu Original series • The internationally acclaimed author of *Wild* collects the best of *The Rumpus's* Dear Sugar advice columns plus never-before-published pieces. Rich with humor and insight—and absolute honesty—this "wise and compassionate" (*New York Times Book Review*) book is a balm for everything life throws our way. Life can be hard: your lover cheats on you; you lose a family member; you can't pay the bills—and it can be great: you've had the hottest sex of your life; you get that plum job; you muster the courage to write your novel. Sugar—the once-anonymous online columnist at *The Rumpus*, now revealed as Cheryl Strayed, author of the bestselling memoir *Wild*—is the person thousands turn to for advice. Umberto Eco's wise and witty guide to researching and writing a thesis, published in English for the first time. By the time Umberto Eco published his best-selling novel *The Name of the Rose*, he was one of Italy's most celebrated intellectuals, a distinguished academic and the author of influential works on semiotics. Some years before that, in 1977, Eco published a little book for his students, *How to Write a Thesis*, in which he offered useful advice on all the steps involved in researching and writing a thesis—from choosing a topic to organizing a work schedule to writing the final draft.

Now in its twenty-third edition in Italy and translated into seventeen languages, *How to Write a Thesis* has become a classic. Remarkably, this is its first, long overdue publication in English. Eco's approach is anything but dry and academic. He not only offers practical advice but also considers larger questions about the value of the thesis-writing exercise. *How to Write a Thesis* is unlike any other writing manual. It reads like a novel. It is opinionated. It is frequently irreverent, sometimes polemical, and often hilarious. Eco advises students how to avoid "thesis neurosis" and he answers the important question "Must You Read Books?" He reminds students "You are not Proust" and "Write everything that comes into your head, but only in the first draft." Of course, there was no Internet in 1977, but Eco's index card research system offers important lessons about critical thinking and information curating for students of today who may be burdened by Big Data. *How to Write a Thesis* belongs on the bookshelves of students, teachers, writers, and Eco fans everywhere. Already a classic, it would fit nicely between two other classics: *Strunk and White* and *The Name of the Rose*.

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Get into the College of Your Dreams
An original and creative essay is one of the keys to getting into the college you've always dreamed of, as well as to getting the financial aid you deserve. This book gives you everything you need to make your own unique talents shine in your college application essay. Even if writing is not your strong point, author Michael James Mason shows you: • Exactly what admissions officers look for • What works—and what doesn't, using actual student essays • Proven techniques for writing your best essay • Special tips for SAT and scholarship essays • A last-minute checklist before you submit your essay • And much more!

"Well written, very useful, and highly recommended." —*Hunter's Guide to the College Guides*
"Demystifies one of the most important and challenging parts of the college application process—the personal essay. . . . An invaluable resource!" —Gail Devine, director of college counseling, Louisville High School, Woodland Hills, California
"This book taught me what colleges look for in an essay and showed me how to effectively communicate my thoughts in writing." —Ryan Miller, University of Virginia graduate
Have you thought about writing a book? Do you just not know where to begin? Do you get writer's block just

thinking about writing a book? Best-selling non-fiction author David Kadavy shares his simple process for writing a book. Build confidence, ditch your inner critic, and finally write your book with simple habits you can start today. You can read this short read (~7,000 words) in about 30 minutes, so it won't get in the way of the one thing standing between you and your book: Action! Download today and make the book you've dreamed of a reality. Now includes a free sample chapter of David Kadavy's latest book, *The Heart to Start*. From amethyst to obsidian, *Basic Witches* author Jaya Saxena explores the multi-faceted meanings and history behind eleven popular crystals in this relatable personal essay collection. Highly prized for their beauty, crystals can take the shape of jewelry, household objects, and an array of self-care products. But it's the ideas they stand for that draw people to their raw forms. Like astrology, tarot, and modern witchcraft, crystals help practitioners understand themselves and the wider world around them. In this collection of sharply observed essays, Jaya Saxena reflects on—and challenges—the ideas associated with eleven popular stones, including unconditional love (rose quartz), happiness and success (citrine), balance (amethyst), self-care (black tourmaline), purity (pearl), imposter syndrome (pyrite), toxic positivity (carnelian), change (opals), traditional concepts of marriage (diamonds), presentation versus identity (obsidian), and death (amber). The result is a deeply personal book with universal appeal, exploring how we assign meaning and power to crystals in order to give meaning and power to our lives. Are You Married but Living Like Roommates? Do you sleep back-to-back or even separately? Do you feel lonely, bored, and sexually frustrated in your marriage? Have you, in fact, become just roommates? Millions of couples live empty parallel lives and wonder, "Is this all there is?" Talia and Allen Wagner, marriage and family therapists, have illuminated this sadly familiar, silent epidemic of Married Roommates. They give couples a new way to bring back the spark in their marriage with tools and strategies to learn how to talk to and with your spouse, not to mention how to get away from the tit for tats and the constant feeling of walking and talking on eggshells. This book helps you reclaim your marriage by learning how to: - Communicate effectively without assumptions and misinterpretations - Resolve conflict by avoiding fighting or escalation - Maintain attraction, intimacy, and sex - Prioritize one another and work

as a team - Gain the tools to stop the fighting, disrespect, jabs, and low blows - Create new routines and reinvigorate the stale parts of your relationship First published in 1931, this volume offers Gertrude Stein's reflections on the art and craft of writing. Although written in her distinctive experimental style, the book is remarkably accessible and easy to read. The modernist author's characteristic humor is borne out by some of the chapter titles, "Saving the Sentence," "Arthur a Grammar," "Regular Regularly in Narrative," and "Finally George a Vocabulary." Stein's experimental style features elements such as disconnectedness, a love of refrain and rhyme, a search for rhythm and balance, a dislike of punctuation (especially the comma), and a repetition of words and phrases. Those who are unfamiliar with her Stein's work or have found it difficult to understand will discover in *How to Write* an excellent entrée to a unique literary voice and an imaginative approach to language that continues to inspire writers and readers. The purpose of this book is to teach students how to write a five-paragraph essay and to demonstrate the creativity and fun involved in essay writing. *New York Times* Bestseller "Both deeper and more democratic than *The Elements of Style*" -Adam Haslett, *Financial Times* "A guided tour through some of the most beautiful, arresting sentences in the English language." -Slate In this entertaining and erudite gem, world-class professor and *New York Times* columnist Stanley Fish offers both sentence craft and sentence pleasure, skills invaluable to any writer (or reader). Like a seasoned sportscaster, Fish marvels at the adeptness of finely crafted sentences and breaks them down into digestible morsels, giving readers an instant play-by-play. Drawing on a wide range of great writers, from Philip Roth to Antonin Scalia to Jane Austen, *How to Write a Sentence* is much more than a writing manual-it is a spirited love letter to the written word, and a key to understanding how great writing works. It is a book that will stand the test of time. "Raymond has a gift for dispensing gentle, intelligent advice that even the most harried and overworked will find inspiring...*Everyday Writing* gives us permission to call ourselves writers, and found time to practice our craft." -*The Writer* magazine "Raymond writes in a way that gives the reader real hope that a writing life is possible...*Everyday Writing* is a book worth owning and pocketing for those who struggle to make time for writing." -Portland Book Review "*Everyday Writing* is just what writers need...Raymond's

writing style is as engaging as her advice, and the writing prompts can be used for any project." –Savvy Verse & Wit *How to be a writer even when you can't write every day... Writers are often told that in order to succeed, they must write every day—yet this isn't realistic or feasible for writers with families, day jobs, and other responsibilities that preclude a daily writing practice. Everyday Writing is about how to be a writer every day, even if you're unable to sit down to write every day. This book provides dozens of tips for busy writers, including how to create your ideal writing space, how to develop habits that work for you, and how to keep your projects moving forward even when you're short on time. Everyday Writing also offers more than 150 prompts to fit into any writer's life, from five-minute prompts you can do in a grocery store line to lengthy prompts that are perfect for a writing retreat. Whether you'd like to generate new material, free yourself from writer's block, or start a revision, these writing exercises provide a way to engage immediately with your work. NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER* "An inspiring story that manages to be painful, honest, shocking, bawdy and hilarious." –The New York Times Book Review From stand-up comedian, actress, and breakout star of *Girls Trip*, Tiffany Haddish, comes *The Last Black Unicorn*, a sidesplitting, hysterical, edgy, and unflinching collection of (extremely) personal essays, as fearless as the author herself. Growing up in one of the poorest neighborhoods of South Central Los Angeles, Tiffany learned to survive by making people laugh. If she could do that, then her classmates would let her copy their homework, the other foster kids she lived with wouldn't beat her up, and she might even get a boyfriend. Or at least she could make enough money—as the paid school mascot and in-demand Bar Mitzvah hype woman—to get her hair and nails done, so then she might get a boyfriend. None of that worked (and she's still single), but it allowed Tiffany to imagine a place for herself where she could do something she loved for a living: comedy. Tiffany can't avoid being funny—it's just who she is, whether she's plotting shocking, jaw-dropping revenge on an ex-boyfriend or learning how to handle her newfound fame despite still having a broke person's mind-set. Finally poised to become a household name, she recounts with heart and humor how she came from nothing and nowhere to achieve her dreams by owning, sharing, and using her pain to heal others. By turns hilarious, filthy, and brutally honest, *The Last Black Unicorn* shows the world who

Tiffany Haddish really is—humble, grateful, down-to-earth, and funny as hell. And now, she's ready to inspire others through the power of laughter. An indispensable and distinctive book that will help anyone who wants to write, write better, or have a clearer understanding of what it means for them to be writing, from widely admired writer and teacher Verlyn Klinkenborg. Klinkenborg believes that most of our received wisdom about how writing works is not only wrong but an obstacle to our ability to write. In *Several Short Sentences About Writing*, he sets out to help us unlearn that "wisdom"—about genius, about creativity, about writer's block, topic sentences, and outline—and understand that writing is just as much about thinking, noticing, and learning what it means to be involved in the act of writing. There is no gospel, no orthodoxy, no dogma in this book. Instead it is a gathering of starting points in a journey toward lively, lucid, satisfying self-expression. What if everything we have been taught about learning to write was wrong? In *The Right to Write*, Julia Cameron's most revolutionary book, the author of the bestselling self-help guide *The Artist's Way*, asserts that conventional writing wisdom would have you believe in a false doctrine that stifles creativity. With the techniques and anecdotes in *The Right to Write*, readers learn to make writing a natural, intensely personal part of life. Cameron's instruction and examples include the details of the writing processes she uses to create her own bestselling books. She makes writing a playful and realistic as well as a reflective event. Anyone jumping into the writing life for the first time and those already living it will discover the art of writing is never the same after reading *The Right to Write*. This book provides you with all the tools you need to write an excellent academic article and get it published. Nigel Warburton, bestselling author and experienced lecturer, provides all the guidance and advice you need to dramatically improve your essay-writing skills. The book opens with a discussion of why it is so important to write a good essay, and proceeds through a step-by-step exploration of exactly what you should consider to improve your essays and marks. You will find help on how to: focus on answering the question asked research and plan your essay build and sustain an argument improve your writing style and tone. *The Basics of Essay Writing* is packed full of good advice and practical exercises. Students of all ages and in every subject area will find it an easy-to-use and indispensable

aid to their studies. Expert writing advice from the editor of the Boston Globe best-seller, *The Writer's Home Companion* Dissertation writers need strong, practical advice, as well as someone to assure them that their struggles aren't unique. Joan Bolker, midwife to more than one hundred dissertations and co-founder of the Harvard Writing Center, offers invaluable suggestions for the graduate-student writer. Using positive reinforcement, she begins by reminding thesis writers that being able to devote themselves to a project that truly interests them can be a pleasurable adventure. She encourages them to pay close attention to their writing method in order to discover their individual work strategies that promote productivity; to stop feeling fearful that they may disappoint their advisors or family members; and to tailor their theses to their own writing style and personality needs. Using field-tested strategies she assists the student through the entire thesis-writing process, offering advice on choosing a topic and an advisor, on disciplining one's self to work at least fifteen minutes each day; setting short-term deadlines, on revising and defining the thesis, and on life and publication after the dissertation. Bolker makes writing the dissertation an enjoyable challenge. Previously published as *The Ultimate Guide on How to Write a Short Story* Do you struggle to write your a story? Do you lose track of whatever to say whenever you sit down to write your story? Here's a guide to your rescue. It doesn't even want to believe you know how to write a story or what a story is. In an easy-to-read manner, the information distilled in this book will take you from finding ideas for your story to plotting to writing it. No doubt that you could wake up one day, pick up your pen and notepad, and start scribbling away. No problem if you're writing exclusively for for yourself. But there could be a problem if you'll be sharing your story with the world. What if you could learn how to write a story from scratch? What if you could build in-depth characters, settings and conflicts that catch readers' mind and build their suspense? What if you could avoid writing fiction jargon altogether, even while writing exclusively for yourself? Avoid the most dangerous itch, which originates from your story. You can sell a crappy book with some workaround for the short run, but it would backfire in the long run. Here are some of the things you'll learn in this book: The essential elements of fiction The only way stories are conceived stories are conceived. How to develop three-dimensional, in-

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after you've put it down." –Kirkus Reviews "Luminous. . . . Shearn's nimble storytelling unearths a fascinating and fraught history." –Publishers Weekly "Amy Shearn's modern fable *Unseen City* is anchored by smart, sly humor. It delves into the layered social, psychological, and historical architecture of New York City. . . . [It] demands calling out the names of the dead, assuring its audience that they're ready to answer and say, "I'm here." –Foreword Reviews

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