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Always Maintain a Joyful Mind Shambhala Publications
The author of *When Things Fall Apart* reveals the meaning behind 59 Buddhist teachings and how you can use them as touchstones for daily living For centuries Tibetan Buddhists have relied on a collection of 59 pithy teachings—called lojong in Tibetan—to help them develop wisdom and compassion amid the challenges of daily living. In this book, Pema Chödrön introduces these transformative teachings and offers guidance on how to make them part of our everyday lives. Each lojong, or slogan, is followed by Pema Chödrön's accessible and succinct commentary on how to understand and apply it. The lojong teachings include: • "Always maintain only a joyful mind." • "Don't be swayed by external circumstances. " • "Don't be so predictable." • "Be grateful to everyone." Inside *Always Maintain a Joyful Mind* readers will also find a link to an online audio program entitled "Opening the Heart. " Here, Pema Chödrön offers in-depth instruction on tonglen meditation—a powerful practice that anyone can undertake to awaken compassion for oneself and others.

The Compassion Box Ballantine Books
What drives a young London librarian to board a ship to India, meditate in a remote cave by herself for twelve years, and then build a flourishing nunnery in the Himalayas? How does a surfer girl from Malibu become the head of the main international organization for Buddhist women? Why does the daughter of a music executive in Santa Monica dream so vividly of peacocks one night that she chases these images to Nepal, where she finds the love of her life in an unconventional young Tibetan master? The women featured in *Dakini Power*—contemporary teachers of Tibetan Buddhism, both Asians and Westerners, who teach in the West—have been universally recognized as accomplished practitioners and brilliant teachers whose life stories demonstrate their immense determination and bravery. Meeting them in this book, readers will be inspired to let go of old fears, explore new paths, and lead the lives they envision. Featured here are: • Jetsun Khandro Rinpoche (*This Precious Life*) • Dagmola Sakya (*Princess in the Land of Snows*) • Jetsun Tenzin Palmo (*Diane Perry*) (*Into the Heart of Life*) • Pema Chödrön (*Deirdre Blomfield-Brown*) (*When Things Fall Apart*; *Start Where You Are*) • Khandro Tsering Chödrön (most familiar to readers as the late aunt of Sogyal Rinpoche, author of *The Tibetan Book of Living and Dying*) • Thubten Chodron (*Cherry Greene*) (*Buddhism for Beginners*; *Taming the Mind*) • Karma Lekshe Tsomo (*Patricia Zenn*) (*Buddhism Through American Women's Eyes*) • Chagdud Khadro (*Jane Dedman*) (*P'howa Commentary*; *Life in Relation to Death*) • Sangye Khandro (*Nanci Gay Gustafson*) (*Meditation, Transformation, and Dream Yoga*) • Roshi Joan Halifax (*Being with Dying*) • Lama Tsultrim Allione (*Joan Rousmanière Ewing*) (*Women of Wisdom*; *Feeding Your Demons*) • Elizabeth Mattis-Namgyel (*The Power of an Open Question*)

Training in Tenderness Shambhala Publications
Describes a traditional Buddhist approach to suffering and how embracing the painful situation and using communication, negative habits, and challenging experiences leads to emotional growth and happiness.

The Pocket Pema Chodron Shambhala Publications
Many of us, without even realizing it, are dominated by fear. We might be aware of some of our fears—perhaps we are afraid of public speaking, of financial hardship, or of losing a loved one. Chögyam Trungpa shows us that most of us suffer from a far more pervasive fearfulness: fear of ourselves. We feel ashamed and embarrassed to look at our feelings or acknowledge our styles of thinking and acting; we don't want to face the reality of our moment-to-moment experience. It is this fear that keeps us trapped in cycles of suffering, despair, and distress. Chögyam Trungpa offers us a vision of moving beyond fear to discover the innate bravery, trust, and delight in life that lies at the core of our being. Drawing on the Shambhala Buddhist teachings, he explains how we can each become a spiritual warrior: a person who faces each moment of life with openness and fearlessness. "The ultimate definition of bravery is not being afraid of who you are," writes Chögyam Trungpa. In this book he offers the insights and strategies to claim victory over fear.

Comfortable with Uncertainty Shambhala Publications

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Dakini Power Shambhala Publications

How do we find a resting place in a world that is complex and always changing? How do we practice spirituality beyond the limits of blind acceptance and doubt? Elizabeth Mattis-Namgyel proposes that when we ask challenging questions like these, we access our deepest intelligence and most powerful insights. "When we ask a question," she suggests, "our

mind is engaged yet open. The process of inquiry protects us from our tendency to reach static conclusions. Instead, we can respond to uncertainty and change with inquisitiveness and a sense of wonder." Her book guides us on a provocative, playful, and spiritually enriching journey of contemplation that could last a lifetime.

Taking the Leap Shambhala Publications

More and more people are beginning to recognize a profound inner longing for authenticity, connection, compassion, and aliveness. Meditation, Pema explains, gives us a golden key to address this yearning. This comprehensive guide shows readers how to honestly meet and openly relate with the mind to embrace the fullness of our experience as we discover: • The basics of meditation, from getting settled and the six points of posture to working with your breath and cultivating an attitude of unconditional friendliness • Gentleness, patience and humor – three ingredients for a well-balanced practice • Shamatha (or calm abiding), the art of stabilizing the mind to remain present with whatever arises • Thoughts and emotions as “sheer delight”—instead of obstacles-in meditation Here is a indispensable book from the meditation teacher who remains a first choice for students the world over. Ani Pema Chödrön is an American-born Tibetan Buddhist nun and best selling author. She taught as an elementary school teacher for many years in both New Mexico and California. Pema has two children and three grandchildren.

Faith Shambhala Publications

When her granddaughter was accepted to Naropa University, the celebrated author Pema Chödrön promised that she'd speak at the commencement ceremony. *Fail, Fail Again, Fail Better* contains the wisdom shared on that day. “What do we do when life doesn't go the way we hoped?” begins Pema “We say, ‘I'm a failure.’” But what if failing wasn't just “okay,” but the most direct way to becoming a more complete, loving, and fulfilled human being? Through the insights of her own teachers and life journey, Pema Chödrön offers us her heartfelt advice on how to face the unknown—in ourselves and in the world—and how our missteps can open our eyes to see new possibilities and purpose. For Pema's millions of readers, prospective graduates, or anyone at a life crossroads, this gem of clarity and reassurance is sure to find a welcome place in many a kitchen, office, and backpack.

Food and Healing Jaico Publishing House

Best-selling American Buddhist nun Pema Chödrön presents a friendly and encouraging guide to spiritual practice for all those who want to take up the path of the bodhisattva—one who aspires to live life with courage, generosity, patience, fearlessness, and compassion. The *Way of the Bodhisattva* has long been treasured as an indispensable guide to enlightened living, offering a window into the greatest potential within us all. Written in the eighth century by the scholar and saint Shantideva, it presents a comprehensive view of the Mahayana Buddhist tradition's highest ideal—to commit oneself to the life of a bodhisattva warrior, a person who is wholeheartedly dedicated to the freedom and common good of all beings. And it has inspired many of the tradition's greatest teachers, providing a remarkable source of insight on the means by which we may heal ourselves and our troubled world. These essential teachings present the core of the Buddhist path, from cultivating deep-seated confidence to infusing one's life with selflessness, joyfulness, kindness, and compassion. Pema Chödrön here invites you to journey more deeply into this liberating way of life, presenting Shantideva's text verse-by-verse and offering both illuminating stories and practical exercises to enrich the text and bring its timeless teachings to life in our world today. Previously published under the title *No Time to Lose*.

Practicing Peace in Times of War Simon and Schuster

Counsels readers on the Buddhist concept of shenpa to explain how to free oneself from destructive energy experienced as a sensation of tightening and negativity at moments of conflict, explaining how to replace angry or addictive responses with courage and compassion.

Awakening Loving-Kindness Taking the Leap

Ever feel trapped in the same old habits and painful emotions time and time again? These are patterns we all face, and sometimes they feel impossible to shake. So how can we get unstuck? Drawing on time-honored Buddhist teachings on shenpa (all the attachments and compulsions that cause us suffering), Pema Chödrön shows how certain habits of mind tend to “hook” us and get us stuck in states of anger, blame, self-hatred, addiction, and so much more—and, most of all, how we can liberate ourselves from them. “This path entails uncovering three basic human qualities,” explains Pema. “They are natural intelligence, natural warmth, and natural openness. Everyone, everywhere, all over the globe, has these qualities and can call on them to help themselves and others.” Pema shares insights and exercises from her lifetime of practice that we can immediately put to use in our lives to awaken these essential qualities and help us to take a bold leap toward a new way of living—one that will bring about positive transformation for ourselves and for our troubled world.

The Path Is the Goal Shambhala Publications

Why meditate? On what? And how? In his latest book *Why Meditate?*—an instant bestseller in the author's native France—Matthieu Ricard aims to answer these very questions. As a molecular geneticist turned Buddhist

monk, Ricard brings a wholly unique perspective to the practice of meditation. Often referred to as "the happiest man in the world," he advises us in the ways to imbue our lives with a true sense of serenity and fulfillment. In simple, clear language, Ricard walks readers through the theories and practicalities of meditation, demonstrating its many benefits in our modern world. He shows readers how to achieve emotional balance, enhance mindfulness, expand altruistic love, and develop a sense of inner calm; while also reducing anxiety, vulnerability to pain, and tendency toward depression and anger. This enlightening book conflates the spiritual with the scientific, the transcendent with the pragmatic, and the Western world with Eastern wisdom. No matter what point of view you approach it from—whether that of personal transformation or physical health—meditation emerges as a prominent part of leading a balanced life. In the accompanying 60-minute audio download, Ricard explores the concepts of freedom and self, expands on the benefits of meditation, and advises on the benefits of creating a regular meditative practice.

Living Beautifully with Uncertainty and Change Macmillan
Start Where You Are is an indispensable handbook for cultivating fearlessness and awakening a compassionate heart, from bestselling author Pema Chodron. With insight and humour, she presents down-to-earth guidance on how to make friends with ourselves and develop genuine compassion towards others.

Shambhala Publications

Yes, you are what you eat. For everyone who wonders why, in this era of advanced medicine, we still suffer so much serious illness, *Food and Healing* is essential reading. “An eminently practical, authoritative, and supportive guide to making everyday decisions about eating that can transform our lives. *Food and Healing* is a remarkable achievement.”—Richard Grossman, Director, The Health in Medicine Project, Montefiore Medical Center Annemarie Colbin, founder of New York's renowned Natural Gourmet Cookery School and author of *The Book of Whole Meals*, argues passionately that we must take responsibility for our own health and rely less on modern medicine, which still seems to focus on trying to cure rather than prevent illness. Eating well, she shows, is the first step toward better health. Drawing on an impressive range of thinking—from Eastern philosophy to current medical journals—Colbin shatters many myths not only about the “Standard American Diet” but also about some of the quirky and unhealthy food fads of recent years. What emerges is one of the first complete works on: • How food affects our moods • The healing qualities of specific foods • The role of diet in preventing illness • How to tailor a diet approach that is right for you “I recommend it to my patients. . . . It's an excellent book to help people understand the relationship between what they eat and how they feel.”—Stephen Rechtstaffen, M.D. Director, Omega Institute for Holistic Studies “Have a look at this important, well-thought-out book.”—Bon Appetit
The Compassion Book Shambhala Publications
"War and peace begin in the hearts of individuals," declares Pema Chodron in her inspiring and accessible new book, which draws on Buddhist teachings to explore the origins of aggression and war.

The Power of an Open Question Shambhala Publications

In this beautifully written work, one of America's most beloved meditation teachers offers discerning wisdom on understanding faith as a healing quality. Through the teachings of Buddha and insight gained from her lifelong spiritual quest, Salzberg provides us with a road map for cultivating a feeling of peace that can be practiced by anyone of any tradition.

Start Where You Are: How to accept yourself and others Shambhala Publications

Learn to free yourself from destructive habits and live a life of courage and compassion with these heart-to-heart teachings from "one of the world's wisest women" (O, the Oprah Magazine). Ever feel trapped in the same old habits and painful emotions time and time again? These are patterns we all face, and sometimes they feel impossible to shake. So how can we get unstuck? Drawing on time-honored Buddhist teachings on shenpa (all the attachments and compulsions that cause us suffering), Pema Chödrön shows how certain habits of mind tend to “hook” us and get us stuck in states of anger, blame, self-hatred, addiction, and so much more—and, most of all, how we can liberate ourselves from them. “This path entails uncovering three basic human qualities,” explains Pema. “They are natural intelligence, natural warmth, and natural openness. Everyone, everywhere, all over the globe, has these qualities and can call on them to help themselves and others.” Pema shares insights and exercises from her lifetime of practice that we can immediately put to use in our lives to awaken these essential qualities and help us to take a bold leap toward a new way of living—one that will bring about positive transformation for ourselves and for our troubled world.

Training the Mind & Cultivating Loving-kindness Shambhala Publications

Based on talks given during a one-month meditation retreat at Gampo Abbey, this book contains teachings that were intended to inspire and encourage practitioners to remain wholeheartedly

awake to everything that occurs and to use the abundant material of daily life as their primary teacher and guide. The message for the retreat participants—and for the reader as well—is to be with oneself without embarrassment or harshness. This is instruction on how to love oneself and one's world. This Shambhala Pocket Classic is an abridged version of The Wisdom of No Escape.

Freeing Ourselves HarperCollins UK

This book draws together many previously published articles and book chapters produced by the author over the past 20 years of work in the field of indigenous education. However, rather than just being a compilation of a series of papers, this book is a record of the development of an indigenous approach towards large-scale, theory-based education reform that is now being implemented, in two different forms, in almost half of the secondary schools in New Zealand. Fundamental to this theorising is the understanding, identified by Paulo Freire over forty years ago, that answers to the conditions oppressed peoples find themselves in is not to be found in the language or understandings of the oppressors. Rather, it is to be found in those of the oppressed. This realisation has been confirmed by the examples in this book. The first is seen where it is identified how researching in Maori contexts needs to be conducted dialogically within the world view and understandings of Maori people. Secondly, dialogue in its widest sense is crucial for developing a means whereby Maori students are able to participate successfully in education. The book details how researching the impact of colonization on his mother’s Maori family enabled the author to develop a means of researching within indigenous, Maori contexts. It then details how the lessons learnt here appealed as being a means by which the marginalization of Maori students in mainstream, public school classrooms could be re-theorised, and how schools and education systems could be reorganised so as to support indigenous students to be successful learners.

When Things Fall Apart W. W. Norton & Company

According to the Buddha, no one can attain basic sanity or enlightenment without practicing meditation. The teachings given here on the outlook and technique of meditation provide the foundation that every practitioner needs to awaken as the Buddha did. Trungpa teaches us to let go of the urge to make meditation serve our ambition; thus we can relax into openness. We are shown how the deliberate practice of mindfulness develops into contrived awareness, and we discover the world of insight that awareness reveals. We learn of a subtle psychological stage set that we carry with us everywhere and unwittingly use to structure all our experience—and we find that meditation gradually carries us beyond this and beyond ego altogether to the experience of unconditioned freedom.