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A story for children who bottle up their feelings. Nevermind always carries on whatever happens! Each time something horrible happens to him he just tucks his feelings away and carries on with life. Find out what happens to Nevermind and how he begins to understand that his feelings do matter, how he learns to express them and stand

up for himself. A NEW YORK TIMES EDITORS' CHOICE The secret daughter of a French politician and a famous actress drops the startling revelation that will shatter her family in this beguiling debut novel of intrigue and betrayal. NAMED ONE OF SUMMER'S BEST BOOKS BY The Skimm • Marie Claire • LitHub • Subway Book Review • Paperback Paris Margot Louve is a secret: the child of a longstanding affair between an influential French politician with presidential ambitions and a prominent stage actress. This hidden family exists in stolen moments in a small Parisian apartment on the Left Bank. It is a house of cards that Margot—fueled by a longing to be seen and heard—decides to tumble. The summer of her seventeenth birthday, she meets the man who will set her plan in motion: a well-regarded journalist whose trust seems surprisingly easy to gain. But as Margot is drawn into an adult world she struggles to comprehend, she learns how one impulsive decision can threaten a family's love with ruin, shattering the lives of those around her in ways she could never have imagined. Exposing the seams between private lives and public faces, *The Margot Affair* is a novel of deceit, desire, and transgression—and the exhilarating knife-edge upon which the danger of telling the truth outweighs the cost of keeping secrets. An essential read for any parent, Dr Margot Sunderland's bestseller *What Every Parent Needs To Know* explains what science can teach us about parenting. Covering everything from breastfeeding to brain development, this brand new edition includes the latest thinking on how screen time affects your child's brain, and a focus on how love, nurture, and play contribute to your child's development. With a wealth of fascinating chapters including 'sleep and bedtimes' and 'why children behave badly', *What Every Parent Needs To Know* is the ultimate handbook for parents who want to make evidence-based decisions about how to care for their child. In *What Every Parent Needs To Know*, Dr Sunderland's acclaimed ideas explain the science behind parenthood, once again securing the title as the

greatest educational book for parents of children up to 12 years old. Previous edition ISBN: 9781405320368 Backed by the most up-to-date scientific research, *The Science of Parenting, 2nd Edition* provides evidence-based parenting advice about how you should care for your child, with practical strategies from birth to 12 years of age. Child psychotherapist Dr. Margot Sunderland has more than 30 years' experience that she brings to this internationally-acclaimed guide, and she provides numerous case studies to relate the science to real life. From separations and time apart to forms of discipline to the latest thinking on screen time, this guide traces the direct effect of different parenting practices on your child's brain. Summaries at the end of every chapter provide key takeaways and make action points simple and clear so you can begin to implement them immediately. As a professional who works with families, Dr. Sunderland is attuned to the struggle of parents juggling lives at work and at home. This second edition of *The Science of Parenting* provides newly added, invaluable advice on making the most of your time with your child, so that you can forge a strong bond and have a positive relationship. *The Science of Parenting* remains the greatest work on what science can teach us about parenting and the remarkable effects of love, nurture, and play on a child's development. Understand key stages in your child's development and discover effective parenting strategies from experts in education and neuroscience. *What Every Parent Needs to Know* delves into the latest research on child brain development and applies it to real-life scenarios that all parents face. This isn't one person's opinion or experience of parenting. Director of Education at the Centre for Child Mental Health, Margot Sunderland, together with research from Professor Jaak Panksepp, who has studied the emotional brain for over 30 years, presents evidence-based strategies for parents looking for trusted information and guidance on how best to raise their family. Alongside detailed information on how the child's brain works, anatomical illustrations present the science while case

studies and Q and As apply the science to everyday situations. Parenting strategies span from sleep training your newborn right through to soothing your 12-year-old, addressing separation, anxiety, social development and more. This book not only focuses on your child's needs but also on yours as a parent with advice on looking after yourself too. A new chapter on child mental health completes this new edition making it the ultimate parenting tome. Based on over 700 scientific studies into children's development, award-winning author and child psychotherapist Dr. Margot Sunderland explains how to develop your child's potential to the full. Find out the truth about popular childcare tactics, how touch, laughter and play build emotional wellbeing for life, and the strategies for effectively dealing with temper tantrums and tears. Essential for any parent: a practical parenting book which give you the facts, not the fiction, on the best way to bring up your child.

After living off the grid for more than a decade, a teenage girl must play a dangerous game—and face the shadows of her past—to save the world from a dangerous dark force. A chilling technothriller for fans of *Black Mirror* and *#MurderTrending*. After ten years of living on an isolated, tech-free ranch with her mother, sixteen-year-old Hedda is going back to the world of the Glare -- her word for cell phones, computers, and tablets. Hedda was taught to be afraid of technology, afraid that it would get inside her mind and hurt her. But now she's going to stay with her dad in California, where she was born, and she's finally ready to be normal. She's not going to go "off-kilter," like her mom says she did when she was just a little kid. Once she arrives, Hedda finally feels like she's in control. She reunites with old friends and connects with her stepmom and half-brother. Never mind the terrifying nightmares and visions that start trickling back -- they're not real. Then Hedda rediscovers the Glare: the real Glare, a first-person shooter game from the dark web that scared her when she was younger. They say if you die thirteen times on level thirteen, you die in real life. But as Hedda starts playing the

so-called "death game" -- and the game begins spreading among her friends -- she realizes the truth behind her nightmares is even more twisted than she could have imagined. And in order to stop the Glare, she'll have to first confront the darkness within herself. This book is designed to enable practitioners to help children whose emotional wellbeing is being adversely affected by troubled parents. These are children who live with the burden of having to navigate their parent's troubled emotional states, often leaving them with a mass of painful feelings about a chaotic and disturbing world. They can feel alarmed by their parent rather than experiencing them as 'home', and a place of safety and solace. The author explores the fact that when parents are preoccupied with their own troubles, they are often unable to effectively address their child's core relational needs, e.g. soothing, validating, attunement, co-adventure, interactive play. As a result, children are left self-helping, which all too often means drugs, drink, self-harm, depression, anxiety, eating disorders or problems with anger in the teenage years. This guidebook offers readers a wealth of vital theory and effective interventions for working with these children and, specifically, the key feelings such children need help with. Particular focus is given to the effects on children of: family breakdown; separation and divorce; witnessing parents fighting; and parents who suffer from depression or anxiety, mental or physical ill-health, alcohol or drug addiction. Readers will learn: the complexity of children's feelings about their troubled parents; how to enable children to address their unspoken hurt, fear, grief, rage, and resentment about their troubled parent in order to move forward in their lives; how to empower children to find their voice when they have been left in the role of impotent bystander; effective parent-child intervention when parental troubles are adversely affecting the child; and how to help a parent and child 'find' each other again. Faith is joy is love is hope in this novel of exquisite power and everyday miracles, reminiscent of Barbara Kingsolver's THE POISONWOOD BIBLE. Thomas can see things

no one else can see. Tropical fish swimming in the canals. The magic of Mrs. Van Amersfoort, the Beethoven-loving witch next door. The fierce beauty of Eliza with her artificial leg. And the Lord Jesus, who tells him, "Just call me Jesus." Thomas records these visions in his "Book of Everything." They comfort him when his father beats him, when the angels weep for his mother's black eyes. And they give him the strength to finally confront his father and become what he wants to be when he grows up: "Happy." 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 childcare tactics and offers alternatives How today's brain research can lead to happy, emotionally balanced children Grandpa shares his photos and his memories with his young grandson in this heartwarming story. Appealing illustrations and leveled text will engage emergent readers. Pairs with the nonfiction title Communities Then and Now. This is a guidebook to help children who: "don't like themselves or feel there is something fundamentally wrong with them"; "have been deeply shamed"; "have received too much criticism or haven't been encouraged enough"; "let people treat them badly because they feel they don't deserve better"; "do not accept praise or appreciation because they feel they don't deserve it"; "feel defeated by life, fundamentally unimportant, unwanted or unlovable"; "bully because they think they are worthless or think they are worthless because they are bullied"; and "feel they don't belong or do not seek friends because they think no-one would want to be their friend. This is a guidebook to help children who: are suffering from the pain of loss or separation from someone or something they love deeply; have had a parent, relative or important friend leave or die; are obsessed with

their absent parent; have lost someone they love, but have never really mourned; are trying to manage all their painful feelings of loss by themselves; feel that they have lost the love of someone they love deeply; are suffering from separation anxiety; and are adopted or fostered children who miss their birth parent terribly. **Helping Children with Loss** Using this engaging story and practical guidebook you can help children suffering from the pain of loss or separation. They may be: grieving for the death of a parent, relative or important friend; obsessed with an absent parent; struggling to mourn a loss; trying to manage all of their painful feelings by themselves; suffering from separation anxiety; and adopted or fostered children who miss their birth parent. The author weaves theology with personal experience as she describes how a disappointing search for her biological father led her to a life more grounded in God, in an account that touches on the experience of an adopted child. **Original. Intelligence That Comes from the Heart** Every parent knows the importance of equipping children with the intellectual skills they need to succeed in school and life. But children also need to master their emotions. **Raising an Emotionally Intelligent Child** is a guide to teaching children to understand and regulate their emotional world. And as acclaimed psychologist and researcher John Gottman shows, once they master this important life skill, emotionally intelligent children will enjoy increased self-confidence, greater physical health, better performance in school, and healthier social relationships. **Raising an Emotionally Intelligent Child** will equip parents with a five-step "emotion coaching" process that teaches how to: * Be aware of a child's emotions * Recognize emotional expression as an opportunity for intimacy and teaching * Listen empathetically and validate a child's feelings * Label emotions in words a child can understand * Help a child come up with an appropriate way to solve a problem or deal with an upsetting issue or situation Written for parents of children of all ages, **Raising an Emotionally Intelligent Child** will enrich the bonds between

parent and child and contribute immeasurably to the development of a generation of emotionally healthy adults. Segregated Charleston, SC, 1955: There are 62 official Little League programs in South Carolina -- all but one of the leagues is composed entirely of white players. The Cannon Street YMCA All-Stars, an all-black team, is formed in the hopes of playing in the state's annual Little League Tournament. What should have been a time of enjoyment, however, turns sour when all of the other leagues refuse to play against them and even pull out of the program. As the only remaining Little League team in the state, Cannon Street was named state winner by default, giving the boys a legitimate spot in the Little League Baseball World Series held in Williamsport, Pennsylvania. While the Cannon Street team is invited to the game as guests, they are not allowed to participate since they have not officially "played" and won their state's tournament. Let Them Play takes its name from the chant shouted by the spectators who attended the World Series final. Author Margot Theis Raven recounts the inspiring tales of the Cannon Street All-Stars as they arrived in Williamsport, PA and never got the chance to play for the title thanks to the bigotry and ignorance of the South Carolina teams. Winning by forfeit, the Cannon Streeters were subsequently not allowed to participate in Williamsburg because they had not "played" their way into the tournament. Let Them Play is an important civil rights story in American history with an even more important message about equality and tolerance. It's a tale of humanity against the backdrop of America's favorite pastime that's sure to please fans of the sport and mankind. This summer will mark the 50th year since the fans' shouts of Let Them Play fell on deaf ears and 14 boys learned a cruel lesson in backwards politics and prejudice. This book can help teach us a new lesson and assure something like this never happens again. This is a story for children with troubled parents. Monica has a horrid problem. It gets everywhere: into her schoolwork, her dreams, and her ability to make friends. People keep telling her to

cheer up. She can't. She feels as if she is carrying around some very heavy luggage. Then one day, a helpful teacher sees how miserable Monica is, and tells her about the knights in the world, who are posing as people. In a whispering wood, Monica finds some of these knights. They teach her how to make her problem far less horrid. In particular they show her how to cope when other people's problems weigh you down and make you feel miserable. Most importantly they show her how to do life well. Monica leaves whispering wood feeling empowered and ready to face what she could not face before.

Draw on Your Emotions is a bestselling resource to help people of all ages express, communicate and deal more effectively with their emotions through drawing. Built around five key themes, each section contains a simple picture exercise with clear objectives, instructions and suggestions for development. The picture activities have been carefully designed to help ease the process of both talking about feelings and exploring life choices, by trying out alternatives safely on paper. This will help to create clarity and new perspectives as a step towards positive action. Offering a broad range of exercises which can be adapted for any ability or age from middle childhood onwards, this unique book explores a range of emotions surrounding a person's important life experiences, key memories, relationships, best times, worst times and who they are as a person. This is an essential resource for therapists, educators, counsellors and anyone who engages other people in conversations that matter about their relationship to self, others and life in general. This revised and updated second edition also contains a new section on how to use the superbly emotive The Emotion Cards (9781138070981) to facilitate deeper therapeutic conversations. In this book, a political powerhouse and mother of two thriving entrepreneurs interviews the moms of over fifty of today's most successful innovators and—based on her findings—provides ten rules for raising confident, fearless, self-made individuals whose ideas and drive will change the world. Is your child passionate about something? Maybe

it's music, sports, theatre, writing, building things, or helping others—the kind of creative pursuits that create distinguished leaders and make change in the world. All parents want their kids to have success, but how do you help them cultivate their talent and vision for a personally fulfilling and financially successful life? Once you've recognized their drive and passion, how do you set your little trailblazers free? Raising an Entrepreneur presents seventy-six stories from the mothers of some of the most successful entrepreneurs today. Entrepreneurs are the new rock stars—they're the ones who turn their passions into ingenious projects, because they're willing to risk failure to make their dreams come true. Highlighting the various achievements of innovators from a wide range of cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds—such as Geek Squad's Robert Stephens and Nantucket Nectars' Tom Scott, nonprofit founders like Mama Hope's Nyla Rodgers and Pencils of Promise's Adam Braun, profit for purpose creators like TOMS Shoes' Blake Mycoskie and FEED Projects' Ellen Gustafson, activists like Mike de la Rocha and Erica Ford, and artists like actress Emmanuelle Chriqui and songwriter Benny Blanco—and with photos of the entrepreneurs as children, these inspirational interviews will provide guidance and support on nurturing your own change maker. Not every kid will be an entrepreneur, but all kids have something that makes them unique. If you're seeking a way to nurture your children's passions and help them harness their talent, drive, and grit into a fulfilling life purpose, this book is for you. With these ten rules and numerous inspiring stories, you'll gain confidence in raising your child into a creatively successful adult. Contains information to help parents understand and interact with their 12 to 14 year old. Includes information on puberty, sexuality, school life, group dynamics, questions of identity, difficulties such as drinking, stealing, drugs and promiscuity, and family life. A universal story about speaking, listening, and being heard. Margot loves space. Astronauts, the stars, and especially the moon landing.

So she can't understand why all of her attempts to communicate her passion fall on disinterested ears. Her mom is patient but distracted; her classmates would rather play kickball; and her teacher just wants her to focus and pay attention in class. Even so, Margot wishes she never had to talk about anything but space ever again. When she wakes up one morning and discovers she can only recite Neil Armstrong's famous speech from the moon landing, Margot realizes she has an even bigger problem. How can Margot get everyone to pay attention and—more importantly—to hear what she's really trying to say? This powerful picture book debut plays with themes of listening and communication to highlight the importance of a space of one's own, no matter what your passion may be. Based on over 700 scientific studies into children's development, award-winning author and child psychotherapist Dr. Margot Sunderland explains how to develop your child's potential to the full. Find out the truth about popular childcare tactics, how touch, laughter and play build emotional wellbeing for life, and the strategies for effectively dealing with temper tantrums and tears. Essential for any parent: a practical parenting book which give you the facts, not the fiction, on the best way to bring up your child. A beautiful, smart and graphic picture book that explores the theme of before and after. Everyone knows that a tiny acorn into a mighty oak grows, and a caterpillar emerges into a butterfly. But in this clever, visually enchanting volume, it's also true that a cow can result in both a bottle of milk and a painting of a cow, and an ape in a jungle may become an urban King Kong. Just as day turns into night and back again, a many-tiered cake is both created and eaten down to a single piece. With simple, graphic illustrations sure to appeal to even the youngest of children, this smart exploration of the fascinating theme of before and after will please the most discerning adult readers, too. John Hughes's *Pretty in Pink* comes to the South Bronx in this bold and "emotional story about class, race, hard work, and finding one's place" (Publishers Weekly)—from author Lilliam Rivera.

Things/People Margot Hates: Mami, for destroying her social life
Papi, for allowing Junior to become a Neanderthal Junior, for becoming a Neanderthal The supermarket Everyone else After “borrowing” her father’s credit card to finance a more stylish wardrobe, Margot Sanchez suddenly finds herself grounded. And by grounded, she means working as an indentured servant in her family’s struggling grocery store to pay off her debts. With each order of deli meat she slices, Margot can feel her carefully cultivated prep school reputation slipping through her fingers, and she’s willing to do anything to get out of this punishment. Lie, cheat, and maybe even steal... Margot’s invitation to the ultimate beach party is within reach and she has no intention of letting her family’s drama or Moises—the admittedly good looking but outspoken boy from the neighborhood—keep her from her goal. When most parenting books were written decades ago, they did not address—nor could they address—all of the issues parents would face today in the era of technology and excess. Parents do not need another article that contradicts the last one they read; rather, they need insights, techniques, and strategies to tackle the issues of twenty-first-century parenting. That’s what the Understanding and Loving Your Child series of books will do. Understanding and Loving Your Child Who Smokes Pot will give parents methods they can use to connect with and support their children who use marijuana. These tools will equip parents to avoid conflict and shame while they continue to love and guide their child. A New York Times Notable Book of the Year | An O Magazine Best Book of the Year The New York Times bestselling author of *The Flight of Gemma Hardy* delivers another “luminous, unforgettable, and perfectly rendered” (Dennis Lehane) novel—a poignant and probing psychological drama that follows the lives of three siblings in the wake of a violent crime. One September afternoon in 1999, teenagers Matthew, Zoe, and Duncan Lang are walking home from school when they discover a boy lying in a field, bloody and unconscious. Thanks to their intervention, the

boy's life is saved. In the aftermath, all three siblings are irrevocably changed. Matthew, the oldest, becomes obsessed with tracking down the assailant, secretly searching the local town with the victim's brother. Zoe wanders the streets of Oxford, looking at men, and one of them, a visiting American graduate student, looks back. Duncan, the youngest, who has seldom thought about being adopted, suddenly decides he wants to find his birth mother. Overshadowing all three is the awareness that something is amiss in their parents' marriage. Over the course of the autumn, as each of the siblings confronts the complications and contradictions of their approaching adulthood, they find themselves at once drawn together and driven apart. Written with the deceptive simplicity and power of a fable, *The Boy in the Field* showcases Margot Livesey's unmatched ability to "tell her tale masterfully, with intelligence, tenderness, and a shrewd understanding of all our mercurial human impulses" (Lily King, author of *Euphoria*). An introduction to the art of parenting furnishes practical parenting techniques and strategies, advice, and suggestions for every stage in a child's development, along with real-life anecdotes and tips to help insure a child's physical, emotional, and psychological well-being. As seen in *Focus on the Family* magazine. Should I sign up our seven-year-old son for the travel team? What should we do about our daughter's Sunday morning games? Am I the only one longing for a sane balance between children's sports, family time, and church commitments? David King and Margot Starbuck offer good news for Christian parents stressed out by these questions and stretched thin by the demands of competitive youth sports. Join King, athletic director at a Christian university, and Starbuck, an award-winning author and speaker, as they investigate seven myths about what's best for young athletes. Discover with them what it means to not be conformed to the patterns of the youth sports world. Listen in as they talk to other parents, pastors, and coaches about the peril and promise of children's sports. Learn practical ways to set boundaries

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When a woman takes justice into her own hands, her husband suddenly finds himself accomplice to murder in this tense psychological thriller. On their first date back in law school, Natalie and Will Clarke bonded over drinks, dinner—and whether they could get away with murder. Now married, they'll put the latter to the test when an unchecked danger in their community places their son in jeopardy. Working as a criminal defense attorney, Nat refuses to rely on the broken legal system to keep her family safe. She knows that if you want justice . . . you have to get it yourself. Shocked to discover Nat's taken matters into her own hands, Will has no choice but to dirty his, also. His family is in way too deep to back down now. He's just not sure he recognizes the woman he married. Nat's always been fiercely protective, but never this ruthless or calculating. With the police poking holes in their airtight plan, what will be the first to fall apart: their scandalous secret—or their marriage? When Leah Williams agrees to have a child for her younger sister, Ellen, she isn't prepared when Ellen turns up pregnant Leah, already a single mom to four-year-old Mary Grace, is left...holding the baby. For Leah, there is no other choice. She's not only having the baby, she's going to raise the child herself. But the biological father has something to say about that. Mark Logan wants to be more than just a sperm donor. A single parent

himself, he knows how hard it is to bring up a child alone. That's why the rugged backcountry guide intends to be there every step of the way. His growing attraction to the pregnant midwife is a complication neither expected. But who better to lose his heart to than the mother of his child? Veronica Mars meets Moxie in this hilarious and biting YA contemporary novel following Margot Mertz, a girl who runs an internet cleanup business and embarks on a quest to take down a revenge-porn site targeting the girls in her school. For the right price, high school junior Margot Mertz will go to the ends of the internet to remove your nip-slip, dick pic, or embarrassing DM. At least that's what it says on her business card. Margot founded a now notorious company that helps students, teachers, even a local weatherman, discreetly clean up their digital shame. And since her parents lost her college fund, Margot is happy to work for anyone... if they can pay, she can clean. But when a fellow student hires her to take down some leaked nudes, Margot discovers a secret revenge porn site featuring Roosevelt High girls. And hell hath no fury like Margot when she sees girls' butts shared without their consent. With the help of an unwitting ally, the popular and uncomfortably handsome Avery Green, Margot will gain access to the far flung cliques of Roosevelt High. Anything to find the mastermind (read: asshole) behind the site. But the more she digs, the deeper and darker the case becomes until Margot realizes that some jobs are so dirty, no one can come away clean. Even her.

Gross. A contemporary, high-stakes thriller about how reality becomes more twisted than the fantasy novel two friends are writing when the real-life subject of their fiction turns up dead and they're the suspects, for fans of *Mare of Easttown* and *One of Us Is Lying*. Celeste is the talk of the town when she moves to Montana from Montreal, but the only friend she makes is Vivvy, the heir to the town's founder and a social pariah. Inspired by a passion-fueled school incident, they begin writing a love-story fanfic between the popular guy and the school stoner, one that gradually reveals

Celeste's past. While her bond with Vivvy makes Celeste feel safe and alive again, Vivvy keeps prodding Celeste to turn fantasy into reality. When they finally try, one drunken night on a dark mountainside, Celeste is the one who ends up kissing golden boy Joss. And Joss ends up dead. Celeste doesn't remember the end of that night and can't be sure she didn't deliver the killing blow. Could she still be that scared of getting close to a boy? Secrets are hard to keep in a small town, and even Vivvy seems to suspect her. Exploring the winding passages of the cave where Joss died, Celeste learns he had his own dark secrets, as does Vivvy. The town isn't as innocent as it appears. This practical handbook begins with the philosophy and psychology underpinning the therapeutic value of story telling. It shows how to use story telling as a therapeutic tool with children and how to make an effective response when a child tells a story to you. It is an essential accompaniment to the "Helping Children with Feelings" series and covers issues such as: Why story telling is such a good way of helping children with their feelings? What resources you may need in a story-telling session? How to construct your own therapeutic story for a child? What to do when children tell stories to you? Things to do and say when working with a child's story. A thought-provoking collection of personal essays about home What makes a home? What do equality, safety, and politics have to do with it? And why is it so important to us to feel like we belong? In this collection, 30 women writers explore the theme in personal essays about neighbors, marriage, kids, sentimental objects, homelessness, domestic violence, solitude, immigration, gentrification, geography, and more. Contributors -- including Amanda Petrusich, Naomi Jackson, Jane Wong, and Jennifer Finney Boylan -- lend a diverse range of voices to this subject that remains at the core of our national conversations. Engaging, insightful, and full of hope, This is the Place will make you laugh, cry, and think hard about home, wherever you may find it. "This collection, encompassing a spectrum of races, ethnicities,

religions, sexualities, political beliefs and classes, could not be timelier . . . open this book, hear its chorus of voices and remember that we are a nation of individuals, bound to each other by our humanity." -- The New York Times Book Review " . . . an honest portrait of the U.S., pieced together like an imperfect American quilt. We need more books like this." -- BUST

The White Table is set in many mess halls as a symbol for and remembrance to service members fallen, missing, or held captive in the line of duty. Solitary and solemn, it is the table where no one will ever sit. As a special gift to her Uncle John, Katie and her sisters are asked to help set the white table for dinner. As their mother explains the significance of each item placed on the table Katie comes to understand and appreciate the depth of sacrifice that her uncle, and each member of the Armed Forces and their families, may be called to give. It was just a little white table... but it felt as big as America when we helped Mama put each item on it and she told us why it was so important. "We use a Small Table, girls," she explained first, "to show one soldier's lonely battle against many. We cover it with a White Cloth to honor a soldier's pure heart when he answers his country's call to duty." "We place a Lemon Slice and Grains of Salt on a plate to show a captive soldier's bitter fate and the tears of families waiting for loved ones to return," she continued. "We push an Empty Chair to the table for the missing soldiers who are not here..."

Margot Theis Raven has been a professional writer working in the fields of radio, television, magazines, newspapers, and children's books for 30 years. Margot's first children's book, *Angels in the Dust*, won five national awards, including an IRA Teacher's Choice Award. Her first book with Sleeping Bear Press, *Mercedes and the Chocolate Pilot*, was the runner-up for the 2004 Texas Bluebonnet Award. She lives with her family in Charleston, South Carolina. Mike Benny's illustrations have appeared in *Time*, *GQ*, *New Yorker* and *Sports Illustrated* Magazines. He has also been awarded two Gold Medals from the Society of Illustrators. This is

Mike's first children's book. He lives in Austin, Texas with his wife Mary Ann and daughter Adele. As seen in Focus on the Family magazine. Should I sign up our seven-year-old son for the travel team? What should we do about our daughter's Sunday morning games? Am I the only one longing for a sane balance between children's sports, family time, and church commitments? David King and Margot Starbuck offer good news for Christian parents stressed out by these questions and stretched thin by the demands of competitive youth sports. Join King, athletic director at a Christian university, and Starbuck, an award-winning author and speaker, as they investigate seven myths about what's best for young athletes. Discover with them what it means to not be conformed to the patterns of the youth sports world. Listen in as they talk to other parents, pastors, and coaches about the peril and promise of children's sports. Learn practical ways to set boundaries and help kids gain healthy identities as beloved children of God--both on and off the field, and whether they win or lose. Equips parents with concrete tips such as: Eight questions to discuss on the way home from the game Five ways to ruin your child's sports experience Dinnertime conversation starters about your family's values The one question you can't not ask your child about youth sports Key Features: Challenges seven common myths about youth sports Offers wisdom for families on decisions such as choosing leagues and how many seasons to play Author Q&As address parents' common concerns about youth sports Bonus tips and resources for parents, coaches, and pastors Free downloadable study guide available here.

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