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"Ben's ability to develop mental toughness and the approach he shares in Chasing Excellence is a game changer for athletes in any sport." --Javier Vazquez, Major League Baseball All-Star

"This book will do for you what Ben has done for me--take you to the next level and show you how to be the best. His insights on the mental game are second to none. You will feel prepared for anything." --Bethany Hart-Gerry, US Olympic Bobsled Team

CrossFit trainer Ben Bergeron has helped build the world's fittest athletes, but he's not like other coaches. He believes that greatness is not for the elite few; that winning is a result, not a goal; and that character, not talent, is what makes a true champion. His powerful philosophy can help anyone excel at all aspects of life. Using the dramatic competition between the top contenders at the 2016 Reebok CrossFit Games(R) as a background, Ben explores the step-by-step process of achieving excellence and the unique set of positive character traits necessary for leveling up to world-class. The mindset and

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methodology that have produced some of the greatest athletes in the world's most gruelling sport can work equally well for golfers, lawyers, artists, entrepreneurs--anyone who's willing to commit totally to becoming better than the best.

By Chasing Excellence, you'll discover how extraordinary it's possible for you to be.

Understand all the aspects of becoming an executive coach, from acquiring training to marketing your practice, with Executive Coaching: Building and Managing Your Professional Practice. Hands-on information on topics like acquiring the right training and making the transition from other fields is written in an accessible manner by a successful and experienced coach. Whether you're a novice or an established coach looking to expand your practice, you will benefit from the step-by-step plan for setting up and operating a lucrative executive coaching practice.

Gerdes shows us how sports can be an opportunity to build godly principles into the youth of today.

*Developing a Positive Coaching Legacy
Building Resilient Communities that Transform Schools*

Building Character Through Athletics

A Story about Building the World's Fittest Athletes

How to Use Sport Psychology to Educate, Motivate, and Improve Student-Athlete Performance

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Coaching Issues & Dilemmas

"The perfect feel-good read."—Emily Henry, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *People We Meet on Vacation* Britta didn't plan on falling for her personal trainer, and Wes didn't plan on Britta. Plans change and it's unclear if love, career, or both will meet them at the finish line. Britta Colby works for a lifestyle website, and when tasked to write about her experience with a hot new body-positive fitness app that includes personal coaching, she knows it's a major opportunity to prove she should write for the site full-time. As CEO of the FitMi Fitness app, Wes Lawson finally has the financial security he grew up without, but despite his success, his floundering love life and complicated family situation leaves him feeling isolated and unfulfilled. He decides to get back to what he loves—coaching. Britta's his first new client and they click immediately. As weeks pass, she's surprised at how much she enjoys experimenting with her exercise routine. He's surprised at how much he looks forward to talking to her every day. They convince themselves their attraction is harmless, but when they start working out in person, Wes and Britta find it increasingly challenging to

deny their chemistry and maintain a professional distance. Wes isn't supposed to be training clients, much less meeting with them, and Britta's credibility will be sunk if the lifestyle site finds out she's practically dating the fitness coach she's reviewing. Walking away from each other is the smartest thing to do, but running side by side feels like the start of something big.

The bestselling inspirational book in which the author reunites with a childhood football hero, now a minister and coach, and witnesses a revelatory demonstration of the true meaning of manhood. Joe Ehrmann, a former NFL football star and volunteer coach for the Gilman high school football team, teaches his players the keys to successful defense: penetrate, pursue, punish, love.

Love? A former captain of the Baltimore Colts and now an ordained minister, Ehrmann is serious about the game of football but even more serious about the purpose of life.

Season of Life is his inspirational story as told by Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Jeffrey Marx, who was a ballboy for the Colts when he first met Ehrmann. Ehrmann now devotes his life to teaching young men a whole new meaning of masculinity. He teaches the boys at Gilman the precepts of his Building Men

for Others program: Being a man means emphasizing relationships and having a cause bigger than yourself. It means accepting responsibility and leading courageously. It means that empathy, integrity, and living a life of service to others are more important than points on a scoreboard. Decades after he first met Ehrmann, Jeffrey Marx renewed their friendship and watched his childhood hero putting his principles into action. While chronicling a season with the Gilman Greyhounds, Marx witnessed the most extraordinary sports program he'd ever seen, where players say "I love you" to each other and coaches profess their love for their players. Off the field Marx sat with Ehrmann and absorbed life lessons that led him to reexamine his own unresolved relationship with his father. *Season of Life* is a book about what it means to be a man of substance and impact. It is a moving story that will resonate with athletes, coaches, parents—anyone struggling to make the right choices in life. Does the character of our leaders matter? You may think this question was answered long ago. Countless business authors and analysts have assured us that great leadership demands great character. Time and again, we've seen that truth play out, as

once-thriving organizations falter and fail under the guidance of leaders behaving badly. Why, then, do so many executives remain skeptical about the true value of leadership character? A winning strategy and a sound business model are what really matter, they argue; character is just the icing on the cake. What's been missing from this debate is hard evidence: data that shows not only that leadership character matters for organizational success, but how it matters; and concrete evidence that it leads to better business results. Now, in this groundbreaking book, respected leadership researcher, adviser, and author Fred Kiel offers that evidence—solid data that demonstrates the connection between character, leadership excellence, and organizational results. After seven years of rigorous research based on a landmark study of more than 100 CEOs and over 8,000 of their employees' observations, Kiel's findings show that leaders of strong character achieved up to five times the ROA for their organizations as did leaders of weak character. Return on Character goes on to reveal:

- How leadership character is formed, how it creates value, and how that value spreads throughout the organization
- How low-character leaders undermine the success

of even the best business plans • How leaders at any level can develop the habits of strong character and “unlearn” the habits of poor character The book also provides a character-building methodology—step-by-step advice and techniques for assessing your own character habits and improving your performance and that of your organization. Return on Character provides the blueprint for building your own leadership character and creating a character-driven organization that achieves superior business results. The descriptions and examples of unethical behaviors in sport in this book will challenge readers to rethink how they view sport and question whether participating in sport builds character—especially at the youth and amateur levels. • Describes and analyzes key ethical issues, such as cheating, fair play, violence, discriminatory actions, and the use of performance-enhancing drugs, in a single volume • Identifies how ethical problems in sport affect sport in the United States and internationally but also significantly impact society overall • Examines significant events and influential individuals to provide a historical and sociological context for understanding how and why individuals behave unethically in sport • Provides a

wealth of information and resources that describe how poor behaviors of athletes, coaches, and parents in sport can be changed through educational interventions and a reemphasis on values like integrity

The Fastest Way to Fall

Coach 'Em Up: The Skip Hall Story

Strengthening the Heart of Good Leadership

Let Them Lead

Building Character, Community, and a Growth Mindset in Physical Education

How to Become a Better Communicator

The Art of Coaching Teams

Building Character, Community, and a Growth Mindset in Physical Education is a highly practical and theoretically sound resource that will help you build a positive learning environment, teach valuable life skills, and inspire in students a desire to live active, healthy lives. It reinforces the many ways in which physical education and sport are the ideal setting to build college and career readiness skills. Teachers will learn how to help students develop a growth mindset and recognize that obstacles, challenges, and failures provide the greatest learning opportunities. The book is

written with both American and Canadian national standards in mind: You can help your students achieve Standards 3, 4, and 5 of SHAPE America's National Standards and Grade-Level Outcomes for K-12 Physical Education and PHE Canada's goals for physical education ("enable individuals to make healthy, active choices that are both beneficial to and respectful of their whole self, others, and their environment"). It will also aid you in achieving Standard Six of the objectives set by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS). This text provides • 35 new large-group warm-up activities; • 20 character-building activities; • 11 team-building challenges; • assessment, reflection, and goal-setting strategies; and • a web resource with ready-to-use printable and editable activity materials (such as focus words and definitions, reflection scenarios, station and team challenge cards, and more). The activities, which are ready-made for use in your curriculum, include a motivational strategy and resource tool using the acronym GROWTH

that will help your students learn and adopt the growth mindset traits necessary to set and reach goals. The book addresses many hot-button topics, such as emotional intelligence, community building, teamwork, physical fitness, and goal setting—all in a concise, practical, and highly effective way. As such, you will be helping your students meet Common Core and College and Career Readiness objectives. And students with goal-setting skills and a growth mindset will be well prepared to meet the challenging standards that are promoted by the Every Student Succeeds Act. In addition, *Building Character, Community, and a Growth Mindset in Physical Education* is the perfect antidote to bullying: Through the materials and activities, the students learn to be respectful competitors and supportive teammates. The text contains six chapters: • Chapter 1 explores the connection between emotional intelligence and a growth mindset. It reinforces the many ways in which physical education and sport are the ideal settings to build college and

career readiness skills. • Chapter 2 describes the impact community building has on motivation and learning. It also contains fun community-building activities as well as guidance on how to develop a positive learning environment. • Chapter 3 outlines strategies for building character and offers reflection scenarios, focus words, inspirational sayings, and recommended video clips. • Chapter 4 supplies more than 20 fun, engaging, and motivational character-building activities and games. • Chapter 5 provides outdoor collaborative team-building challenges. • Chapter 6 delves into various aspects of developing a growth mindset through concepts such as assessment, reflection, and goal setting. *Building Character, Community, and a Growth Mindset in Physical Education* is a powerful and valuable resource because it develops the whole student. It helps students meet important national standards while also preparing them for success in life. This book will help you develop resilient citizens who choose to live active, healthy lifestyles; understand

the importance of collaboration and teamwork; and are intrinsically motivated to succeed in all areas of their lives.

The conditioning begins early in our lives. Great achievements will bring lasting happiness and fulfillment; great achievements form the bedrock of stable self-esteem and strong character; great achievements will become the foundation for a successful life. If these well-intentioned promises are true, why does winning never seem to be enough? In *The Only Way to Win*, Jim Loehr draws upon two decades of work with Fortune 500 executives; world-class athletes such as Monica Seles, Dan Jansen, and Eric Lindros; and other high achievers at the Human Performance Institute (HPI) to reveal surprising insights about achievement motivation. Specifically, Loehr finds that the blind pursuit of external achievement often results in emptiness, addiction, and, ironically, poor performance. It's not really about what you achieve, he argues, it's about who you become as a consequence of the chase. From the bestselling author of

On Form, comes a compelling, practical, and hopeful read filled with relatable stories and useful exercises. The Only Way to Win will serve as a powerful wake-up call for business leaders, employees, teachers, and coaches. It will also provide inspiration for readers looking to perform better, achieve more, and change both their own lives and those of the people they influence.

The Double-Goal Coach is filled with powerful coaching tools based on Jim Thompson's Positive Coaching Alliance. These strategies reflect the "best-practices" of elite coaches and the latest research in sports psychology. Hundreds of workshops have shaped these tools for maximum effectiveness and ease of use. The lessons and activities can be used in the very next practice to make sports fun and to get the best from players. The Double-Goal Coach provides the framework for coaches and parents to transform youth sports so sports can transform youth -- allowing young athletes to enjoy sports while learning valuable life lessons.

Positive Psychology Coaching in Practice provides a comprehensive overview of positive psychology coaching, bringing together the best of science and practice, highlighting current research, and emphasising the applicability of each element to coaching. With an international range of contributors, this book is a unique resource for those seeking to integrate positive psychology into their evidence-based coaching practice. Beginning with an overview of positive psychology coaching, the book includes an assessment of theories of wellbeing, an examination of mindfulness research, a guide to relevant neuroscience, and a review of a strengths-based approach. It also contains chapters which explore the application of ACT, the role of positive psychology in wellness and resilience coaching, positive leadership theory, and developmental psychological theories as they relate to coaching through significant life transitions. In each chapter, theory and research is thoroughly explored and applied directly to coaching practice, and supported with a list of relevant

resources and a case study. The book concludes with the editors' views on the future directions of positive psychology coaching. Positive Psychology Coaching in Practice will be essential reading for professional coaches in practice and in training seeking to enhance their evidence-based practice, coaching psychologists, practitioners of positive psychology, and academics and students of coaching, coaching psychology and positive psychology.

Character Strengths Interventions

3D Coach

Grit

Everything You Need to Know to
Successfully Coach Girls

Teaching Character Through Sport

Character Building Through Sport

Participation

Building Character and Self-esteem
Through Sports

Coaches: Would you like to coach your players in an ethical environment where you are developing the character of your players while still being competitive? Parents: Would you like your son or daughter coached in a safe environment where they will be able to develop life skills that will maximize their

performance in areas outside of sports like education? The Principles of Ethical Youth Coaching provides the answers! The reality of sports is that very few athletes ever make it to the highest level of a given sport. Yet the training resources offered to youth coaches focus almost exclusively on strategies to promote winning. The techniques advocated by these training programs may be acceptable for professional athletes; however, they are not acceptable for youth athletes. The overwhelming focus on winning causes coaches to miss opportunities to promote character development skills in their players. When, if at all, ethical player development skills are brought up in these programs, it is done so in passing and no concrete strategies are offered. On the other hand, some well-intentioned programs seek to eliminate winning from the equation. This is not a realistic approach, as winning is a fundamental aspect of sports and it must be embraced in the appropriate manner. The Principles of Ethical Youth Coaching shows coaches how to develop the character of their players while embracing the competitive nature of sports.

People talk about sports from a technical and tactical standpoint, but it's only a tiny part of coaching. The best sports coaches get their success because of their ability to connect and relate to their athletes. The experiences athletes have generally come from the environment created by the coach. As a coach, you can help optimise this environment by

the way you connect with your athletes, and how you communicate to them.'Gold Dust: How To Become A More Effective Coach, Quickly' delves deeper into the importance of building connections in sporting environments, and how you can do it. The foundations, skills, techniques and behaviours within the book will enable you to create an environment that makes for a better experience for you and your athletes. This book has got stories and experiences from coaches at the top of their game across different sports, including First Team Managers, Head Coaches, Academy Managers and Elite Youth Coaches. You will learn techniques around: -How you can optimise your athletes learning-How you can optimise your athletes performance-How you can optimise the environment you coach in-How you can make your athletes feel better about what it is they do Just imagine if you could become a more highly effective coach through the use of connection and communication. This book is dedicated to Dick Bate. The footballing circle lost a pioneer, a maverick and one of the finest coach educators the World has seen when Dick passed away in April 2018. The thousands of coaches that had the pleasure to observe his captivating sessions were in the presence of greatness. His sessions were constantly filled with unparalleled technical detail that always ignited the imagination of those present. In dedication to Dick, 10% of profits from this book will be donated to The Giles' Trust, the brain tumour fund within the University Hospital

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Birmingham Charity.

There is widespread agreement that schools should contribute to the moral development and character formation of their students. In fact, 80% of US states currently have mandates regarding character education. However, the pervasiveness of the support for moral and character education masks a high degree of controversy surrounding its meaning and methods. The purpose of this handbook is to supplant the prevalent ideological rhetoric of the field with a comprehensive, research-oriented volume that both describes the extensive changes that have occurred over the last fifteen years and points forward to the future. Now in its second edition, this book includes the latest applications of developmental and cognitive psychology to moral and character education from preschool to college settings, and much more.

Play your sport, not mind games ?Ben Loeb has created an actionable guide to implementing sport psychology in team sports, including extensive exercises and self-assessment activities. With seventy-five exercises for coaches and athletes to use upping their game, Next-Level Coaching will give you the competitive edge. This book will help you learn about: • Mental Toughness • Confidence • Focus • Motivation and Motivational Obstacles • Entering “The Zone” • Developing Mental and Emotional Skills • Leadership and Team Building • Character and Values Next-Level Coaching will help any athlete, coach, or parent working with a young

athlete become more successful in athletics—and life.

What Drives Winning

Executive Coaching

Modern Sport Ethics: A Reference Handbook, 2nd Edition

Positive Psychology Coaching in Practice

More Than X's And O's

Character and Coaching

Next-Level Coaching

This guide to coaching female athletes of all ages shows how to build a team and provides invaluable advice on the differences between coaching males and females. The authors include exercises that foster teamwork and develop essential skills. They also answer parents' most common questions, such as how to tell if the coach is doing a good job and what to do if a child wants to quit. Filled with stories about the Olympic and World Cup championship teams, this useful handbook is infused throughout with DiCicco's philosophy that at every level playing soccer (or any sport) is about "playing hard, playing fair, playing to win, and having fun."

How the Coach Without a Father Became One of America's Greatest Mentors
A Guide and Handbook to Mentorship, Coaching Leadership, Business Leadership
Coach Merle "Skip" Hall grew up fatherless in a time when most other boys had fathers. He went on to coach dozens of NFL players, top college coaches, and even NFL coaches. This story of Coach Hall's life highlights the influence coaches have mentoring athletes as well as the

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power of coaching and recruiting for business. Everyone in a leadership role will be encouraged by the idea that positive coaching leads to success. "A coach will impact more people in one year than the average person will in an entire lifetime." -Billy Graham Once you learn the power of Coach 'Em Up, you will be able to Create consistent principles which lead to winning year after year Avoid the guilt and chaos of negative leadership Overcome the challenge of mediocrity Empower leadership skills in other leaders, coaches, and colleagues Overcome obstacles to success Dispel the myth that positivity is a soft skill Challenge the cultural norms Learn about the power of Don James Thursday Speeches Win more often Coach Hall coached and mentored football players with the likes of Mike Lude, Nick Saban, Don James, Jim Zorn, Chuck Pagano, and other top coaches and leaders. This book is not just for members of the coaching community. It is a resource for teachers, employers, and even parents-for anyone that works with young people, helping them develop and grow. As a bonus, Coach 'Em Up offers a resource section which can be used for pre-game speeches, pre season planning with coaches, vision blueprints, and ideas for annual team themes. "This book provides an insider look into the world of coaching and business. Coach Hall's passion for a unique style of coaching comes through loud and clear." -Chris Petersen, Head Football Coach, University of Washington and Boise State University "Skip Hall's performance speaks for itself. His leadership inspires and influences all who are lucky

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enough to know him. He always went above and beyond to encourage his players and fellow coaches."-Nick Saban, Head Coach, University of Alabama, seven-time National Champion "Coach Hall wanted our football team to take on a new identity and culture, a culture of positivity and building relationships. He wanted a culture of accountability that was done the right way-not belittling but building each other up."-Chuck Pagano, NFL Head Coach, Indianapolis Colts "It is a true honor to recommend this book. One of the great joys of my life was to play linebacker for the University of Washington Huskies and to be coached by Skip Hall. Not only did he inspire, challenge, and motivate us on the field, he mentored and taught us how to be men of character."-Mike Rohrbach, Founder and Executive Director of Run to Win, Team Captain of University of Washington football, University of Washington Sports Chaplain "Don James looked for young energetic coaches with good character. He found that in Skip Hall, who was always kind to everyone and took positive coaching seriously in an era where other football programs weren't always focused in that direction."-Carol James, wife of legendary coach Don James Skip has been a phenomenal coach with an infectious personality since the beginning of our acquaintance in the 1960s. He also proved to be a sensational recruiter over the many years that I have known him. Everyone will learn something from his story.-Mike Lude, former Athletic Director University of Washington

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Provides advice on how parents can help children get the most from sports, reminding parents to worry less about winning and focus on using sports to teach life lessons. In this instant New York Times bestseller, Angela Duckworth shows anyone striving to succeed that the secret to outstanding achievement is not talent, but a special blend of passion and persistence she calls “grit.” “Inspiration for non-geniuses everywhere” (People). The daughter of a scientist who frequently noted her lack of “genius,” Angela Duckworth is now a celebrated researcher and professor. It was her early eye-opening stints in teaching, business consulting, and neuroscience that led to her hypothesis about what really drives success: not genius, but a unique combination of passion and long-term perseverance. In *Grit*, she takes us into the field to visit cadets struggling through their first days at West Point, teachers working in some of the toughest schools, and young finalists in the National Spelling Bee. She also mines fascinating insights from history and shows what can be gleaned from modern experiments in peak performance. Finally, she shares what she’s learned from interviewing dozens of high achievers—from JP Morgan CEO Jamie Dimon to New Yorker cartoon editor Bob Mankoff to Seattle Seahawks Coach Pete Carroll. “Duckworth’s ideas about the cultivation of tenacity have clearly changed some lives for the better” (The New York Times Book Review). Among *Grit*’s most valuable insights: any effort you make ultimately counts twice toward your goal; grit can be learned, regardless of IQ or

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circumstances; when it comes to child-rearing, neither a warm embrace nor high standards will work by themselves; how to trigger lifelong interest; the magic of the Hard Thing Rule; and so much more. Winningly personal, insightful, and even life-changing, *Grit* is a book about what goes through your head when you fall down, and how that—not talent or luck—makes all the difference. This is “a fascinating tour of the psychological research on success” (The Wall Street Journal).

The Real Reason Leaders and Their Companies Win
Character Strengths and Virtues

Building and Managing Your Professional Practice

Building Character

Positive Coaching

Gold Dust: How to Become a More Effective Coach,
Quickly

Building Character Gets Results: Workbook One

Coaching is more art than science, but coaches seldom have the time or training to develop their talents beyond the X's and O's. Creative Coaching provides coaches innovative and effective approaches and solutions to tough challenges. The kind of artistry that produces wins. What sets Lynch's coaching method apart is his unique, collective approach. Coaches learn to teach, guide, and motivate in a more reciprocal relationship with athletes. Respect and authority are earned not by a title or by disciplinary measures but by a clear vision and effective communication that prompts athletes to exert maximum effort toward their shared goals

and develop their own decision-making skills -- all of which has a direct performance pay-off.

***Teaching Character Through Sport: Developing a Positive Coaching Legacy* demonstrates how a positive coaching legacy can transcend scores on a bronze plaque as a coach influences and helps to mold the life-long character of the athletes they work with. Noted author and speaker Bruce Brown examines the key issues in creating a lasting legacy, including; how to make a difference, common traits among successful coaches, beliefs about character and sport, action statements about teaching character through sport, redefining the term "athlete", teaching specific values, practicing sportsmanship, the qualities of great teams, team building through positive conditioning, the role of parents in athletics and much, much more. As easy and enjoyable to read as it is thought-provoking. A must for coaches of any level and sport.**

***Building Character, Community, and a Growth Mindset in Physical Education* offers more than 60 large-group warm-up activities, character-building activities, and team-building challenges. The book, which comes with a web resource, will help you prepare students for success in college and beyond. From the creator of the popular website *Ask a Manager* and New York's work-advice columnist comes a witty, practical guide to 200 difficult professional conversations—featuring all-new advice! There's a reason Alison Green has been called "the Dear Abby of the work world." Ten years**

as a workplace-advice columnist have taught her that people avoid awkward conversations in the office because they simply don't know what to say. Thankfully, Green does—and in this incredibly helpful book, she tackles the tough discussions you may need to have during your career. You'll learn what to say when • coworkers push their work on you—then take credit for it • you accidentally trash-talk someone in an email then hit “reply all” • you're being micromanaged—or not being managed at all • you catch a colleague in a lie • your boss seems unhappy with your work • your cubemate's loud speakerphone is making you homicidal • you got drunk at the holiday party Praise for Ask a Manager “A must-read for anyone who works . . . [Alison Green's] advice boils down to the idea that you should be professional (even when others are not) and that communicating in a straightforward manner with candor and kindness will get you far, no matter where you work.”—Booklist (starred review) “The author's friendly, warm, no-nonsense writing is a pleasure to read, and her advice can be widely applied to relationships in all areas of readers' lives. Ideal for anyone new to the job market or new to management, or anyone hoping to improve their work experience.”—Library Journal (starred review) “I am a huge fan of Alison Green's Ask a Manager column. This book is even better. It teaches us how to deal with many of the most vexing big and little problems in our workplaces—and to do so with grace, confidence, and a sense of humor.”—Robert

Sutton, Stanford professor and author of *The No Asshole Rule* and *The Asshole Survival Guide* “Ask a Manager is the ultimate playbook for navigating the traditional workforce in a diplomatic but firm way.”—Erin Lowry, author of *Broke Millennial: Stop Scraping By and Get Your Financial Life Together*

Chasing Excellence

InSideOut Coaching

Shooting in the Dark

How to Navigate Clueless Colleagues, Lunch-Stealing Bosses, and the Rest of Your Life at Work
Unexpected Lessons in Leadership from America's Worst High School Hockey Team

A Distilled Rendition of the Coaching Classic : Positive Coaching: Building Character and Self-esteem Through Sports

The Power of Passion and Perseverance

"Character" has become a front-and-center topic in contemporary discourse, but this term does not have a fixed meaning. Character may be simply defined by what someone does not do, but a more active and thorough definition is necessary, one that addresses certain vital questions. Is character a singular characteristic of an individual, or is it composed of different aspects? Does character--however we define it--exist in degrees, or is it simply something one happens to have? How can character be developed? Can it be learned? Relatedly, can it be taught, and who might be the most effective teacher? What roles are played by family, schools, the media, religion, and the

larger culture? This groundbreaking handbook of character strengths and virtues is the first progress report from a prestigious group of researchers who have undertaken the systematic classification and measurement of widely valued positive traits. They approach good character in terms of separate strengths—authenticity, persistence, kindness, gratitude, hope, humor, and so on—each of which exists in degrees. *Character Strengths and Virtues* classifies twenty-four specific strengths under six broad virtues that consistently emerge across history and culture: wisdom, courage, humanity, justice, temperance, and transcendence. Each strength is thoroughly examined in its own chapter, with special attention to its meaning, explanation, measurement, causes, correlates, consequences, and development across the life span, as well as to strategies for its deliberate cultivation. This book demands the attention of anyone interested in psychology and what it can teach about the good life.

The definitive, practical handbook on positive psychology and character strengths for practitioners working in coaching, psychology, education, and business — start using strengths today! This book is the epitome of positive psychology: it takes the backbone of positive psychology — character strengths — and builds a substantive bridge between the science and practice. Working with clients (and our own) character strengths boosts wellbeing,

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fosters resilience, improves relationships, and creates strong, supportive cultures in our practices, classrooms, and organizations. This unique guide brings together the vast experience of the author with the science and the practice of positive psychology in such a way that both new and experienced practitioners will benefit. New practitioners will learn about the core concepts of character and signature strengths and how to fine-tune their approach and troubleshoot. Experienced practitioners will deepen their knowledge about advanced topics such as strengths overuse and collisions, hot button issues, morality, and integrating strengths with savoring, flow, and mindfulness. Hands-on practitioner tips throughout the book provide valuable hints on how to take a truly strengths-based approach. The 24 summary sheets spotlighting each of the universal character strengths are an indispensable resource for client sessions, succinctly summarizing the core features of and research on each strength. 70 evidence-based step-by-step activity handouts can be given to clients to help them develop character strengths awareness and use, increase resilience, set and meet goals, develop positive relationships, and find meaning and engagement in their daily lives.

This book uses a practical approach to help coaches deal with the most agonizing dilemmas they will face today. It presents real-life scenarios, and provides a template to help coaches analyze a problem, consider

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appropriate actions, and anticipate the impact of those actions.

With more than 60 million athletes involved in sports in America, it is estimated that one coach will impact more people in one year than the average person does in a lifetime. Today's coach could be one of the greatest authoritative figures in the life of today's adolescent. So the question isn't whether coaches leave a legacy, but rather, what will that legacy be? Current trending research shows that only 15% of coaches are intentional about coaching beyond the skills and strategies of the game (1st Dimension). A

3-Dimensional Coach understands and harnesses the power of the coaching platform to coach the mind (2nd Dimension) and transform the heart (3rd Dimension). They can be the catalysts for internal transformation that guides both the coach and the athlete on a spiritual journey to finding purpose in our performance-based culture. Now that's a legacy! In 3D Coach, National Coaches Training Director Jeff Duke shares his own journey through the three dimensions of coaching and how it has impacted his life and those around him. He also shares the personal stories of coaches from all levels who have implemented the 3D concept into their own programs and who have pointed to Jesus Christ, the Master Coach, as the ultimate example of how to lead athletes to true significance.

Coach to Coach

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How Building Character Drives Higher Achievement
and Greater Fulfillment in Business and Life

Positive Coaching in a Nutshell

Building Virtue in Athletic Programs

Return on Character

Coaching for Character

Capturing the Heart Behind the Jersey

**Provides a blue print for a healthy and
successful athletic program.**

**Building Character is written for leaders
who understand their responsibility to
develop authentic leaders within their
organizations. Without presenting an
overarching moral code or a prescriptive
code of behavior, this book offers leaders
and managers a practical model complete
with the tools, information, and processes
to develop character in leaders at all
levels. The author explains the role
character plays in leadership success and
effectiveness and outlines how character
can be developed through the Five
E's—Example, Education, Experience,
Evaluation, and Environment.**

**"An uplifting and compelling leadership
book based on the hard-earned lessons
learned by the author when he was head
coach of the Ann Arbor Huron High School
ice hockey team, about how he motivated,
engaged, and empowered his players to go**

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from being ranked as the absolute worst team in the nation to one of the country's best"--

Learn the secrets for becoming the inspirational coach everyone is waiting for Think about the coaches you've had throughout your life. Most likely, some were good, others not so good. Maybe one or two were great. One thing is undeniable: Coaches can influence your life in ways that can be negative or positive. A coach can either build you up or tear you down. The world needs better coaches in all walks of life—if you're a parent, a teacher, a co-worker, or a leader, you are also a coach. Which kind of coach do you want to be? Coach to Coach helps you answer this question and shares the secrets to bringing out the best in a person, both on and off the field. For more than twenty years, author Martin Rooney has coached professional sport stars, Olympic champions, and business leaders to high levels of performance, analyzing thousands of real-life examples of what works and what doesn't. Reading like a simple parable, this engaging book gives you an easy-to-use yet highly effective formula for becoming a better coach for your teams, in your business, and in your personal life. Packed with

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valuable insights and expert advice, this appealing book helps you: Learn how to be a great leader by being a great coach Create positive lives for your children and the people you work with Inspire and motivate the people around you Turn your natural skills and talents into your own unique coaching style Use proven, time-tested coaching strategies to get results Coach to Coach: An Empowering Story About How to Be a Great Leader is an ideal book for coaches, leaders, managers, entrepreneurs, educators, parents, and anyone wanting to bring out the best in those around them.

Tales of Coaching and Leadership

Ten Principles of a Character Coach

An Empowering Story About How to Be a Great Leader

Ask a Manager

Beyond Coaching

A Football Star, a Boy, a Journey to Manhood

Building Character and Leadership

Coaches everywhere understand the great responsibility they have for developing good character in the lives of those athletes they coach. Coaches can no longer hope their athletes pick up on good character just by being part of an athletic program. It is not

even enough to just model good character. Coaches must now be proactive in diligently working to build character into the lives of those under their influence. To adequately build this character, it takes a plan. But what coaches have the time to develop a character program that is primarily aimed at their athletes? Coach Steve Biddison, a veteran in the coaching ranks for over 20 years, has developed an interactive workbook for athletes to work through with their coaches and teammates. In this program, *Building Character Through Athletics*, 50 character qualities that directly link to being part of an athletic program are examined. Each quality covered has a section that asks the athlete to examine their own selves as it relates to that quality in athletics, academics, and life. Coaches, never before has it been easier for you to teach character to your athletes. You simply give them the reading assignment which takes them no more than 5 minutes to read through and answer the questions. Then at a time you designate (could be at the beginning or end of practice), take about 2-3 minutes to give your players an opportunity to share with their teammates some of their thoughts from the reading. Or you may choose to have them turn in their answers to

you. It is your choice. The important thing is that the athletes are given a very simple means of developing good character into their lives without you, the coach, have to figure out how to teach it.

In this inspirational yet practical book, the man Parade called “the most important coach in America,” subject of the national bestseller *Season of Life*, Joe Ehrmann, describes his coaching philosophy and explains how sports can transform lives at every level of play, from the earliest years to professional sports. Coaches have a tremendous platform, says Joe Ehrmann, a former Syracuse University All-American and NFL star. Perhaps second only to parents, coaches can impact young people as no one else can. But most coaches fail to do the teaching, mentoring, even life-saving intervention that their platform provides. Too many are transactional coaches; they focus solely on winning and meeting their personal needs. Some coaches, however, use their platform. They teach the Xs and Os, but also teach the Ys of life. They help young people grow into responsible adults; they leave a lasting legacy. These are the transformational coaches. These coaches change lives, and they also change society by helping to develop healthy men and women. InSideOut

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Coaching explains how to become a transformational coach. Coaches first have to “go inside” and articulate their reasons for coaching. Only those who have taken the InSideOut journey can become transformational. Joe Ehrmann provides examples of coaches in his life who took this journey and taught him how to find something bigger than himself in sports. He describes his own InSideOut experience, starting with the death of his beloved brother, which helped him understand how sports could transcend the playing field. He gives coaches the information and the tools they need to become transformational. Joe Ehrmann has taken his message about the extraordinary power of sports all over the country. It has been warmly endorsed by NFL head coaches, athletic directors at major universities, high school head coaches, even business groups and community organizations. Now any parent-coach or school or community coach can read Ehrmann’s message and learn how to make sports a life-changing experience. The missing how-to manual for being an effective team leader *The Art of Coaching Teams* is the manual you never received when you signed on to lead a team. Being a great teacher is one thing, but leading a team, or

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team development, is an entirely different dynamic. Your successes are public, but so are your failures—and there's no specific rubric or curriculum to give you direction. Team development is an art form, and this book is your how-to guide to doing it effectively. You'll learn the administrative tasks that keep your team on track, and you'll gain access to a wealth of downloadable tools that simplify the "getting organized" process. Just as importantly, you'll explore what it means to be the kind of leader that can bring people together to accomplish difficult tasks. You'll find practical suggestions, tools, and clear instructions for the logistics of team development as well as for building trust, developing healthy communication, and managing conflict. Inside these pages you'll find concrete guidance on: Designing agendas, making decisions, establishing effective protocols, and more Boosting your resilience, understanding and managing your emotions, and meeting your goals Cultivating your team's emotional intelligence and dealing with cynicism Utilizing practical tools to create a customized framework for developing highly effective teams There is no universal formula for building a great team, because every team is different. Different

skills, abilities, personalities, and goals make a one-size-fits-all approach ineffective at best. Instead, *The Art of Coaching Teams* provides a practical framework to help you develop your group as a whole, and keep the team moving toward their common goals.

The e-book for *True Competition: A Guide to Pursuing Excellence in Sport and Society* is available at a reduced price and allows students to highlight and take notes throughout the text. When purchased through the Human Kinetics site, access to the e-book is immediately granted when the order is received. *True Competition: A Guide to Pursuing Excellence in Sport and Society* offers a blueprint for maximizing the potential of competition to foster excellence and enjoyment. It provides a novel perspective on competition that challenges traditional beliefs through a research-backed defense that—up until now—has been lacking. With this text, readers will learn the differences between positive and negative competition, and they will discover how to implement change in their organizations, teams, and individual practices. The authors of this groundbreaking book, who are leading experts in sport psychology, redefine what competition is and should be. Unlike the more typical and often socially

destructive form of competition—which they call decompetition—true competition brings out excellence in participants, fosters positive character development, and leads to lasting enjoyment. This socially and psychologically positive perspective on competition challenges Alfie Kohn's *No Contest: The Case Against Competition*, which has been called the definitive critique of competition. The authors propose that competition itself is not problematic; rather, they question how competition is sometimes envisioned, interpreted, and implemented. They provide suggestions for achieving positive outcomes from competition, including creating challenging yet supportive environments in sport programs and teams, fostering the well-being of athletes, and encouraging athletes to handle various situations. The research-based text uses a field-guide approach, in which the components of true competition are presented in chapter 3 and then detailed in the following chapters. This approach helps readers understand competition and how it is being used in their own lives. While the book relies heavily on the arena of sports, it also provides many examples of applying this revised understanding of competition in business, education, politics, and other nonsport

environments. To enhance the learning experience, True Competition offers the following features: -A scholarly analysis of competition is presented in a clear and engaging writing style, making the provocative concepts easily accessible to any reader. -Engaging sidebars give examples of how true competition has been created in various environments to shorten the implementation curve for readers. -Q&A sidebars pose practical questions to ponder—just as a parent, coach, or official would—and prepares readers for issues they will confront in the field. By applying the information presented in this text, students, professionals, and athletes will learn how to maximize the benefits of competition by avoiding decompetition. Not only will they understand how to recognize and respond to positive and negative forms of competition, but they also will gain the tools they need in order to promote true competition in their own worlds. Instructions for downloading and accessing the e-book will be provided once the order is complete. Adobe Digital Editions® System Requirements Windows -Microsoft® Windows® 2000 with Service Pack 4, Windows XP with Service Pack 2, or Windows Vista® (Home Basic 32-bit and Business

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How "Second-Goal" Parents Raise Winners in
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A Handbook and Classification

The Double-Goal Coach

Positive Coaching Tools for Honoring the
Game and Developing Winners in Sports and
Life

Catch Them Being Good

Season of Life

**Ten Principles of a Character Coach provides
clear experienced-based advice on how to be a
character coach. Within Ten Principles of a
Character Coach, Coach Gary Waters defines a**

character coach as someone who lives a life with integrity, honesty and moral values. He speaks specifically on how the sport of basketball has been riddled with scandals in recent years on the high school and college levels; and how the governing authorities are committed to repairing the reputation of college basketball. Ten Principles of a Character Coach addresses many of the issues that young men and women are experiencing in the athletic arena today. Coach Waters believes character and values need to be a high priority in those individuals tasked with guiding young people, as well as themselves. Furthermore, Coach Waters is convinced that following the principles within Ten Principles of a Character Coach will benefit anyone in developing their character.

This book-and Playmaker Clinics-will open you to new possibilities that can change the trajectory of a young person, as well as your own. You will learn about the awesome power of a coach/mentor, and how he or she can impact their community. We hope you will join us in changing kids' and families' lives for the better. Subjects this book and our clinics discuss: Develop a Personal Mission Statement How Big Can You Dream? Create a Legacy 1 Hour and 15 Minute Practice Plans Building Character Lessons Into Your Practice Plan Where Is It Fun? Creating Your "Player Tree" If you are looking for ways to improve your skills, multiply your impact, and

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A Field Guide for Practitioners