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## **MAXIMILLIAN GOODMAN**

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Develop equity, excellence, and well-being across the whole system! The world is troubled! We need to combine a moral imperative and a system transformation to survive for the better. Education is crucial to our future but needs to play a more direct role in shaping our future. The Devil is in the Details shows how we can re-think the education system and its three levels of leadership—local, middle, and top—so that each level can contribute to dramatic turnaround for education and society. The focus is on examining details to ensure effective actions are taken, rather than assuming large pronouncements and policies will drive change. Readers will find:

- Details and analysis about successful systems in California, Ontario, and Australia
- Ideas for how leaders at all levels can take steps to begin
- Vignettes, actions and strategies that illustrate how to address equity, excellence and well-being

With the goal of transforming the culture of learning to develop greater equity, excellence, and student wellbeing, this book will help you liberate the system and maintain focus.

**Taming Horrible Harry** One World

This is a charming story about one really bad monster who learns to change his ways. Written originally in French, and illustrated with delightfully ghoulish paintings by the Québécois artist known simply as Rogé, *Taming Horrible Harry* is a wonderful tale about the power of stories. At the gates of a beautiful forest, Harry the monster lies in wait. One day, as monsters are wont to do, he frightens a little girl, who runs away leaving behind a peculiar object. Harry picks it up, turns it over, bites it ... spits it out, and throws it down in a fury! He wonders what kind of a thing he has found. As it turns out, the object is a book ... and one way or another, Harry learns to read it, and his life is changed forever. This delightful story will enchant both young readers and their parents, teachers, and librarians, as they discover together, the magic of reading.

*Night Spies* Springer

In 2000, the United Nations laid out a series of eight goals meant to guide humankind in the new century. Called the Millennium Development Goals, these targets are to be met by 2015 and are to lay the foundation for a prosperous future. In *Race Against Time*, Stephen Lewis advances real solutions to help societies across the globe achieve the Millennium Goals. Through lucid, pragmatic explanations, he shows how dreams such as universal primary education, a successful war against the AIDS pandemic,

and environmental sustainability, are within the grasp of humanity. For anyone interested in forging a better world in the third millennium, *Race Against Time* is powerful testimony.

**Dear Parents** Second Story Press

This book provides pragmatic strategies and models for student assessment and ameliorates the heightened sense of confusion that too many educators and leaders experience around the complexities associated with assessment. In particular, it offers guidance to school and district personnel charged with fair and appropriate assessment of students who represent a wide variety of abilities and cultures. Chapters focus on issues that directly impact the educational lives of teachers, students, parents, and caregivers. Importantly, the confluence of assessment practices and community expectations also are highlighted. Assessment is highly politicised in contemporary society and this book will both confirm and challenge readers' beliefs and practices. Indeed, discerning readers will understand that the chapters offer them a bridge from many established assessment paradigms to pragmatic, ethical solutions that align with current expectations for schools and districts. In Part One, readers engage with concepts and skills needed by school learning leaders to guide optimal assessment practices. Part Two delves into student assessment within and across disciplines. Part Three provides pragmatic approaches that address assessment in the context of inclusive intercultural education, pluralism, and globalisation.

**Motion Leadership** Irwin

A timeless Governor General's Award-winning classic! In this timeless story, Barbara Reid explores the simple fun and wonderful family togetherness that is inspired by a lively

backyard party. Through the eyes of the children in attendance, she muses on the glorious childhood pleasures of running around freely, as parents are preoccupied with conversation and food. In gorgeous colour and Plasticine detail, she invites us all to enjoy the games, the cake, the conversation and to endure kisses from Aunt Joan! Truly a perfect rendering of a chaotic but loving family event. Originally published in 1997, this Governor General's Award-winning classic has won the admiration of all who have read it.

**Antiracism and Ethnocultural Equity in School Boards**

Corwin Press

Cycling from practice to theory and back again, this concise book provides the skinny on motion leadership, or how to "move" individuals, institutions, and whole systems forward.

**Making a Difference Through Performance Appraisal** Pop!

Cody Koala

Expanded to include connections to Common Core State Standards, as well as National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) standards, this critically acclaimed book will help every teacher and coach to meet the challenges of differentiating mathematics instruction in the K-8 classroom. In this bestseller, math education expert Marian Small explains two powerful and universal strategies that teachers can use across all math content: Open Questions and Parallel Tasks. Showing teachers how to get started and become expert with these strategies, Small also demonstrates more inclusive learning conversations that promote broader student participation and mathematical thinking required by CCSS. Specific strategies and examples for each grade band are organized around NCTM

content strands: Number and Operations, Geometry, Measurement, Algebra, and Data Analysis and Probability.

Functions 11 ISSI

This delightfully illustrated contains more than seventy-five of the best-loved rhymes and songs of childhood, from soothing lullabies to schoolyard chants. Popular classics such as "Pat a Cake," "Humpty Dumpty," and "Jack and Jill" are joined by lesser-known rhymes and ditties from many different cultures. Kady MacDonald Denton's illustrations add liveliness and humor. Together, parents and children will enjoy sharing *A Child's Treasury of Nursery Rhymes*. 75 songs are available to download. *Seven Sacred Teachings* Trentham Books Limited

On Christmas Eve, a homeless single mother, her daughter and baby seek refuge in a barn, where they are befriended by the curmudgeonly widowed farmer. Together they embrace the spirit of the holidays where a future of peace and happiness may await as the star filled night turns to snow and a white Christmas.

ONE Very Big Bear Corwin Press

Based on real events and real characters! It is the middle of World War II, and Gabi and her mother have been lucky so far, eluding the grasp of Nazi soldiers who are sending Jewish people away to unknown fates. But she, her mother and her young cousin, Max, realize that they will never be safe in their town. With the help of a trusted friend, a kind-hearted priest and a poor yet brave farming family, they go into hiding in a tiny mountain village. It takes great willpower and patience to endure months of fear in their cramped hiding space at the back of a barn. But one night, Gabi and Max can't stand the confinement any longer, and they sneak out for the first of many secret nighttime walks. Deep

in the forest, the children make a discovery that turns out to be very useful to the anti-Nazi partisan soldiers camped out nearby. Through their new roles as scouts for the partisans, Gabi and Max find strength and courage, and a renewed sense of hope in dark times.

**The Party Kids Can Press**

A thinking student is an engaged student Teachers often find it difficult to implement lessons that help students go beyond rote memorization and repetitive calculations. In fact, institutional norms and habits that permeate all classrooms can actually be enabling "non-thinking" student behavior. Sparked by observing teachers struggle to implement rich mathematics tasks to engage students in deep thinking, Peter Liljedahl has translated his 15 years of research into this practical guide on how to move toward a thinking classroom. *Building Thinking Classrooms in Mathematics, Grades K-12* helps teachers implement 14 optimal practices for thinking that create an ideal setting for deep mathematics learning to occur. This guide Provides the what, why, and how of each practice and answers teachers' most frequently asked questions Includes firsthand accounts of how these practices foster thinking through teacher and student interviews and student work samples Offers a plethora of macro moves, micro moves, and rich tasks to get started Organizes the 14 practices into four toolkits that can be implemented in order and built on throughout the year When combined, these unique research-based practices create the optimal conditions for learner-centered, student-owned deep mathematical thinking and learning, and have the power to transform mathematics classrooms like never before.

**Just Mercy MDPI**

From the weird and wonderful imagination of an amazing new artist comes an alphabet book like no other. Kids will delight in discovering animals from A to Z living together in an old Victorian mansion. They'll meet an elephant in the ballroom playing with a model train, an octopus hanging from the foyer chandelier --- and even a zebra enjoying a soak in the bathtub! Using watercolours and colored pencils, Wallace Edwards has created a bizarre and luxurious world, rich in texture and detail. An engaging mix of art and alphabet book, *Alphabeasts* provides the basis for hours of animated discussion and quiet contemplation.

**The Big Guide to Living and Working Overseas** House of Anansi

There has been increased interest among scholars in recent decades focused on the intersection of family and religion. Yet, there is still much that is not well-understood in this area. This aim of this special issue is to further explore the influence of religion on family life. In particular, this issue includes a collection of studies from leading scholars on religion and family life that focus on ways in which religion and spirituality may influence various aspects of family life including family processes, family structure, family formation, family dissolution, parenting, and family relationships. The studies included incorporate both qualitative and quantitative analyses, incorporate a number of different religious traditions, focus on religiosity among both adults and youth, and explore a number of important issues such as depression, intimacy, sexual behavior, lying, divorce, and faith transmission.

**The Christmas Wind** Ministry of Education and Training

CD-ROM contains the appendix for *The Big Guide to Living and*

*Working Overseas.*

*Leadership of Assessment, Inclusion, and Learning* Allen & Unwin  
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***The Devil Is in the Details*** Tundra Books

From clouds to the water cycle, this series introduces basic facts about weather for early elementary students. Critical thinking questions invite students to connect what they learn about the weather to their own lives, other texts they've read, and the world. Features include a table of contents, an infographic, fun facts, Making Connections questions, a glossary, and an index. QR Codes in the book give readers access to book-specific resources to further their learning. Aligned to Common Core Standards and correlated to state standards. Cody Koala is an imprint of Pop!, a division of ABDO.

**Canadian History 1900-2000** Abrams

*Mad Beatz: the Art of #djdrumline* teaches Drumlines, snare drummers, quad drummers, and bass drummers how to play along to their favorite songs, adding the power and precision of marching percussion to the latest popular music! We show you how to find the tempo and style of any Hiphop, Rock, or EDM song, and provide arrangements to play along with it to sound your best - 8 bar compositions for a full battery called "drops". Author Jesse Mell provides a series of warmups that go with each "drop" to prepare students for the skill sets and tempos they will be performing. *Mad Beatz: the Art of #djdrumline* might be the most fun marching percussion method book available; instead of a metronome, students are directed to *Mad Beatz Methods*'

YouTube Channel, where they find playlists of popular songs organized by tempo! Students spend their entire practice sessions playing warmups, drops, loops, and freestyles to these #practiceplaylists of popular songs, building chops, confidence, and superior listening skills. The #djdrumline system of learning and performance has inspired thousands of kids in Philadelphia to practice drumming at home for hours at a time, and we are confident it will do the same for middle and high school students everywhere around the world.

*Mad Beatz* Corwin Press

Written by Gabbie Stroud, author of the national bestseller *Teacher, Dear Parents* is a passionate call to arms for all parents to understand their role as their children's lifelong teachers, showing how they can help their kids' educators and schools achieve the best outcomes for the next generation. So many Australian parents are buying the government line about standardised testing of students through programs like NAPLAN and My School, which make them think they are getting results because of rankings and comparisons. But they don't seem to realise that these new forms of assessment are actually negatively affecting our kids' ability to gain the crucial life skills and appreciation for learning that have been, and should be, the main aim of teaching. In *Dear Parents*, a funny, heartfelt and impassioned series of letters to the mothers, fathers and caregivers of Australia, Gabbie Stroud makes a plea to all parents to understand the fundamental changes to the way their children are being taught, and the results of this process on the development of future generations. She wants parents to recognise their responsibility as their children's primary

educators and to appreciate the lifelong benefits that committed and dedicated school teachers can bring to their kids. 'A moving and inspiring journey through teaching and learning and all they can be. If you have a young person in your life, or know somebody who does, please read this book.' - Morris Gleitzman, Australian Children's Laureate 'Gabbie Stroud's *Dear Parents* is a crucial bridge between two important pillars in education - parents and teachers - but most importantly, it holds at its passionate heart the best interests of children. If you want to understand the way your children are being educated in these challenging times, and whether the system is fit for purpose, you must read this funny, informative, and eye-opening book.' - Lucy Clark, author of the critically acclaimed *Beautiful Failures Building Thinking Classrooms in Mathematics, Grades K-12* Crow Cottage Publishing

Good Questions Teachers College Press

**Religion and Family Life** Good Questions

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Initiative, a legal practice dedicated to defending those most desperate and in need: the poor, the wrongly condemned, and women and children trapped in the farthest reaches of our criminal justice system. One of his first cases was that of Walter McMillian, a young man who was sentenced to die for a notorious murder he insisted he didn't commit. The case drew Bryan into a tangle of conspiracy, political machination, and legal brinkmanship—and transformed his understanding of mercy and justice forever. *Just Mercy* is at once an unforgettable account of an idealistic, gifted young lawyer's coming of age, a moving window into the lives of those he has defended, and an inspiring argument for compassion in the pursuit of true justice. Winner of the Carnegie Medal for Excellence in Nonfiction • Winner of the NAACP Image Award for Nonfiction • Winner of a Books for a Better Life Award • Finalist for the Los Angeles Times Book Prize • Finalist for the Kirkus Reviews Prize • An American Library

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