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White Fragility Penguin

“No Excuses” is the true story of a boy traveling across America with his family and their fifty-foot-long trailer full of adventures in the 1950’s. Going to fifteen schools, in ten states, and twenty-four moves, Larry ventured his life from adventure to adventure. From the ‘Muscadine highway,’ to ‘the runaway tractor’ the trailer boy lived thrilling escapades. You will become a part of this soul stirring journey from

Gallatin to the Mojave Desert or dancing at the Black Hawk Grill. The author bids you to join him in the ‘53 Ford, descending the wicked Sitgreaves Pass pushed by the sixteen thousand pounds of the Simpson’s home on wheels. Travel with the ‘kid’ as he makes his own and others’ lives a ‘gala affair’. High thrilling adventure awaits you with joy and tears from this one blessed life. The trailer boy’s inspiring story will move you to live your only life fully without excuses.

No More Excuses HarperCollins

Bestselling author Sherman Alexie tells the story of Junior, a budding cartoonist growing up on the Spokane Indian Reservation. Determined to take his future into his own hands, Junior leaves his troubled school on the rez to attend an all-white farm town high school where the only other Indian is the school mascot. Heartbreaking, funny, and beautifully written, *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*, which is based on

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the author's own experiences, coupled with poignant drawings by Ellen Forney that reflect the character's art, chronicles the contemporary adolescence of one Native American boy as he attempts to break away from the life he was destined to live. With a forward by Markus Zusak, interviews with Sherman Alexie and Ellen Forney, and four-color interior art throughout, this edition is perfect for fans and collectors alike.

#### No Excuses! Pocket Books

From New York Times bestseller Kody Keplinger comes an astonishing and thought-provoking exploration of the aftermath of tragedy, the power of narrative, and how we remember what we've lost. It's been three years since the Virgil County High School Massacre. Three years since my best friend, Sarah, was killed in a bathroom stall during the mass shooting. Everyone knows Sarah's story--that she died proclaiming her faith. But it's not true. I know because I was with her when she died. I didn't say anything then, and people got hurt because of it. Now Sarah's parents are publishing a book about her, so this might be my last chance to set the record straight . . . but I'm not the only survivor with a story to tell about what did--and didn't--happen that day. Except Sarah's martyrdom is important to a lot of people, people who don't take kindly to what I'm trying to do. And the more I learn, the less certain I am about what's right. I don't know what will be worse: the guilt of staying silent or the consequences of speaking up . . .

#### The Final Case Knopf

At the age of 24, working with his wife at a car wash, Larry Winters was struggling to get by. He decided he needed to make a change for the better, so he seized control of his life and, day by day, built his own business. Along

the way, he learned many lessons about sacrifice, personal responsibility, determination and independence **LIVE THE DREAM: No More Excuses**, is Winters' inspiring story of his journey from a young man with no ambition to a man in control of his financial destiny. He uses examples from his own life to teach readers how to gain financial freedom for themselves. Most importantly, Winters stresses how self limitation is damaging and holds people back, keeping them from achieving the successful lives they desire. **LIVE THE DREAM** provides an inspirational blueprint for readers to gain financial freedom, and build their own businesses---to give up excuses and achieve their life goals, all while staying grounded in what really matters: family, friends and faith. Larry Winters' powerful motivational style will have readers ready to seize the day and live their dreams.

#### No Surrender Candlewick Press

Are you looking for some Workout and overall Fitness Motivation? Are you battling the all too common "Sitting of the Sofa is Easier" syndrome. Well I believe reading Hasan's True Life Story will help you with that. In fact, I'm pretty sure you'll be ready to hit the Gym with gusto. After you read how Hasan competes in Bodybuilding & Men's Physique competitions, all while battling a degenerative central nervous system disease. His true life story of daily

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perseverance and commitment to his goals, regardless of his medical diagnosis is truly Inspiring & Motivating. Without further ado, I'll let Hasan Banks explain more. He'll be able to fill you in on the details of his life's Journey, and how he's able to do some truly extraordinary things...regardless of his medical struggles. My name is Hasan Banks and I'm a NPC Men's Bodybuilding & Physique Competitor. Fortunately I was diagnosed with a neurological disorder called Spinocerebellar Ataxia Type 7. This disorder impairs my motor skills so I have problems with my walking, balance, coordination, vision and speech. While living with ataxia hasn't been easy, I've chosen to stay positive and focus on what I can control. Through my faith I have been blessed with the strength to keep moving forward and not quit. I want my personal struggles and journey through the world of fitness to help people believe that they can accomplish anything they want. And they can do this, regardless of the physical, mental or emotional difficulties that they face. That is why I do what I do. To help people stay positive and do amazing things. Training in Fitness and Bodybuilding has taught me that I can and should love life and make No Excuses. It has made my mind strong and focused on getting Just Results, No Excuses! Complaining about my situation will not change things for the better. I look to the sky and do whatever it takes to Never Give Up! I use everyday as a chance to grow and I am so very Grateful to have a platform to Help People see that Nothing is Impossible.

*The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian* Beacon Press  
Dr. Wayne W. Dyer, the internationally best-selling author and lecturer, has a new message for his youngest readers. In his latest children's book, Wayne teaches kids about excuses: what they are, where they come from, and how to eliminate them so boys and girls can reach their full potential. Playfully illustrated once again by Stacy Heller Budnick, *No Excuses!* tells the story of a boy with a seemingly impossible dream who almost lets excuses stand in his way. Luckily, he learns some important lessons that allow him to attain his goals--lessons that just about all children will be able to understand and apply to their lives. *No Excuses!* will be available shortly after the publication of Wayne's book for adults, *Excuses Begone!*

*No Fears, No Excuses* Chronicle Books

Black and Hispanic students are not learning enough in our public schools, and their typically poor performance is the most important source of ongoing racial inequality in America today—thus, say Abigail and Stephan Thernstrom, the racial gap in school achievement is the nation's most critical civil rights issue and an educational crisis; it's no wonder that "No Child Left Behind," the 2001 revision of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, made closing the racial gap in education its central goal. An employer hiring the typical Black high school graduate or the college that admits the average Black student is choosing a youngster who has only an eighth-grade education. In most subjects, the majority of twelfth-grade Black students do not have even a "partial mastery" of the skills and knowledge that the authoritative National Assessment of Educational Progress calls "fundamental for proficient work" at their grade. *No Excuses* marshals facts to examine the depth of the problem, the inadequacy of conventional explanations, and the limited impact of Title I, Head Start, and other familiar reforms. Its message, however, is one of hope: Scattered across the country are excellent schools getting terrific results with high-needs kids. These rare schools share a distinctive vision of what great schooling looks like and are free of

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many of the constraints that compromise education in traditional public schools. In a society that espouses equal opportunity we still have a racially identifiable group of educational have-nots—young African Americans and Latinos whose opportunities in life will almost inevitably be limited by their inadequate education. When students leave high school without high school skills, their futures—and that of the nation—are in jeopardy. With successful schools already showing the way, no decent society can continue to turn a blind eye to such racial and ethnic inequality.

#### *No Excuses, No Regrets* Vanguard

New York Times Bestseller Over 2.5 million copies sold For David Goggins, childhood was a nightmare - poverty, prejudice, and physical abuse colored his days and haunted his nights. But through self-discipline, mental toughness, and hard work, Goggins transformed himself from a depressed, overweight young man with no future into a U.S. Armed Forces icon and one of the world's top endurance athletes. The only man in history to complete elite training as a Navy SEAL, Army Ranger, and Air Force Tactical Air Controller, he went on to set records in numerous endurance events, inspiring Outside magazine to name him The Fittest (Real) Man in America. In this curse-word-free edition of *Can't Hurt Me*, he shares his astonishing life story and reveals that most of us tap into only 40% of our capabilities. Goggins calls this The 40% Rule, and his story illuminates a path that anyone can follow to push past pain, demolish fear, and reach their full potential.

#### No Excuses Esther Jacobs

The creator of the groundbreaking Fearless Living program shows readers how to overcome unrealistic expectations and live a life based on instinct and intention rather than fear, clinging, and regret. Reprint.

#### **Lost Child** Pelican Publishing

He was born a congenital amputee, his arms ending at his elbows

and his legs at his knees. But that didn't stop Kyle Maynard from becoming a champion, on the wrestling mat and in his life. *No Excuses* is the inspiring story of Kyle's battle against the odds. You'll learn about the family who supported him, the coach who trained him, and the faith that strengthened him to face the toughest fights.

#### The Little Engine That Could John Wiley & Sons

The special anniversary edition of *The Little Engine That Could™* contains the entire text and original artwork. Young readers, as well as parents and grandparents, will treasure the story of the blue locomotive who exemplifies the power of positive thinking.

#### *Long Way Down* Scholastic Inc.

The first new book from beloved therapist and writer Torey Hayden in almost fifteen years—an inspiring, uplifting tale of a troubled child and the remarkable woman who made a difference. In a forgotten corner of Wales, a young girl languishes in a home for troubled children. Abandoned by her parents because of her violent streak, Jessie—at the age of ten—is at risk of becoming just another lost soul in the foster system. Precocious and bold, Jessie is convinced she is possessed by the devil and utterly unprepared for the arrival of therapist Torey Hayden. Armed with patience, compassion, and unconditional love, Hayden begins working with Jessie once a week. But when Jessie makes a stunning accusation against one of Hayden's colleagues – a man Hayden implicitly trusts – Hayden's work doubles: now she must not only get to the root of Jessie's troubles, but also find out if what the girl alleges is true. A moving, compelling, and inspiring account, *Lost Child* is a powerful testament once again of Torey Hayden's extraordinary ability to reach children who many have given up on—and a reminder of how patience and love can ultimately prevail.

#### *Saving the School* Simon and Schuster

Inside the race to save a great American high school, where

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making the numbers is only the beginning. Being principal was never her dream. Anabel Garza, the young widow of a young cop, got by teaching English to immigrant children, taking college classes at night and raising her son. And Reagan High was no dream assignment. Once famous for its state football championships, educational achievements and award-winning design, the school was a shadow of its former self. "Identified for improvement," said the federal government. "Academically unacceptable," said the state. Promising students were fleeing. Test scores were plunging. The education commissioner set a deadline of one year, threatening to close the school for good. But when Anabel took the job - cruising the mall for dropouts, tailoring lessons to the tests, firing a few lazy teachers and supporting the rest - she started something no one expected. As the numbers rose, she set out to re-create the high school she remembered, with plays and dances, yearbooks and clubs, crowded bleachers and teachers who brought books alive. And soon she was not alone. There was Derrick Davis, a star player on the basketball team in the early 1990s, coaching the Raiders toward a chance at the playoffs. There was Candice Kaiser, a science teacher who had left hard partying behind for Christ, drilling her students on chemistry while she drove them to games, tutoring sessions, Bible studies and sometimes even doctors' appointments. There were JaQuarius Daniels, Ashley Brown and 900 other kids trying to pass the exams, escape the streets and restore the pride of a neighborhood, all while still growing up. Across

the country, public schools face the threat of extinction in the numerically ordained churn of the accountability movement. Now, for the first time, we can tally the human cost of rankings and scores. In this powerful rejoinder to the prevailing winds of American education policy, Michael Brick takes us inside the high-pressure world of a school on the brink. Compelling, character-driven narrative journalism, *Saving the School* pays overdue tribute to the great American high school, and to the people inside.

**Living with No Excuses** Center Street

Trailblazing Seattle Seahawks fullback Derrick Coleman Jr.—the first deaf athlete to play offense in the NFL—tells his inspirational journey of persevering through every obstacle, remaining dedicated to the hard work and a no-excuses attitude that ultimately earned him a Super Bowl victory. Great for readers of all ages. Even at a young age, if anyone told Derrick Coleman what he couldn't do, he'd just reply, "Watch me." Diagnosed as hearing-impaired at age three, he faced a potentially limited future, but neither he nor his family were going to let that happen. Now Derrick shares the story of his remarkable journey toward NFL stardom, of the friends and colleagues who cheered him on when skeptics tried to chip away at his confidence, and of how every challenge he faced only strengthened his resolve. At the heart of his story is his unconventional family, whose one constant was always love. When Derrick was misunderstood as "difficult," or bullied and laughed at by schoolmates, he removed his hearing aids and listened instead to his mother's advice: Never let anyone else tell you how far you can go. Playing football became an outlet for Derrick's restless energy and a way of proving he could forge his own path. As a senior at UCLA, he became a standout, an award-winning player who led his team with eleven touchdowns and demonstrated to the world what his heart had known all along: He had what it took to be a

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champion. No Excuses is more than just Derrick Coleman's story as a sports legend, inspirational role model, and icon. It's a motivating and unique testament to the human spirit, to the potential inside everyone who has ever faced difficult obstacles. It's about aiming high in life, giving it your all, and never ever settling for excuses.

**No Excuses Accepted: The Amazing Story of a Man Who Overcame** Carolrhoda Lab & 8482

As seen on Fox & Friends A Navy SEAL who first overcame a crippling childhood condition and then a devastating training accident offers his own experiences as lessons in defeating adversity. Patrick Bisher's career as a Navy SEAL should have ended after a parachuting accident nearly crippled him. But overcoming adversity, even an injury as serious as a broken hip, was nothing new for him. He'd spent a portion of his childhood in leg braces. Doctors told him he'd never walk again thanks to a degenerative hip condition. He wasn't about to give up then, any more than he was in the wake of that parachute training accident. Instead, he went on to serve in combat as a member of SEAL Team Seven, seeing action in Iraq and ultimately winning the Army Commendations Medal, among other awards. Now Patrick wants to take the lessons he learned on and off the battlefield and apply them to everyday life. He offers inspiration to all who've faced the kind of adversity he has. In chapters drawn directly from his own experience, he sketches a heart-wrenching tale of salvaging lifelong victories out of crushing defeats, and hope out of heartache. From being branded a "cripple" to successfully negotiating BUD/S (Basic Underwater Demolition/SEALS)

training, from agonizing pain to heroic achievement, from devastating loss to finding his faith, Patrick's story is one of discovering ways to do everything he possibly can, instead of making excuses for what he can't. An American hero who never surrendered is now sharing his lessons with those fighting their own battles to emerge from their dark places into the light and lead a better, more productive life.

No Excuses Twenty-First Century Books (Tm)

Military hero and beloved Dancing with the Stars alum Noah Galloway shares his life story, and how losing his arm and leg in combat forced him to relearn how to live--and live to the fullest. Inspirational, humorous, and thought provoking, Noah Galloway's LIVING WITH NO EXCUSES sheds light on his upbringing in rural Alabama, his military experience, and the battle he faced to overcome losing two limbs during Operation Iraqi Freedom. From reliving the early days of life to his acceptance of his "new normal" after losing his arm and leg in combat, Noah reveals his ambition to succeed against all odds. Noah's gripping story is a shining example that with laughter, and the right amount of perspective, you can tackle anything. Whether it be overcoming injury, conquering the Dancing with the Stars ballroom, or taking the next steps forward in life with his young family - Noah demonstrates how to live life to the fullest, with no excuses.

**Fearless Living** A&C Black

Defined as nothing but fat in the real world, Beth Soames specializes in trolling beautiful girls online until two new friendships, one online and one offline, make her question

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her behavior.

Everything Sad Is Untrue Simon and Schuster

Negativity in the workplace costs businesses billions of dollars and impacts the morale, productivity and health of individuals and teams.

"In *The No Complaining Rule: Positive Ways to Deal with Negativity at Work*, Jon Gordon, a bestselling author, consultant and speaker, shares an enlightening story that demonstrates how you can conquer negativity and inspire others to adopt a positive attitude." Based on one company's successful No Complaining Rule, the powerful principles and actionable plan are practical and easy-to-follow, making this book an ideal read for managers, team leaders and anyone interested in generating positive energy.

**How To Win Friends And Influence People** DigiCat

From the legendary Oklahoma coach, a candid and inspiring memoir. When Bob Stoops took over as football coach in 1999, the Oklahoma Sooners were in disarray with back-to-back losing seasons. But in just two years' time, Stoops achieved the seemingly impossible: winning a national championship and returning the struggling Sooners to their powerhouse status, churning out NFL talent, Heisman Trophy winners and conference championships, bowl wins and national title runs on a regular basis. During his 18 seasons at OU, his record was a remarkable 190-48. At only age 56, at the peak of his career, he stunned the college football world by walking away. For the first time, Bob opens up about his career alongside the evolution of the game itself. From his unlikely emergence as a star player at the University of Iowa, to his coaching apprenticeships under giants like Hayden Fry, Bill Snyder, and Steve Spurrier, Stoops recounts how the game he fell in love with as a boy has evolved into a billion-dollar business often compromised by recruiting wars, aggressive agents, overzealous boosters and alumni, and

the emergence of the CEO head coach rather than mentor and teacher. Bob holds nothing back while explaining why it was time to step away from the game-and players-he still loves. Told with a rare combination of sincerity, vulnerability, and pure heart, *No Excuses* is both an engaging and eye-opening football memoir and an unprecedented portrait of a coach of one of the greatest legacy programs in the history of the college game.

Gordon Parks Fulton Books, Inc.

"Riveting and transformative, evocative and immersive...by turns vibrant and bold and wise, discovering Dorothy's story is a singular pleasure."--The New York Times A remarkable, sweeping historical novel based on the incredible true life story of Dorothy Kirwan Thomas, a free Black woman who rose from slavery to become one of the wealthiest and most powerful landowners in the colonial West Indies. Born into slavery on the tiny Caribbean island of Montserrat, Doll bought her freedom—and that of her sister and her mother—from her Irish planter father and built a legacy of wealth and power as an entrepreneur, merchant, hotelier, and planter that extended from the marketplaces and sugar plantations of Dominica and Barbados to a glittering luxury hotel in Demerara on the South American continent. Vanessa Riley's novel brings Doll to vivid life as she rises above the harsh realities of slavery and colonialism by working the system and leveraging the competing attentions of the men in her life: a restless shipping merchant, Joseph Thomas; a wealthy planter hiding a secret, John Coseveldt Cells; and a roguish

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naval captain who will later become King William IV of England. From the bustling port cities of the West Indies to the forbidding drawing rooms of London's elite, *Island Queen* is a sweeping epic of an adventurer and a survivor who answered to no one but herself as she rose to power and autonomy against all odds, defying rigid eighteenth-century morality and the oppression of women as well as people of color. It is an unforgettable portrait of a true larger-than-life woman who made her mark on history.