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This easy-to-use resource provides initiation ministers with the pastoral tools needed to lead dismissal sessions with adults preparing for Baptism. Through reflection and discussion, each dismissal session guide helps to develop the catechumen's relationship with Christ, self, and neighbor by internalizing the Word, concentrating their prayer around the Scriptures, and becoming familiar with the teachings of the Church. The step-by-step format makes leading the dismissal an easy and prayerful experience. This book is a compilation and revision of the 2012 and 2013 volumes from the online journal of the same name. This book is aimed at high school students, participants in

math competitions, undergraduates, and anyone who has a fire for mathematics. Passionate readers submitted many of the problems, solutions, and articles and all require creativity, experience, and comprehensive mathematical knowledge. This book is a great resource for students training for advanced national and international mathematics competitions such as USAMO and IMO. This beginner's guide to meditation offers a year of daily reflections to help bring greater mindfulness into your life. Meditation and mindfulness may seem like daunting ideas but making room for these practices in your daily life is simpler than it looks. Longtime therapist and meditator David Kundtz gives you permission not to fret about whether you're getting it right or not. The whole purpose of meditation is to be as awake and aware as possible. Being Present offers daily quotes to ponder that will help you live in the moment once a day, every day. As you start to accumulate these mindful moments, your life will become more peaceful, more rewarding, and more awakened. With these daily reflections, Kundtz guides us through the seasons of a year—and the seasons of a life—by drawing inspiration from poets and scientists, spiritual teachers and children, butterflies and big cities. With the help of this book, you will discover how to:

- Become a more mindful person
- Maintain the focus, awareness, and equanimity through stressful situations
- Experience the peaceful moments of mindful living

In *The Demise of the Library School*, Richard J. Cox places the present and future of professional education for librarianship in the debate on the modern corporate university. The book is a series of meditations on critical themes relating to the education of librarians, archivists, and other information professionals, playing off of other commentators analyzing the nature of higher education and its problems and promises.

America's leading expert on love and relationships writes with insight and clarity on the meaning of love, offering readers a welcome opportunity each day to reflect on the love in their lives. Kingma exults in love's power to change us--to help us grow emotionally and spiritually--and explores love's many-faceted possibilities. 365 line drawings. Secrets of Divine Love Journal is based on the award-winning and #1 international bestselling book, Secrets of Divine Love: A Spiritual Journey into the Heart of Islam. Through heart-centered reflections, insightful prompts, and thought-provoking questions, Secrets of Divine Love Journal can help you foster a deeper relationship with Allah by connecting you with the heart of your faith in a more intimate and inspiring way. The Secrets of Divine Love Journal connects you more deeply with Allah through exercises and questions designed to help you: * Experience the love of Allah: Discover divine love through inspiring stories, powerful verses from the Qur'an, and sayings of the Prophet Muhammad (pbuh). * Connect with your faith: The journal is filled with a 100+ thought-provoking prompts designed to give you the space to feel, reflect and ultimately return to Allah. * Transform every moment into prayer: Each journaling session begins and ends with a prayer of gratitude with the intention of allowing you to experience the transformative power of prayer. * Create connection with your faith community: The questions and prompts within journal were written for both private contemplation and to be shared amongst friends or answered in book clubs. This journal will follow chapter-by-chapter the Secrets of Divine Love book. The journal has additional reflections, stories, and quotes while supplementing each chapter with reflective prompts alongside ample space for the reader to journal. Each chapter of the Secrets of Divine Love Journal starts with a quote from Secrets of Divine Love alongside a verse of the Qur'an followed by a story and reflection, an opening prayer, journal prompts, a quote to contemplate upon, and a closing prayer. This book will help you to reflect upon and enjoy your faith from a more holistic perspective. You will learn even more about the pillars, principles, and practices within the Islamic tradition through the Qur'an, hadith, spiritual teaching stories, and sayings

from mystics like Imam Ghazali, Ibn Arabi, Rumi and countless others. #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • PULITZER PRIZE FINALIST • This inspiring, exquisitely observed memoir finds hope and beauty in the face of insurmountable odds as an idealistic young neurosurgeon attempts to answer the question What makes a life worth living? NAMED ONE OF PASTE'S BEST MEMOIRS OF THE DECADE • NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY The New York Times Book Review • People • NPR • The Washington Post • Slate • Harper's Bazaar • Time Out New York • Publishers Weekly • BookPage Finalist for the PEN Center USA Literary Award in Creative Nonfiction and the Books for a Better Life Award in Inspirational Memoir At the age of thirty-six, on the verge of completing a decade's worth of training as a neurosurgeon, Paul Kalanithi was diagnosed with stage IV lung cancer. One day he was a doctor treating the dying, and the next he was a patient struggling to live. And just like that, the future he and his wife had imagined evaporated. When Breath Becomes Air chronicles Kalanithi's transformation from a naïve medical student "possessed," as he wrote, "by the question of what, given that all organisms die, makes a virtuous and meaningful life" into a neurosurgeon at Stanford working in the brain, the most critical place for human identity, and finally into a patient and new father confronting his own mortality. What makes life worth living in the face of death? What do you do when the future, no longer a ladder toward your goals in life, flattens out into a perpetual present? What does it mean to have a child, to nurture a new life as another fades away? These are some of the questions Kalanithi wrestles with in this profoundly moving, exquisitely observed memoir. Paul Kalanithi died in March 2015, while working on this book, yet his words live on as a guide and a gift to us all. "I began to realize that coming face to face with my own mortality, in a sense, had changed nothing and everything," he wrote. "Seven words from Samuel Beckett began to repeat in my head: 'I can't go on. I'll go on.'" When Breath Becomes Air is an unforgettable, life-affirming reflection on the challenge of facing death and on the relationship between doctor and patient, from a brilliant writer who became both. Books are

impractical companions and housemates: they are heavy when you are travelling, and in the home take up a lot of space, are hard to keep clean, and harbour insects. It is not a matter of the physical book, it is the deep emotional connection that stretches back to my early years. Living without them is unimaginable. These collected essays share a joyous and plaintive glimpse into the reading and writing life of novelist, editor and teacher of creative writing Debra Adelaide. Every book I have read becomes part of me, and discarding any is like tearing out a page from my own life. With immediate wit and intimacy, Adelaide explores what shapes us as readers, how books inform, console and broaden our senses of self, and the constant conversation of authors and readers with the rest of their libraries. Drawing from her experiences in the publishing industry, the academic world, her own life and the literary and critical communities, she paints a vibrant portrait of a life lived in and by books, perfect for any student, bibliophile, editor, or simply: reader. PRAISE FOR THE INNOCENT READER 'In an act of generosity, Adelaide offers readers a deeper understanding of how the unconscious shapes, filters and connects ideas through a lifelong love affair with books. She has given me sharper lenses through which to focus more closely on what is on the page and how it got there.' CAROLINE BAUM 'The complex transaction between writer and reader unfolds, in these vivid and generous personal essays, to produce a hymn to the uncanny power of fiction.' CARMEL BIRD 'A passion for books is threaded through every part of Debra Adelaide's life, as writer, teacher and mother. She's an unpretentious but discerning reader, a rigorous and amusing guide, a generous and confiding friend, a 'literary autodidact' who demonstrates that reading is both an appetite and a muscle. I devoured these essays, spiced with the detail of Debra's personal experience, and felt again the pure hunger for books I had as a child. The Innocent Reader has the power to ignite a love of stories and sentences, and is a trove of wisdom for readers, writers and students who want to sharpen their skills.' SUSAN WYNDHAM 'An indispensable guide for every student of creative writing, an ideal companion for the avid reader. A book full of insights as helpful to the

seasoned professional writer as to the novice starting out. The Innocent Reader is also a sort of companion to the body of work of one of our most treasured writers, wherein the author gives away more of herself than ever before, through books both read and written, with friends in the business of reading and writing. Debra Adelaide's reflections are at once warm-hearted and steely, and throw light not just on her own work, but also our literary culture as a whole.' FIONA MCGREGOR 'A bounty of beautiful, profound (and useful) statements on reading and writing . . . This book is a standing ovation to the glory and wonder of books.' WEEKEND AUSTRALIAN In this companion to devotions on the Passion, author Paul Thigpen takes readers on a 40-day journey through the heart-rending last hours of Jesus. Filled with key passages from scripture and thoughtful reflections, Thigpen also includes the vivid meditations of Anne Catherine Emmerich and Maria of Agreda who long-ago wrote about the harsh reality of Jesus' death on the cross. Readers will kneel with Jesus in Gethsemane, stand before Herod and Pontius Pilate, experience the scourging at the pillar, weep with Mary on Golgotha, and watch in horror as Christ is crucified. Finally, readers will shout for grateful joy for the priceless gift God gives us in the sacrifice of His Son. "I am a writer because I was a reader first." Alison Gordon. "Nobody has ever written who never read." Mavis Gallant. "Reading is a connection, at once a way and a goal, a liberating destiny." Robert Kroetsch. Over 160 Canadian writers, in English and French, write about their experiences of reading. With striking photographs of each writer, Reading Writers Reading offers a sublime voyage into the heart of literary creation. One hundred of today's most prominent literary and cultural icons talk about the books that hold a special place in their hearts—that made them who they are today. Leading authors, politicians, CEOs, actors, and other notables share the books that changed their life, why they love them, and their passion with readers everywhere. Regan Arts has teamed up with the literary charity 826National, which will receive a portion of the book's proceeds to provide students ages 6-18 with opportunities to explore their creativity and improve their writing skills. Contributors include

Al Roker, Carl Hiaasen, Dave Eggers, Emma Straub, Eric Idle, Fay Weldon, Fran Lebowitz, Gillian Flynn, Gregory Maguire, Jeff Kinney, Jim Shepard, Laura Lippmann, Lev Grossman, Liev Schreiber, Margaret Atwood, Mayim Bialik, Nelson DeMille, Rosanne Cash, Susan Orlean, Tim Gunn, and Tommy Hilfiger, among others. This collection of essays brings together passionate readers and literary critics from Canada, the US, Japan, and Australia. The essays ruminate on readers' individual and collective relationships to one of the most iconic characters of Western literature: Anne of Green Gables. This relationship is imagined and interrogated through a range of critical and creative lenses, including studies of fan culture, translation, adaptation and imagination. The collection is unique in inviting responses that draw deeply on personal connections to Anne, and the ways that readers' relationships to her have shifted over time. The book will appeal most particularly to readers seeking essays and other works that bridge the divide between a critical and a more personal response to our Anne girl. Would you want to be a student in your own classroom? In *Passionate Learners: How to Engage and Empower Your Students*, author Pernille Ripp challenges both novice and seasoned teachers to create a positive, interactive learning environment where students drive their own academic achievement. You'll discover how to make fundamental changes to your classroom so learning becomes an exciting challenge rather than a frustrating ordeal. Based on the author's personal experience of transforming her approach to teaching, this book outlines how to:

- Build a working relationship with your students based on mutual trust, respect, and appreciation
- Be attentive to your students' needs and share ownership of the classroom with them
- Break out of the vicious cycle of punishment and reward to control student behaviour
- Use innovative and creative lesson plans to get your students to become more engaged and intellectually-invested learners, while still meeting your state standards
- Limit homework and abandon traditional grading so that your students can make the most of their learning experiences without unnecessary stress
- And much more!

New to the second edition, you'll find practical tools,

such as teacher and student reflection sheets, parent questionnaires, and parent conference tools, available in the book and as eResources on our website (<http://www.routledge.com/9781138916920>) to help you build your own classroom of passionate learners. I was born in December 1954 or January 1955 ('when the first snow fell') as the third child of a Kurdish family living in a remote village of Eastern Turkey. My father died of tuberculosis at the age of 31 when I was six years old. My mother was 34, never married again, dedicated her life to her children. From the moment I learned how to read and write I became a passionate reader of the books; books of literature, books of history, books of travel, books of philosophy, books of memoirs, books of biographies, books of politics... This book contains some of the excerpts that I noted while reading. Excerpts of wisdom and reflection from Barack Obama to Haji Ali (Nurmadhar of Korphe Village in Karakoram) from Edward Gibbon to Abdul Sattar Edhi (Pakistani Philanthropist). Excerpts on life, on love, on humanity, on civilization, on courage, on art, on ideas, on faith, on democracy, on freedom, on nations, on education, on war, on peace... Just a few short examples: For only in death are we alone- Rabindranath Tagore *** Sir, that all who are happy, are equally happy, is not true. A peasant and a philosopher may be equally satisfied, but not equally happy. Happiness consists in the multiplicity of agreeable consciousness-Samuel Jonson *** Serious literature is no less of a life preserver, even if the society is all but oblivious of it-Philip Roth *** It bothers me a little that at 99 you're going to die any minute, because I have a lot of other things I want to do-Delmer Berg Sezai Arli Doha, November 2020 This book is a compilation and revision of the 2010 and 2011 volumes from the online journal of the same name. This book is aimed at high school students, participants in math competitions, undergraduates, and anyone who has a fire for mathematics. Many of the problems, solutions, and articles were submitted by passionate readers and all require creativity, experience, and comprehensive mathematical knowledge. This book is a great resource for students training for advanced national and international mathematics competitions such as USAMO and

IMO. Essential writings on an urgent theme. This study examines tales from *The Metamorphoses* by the Roman poet Ovid (43 BC-18 AD) and from *The Lais* by the French poet Marie de France (fl. mid-to late twelfth century) to explore a paradox: how can a vibrant, complex, and timeless vision be conveyed in convention-informed and time-bound language? Marie plays against Ovid's tales to probe the dilemma, thereby echoing Ovid who does the same to the canonical literary monuments of his day. Both poets suggest that poetry can avoid the flattening effect of monumental canonizing not only by the creative use of literary echoes, but also by shifting perspectives on the conventional, which in turn, can encourage readers to see reflections of many stories in any given tale. Ovid and Marie suggest and encourage in this manner by presenting literary love's topoi and traditional lovers from a variety of metaliterary perspectives, thereby eliciting active readerly memory as well as providing the opportunity to see the conventional afresh, activity that allows even canonical texts to become living memorials. With the generosity, thoughtfulness, and practicality we have come to appreciate from this extraordinary classroom teacher, Linda gives us the structures and models we need to invite every student we teach to think and act as a reader, writer, and artist.

- Nancie Atwell Many teachers wonder how to juggle a writer's notebook and a reader's response log. Linda Rief ingeniously combines them both in the *Writer's-Readers's Notebook*. This veteran teacher truly walks the walk; she shows exactly how to make this powerful tool work in the classroom.

-Ralph Fletcher *The Readers-Writers Notebook* is THE tool for all those concerned with adolescents and literacy.

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has the power to help learners develop into articulate, literate citizens of the world. In *Inside the Writer's-Reader's Notebook* Linda guides you through the *Writer's-Reader's Notebook*: what's in it, why it's in there, and how to use it effectively with your students. She shows you how to use it to assess what students know, how they think, and how they can express themselves as writers and readers. *Inside the Writer's-Reader's Notebook* includes: descriptions of the reading and writing minilessons that Linda uses to get kids thinking in the notebook ideas for further invitations that engage adolescents in writing, reading, and drawing specific ways to use the lists and tools that are printed right in the Notebook dozens of reproducible examples of notebook pages by Linda's students that show the Notebook's multiple uses and that will help inspire your own students' writing and reading an annotated list of professional titles that will help further your knowledge of Notebooks and how to use them effectively in a variety of ways in your classroom. With a copy of the *Writer's-Reader's Notebook* and vital insights into its effectiveness, *Inside the Writer's-Reader's Notebook* includes everything you need to implement the *Writer's-Reader's Notebook* in any class and to help students begin the journey toward more thoughtful, purposeful literacy experiences. Read it and see why the Notebook should be at the center of your teaching.

Purchase 5-packs of the *Writer's-Reader's Notebook* here. *Motivating Teen and Preteen Readers: How Teachers and Parents Can Lead the Way* contains over 1,000 diverse, original, fun, creative, absurd, challenging questions on reading that will inspire adolescent reading lives from the inside out. The four books of questions contained in this volume are designed to help kids help themselves find their ways to a desire to read. The internationally acclaimed children's book writer and educator offers her insights into the learning process, language education, and the pleasure, growth, and power that reading and writing can bring. "Reflections on Relativity" is a comprehensive presentation of the classical, special, and general theories of relativity, including in-depth historical perspectives, showing how the relativity principle has repeatedly inspired advances in our understanding of the physical world. In this

important new volume we see the great Hungarian writer Antal Szerb at the height of his powers. Though his novels have enjoyed great popularity in English in recent years, this is the first collection of his major essays to appear in English. This book is a fruit of a process of learning and experiencing of my pastoral ministries throughout the past eleven years of my priesthood. The parishioners— their lives, faith, and struggles—have significantly influenced my words of reflections. Most of all, God's Spirit is the source of my meditation and inspiration throughout this book. To priests and deacons, with these humble and simple words of reflections in this book, I like to share with you the blessing and inspiration that I have experienced from the Holy Spirit. You could use this book as source ideas to inspire so to share with your congregation the depth and wisdom of the Word on Sunday. To faithful worshipers, before attending the Eucharist, you should read this reflection. My hope is it will prepare you to approach the Word of God, the Eucharist, and the homilist with the spirit of anticipation and willingness to listen and to change throughout the week!

Fr. Thai Le DIV In her entertaining and edifying New York Times bestseller, acclaimed author Francine Prose invites you to sit by her side and take a guided tour of the tools and tricks of the masters to discover why their work has endured. Written with passion, humour and wisdom, *Reading Like a Writer* will inspire readers to return to literature with a fresh eye and an eager heart - to take pleasure in the long and magnificent sentences of Philip Roth and the breathtaking paragraphs of Isaac Babel; to look to John le Carré for a lesson in how to advance plot through dialogue and to Flannery O'Connor for the cunning use of the telling detail; to be inspired by Emily Brontë's structural nuance and Charles Dickens's deceptively simple narrative techniques. Most importantly, Prose cautions readers to slow down and pay attention to words, the raw material out of which all literature is crafted, and reminds us that good writing comes out of good reading. /div

The author of *A History of Reading* shares the results of his reading diary--notes kept on travel, public and private happenings, and relationships--all inspired or illuminated by his copious reading. Reprint. "Persevere: A Reflection of Pain,

Passion and Purpose," is one woman's story of strength and endurance and a blueprint for all readers experiencing tests through life's journey. Dr. Sheirra Marci shares intimate stories of her painful past to demonstrate what a living testimony looks like. Have you ever had relationship struggles, difficulties on the job or classroom, challenges in your parental role, or doubts about your self-worth? If so, you will be able to navigate this book in a relatable way. Dr. Sheirra Marci gives examples of how she rebounded from a forced marriage, domestic abuse, financial hardships, and other life challenges, only to climb her way to the top of the educational ladder and into her passions in life. Learn how her relationship with God carried her through, as she encourages others to push forward through the pain and never give up on your life's goals. Independent reading is the right of every student. It is an indispensable foundation for solid reading instruction yet, is too often viewed as a luxury. Overly prescriptive, culturally irrelevant curriculum does not provide spaces for students to develop a sense of agency as readers or for teachers to make decisions that reflect the needs of the students in front of them. When teachers trust themselves and trust their students to create reading experiences that matter, they positively impact student growth. *Trusting Readers* puts the independence back into independent reading-and bolsters that independence with collaboration. Jen and Hannah offer a clear definition of independent reading. Their vision of conferring supports teachers as they support young readers. They help teachers craft reading experiences for students that are centered around their engagement, instructional needs, and identities as readers. *Trusting Readers* is an essential and accessible guide that provides teachers with the inspiration, information, and tools needed to grow enthusiastic independent readers. Jen and Hannah outline practical steps for teachers to implement independent reading time or to enrich their current practice with multiple entry points whether you've been teaching one year or twenty. In addition, they provide a model for reading conferences that support tailored instructional choices and keep students at the center. In Part 1 of *Trusting Readers*, Jen and Hannah define independent reading as based on

the principles of time, choice, talk, and teacher support. Each chapter keeps student independence and reading identity development at the forefront, while leading teachers through the process of setting up classroom routines that safeguard time and space for independent reading in any environment. Part 2 focuses on conferring during independent reading using The Cycle of Conferring, a framework that teachers can use to help students set meaningful reading goals that not only build their skills, but also support their growth into joyful, purposeful, engaged readers. Dig into Trusting Readers and consider new possibilities for vibrant independent reading to thrive in your classroom in visible and invisible ways. What is the best that could happen when you trust yourself, your students, and the power of independent reading? *Mathematical Reflections: Two Special Years* is a compilation and revision of the 2014 and 2015 volumes from the online journal of the same name. This book is aimed at high school students, participants in math competitions, undergraduates, and anyone who has a fire for mathematics. Passionate readers submitted many of the problems, solutions, and articles and all require creativity, experience, and comprehensive mathematical knowledge. This book is a great resource for students training for advanced national and international mathematics competitions such as USAMO and IMO. Our actions in education, business, and government are no longer guided by conscious ideals, but by entrenched practices that are products of expediency, indolence, and even tyranny. Inveterate and ubiquitous problems abound. Students hate school. Employees dislike their jobs. Professors become disinclined toward teaching. Boredom and procrastination are everywhere. There are promotion requirements (such as scholarly publications by college professors) that promote nothing and benefit none except to move the person into the next nominal category along the spectrum of the organizational ladder. We are plagued with senseless competitive patterns and numerical evaluations that make life a mere matter of "rat race", the winning of which does not uplift us into the sublimity of humanity, but trammel us in the degradation of being "rats". Essays in this book reflect on and search for answers to

widespread and inveterate problems that degenerate modern life into mere livelihood. Products in sober solitude rather than in the societal cacophony, most essays in the book were written during the author's doctoral studies. This book is very personal to me. Some of these poems are about things that I've experienced, and encountered in my life. I decided to put it on paper, share it for the world to read, and to follow my dream. I hope that my poem touches readers out there. God bless April Mitchell Gatewood Leaving behind the abstruseness of his field, a professor of philosophy demonstrates the relevance of philosophy to life and offers readers a guide for living, addressing such matters as euthanasia and the problem of fulfillment in modern life. UP. How do we inspire students to love reading and discovery? In *Passionate Readers: The Art of Reaching and Engaging Every Child*, classroom teacher, author, and speaker Pernille Ripp reveals the five keys to creating a passionate reading environment. You'll learn how to... Use your own reading identity to create powerful reading experiences for all students Empower your students and their reading experience by focusing on your physical classroom environment Create and maintain an enticing, well-organized, easy-to-use classroom library; Build a learning community filled with choice and student ownership; and Guide students to further develop their own reading identity to cement them as life-long, invested readers. Throughout the book, Pernille opens up about her own trials and errors as a teacher and what she's learned along the way. She also shares a wide variety of practical tools that you can use in your own classroom, including a reader profile sheet, conferring sheet, classroom library letter to parents, and much more. These tools are available in the book and as eResources to help you build your own classroom of passionate readers. Sensing the Passion heightens the senses so that readers can experience with new depth Jesus' sacrifice on our behalf. The author helps us examine Christ's passion through our five senses, sight, sound, smell, taste, and touch -- the same senses Christ embodied -- and leads us to bold and startling insights about Christ's humanity and the world. The six-week study will be valued greatly by groups or individuals who

are searching for a fresh understanding of Jesus' last days and crucifixion. Each chapter offers thoughtful meditations, then closes with exercises that ask readers to focus on their senses in different, compelling ways. Also included are questions for reflection and discussion and prayers. "In these soaring, open-hearted essays, Vanessa Zoltan writes with fierce brilliance about suffering, survival, and the kind of meaning in life that can withstand real scrutiny."—John Green, bestselling author of *The Fault in Our Stars* and *The Anthropocene*

Reviewed A deeply felt celebration of a classic novel—and a reflection on the ways our favorite books can shape and heal us. Our favorite books keep us company, give us hope, and help us find meaning in a chaotic world. In this fresh and relatable work, atheist chaplain Vanessa Zoltan blends memoir and personal growth as she grapples with the notions of family legacy and identity through the lens of her favorite novel, *Jane Eyre*. Informed by the reading practices of medieval monks and rabbinic scholars from her training at the Harvard Divinity School and filtered through the pages of *Jane Eyre* as well as *Little Women*, *Harry Potter*, and *The Great Gatsby*, Zoltan explores topics ranging from the trauma she has inherited as the granddaughter of four Holocaust survivors to finding hope, meaning, and even magic in our deeply fractured times. Brimming with a lifelong love of classic literature and the tenderness of self-reflection, the book also reveals simple techniques for reading any work as a sacred text—from Virginia Woolf to *Anne of Green Gables* to baseball scorecards. Whether you're an avowed "Eyrehead" or simply a curious reader looking for a richer connection with the written word, this deeply felt and inspiring book will light the way to a more intimate appreciation for whatever books you love to read. * "Maldonado excels at depicting realistic and authentic interactions between middle school boys."--*School Library Journal* (starred review) A Washington Post Best Children's Book of 2018!

Tight: Lately Bryan's been feeling it in all kinds of ways. He knows what's tight for him in a good way—reading comics, drawing superheroes, and hanging out with no drama. But drama's hard to escape where he's from, and that gets him wound up tight. And now Bryan's new friend

Mike is challenging him to have fun in ways that are crazy risky. At first, it's a rush following Mike, hopping turnstiles, subway surfing, and getting into all kinds of trouble. But Bryan never feels right acting wrong. So which way will he go when he understands that drama is so not his style? Fortunately his favorite comic heroes shed light on his dilemma, reminding him that he has power—the power to choose his friends and to stand up for what he believes is right . . . Torrey Maldonado delivers a fast-paced, insightful, dynamic story. Readers will connect with Bryan's journey as he navigates a tough world with a heartfelt desire for a different life.

"Demystifying the French: How to Love Them, and Make Them Love You is aimed at first-time visitors to France as well as long-term expatriates. Designed to help readers 'crack the code,' avoid common mistakes, and get off on the right foot with the French, the book begins with five easy-to-follow essential tips 'for even brief encounters' by introducing a few French phrases and how to say them that will pave the way for a positive experience in France. The tips are followed by 10 chapters that go into a deeper explanation of French habits, manners, and ways of viewing the world. Hulstrand shares the perspective she has gained in nearly 40 years of time spent living, working, teaching, and traveling in France, and illustrates the principles she is discussing with sometimes touching, and often amusing, personal anecdotes... Reflections contributed by David Downie, Adrian Leeds, Harriet Welty Rochefort, and other well-known commentators on Franco-American cultural differences provide additional perspective and depth. A glossary of French terms that is both substantive and whimsical provides surprising insights into historical as well as cultural reasons for the French being 'the way they are.' Aimed mainly at an American audience, this book will be helpful for anyone who wants to better understand the French, and have fun while doing so."--Amazon.com.

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