

# ***The Self Driven Child The Science And Sense Of Giving Your Kids More Control Over Their Lives***

The bestselling author of UnSelfie offers 7 teachable traits that will safeguard our kids for the future. We think we have to push our kids to do more, achieve more, BE more. But we're modeling the wrong traits—like rule-following and caution—and research shows it's NOT working. This kind of "Striver" mindset isn't just making kids unhappier, says Dr. Michele Borba...it's actually the opposite of what it takes to thrive in the uncertain world ahead. Thrivers are different: they flourish in our fast-paced, digital-driven, often uncertain world. Why? Through her in-depth research, Dr. Borba discovered that the difference comes down not to grades or test scores, but to seven character traits that set Thrivers apart—confidence, empathy, self-control, integrity, curiosity, perseverance, and optimism. The even better news: these traits can be taught to children at any age...in fact, parents and educators must do so. In Thrivers, Dr. Borba offers practical, actionable ways to develop

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these traits in children from preschool through high school, showing how to teach kids how to cope today so they can thrive tomorrow.

Keys for establishing healthy boundaries--the bedrock of good relationships, maturity, safety, and growth for children and adults. To help their children grow into healthy adults, parents need to teach them how to take responsibility for their behavior, their values, and their lives. The authors of the Gold Medallion Award-winning book *Boundaries* bring their biblically-based principles to bear on the challenging task of child rearing, showing parents: \* how to bring control to an out-of-control family life \* how to set limits and still be loving parents \* how to define legitimate boundaries for the family \* how to instill in children a godly character

Thought-provoking and controversial, this book offers practical parenting techniques for parents at each age and stage of their baby's development to ensure that their child is psychologically well adjusted and emotionally healthy. Includes advice and strategies, from anxiety-proofing your baby to solving poor sleeping Uses picture stories, real-life images and anecdotes to illustrate points Reexamines popular

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childcare tactics and offers alternatives

How today's brain research can lead to happy, emotionally balanced children

Can you teach a child to be kind? This vital question is taking on a new urgency as our culture grows ever more abrasive and divided. We all want our kids to be kind. But that is not the same as knowing what to do when you catch your son being unkind. A world-renowned developmental psychologist, Dr. Thomas Lickona has led the character education movement in schools for forty years. Now he shares with parents the vital tools they need to bring peace and foster cooperation at home. Kindness doesn't stand on its own.

It needs a supporting cast of other essential virtues—like courage, self-control, respect, and gratitude. With concrete examples drawn from the many families Dr. Lickona has worked with over the years and clear tips you can act on tonight, *How to Raise Kind Kids* will help you give and get respect, hold family meetings to tackle persistent problems, discipline in a way that builds character, and improve the dynamic of your relationship with your children while putting them on the path to a happier and more fulfilling life.

For some kids, school offers a positive

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and engaging experience. For others, it's a boring, stressful, and frustrating waste of time. If your child is in the second category, why keep tormenting them? Instead, why not help them find an educational environment where they feel genuinely motivated, excited, and empowered? In this eye-opening book, Blake Boles makes the case for leaving conventional school and taking one of the many alternative paths through K-12 that exist today. He addresses parents' major concerns about unconventional education -- Can my kids still go to college? Will they still be employable? How will they learn to work hard? -- while highlighting the hidden benefits of self-directed learning, such as improved parent-child relationships, a more balanced decision-making process regarding college, and a heightened sense of autonomy and connection. Drawing upon 15 years of work as a mentor and guide for adolescents in alternative and experiential learning environments -- as well as his own unconventional life path -- Boles weaves together narrative, theory, and research to build a powerful argument for granting children unusual levels of freedom and responsibility.

A Good Enough Parent

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How to Talk with Kids to Build Motivation,  
Stress Tolerance, and a Happy Home

The Science of Parenting

A Book on Child-rearing

The Self-driven Child

Creating an Environment Where Children  
Listen and Cooperate

The Self-Motivated Kid

Boundaries with Kids

**New York Times Bestseller “We all want to raise children with good values—children who are the opposite of spoiled—yet we often neglect to talk to our children about money. . . . From handling the tooth fairy, to tips on allowance, chores, charity, checking accounts, and part-time jobs, this engaging and important book is a must-read for parents.” — Gretchen Rubin, author of The Happiness Project In the spirit of Wendy Mogel’s The Blessing of a Skinned Knee and Po Bronson and Ashley Merryman’s Nurture Shock, New York Times “Your Money” columnist Ron Lieber delivers a taboo-shattering manifesto that explains how talking openly to children about money can help parents raise modest, patient, grounded young adults who are financially wise beyond their years For Ron Lieber, a personal finance columnist and father, good parenting means talking about money with our kids. Children are hyper-aware of money, and they have scores of questions about its nuances. But when parents shy away from the topic, they lose a tremendous opportunity—not just to model the basic financial behaviors that**

are increasingly important for young adults but also to imprint lessons about what the family truly values. Written in a warm, accessible voice, grounded in real-world experience and stories from families with a range of incomes, *The Opposite of Spoiled* is both a practical guidebook and a values-based philosophy. The foundation of the book is a detailed blueprint for the best ways to handle the basics: the tooth fairy, allowance, chores, charity, saving, birthdays, holidays, cell phones, checking accounts, clothing, cars, part-time jobs, and college tuition. It identifies a set of traits and virtues that embody the opposite of spoiled, and shares how to embrace the topic of money to help parents raise kids who are more generous and less materialistic. But *The Opposite of Spoiled* is also a promise to our kids that we will make them better with money than we are. It is for all of the parents who know that honest conversations about money with their curious children can help them become more patient and prudent, but who don't know how and when to start.

Today millions of kids are stuck in a world that doesn't respect, support, or embrace who they really are—these are what Deborah Reber is calling the “differently wired” kids, the one in five children with ADHD, dyslexia, Asperger's, giftedness, anxiety, sensory processing disorder, and other neurodifferences. Their challenges are many. But for the parents who love them, the challenges are just as hard—struggling to find the right school, the right therapist, the

**right parenting group while feeling isolated and harboring endless internal doubts about what's normal, what's not, and how to handle it all. But now there's hope. Written by Deborah Reber, a bestselling author and mother in the midst of an eye-opening journey with her son who is twice exceptional (he has ADHD, Asperger's, and is highly gifted), *Differently Wired* is a how-to, a manifesto, a book of wise advice, and the best kind of been-there, done-that companion. On the one hand it's a book of saying NO, and how it's time to say no to trying to fit your round-peg kid into society's square holes, no to educational and social systems that don't respect your child, no to the anxiety and fear that keep parents stuck. And then it's a book of YES. By offering 18 paradigm shifts—what she calls “tilts”— Reber shows how to change everything. How to “Get Out of Isolation and Connect.” “Stop Fighting Who Your Child Is and Lean In.” “Let Go of What Others Think.” “Create a World Where Your Child Can Feel Secure.” “Find Your People (and Ditch the Rest).” “Help Your Kids Embrace Self-Discovery.” And through these alternative ways of being, discover how to stay open, pay attention, and become an exceptional parent to your exceptional child.**

**As parents we all want the best for our children, but so often over-manage every aspect of their lives, leaving them overwhelmed, lacking motivation, and at risk of mental health problems as adults. So how can we prevent this from happening? Over their combined sixty**

**years of practice, William Stixrud, a clinical neuropsychologist, and Ned Johnson, the founder of an elite tutoring agency, have worked with thousands of children all facing this problem. Together they discovered that the best antidote to stress is to give kids more of a sense of control over their lives. In this groundbreaking book they will teach you how to set your child on the real road to success and share their trusted techniques to help your child to reduce their stress and anxiety, foster independent thinking, and achieve their full potential. The Thriving Child is essential reading for every parent to help their child sculpt a resilient, stress-proof brain that is ready to take on new challenges.**

**Pick up the latest tale in the classic Harold and the Purple Crayon series and follow Harold as he hunts for treasure! This new story based on Crockett Johnson's beloved character encourages readers to pick up their crayons and use their imagination to go wherever they'd like. A moonlit walk on the beach makes Harold yearn for adventure on the high seas! With his trusty purple crayon in hand, the curious Harold finds a ship and sails off to meet a pirate captain, a mermaid, and sea creatures (some friendly and some frightening), in hopes of finding treasure! Ever since the publication of Harold and the Purple Crayon in 1955, Crockett Johnson's crayon-wielding hero has had a devoted following. This exciting new story featuring the classic character, with its clever and inventive twists, will delight fans old and**

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new.

**What if Cinderella solved her own problems? What if she didn't have to be saved by a prince to deal with the stepfamily that chose to be mean to her? This revised fairytale is created by Imaginare Studios, a media company working on solving the confidence gap between men and women by targeting the content we read as very young children, using emotional developmental milestones as a guide. These emotional milestones are reflected in this revised classic for modern children; our young protagonist, Danielle, learns to address her challenges in relationship with her stepsisters, but in doing so creates her own adventure that has nothing to do with being saved by a prince! Both little girls and little boys will adore this book and its enchanting illustrations by Sofia Cardoso. You may even find they will cheer on Danielle as she becomes Cinderella, and learns to be BRAVE! Honored and Connected**

**A Parent's Guide to Growing Wise Kids in the Digital Age**

**Ready or Not**

**Help Your Child Make Friends, Build Resilience, and Develop Real Self-Esteem**

**Selfish Reasons to Have More Kids**

**How Parental Pressure and Material Advantage Are Creating a Generation of Disconnected and Unhappy Kids**

**Cinderella**

**Raising an Exceptional Child in a Conventional World**

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We've needlessly turned parenting into an unpleasant chore. Parents invest more time and money in their kids than ever, but the shocking lesson of twin and adoption research is that upbringing is much less important than genetics in the long run. These revelations have surprising implications for how we parent and how we spend time with our kids. The big lesson: Mold your kids less and enjoy your life more. Your kids will still turn out fine. *Selfish Reasons to Have More Kids* is a book of practical big ideas. How can parents be happier? What can they change -- and what do they need to just accept? Which of their worries can parents safely forget? Above all, what is the right number of kids for you to have? You'll never see kids or parenthood the same way again.

The instant New York Times bestseller! "Emily Oster dives into the data on parenting issues, cuts through the clutter and gives families the bottom line to help them make better decisions." -Good Morning America "A targeted mini-MBA program designed to help moms and dads establish best practices for day-to-day operations." -The Washington Post From the bestselling author of *Expecting Better* and *Cribsheet*, the next step in data driven parenting from economist Emily Oster. In *The Family Firm*, Brown professor of economics and mom of two Emily Oster offers a classic business school framework for data-driven parents to think more deliberately about the key issues of the elementary years: school, health, extracurricular activities, and more. Unlike the hourly challenges of infant parenting, the big questions in this age come up less frequently. But we live with the consequences of our decisions for much longer. What's the right kind of

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school and at what age should a particular kid start? How do you encourage a healthy diet? Should kids play a sport and how seriously? How do you think smartly about encouraging children's independence? Along with these bigger questions, Oster investigates how to navigate the complexity of day-to-day family logistics. Making these decisions is less about finding the specific answer and more about taking the right approach. Parents of this age are often still working in baby mode, which is to say, under stress and on the fly. That is a classic management problem, and Oster takes a page from her time as a business school professor at the University of Chicago to show us that thoughtful business process can help smooth out tough family decisions. *The Family Firm* is a smart and winning guide to how to think clearly--and with less ambient stress--about the key decisions of the elementary school years. Parenting is a full-time job. It's time we start treating it like one.

*Anxiety-Free Kids* (2nd ed.) offers parents strategies that help children become happy and worry-free, methods that relieve a child's excessive anxieties and phobias, and tools for fostering interaction and family-oriented solutions. Using a unique companion approach that offers two books in one—a practical, reader-friendly book for parents and a fun workbook for kids—this solutions-oriented guide utilizes the cognitive-behavioral approach to therapy and integrates the parent in the child's self-help process. Research has shown that if left untreated, children with anxiety disorders are at higher risk to perform poorly in school, to have less-developed social skills, and to be more vulnerable to substance abuse. Covering the six most

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commonly occurring anxiety disorders—generalized anxiety, separation anxiety, specific phobias, social phobias, panic disorder, and obsessive-compulsive disorder—this book gives kids and parents successful strategies for achieving relaxation, conquering worries, challenging faulty thinking patterns, developing positive self-talk, and facing one's fears. Educational Resource New York Times Bestseller "Julie Lythcott-Haims is a national treasure. . . . A must-read for every parent who senses that there is a healthier and saner way to raise our children." -Madeline Levine, author of the New York Times bestsellers *The Price of Privilege* and *Teach Your Children Well* "For parents who want to foster hearty self-reliance instead of hollow self-esteem, *How to Raise an Adult* is the right book at the right time." -Daniel H. Pink, author of the New York Times bestsellers *Drive* and *A Whole New Mind* A provocative manifesto that exposes the harms of helicopter parenting and sets forth an alternate philosophy for raising preteens and teens to self-sufficient young adulthood In *How to Raise an Adult*, Julie Lythcott-Haims draws on research, on conversations with admissions officers, educators, and employers, and on her own insights as a mother and as a student dean to highlight the ways in which overparenting harms children, their stressed-out parents, and society at large. While empathizing with the parental hopes and, especially, fears that lead to overhelping, Lythcott-Haims offers practical alternative strategies that underline the importance of allowing children to make their own mistakes and develop the resilience, resourcefulness, and inner determination necessary for success. Relevant to parents of toddlers as

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well as of twentysomethings-and of special value to parents of teens-this book is a rallying cry for those who wish to ensure that the next generation can take charge of their own lives with competence and confidence.

In *The Secrets of Happy Families*, New York Times bestselling author Bruce Feiler has drawn up a blueprint for modern families — a new approach to family dynamics, inspired by cutting-edge techniques gathered from experts in the disciplines of science, business, sports, and the military. Don't worry about family dinner. Let your kids pick their punishments. Ditch the sex talk. Cancel date night. These are just a few of the surprising innovations in this bold first-of-its-kind playbook for today's families. Bestselling author and New York Times family columnist Bruce Feiler found himself squeezed between caring for aging parents and raising his children. So he set out on a three-year journey to find the smartest solutions and the most cutting-edge research about families. Instead of the usual family "experts," he sought out the most creative minds—from Silicon Valley to the set of *Modern Family*, from the country's top negotiators to the Green Berets—asked them what team-building exercises and problem-solving techniques they use with their families. Feiler then tested these ideas with his wife and kids. The result is a fun, original look at how families can draw closer together, complete with 200 never-before-seen best practices. Feiler's life-changing discoveries include a radical plan to reshape your family in twenty minutes a week, Warren Buffett's guide for setting an allowance, and the Harvard handbook for resolving conflict. *The Secrets of Happy Families* is a timely, counterintuitive book that answers the

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questions countless parents are asking: How do we manage the chaos of our lives? How do we teach our kids values? How do we make our family happier? Written in a charming, accessible style, *The Secrets of Happy Families* is smart, funny, and fresh, and will forever change how your family lives every day.

*Self Discipline: Stop Being A Child And Beat Procrastination, Distraction Habits And Have Self-driven Positive Attitude And Willpower (Be Obsessed With Success While Being An Average Mortal) And Get Respect, Gratitude, and a Happier Family in the Bargain*

*Intrinsic Motivation*

*Simple Lessons for Radical Results*

*The Surprising Reasons Why Some Kids Struggle and Others Shine*

*The Whole-Brain Child*

*An Interactive Guide for Parents and Children*

*Raising Kids Who Are Grounded, Generous, and Smart About Money*

“A fascinating and frightening book” (Los Angeles Times)—the bestselling true story about a house possessed by evil spirits, haunted by psychic phenomena almost too terrible to describe. In December 1975, the Lutz family moved into their new home on suburban Long Island. George and Kathleen Lutz knew that, one year earlier, Ronald DeFeo had murdered his parents, brothers, and sisters in the house, but the property—complete with boathouse and swimming pool—and the price had

been too good to pass up. Twenty-eight days later, the entire Lutz family fled in terror. This is the spellbinding, shocking true story that gripped the nation about an American dream that turned into a nightmare beyond imagining—“this book will scare the hell out of you” (Kansas City Star).

As I begin to write this Preface, I feel a rush of excitement. I have now finished the book; my gestalt is coming into completion. Throughout the months that I have been writing this, I have, indeed, been intrinsically motivated. Now that it is finished I feel quite competent and self-determining (see Chapter 2). Whether or not those who read the book will perceive me that way is also a concern of mine (an extrinsic one), but it is a wholly separate issue from the intrinsic rewards I have been experiencing. This book presents a theoretical perspective. It reviews an enormous amount of research which establishes unequivocally that intrinsic motivation exists. Also considered herein are various approaches to the conceptualizing of intrinsic motivation. The book concentrates on the approach which has developed out of the work of Robert White (1959), namely, that intrinsically motivated behaviors are ones which a person engages in so that he may feel competent and self-determining in relation to his environment. The book then considers the development of intrinsic motivation, how behaviors are motivated intrinsically, how they relate to and how intrinsic

motivation is extrinsically motivated behaviors, affected by extrinsic rewards and controls. It also considers how changes in intrinsic motivation relate to changes in attitudes, how people attribute motivation to each other, how the attribution process is motivated, and how the process of perceiving motivation (and other internal states) in oneself relates to perceiving them in others.

Tens of millions of parents have tried yelling, manipulating, threatening, bribing, nagging, and even harming their children; all in an attempt to motivate and make them comply. But you are tired of the battles and negative cycles that happen over and over. Deep down you sense there must be a better way. As Marshall Goldsmith says "I've learned how one tweak in the environment changes everything." Self-Motivated kids will show you how to make the tweaks in your home environment so your children listen and cooperate, all on their own. This book answers questions like: -Where does internal motivation come from? -What 3 psychological needs fuel self-motivation? -How can I meet these needs in my children so they listen and respond? -How can I create a home environment where my children have the energy for action? Chock-full of practical tips and solutions you can apply in your home today. Self-Motivated Kids combines action-based exercises, and real-world research from the author's personal experience as a mother and family life educator. Self-

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Motivated Kids will challenge you to think critically about parenting tactics that have passed on through the ages and dare greatly as you deliberately try a new approach to parenting. You can think of the book as your personal parenting guide you can refer to for honest and straightforward advice as you transform your home environment and enjoy parenting. In four parts Self-Motivated Kids will help you create an environment where your children listen and cooperate: -Part One, Motivation, helps you understand what motivation is, where it comes from, and unhealthy behaviors to avoid. -Part Two, Creating the Environment, walks you through the three psychological needs of connection, choice, and competence that fuel internal motivation in your children. -Part Three, The Magic Formula, focuses on how to communicate with your children so they can willingly cooperate with you. -Part Four, Where to Start?, is an actionable plan to implement what is taught so you can see positive results and behavior change today. What are people saying about Self-Motivated Kids? "A smart, practical book for moms and dads who care about their kids' intrinsic motivation." - Daniel H. Pink, New York Times Bestselling author of DRIVE and A WHOLE NEW MIND "This book is a MUST READ! As an educator, I cannot count the number of times I have heard parents say, 'If only my son/daughter came with a handbook!' Simmons uses her experience as a

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family life educator and mom to create 'the handbook.'" -Stacey Sly, author of Trauma in the Classroom "Every parent struggles to help their children become more self-motivated. Simmons shares some crucial concepts and great implementation tips to help parents do just that. Wish I had this with my kids but glad I have it for my grandkids! This is very clear, do-able, and inspiring! The 3 Cs are life changing!" -Merilee Boyack, author of The Parenting Breakthrough

Peaceful parenting is hard enough for the average parent. Imagine trying to do it when you have the instincts of a tiger mother. In *Untigering*, Iris Chen shares her journey of leaving behind authoritarian tiger parenting to embrace a respectful, relational way of raising children. As a Chinese American mom, she draws from her experiences of living in both North America and Asia and offers insights and practices to:

- Heal from your childhood wounds
- Change your beliefs about yourself and your children
- Parent through connection instead of control
- Redefine your understanding of success
- Navigate and challenge cultural norms

Iris calls for a radical shift from parenting that is rooted in power to one that is grounded in partnership, but she does so with humor, humility, and empathy. This book is her invitation to you to begin your own journey of transformation as a parent.

Psychologist Madeline Levine, author of the New

York Times bestseller *The Price of Privilege*, brings together cutting-edge research and thirty years of clinical experience to explode once and for all the myth that good grades, high test scores, and college acceptances should define the parenting endgame. Parents, educators, and the media wring their hands about the plight of America's children and teens—soaring rates of emotional problems, limited coping skills, disengagement from learning and yet there are ways to reverse these disheartening trends. *Teach Your Children Well* acknowledges that every parent wants successful children. However, until we are clearer about our core values and the parenting choices that are most likely to lead to authentic, and not superficial, success, we will continue to raise exhausted, externally driven, impaired children who believe they are only as good as their last performance. Real success is always an inside job, argues Levine, and is measured not by today's report card but by the people our children become fifteen or twenty years down the line. Refusing to be diverted by manufactured controversies such as "tiger moms versus coddling moms," Levine confronts the real issues behind the way we push some of our kids to the breaking point while dismissing the talents and interests of many others. She shows us how to shift our focus from the excesses of hyperparenting and the unhealthy reliance on our children for status and meaning to a

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parenting style that concentrates on both enabling academic success as well as developing a sense of purpose, well-being, connection, and meaning in our children's lives. *Teach Your Children Well* is a call to action. And while it takes courage to make the changes we believe in, the time has come, says Levine, to return our overwrought families to a healthier and saner version of themselves.

*A Practical Guide for Parenting Beyond Belief*

*How to Raise an Adult*

*Raising Critical Thinkers*

*The Thriving Child*

*Improve Your Mornings, Rethink Family Dinner, Fight Smarter, Go Out and Play, and Much More*  
*Thrivers*

*Preparing Our Kids to Thrive in an Uncertain and Rapidly Changing World*

*A clinical neuropsychologist and test-prep guru combine cutting-edge brain science with insights from their work with families to make a radical case for giving kids more freedom to unleash their full potential.*

*The fourteen essential conversations to have with your tween and early teenager to prepare them for the emotional, physical, and social challenges ahead, including scripts and advice to keep the communication going and stay connected during this critical developmental window. "This book is a gift to parents and teenagers alike."—Lisa Damour, PhD, author of *Untangled* and *Under Pressure* Trying to convince a middle schooler to listen to you can be exasperating. Indeed, it can feel like the best option is not to talk! But keeping kids safe—and prepared for all the times when you can't be the angel on their shoulder—is about having the*

*right conversations at the right time. From a brain growth and emotional readiness perspective, there is no better time for this than their tween years, right up to when they enter high school. Distilling Michelle Icard's decades of experience working with families, Fourteen Talks by Age Fourteen focuses on big, thorny topics such as friendship, sexuality, impulsivity, and technology, as well as unexpected conversations about creativity, hygiene, money, privilege, and contributing to the family. Icard outlines a simple, memorable, and family-tested formula for the best approach to these essential talks, the BRIEF Model: Begin peacefully, Relate to your child, Interview to collect information, Echo what you're hearing, and give Feedback. With wit and compassion, she also helps you get over the most common hurdles in talking to tweens, including:*

- What phrases invite connection and which irritate kids or scare them off*
- The best places, times, and situations in which to initiate talks*
- How to keep kids interested, open, and engaged in conversation*
- How to exit these chats in a way that keeps kids wanting more*

*Like a Rosetta Stone for your tween's confounding language, Fourteen Talks by Age Fourteen is an essential communication guide to helping your child through the emotional, physical, and social challenges ahead and, ultimately, toward teenage success.*

*An indispensable guide to welcoming children—from babies to teens—to a lifelong love of reading, written by Pamela Paul and Maria Russo, editors of The New York Times Book Review. Do you remember your first visit to where the wild things are? How about curling up for hours on end to discover the secret of the Sorcerer's Stone? Combining clear, practical advice with inspiration, wisdom, tips, and curated reading lists, How to Raise a Reader shows you how to instill the joy and time-stopping pleasure of reading. Divided into four sections, from baby through teen, and each illustrated by a different artist, this book offers something useful on every page, whether it's how to develop rituals around reading or build a family library, or ways to engage a reluctant reader. A*

*fifth section, "More Books to Love: By Theme and Reading Level," is chockful of expert recommendations. Throughout, the authors debunk common myths, assuage parental fears, and deliver invaluable lessons in a positive and easy-to-act-on way.*

*Why Do Kids These Days Expect Everything to be Given to Them? Today's kids don't know how to read a map. They can Google the answer to any question at lightning speed. If a teen forgets his homework, a quick call to mom or dad has it hand-delivered in minutes. Fueled by the rapid pace of technology, the Instant Gratification Generation not only expects immediate solutions to problems—they're more dependent than ever on adults. Today's kids are being denied opportunities to make mistakes, and more importantly, to learn from them. They are being taught not to think. In Teaching Kids to Think, Dr. Darlene Sweetland and Dr. Ron Stolberg offer insight into the social, emotional, and neurological challenges unique to this generation. They identify the five parent traps that cause adults to unknowingly increase their children's need for instant gratification, and offer practical tips and easy-to-implement solutions to address topics relevant to children of all ages. A must-read for parents and educators, Teaching Kids to Think will help you understand where this sense of entitlement comes from—and how to turn it around in order to raise children who are confident, independent, and thoughtful. The Godmother of Silicon Valley, legendary teacher, and mother of a Super Family shares her tried-and-tested methods for raising happy, healthy, successful children using Trust, Respect, Independence, Collaboration, and Kindness: TRICK. Esther Wojcicki--"Woj" to her many friends and admirers--is famous for three things: teaching a high school class that has changed the lives of thousands of kids, inspiring Silicon Valley legends like Steve Jobs, and raising three daughters who have each become famously successful. What do these three accomplishments have in common? They're the result of TRICK, Woj's secret to raising successful people: Trust, Respect, Independence, Collaboration,*

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*and Kindness. Simple lessons, but the results are radical.*

*Wojcicki's methods are the opposite of helicopter parenting. As we face an epidemic of parental anxiety, Woj is here to say: relax. Talk to infants as if they are adults. Allow teenagers to pick projects that relate to the real world and their own passions, and let them figure out how to complete them. Above all, let your child lead. How to Raise Successful People offers essential lessons for raising, educating, and managing people to their highest potential. Change your parenting, change the world.*

*Why Being a Great Parent is Less Work and More Fun Than You Think*

*Fourteen Talks by Age Fourteen*

*Revised Classics for Modern Children*

*Two Many Birds*

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*Self-Motivated Kids*

*12 Revolutionary Strategies to Nurture Your Child's Developing Mind*

*A Data-Driven Guide to Better Decision Making in the Early School Years*

*A guide for parents to help children of all ages process the onslaught of unfiltered information in the digital age. Education is not solely about acquiring information and skills across subject areas, but also about understanding how and why we believe what we do. At a time when online media has created a virtual firehose of information and opinions, parents and teachers worry how students will interpret what they read and see. Amid the noise, it has become increasingly important to examine different perspectives with*

*both curiosity and discernment. But how do parents teach these skills to their children? Drawing on more than twenty years' experience homeschooling and developing curricula, Julie Bogart offers practical tools to help children at every stage of development to grow in their ability to explore the world around them, examine how their loyalties and biases affect their beliefs, and generate fresh insight rather than simply recycling what they've been taught. Full of accessible stories and activities for children of all ages, Raising Critical Thinkers helps parents to nurture passionate learners with thoughtful minds and empathetic hearts.*

*"Instead of trusting kids with choices . . . many parents insist on micromanaging everything from homework to friendships. For these parents, Stixrud and Johnson have a simple message: Stop." —NPR*

*"This humane, thoughtful book turns the latest brain science into valuable practical advice for parents." —Paul Tough, New York Times bestselling author of How Children Succeed*

*A few years ago, Bill Stixrud and Ned Johnson started noticing the same problem from different angles: Even high-performing kids were coming to them acutely stressed and lacking motivation. Many complained they had no control over their lives. Some stumbled in high school or hit college and unraveled. Bill is a clinical neuropsychologist who helps kids gripped*

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by anxiety or struggling to learn. Ned is a motivational coach who runs an elite tutoring service. Together they discovered that the best antidote to stress is to give kids more of a sense of control over their lives. But this doesn't mean giving up your authority as a parent. In this groundbreaking book they reveal how you can actively help your child to sculpt a brain that is resilient, and ready to take on new challenges. *The Self-Driven Child* offers a combination of cutting-edge brain science, the latest discoveries in behavioral therapy, and case studies drawn from the thousands of kids and teens Bill and Ned have helped over the years to teach you how to set your child on the real road to success. As parents, we can only drive our kids so far. At some point, they will have to take the wheel and map out their own path. But there is a lot you can do before then to help them tackle the road ahead with resilience and imagination.

With self-discipline, all things are possible. Without it, even the simplest goal can seem like the impossible dream." ~ Theodore Roosevelt Imagine how different your life would be if you knew a way to hack your daily habits to become a highly self-disciplined and productive person. This book contains proven steps and strategies on how to start leading a more successful life through improving self-discipline and confidence. In the

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modern day in which we live, we all want to be successful. Either we are working jobs that we don't enjoy, or we are wishing that we would move on and better ourselves, or we need to lose weight, or achieve this, that or the next thing. In This Book You'll Learn... Productivity and Discipline Hacks How to Gain the Upper Hand What You Lose To Your Lack Of Self Discipline so much more! If you are suffering from not having self control in your life then you know what it is like to continually be disappointed with yourself. When you don't feel you have control over your decisions, your self confidence also struggles. Also, each time you give in and lose willpower, and make the wrong decision, you lose a little bit of yourself. After all if a friend told you over and over again that he or she would do something, but over and over again they didn't follow through with it, chances are you would stop believing them. This also applies to you, every time you don't follow through with a decision or choice you tell yourself you can't be trusted to reach your outcome! Obviously this is not what we want. So if you are ready to go all in with proven strategies for self discipline then you will not want to miss out on reading this book. One of the things that could help you ultimately develop your self-discipline is to know that you can get something great out of it. Realizing its benefits before you begin in your journey is a good motivational factor

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*"A wise and realistic program for instilling genuine self-esteem in children." —Kirkus Reviews, starred review*

*Help your child cultivate real, lasting confidence! In Kid Confidence, a licensed clinical psychologist and parenting expert offers practical, evidence-based parenting strategies to help kids foster satisfying relationships, develop*

*competence, and make choices that fit who they are and want to become. As parents, it's*

*heartbreaking to hear children say negative things about themselves. But as children grow older and begin thinking about the world in more complex ways, they also become more self-critical.*

*Alarmingly, studies show that self-esteem, for many children, takes a sharp drop starting around age eight, and this decline continues into the early teen years. So, how can you turn the tide on this upsetting trend and help your child build genuine self-esteem? With this guide, you'll learn that self-esteem isn't about telling kids they're "special." It's about helping them embrace the freedom that comes with a quiet ego—a way of being in the world that isn't preoccupied with self-judgment, and instead embraces a compassionate view of*

oneself and others that allows for both present awareness and personal growth. When kids are less focused on evaluating and comparing themselves with others, they are freer to empathize with others, embrace learning, and connect with the values that are bigger than themselves. You'll also discover how your child's fundamental needs for connection, competence, and choice are essential for real self-esteem. Connection involves building meaningful and satisfying relationships that create a sense of belonging. Competence means building tangible skills. And choice is about being able to make decisions, figure out what matters, and choose to act in ways that are consistent with personal values. When children are able to fulfill these three basic needs, the question of "Am I good enough?" is less likely to come up. If your child is suffering from low self-esteem, you need a nuanced parenting approach. Let this book guide you as you help your child create unshakeable confidence and lasting well-being.

*A History of the United States*

*Kid Confidence*

*The Price of Privilege*

*The Secrets of Happy Families*

*How to Raise Kind Kids*

*Harold's Treasure Hunt*

*Sage Parenting*

*Raising Confident, Independent, and Thoughtful*

## *Children in an Age of Instant Gratification*

*A guide to effectively communicating with teenagers by the bestselling authors of The Self-Driven Child If you're a parent, you've had a moment--maybe many of them--when you've thought, "How did that conversation go so badly?" At some point after the sixth grade, the same kid who asked "why" non-stop at age four suddenly stops talking to you. And the conversations that you wish you could have--ones fueled by your desire to see your kid not just safe and healthy, but passionately engaged--suddenly feel nearly impossible to execute. The good news is that effective communication can be cultivated, learned, and taught. And as you get better at this, so will your kids. William Stixrud, Ph.D., and Ned Johnson have 60 years combined experience talking to kids one-on-one, and the most common question they get when out speaking to parents and educators is: What do you say? While many adults understand the importance and power of the philosophies behind the books that dominate the parenting bestseller list, parents are often left wondering how to put those concepts into action. In What Do You Say?, Johnson and Stixrud show how to engage in respectful and effective dialogue, beginning with defining and demonstrating the basic principles of listening and speaking. Then they show new ways to handle specific, thorny topics of the sort that usually end in parent/kid*

**standoffs; delivering constructive feedback to kids; discussing boundaries around technology; explaining sleep and their brains; the anxiety of current events; and family problem-solving. What Do You Say? is a manual and map that will immediately transform parents' ability to navigate complex terrain and train their minds and hearts to communicate ever more successfully. Collects guidelines and advice for secular parenting, providing tips and strategies for addressing such issues as death, sexuality, morality, and religion while encouraging children to think for themselves.**

**This wonderful picture book for children and adults alike introduces the powerful practice of mindfulness in a fun and exciting way. With the delightful Monkey and his serene friend Happy Panda guiding readers to a calmer and more attentive mind, this whimsical yet warm presentation will delight all readers. As our story begins, Monkey is not so mindful - his Monkey Mind constantly jumping from one thing to another - but he encounters a mysterious and playful friend in Happy Panda. Panda helps Monkey recognize the simple joy of doing what you're doing while you're doing it.**

**Suggests how parents can develop their own insights into child rearing, how to comprehend the children's behavior, and how to cope with situations in ways most beneficial to the child's well-being  
In this ground-breaking book on the children**

of affluence, a well-known clinical psychologist exposes the epidemic of emotional problems that are disabling America's privileged youth, thanks, in large part, to normalized, intrusive parenting that stunts the crucial development of the self. In recent years, numerous studies have shown that bright, charming, seemingly confident and socially skilled teenagers from affluent, loving families are experiencing epidemic rates of depression, substance abuse, and anxiety disorders—rates higher than in any other socioeconomic group of American adolescents. Materialism, pressure to achieve, perfectionism, and disconnection are combining to create a perfect storm that is devastating children of privilege and their parents alike. In this eye-opening, provocative, and essential book, clinical psychologist Madeline Levine explodes one child-rearing myth after another. With empathy and candor, she identifies toxic cultural influences and well-intentioned, but misguided, parenting practices that are detrimental to a child's healthy self-development. Her thoughtful, practical advice provides solutions that will enable parents to help their emotionally troubled "star" child cultivate an authentic sense of self.

*Raising Freethinkers*

*What Do You Say?*

*The Amityville Horror*

*Mindful Monkey, Happy Panda*

*Teach Your Children Well*

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**How to Raise a Reader**

**How to Raise Happy, Healthy Children Who Know  
What They Want and Go After It (Without Being  
Told)**

Filled with heart, humor, and relevance, this side-splitting picture book, *Two Many Birds*, by author/illustrator Cindy Derby, opens minds and entertains all at once. As birds line up to perch on a tree, a monitor shouts rules at them: No fluffin' feathers! No pooping on the ground! No nudity! Eventually, the tree fills to capacity (100 birds), but what happens when two more are accidentally born among the branches?

REVISED WITH NEW MATERIAL TO HELP PARENTS THROUGH THE PANDEMIC ERA The New York Times bestselling author of *The Price of Privilege* and *Teach Your Children Well* explores how today's parenting techniques and our myopic educational system are failing to prepare children for their certain-to-be-uncertain future—and how we can reverse course to ensure their lasting adaptability, resilience, health and happiness. In *The Price of Privilege*, respected clinician, Madeline Levine was the first to correctly identify the deficits created by parents giving kids of privilege too much of the wrong things and

not enough of the right things. Continuing to address the mistaken notions about what children need to thrive in *Teach Your Children Well*, Levine tore down the myth that good grades, high test scores, and college acceptances should define the parenting endgame. In *Ready or Not*, she continues the discussion, showing how these same parenting practices, combined with a desperate need to shelter children from discomfort and anxiety, are setting future generations up to fail spectacularly. Increasingly, the world we know has become disturbing, unfamiliar, and even threatening. In the wake of uncertainty and rapid change, adults are doubling-down on the pressure-filled parenting style that pushes children to excel. Yet these daunting expectations, combined with the stress parents feel and unwittingly project onto their children, are leading to a generation of young people who are overwhelmed, exhausted, distressed—and unprepared for the future that awaits them. While these damaging effects are known, the world into which these children are coming of age is not. And continuing to focus primarily on grades and performance are leaving kids more ill-prepared than ever to navigate the challenges to come. But there is hope.

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Using the latest developments in neuroscience and epigenetics (the intersection of genetics and environment), as well as extensive research gleaned from captains of industry, entrepreneurs, military leaders, scientists, academics, and futurists, Levine identifies the skills that children need to succeed in a tumultuous future: adaptability, mental agility, curiosity, collaboration, tolerance for failure, resilience, and optimism. Most important, Levine offers day-to-day solutions parents can use to raise kids who are prepared, enthusiastic, and ready to face an unknown future with confidence and optimism.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • More than 1 million copies in print! • The authors of No-Drama Discipline and The Yes Brain explain the new science of how a child's brain is wired and how it matures in this pioneering, practical book. "Simple, smart, and effective solutions to your child's struggles."—Harvey Karp, M.D. In this pioneering, practical book, Daniel J. Siegel, neuropsychiatrist and author of the bestselling Mindsight, and parenting expert Tina Payne Bryson offer a revolutionary approach to child rearing with twelve key strategies that foster healthy brain development, leading to

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calmer, happier children. The authors explain—and make accessible—the new science of how a child’s brain is wired and how it matures. The “upstairs brain,” which makes decisions and balances emotions, is under construction until the mid-twenties. And especially in young children, the right brain and its emotions tend to rule over the logic of the left brain. No wonder kids throw tantrums, fight, or sulk in silence. By applying these discoveries to everyday parenting, you can turn any outburst, argument, or fear into a chance to integrate your child’s brain and foster vital growth. Complete with age-appropriate strategies for dealing with day-to-day struggles and illustrations that will help you explain these concepts to your child, *The Whole-Brain Child* shows you how to cultivate healthy emotional and intellectual development so that your children can lead balanced, meaningful, and connected lives. “[A] useful child-rearing resource for the entire family . . . The authors include a fair amount of brain science, but they present it for both adult and child audiences.”—Kirkus Reviews “Strategies for getting a youngster to chill out [with] compassion.”—The Washington Post “This erudite, tender, and funny book is filled

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with fresh ideas based on the latest neuroscience research. I urge all parents who want kind, happy, and emotionally healthy kids to read *The Whole-Brain Child*. This is my new baby gift.”—Mary Pipher, Ph.D., author of *Reviving Ophelia* and *The Shelter of Each Other* “Gives parents and teachers ideas to get all parts of a healthy child’s brain working together.”—Parent to Parent

A leading economic historian traces the evolution of American capitalism from the colonial era to the present—and argues that we’ve reached a turning point that will define the era ahead. “A monumental achievement, sure to become a classic.”—Zachary D. Carter, author of *The Price of Peace* In this ambitious single-volume history of the United States, economic historian Jonathan Levy reveals how capitalism in America has evolved through four distinct ages and how the country’s economic evolution is inseparable from the nature of American life itself. The Age of Commerce spans the colonial era through the outbreak of the Civil War, and the Age of Capital traces the lasting impact of the industrial revolution. The volatility of the Age of Capital ultimately led to the Great Depression, which sparked the Age of

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Control, during which the government took on a more active role in the economy, and finally, in the Age of Chaos, deregulation and the growth of the finance industry created a booming economy for some but also striking inequalities and a lack of oversight that led directly to the crash of 2008. In *Ages of American Capitalism*, Levy proves that capitalism in the United States has never been just one thing. Instead, it has morphed through the country's history—and it's likely changing again right now. "A stunning accomplishment . . . an indispensable guide to understanding American history—and what's happening in today's economy."—*Christian Science Monitor* "The best one-volume history of American capitalism."—Sven Beckert, author of *Empire of Cotton*

Winner of the 2015 USA Book News International Book Award for Parenting and Family In this inspiring book, Dr. Shimi Kang, a Harvard-trained child and adult psychiatrist and an expert in human motivation, provides a guide to the art and science of encouraging children to develop their own internal drive and a lifelong love of learning. Drawing on the latest neuroscience and behavioral research, Dr. Kang shows why pushy,

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hovering "tiger parents" and permissive "jellyfish parents" actually hinder self-motivation. She proposes a powerful new parenting model: the intelligent, joyful, highly social dolphin. Dolphin parents focus on maintaining balance in their children's lives to compassionately yet authoritatively guide them toward lasting health, happiness, and success. The mother of three children and the daughter of immigrant parents who struggled to give their children the "best" in life—Dr. Kang's mother could not read, her father taught her math while they drove around in his taxicab, and she was never enrolled in a single extracurricular activity—Dr. Kang argues that often the simplest "benefits" parents give their children are the most valuable. Combining irrefutable science with unforgettable real-life stories, *The Self-Motivated Kid* walks readers through Dr. Kang's four-part method for cultivating self-motivation. She argues that by trusting our deepest intuition about what is best for our kids, we will allow them to develop key traits—adaptability, community-mindedness, creativity, and critical thinking—to empower them to succeed and thrive in our increasingly competitive and complex world.

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**Break Free of the Overparenting Trap and**

**Prepare Your Kid for Success**

**The Self-Driven Child**

**Teaching Kids to Think**

**Anxiety-Free Kids**

**the case for helping them leave, chart  
their own paths, and prepare for adulthood  
at their own pace**

Sage Parenting offers a revolutionary path for gentle parents who have stepped off the beaten path of disconnection and dysfunction and want to step into heart-full connection. Do you want to learn how to guide and support your child instead of control and corrupt as you walk this journey together? In this book you will learn how to grow through the seasons of parenting, as a mother, baby, toddler, then child bloom with:

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mother. I enjoyed reading it and look forward to emptying my shelves of those other books and bringing this book with me on the journey of motherhood." Abby Theuring, MSW, *The Badass Breastfeeder* "Rachel Rainbolt is a good writer! I really enjoy what she has to say and how she says it. Her authenticity comes through and her style is easy to read, accessible, and still intellectual - to feed that geeky part of my brain. The best part is that it is really full of love - the kind that inspires hope that 'I can do this!' and encourages me to try." Elisa Kisselburg-Pheodovius, mother to 2-year-old William

Why Values and Coping Skills Matter More Than Grades, Trophies, or "Fat Envelopes"

When to Say Yes, How to Say No

The Science Behind Reducing Stress and Nurturing Independence

The Essential Conversations You Need to Have with Your Kids Before They Start High School

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How to Raise Successful People