

The Pact Sampson Davis

Three young friends on the rough streets of Newark, NJ, make a pact to become doctors ... And succeed.

The unforgettable memoir of a woman at the front lines of the civil rights movement—a narrowing account of black life in the rural South and a powerful affirmation of one person ’ s ability to affect change. “ Anne Moody ’ s autobiography is an eloquent, moving testimonial to her courage. ” —Chicago Tribune Born to a poor couple who were tenant farmers on a plantation in Mississippi, Anne Moody lived through some of the most dangerous days of the pre-civil rights era in the South. The week before she began high school came the news of Emmet Till ’ s lynching. Before then, she had “ known the fear of hunger, hell, and the Devil. But now the fear of being killed just because I was black. ” In that moment was born the passion for freedom and justice that would change her life. A straight-A student who realized her dream of going to college when she won a basketball scholarship, she finally dared to join the NAACP in her junior year. Through the NAACP and later through CORE and SNCC, she experienced firsthand the demonstrations and sit-ins that were the mainstay of the civil rights movement—and the arrests and jailings, the shootings, fire hoses, police dogs, billy clubs, and deadly force that were used to destroy it. A deeply personal story but also a portrait of a turning point in our nation ’ s destiny, this autobiography lets us see history in the making, through the eyes of one of the footsoldiers in the civil rights movement. Praise for Coming of Age in Mississippi “ A history of our time, seen from the bottom up, through the eyes of someone who decided for herself that things had to be changed. . . a timely reminder that we cannot now relax. ” —Senator Edward Kennedy, The New York Times Book Review “ Something is new here. . . rural southern black life begins to speak. It hits the page like a natural force, crude and undeniable and, against all principles of beauty, beautiful. ” —The Nation

“ Engrossing, sensitive, beautiful. . . so candid, so honest, and so touching, as to make it virtually impossible to put down. ” —San Francisco Sun-Reporter

Dr. Hunt presents his first medical book, The NO GUESSWORK Diet, based on his unique program that has helped hundreds of his patients lose weight and keep it off. Dr. Hunt's weight management center in Princeton, New Jersey is the only one of its kind in the area. Now, in this book, he shares all the guidance and information that is available in his clinic.With so many gimmicks out there about how to lose weight, many people are confused about what to do. This book takes the guesswork out of weight management, explaining the science simply and laying out the research that shows that his plan is the most effective approach for losing weight and not regaining it. How does the plan work? By taking into account the bodily processes that lead to obesity and explaining what it takes to reverse those processes. Dr. Hunt has devised a unique system that teaches the reader to find their individualized carb number (#WhatsYourCarbNumber) that will allow them to predictably lose 1lb to 2lbs per week. His easy-to-follow, low-carb program leaves readers feeling full and satisfied, and includes an extensive follow-up plan for maintaining your weight. Through it all, Dr. Hunt takes the radical position that a person with obesity is not at fault and that losing weight and maintaining that loss is about more than just will power. In doing so, he takes away the blame and allows readers to focus on the science to help them get to a healthier, sustainable weight. In his three previous books Dr. Hunt worked to motivate readers and help them to see a different life for themselves. NGW is no different. It is written to inspire readers to desire a healthier lifestyle and begin doing the work to get there.

From the New York Times bestselling authors of THE PACT Drs. Sampson Davis, George Jenkins, and Rameck Hunt discovered early in their friendship that they shared a disturbing trait: as children, they navigated dangerous inner-city life without a father ’ s guidance. In spite of this, they escaped delinquency and crime to form the Pact, dedicated to putting themselves on the road to success. Now, the Three Doctors make a new promise: to set aside their resentment, and rebuild the relationships with their fathers—men they barely recognize. Told in alternating voices between father and son, The Bond explores the hard lessons of growing up without a father and suggests ways to stem the tide of fatherlessness in communities across the country. Honest, brave, and poignant, The Bond is a book for every child and every family.

Inside the Mental Game

Be a Changemaker

The Fighter's Mind

Three Young Men Make a Promise and Fulfill a Dream

Fade

Unlock Your Power to Overcome Challenges, Soar, and Succeed

¿?A most tender and gentle story. It is a rare gem of a book.¿?Y

Three boys, who made a pact to stick together through the rough times in their impoverished Newark neighborhood, found the strength to work through their difficulties and complete high school, college, and medical school together.

Sylvia is shocked and confused when she is asked to be one of the first black students to attend Central High School, which is scheduled to be integrated in the fall of 1957, whether people like it or not. Before Sylvia makes her final decision, smoldering racial tension in the town ignites into flame. When the smoke clears, she sees clearly that nothing is going to stop the change from coming. It is up to her generation to make it happen, in as many different ways as there are colors in the world.

First in the ground-breaking HUNGER GAMES trilogy, this new foiled edition of THE HUNGER GAMES is available for a limited period of time. Set in a dark vision of the near future, a terrifying reality TV show is taking place. Twelve boys and twelve girls are forced to appear in a live event called The Hunger Games. There is only one rule: kill or be killed. When sixteen-year-old Katniss Everdeen steps forward to take her younger sister's place in the games, she sees it as a death sentence. But Katniss has been close to death before. For her, survival is second nature.

A Love Story

Miracle at St. Anna

Thread that Runs So True

The Master Plan

A Memoir of Growing Up Iranian in America

A brave, intimate, beautifully crafted memoir by a survivor of the tsunami that struck the Sri Lankan coast in 2004 and took her entire family. On December 26, Boxing Day, Sonali Deraniyagala, her English husband, her parents, her two young sons, and a close friend were ending Christmas vacation at the seaside resort of Yala on the south coast of Sri Lanka when a wave suddenly overtook them. She was only to learn later that this was a tsunami that devastated coastlines through Southeast Asia. When the water began to encroach closer to their hotel, they began to run, but in an instant, water engulfed them, Sonali was separated from her family, and all was lost. Sonali Deraniyagala has written an extraordinarily honest, utterly engrossing account of the surreal tragedy of a devastating event that all at once ended her life as she knew it and her journey since in search of understanding and redemption. It is also a remarkable portrait of a young family's life and what came before, with all the small moments and larger dreams that suddenly and irrevocably ended.

The PactThree Young Men Make a Promise and Fulfill a DreamPenguin

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A national bestseller by Drs. Sampson Davis, George Jenkins, and Rameck Hunt with Lisa Frazier Page, is the true story of how three young men join forces to beat the odds and become doctors. They grew up on the streets of Newark, facing city life's temptations, pitfalls, even jail. But one day these three young men made a pact. They promised each other they would all become doctors, and stick it out together through the long, difficult journey to attain that dream. Sampson Davis, George Jenkins, and Rameck Hunt are not only friends to this day—they are all doctors. This is a story about the power of friendship. Of joining forces and beating the odds. A story about choosing your life, and the lives of those you love most-together.

Finding Meaning in a Material World

A Mighty Long Way

Living and Dying in Brick City

JAY-Z

How a Friendship Led to Success

How a Friendship Pact Helped Us Succeed

Araminta's almost-grown-up cousin comes to babysit she brings two naughty ghosts with her—another fun, kooky adventure in the Araminta Spookie series from Angie Sage, author of the New York Times bestselling Septimus Heap series. If you're looking for chapter books for kids ages 6-10, this series is a great choice. Aunt Tabby and Uncle Drac are heading off to Transylvania on Araminta's birthday—without Araminta. To make matters worse, Araminta will have a babysitter. When that sitter turns out to be Araminta's supercool cousin, Mathilda, things start to look up—except Mathilda shows up with two rowdy ghosts who destroy the house and ignore all the rules. Can Araminta come up with a Plan to get rid of these two bad ghosts once and for all?

Television journalist Elliott Lewis weaves his memoirs as a black-and-white biracial American with the voices of dozens of multiracial people who are challenging how we think and speak about race today. “What are you?” This seemingly ordinary but politically charged question has become a touchstone for debate around race and ethnicity. Now, more than ever, mixed race Americans are calling themselves biracial and multiracial rather than feeling forced to choose only one race. Nearly seven million people checked more than one racial category in the 2000 US census, the first time in history Americans had the option to mark more than one box. With Fade, Lewis offers a comprehensive look at the multiracial state of the union. Here he speaks with dozens of individuals, tackling hot button issues such as the often complicated lives of multiracial people in communities of color, interracial dating, transracial adoption, and the birth of the multiracial movement. The author also shares his own moving – and often humorous – firsthand experiences with race, along with intimate stories from those at the forefront of nationwide efforts to formally recognize the multiracial population.

For everyone who has ever yearned for a better life and a better world, Craig and Marc Kielburger share a blueprint for personal and social change that has the power to transform lives, one act at a time. Through inspirational contributions from people from all walks of life, the Kielburgers reveal that a more fulfilling path is ours for the taking when we find the courage to reach out. Me To We is an approach to life that leads us to recognize what is truly valuable, make new decisions about the way we want to live, and re-define the goals we set for ourselves and the legacy we want to leave. Written by individuals who have followed the Me To We philosophy, including Oprah Winfrey, Richard Gere, Queen Noor, and Archbishop Desmond Tutu. Above all, it creates new ways of measuring happiness, meaning, and success in our lives, and makes sure these elusive goals are attainable at last. Best of all, Me To We is relevant to all readers including parents, young people, seniors and business leaders providing practical ways on how to incorporate this philosophy into your lives. Be inspired and share the feeling with your neighbours, friends and family. Your life will never be the same!

An intimate portrait of medical care in our cities, written by an emergency room physician (and author of the New York Times bestseller The Pact) who grew up in the very neighborhood he is now serving “A pull-no-punches look at health care from a seldom-heard sector. . . . Living and Dying isn't a sky-is-falling chronicle. It's a real, gutsy view of a city hospital.”—Essence In this book, Dr. Sampson Davis looks at the healthcare crisis in the inner city from a rare perspective: as a doctor who works on the front line of emergency medical care in the community where he grew up, and as a member of that community who has faced the same challenges as the people he treats every day. He also offers invaluable practical advice for those living in such communities, where conditions like asthma, heart disease, stroke, and AIDS are disproportionately endemic. Dr. Davis's sister, a drug addict, died of AIDS; his brother is now paralyzed and confined to a wheelchair as a result of a bar fight; and he himself did time in juvenile detention—a wake-up call that changed his life. He recounts recognizing a young man who is brought to the E.R. with critical gunshot wounds as someone who was arrested with him when he was a teenager during a robbery gone bad; describes a patient whose case of sickle-cell anemia rouses an ethical dilemma; and explains the difficulty he has convincing his landlord and friend, an older woman, to go to the hospital for much-needed treatment. With empathy and hard-earned wisdom, Living and Dying in Brick City is an important resource guide for anyone at risk, anyone close to those at risk, and anyone who cares about the fate of our cities.

The Golden Dream

Pulse of Perseverance

Me to We

The Hunger Games

The Bond

Stories from the Front Lines of an Inner-City E.R.

From the acclaimed author of *Fighter's Heart* comes an “entertaining and enlightening” look inside the mental game of mixed martial arts fighting (Dave Doyle, Yahoo! Sports). In his acclaimed national bestseller, *A Fighter's Heart*, Sam Sheridan took readers with him into the dangerous world of professional fighting. From a muay Thai bout in Bangkok to Iowa, where he fought the toughest mixed martial arts stars, Sheridan threw himself into a quest to understand how and why we fight. In *The Fighter's Mind*, Sheridan explores the mental discipline required of an elite fighter. In his training, Sheridan heard time and again (in Yogi Berra fashion) that “fighting is ninety percent mental, half the time.” But what does this mean, exactly? To uncover the secrets of mental strength and success, Sheridan interviewed dozens of the world's most fascinating and dangerous men. He spoke with celebrated trainers Freddie Roach and Greg Jackson; champion fighters Randy Couture, Frank Shamrock, and Marcelo Garcia; ultrarunner David Horton; chess prodigy (and the inspiration for Searching for Bobby Fischer) turned tai chi expert Josh Waitzkin; and the legendary wrestler Dan Gable, among others. “Fantastic. . . . One of the best MMA books I've ever read, and I've certainly read my fair share.” —Eric O'Brien, “Way of the Warrior,” ESPN radio “You don't have to care about fighting, or even know that MMA stands for mixed martial arts, to find insights into human behavior in Sam Sheridan's *The Fighter's Mind*.” —David M. Shribman, *Bloomberg*

From the New York Times bestselling author of *The Good Lord Bird*, winner of the 2013 National Book Award for Fiction, and Deacon King Kong James McBride's powerful memoir, *The Color of Water*, was a groundbreaking literary phenomenon that transcended racial and religious boundaries, garnering unprecedented acclaim and topping bestseller lists for more than two years. Now McBride turns his extraordinary gift for storytelling to fiction—in a universal tale of courage and redemption inspired by a little-known historic event.

IN MIRCLE AT ST. ANNA, toward the end of World War II, four Buffalo Soldiers from the Army's Negro 92nd Division find themselves separated from their unit and behind enemy lines. Risking their lives for a country in which they are treated with less respect than the enemy they are fighting, they discover human spirit in the small Tuscan village of St. Anna di Stazzema—in the peasants who shelter them, in the unspoken affection of an orphaned child, in a newfound faith in fellow man. And even in the face of unspeakable tragedy, they learn to see the signs of a new world.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Finalist for the PEN/USA Award in Creative Nonfiction, the Thurber Prize for American Humor, and the Audie Award in Biography/Memoir This Random House Reader's Circle edition includes a reading group guide and a conversation between Firoozeh Dumas and Khaled Housseini, author of The Kite Runner! “Remarkable. . . . told with wry humor shorn of sentimentality. . . . In the end, what sticks with the reader is an exuberant immigrant embrace of America.”—San Francisco Chronicle In 1972, when she was seven, Firoozeh Dumas and her family moved from Iran to Southern California, arriving with no firsthand knowledge of this country beyond her father's glowing memories of his graduate school years here. More family soon followed, and the clan has been here ever since. Funny in Farsi chronicles the American journey of Fumas's wonderfully engaging family: her engineer father, a sweetly quixotic dreamer who first sought riches on Bowling for Dollars and in Las Vegas, and later lost his job during the Iranian revolution; her elegant mother, who never fully mastered English (nor cared to); her uncle, who combated the effects of American fast food with an army of miraculous American weight-loss gadgets; and Firoozeh herself, who as a girl changed her name to Julie, and who encountered a second wave of culture shock when she met and married a Frenchman, becoming part of a one-couple melting pot. In a series of deftly drawn scenes, we watch the family grapple with American English (hot dogs and hush puppies?—a complete mystery), American traditions (Thanksgiving turkey?—an even greater mystery, since it tastes like nothing), and American culture (Firozeh's parents laugh uproariously at Bob Hope on television, although they don't get the jokes even when she translates them into Farsi). Above all, this is an unforgettable story of identity, discovery, and the power of family love. It is a book that will leave us all laughing—without an accent. Praise for Funny in Farsi “Heartfelt and hilarious—in any language.”—Glamour “A joyful success.”—Newsday “What's charming beyond the humor of this memoir is that it remains affectionate even in the weakest, most tenuous moments for the culture. It's the brilliance of true sophistication at work.”—Los Angeles Times Book Review “Often hilarious, always interesting. . . . Like the movie My Big Fat Greek Wedding, this book describes with humor the intersection and overlapping of two cultures.”—The Providence Journal “A humorous and introspective chronicle of a life filled with love—of family, country, and heritage.”—Jimmy Carter “Delightfully charming.”—Miami Herald

“A searing and emotionally gripping account of a young black girl growing up to become a strong black woman during the most difficult time of racial segregation.”—Professor Charles Ogletree, Harvard Law School “Provides important context for an important moment in America's history.”—Associated Press When fourteen-year-old Carlotta Walls walked up the stairs of Little Rock Central High School on September 25, 1957, she and eight other black students only wanted to make it to class. But the journey of the “Little Rock Nine,” as they came to be known, would lead the nation on an even longer and much more turbulent path, one that would challenge prevailing attitudes, break down barriers, and forever change the landscape of America. For Carlotta and the eight other children, simply getting through the door of this admired academic institution involved angry mobs, racist elected officials, and intervention by President Dwight D. Eisenhower, who was forced to send in the 101st Airborne to escort the Nine into the building. But entry was simply the first of many trials. Breaking her silence at last and sharing her story for the first time, Carlotta Walls has written an engrossing memoir that is a testament not only to the power of a single person to make a difference but also to the sacrifices made by families and communities that found themselves a part of history.

We Beat the Streets: A Friendship Pact that Led to Success

Araminta Spookie 5: Ghostsitters

Tramp Art

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We Beat the Street

Make a difference with every meal: eighty recipes to help you go meatless—or just eat meat less. For the health of humankind, the environment, and the animals that inhabit it, the Jane Goodall Institute presents a collection of recipes to illustrate the how and why of vegan eating. Crafted especially for curious cooks looking to incorporate healthier dietary practices and those interested in environmental sustainability, these eighty recipes gives home cooks the tools they need to take charge of their diet and take advantage of their own community's local, seasonal bounty. Along with colorful food photography, quotes from Jane Goodall interspersed throughout transform this vegan staple into an inspiring guide to reclaiming our broken food system: for the environment, for the animals, and for ourselves. Whether you're interested in reducing your family's reliance on meat or in transitioning to a wholly vegetarian or vegan diet, this book has the information and inspiration you need to make meaningful mealtime choices. Dr. Jane Goodall, a longtime vegetarian and a passionate advocate for animals, invites us to commit to a simple promise with her campaign #EatMeatLess.

The author of the National Book Award-winning Rachel and Her Children and Amazing Grace continues the personal journeys of inner-city youth who have struggled to work through formidable racial and economic inequalities while approaching adulthood. 60,000 first printing.

The usual and often stunning world of inner-city youth is revealed in an illustrated introduction to this unique art form, which was mostly created by talented artists and often exchanged for food during the Depression.

Why should kids be concerned about the weather? It's not like they will all grow up to be meteorologists or weather forecasters. But the thing is, knowing how to read weather patterns leads to a general understanding of how the world works. It also leads to an educated expectation of the day's events. Weather forecasting has never been this easy! Grab a copy today!

'Til the Well Runs Dry

A Kid's Guide to Weather Forecasting - Weather for Kids | Children's Earth Sciences Books

Fire in the Ashes

Made in America

Twenty-Five Years Among the Poorest Children in America

Partners of the Heart

What drove three young black men, each from America's most urban environments, to achieve their dreams of becoming doctors? The answer is in the Pulse of Perseverance. In 1998, Max Madhere, Pierre Johnson, and Joe Semien were three young, black, premedical students at Xavier University of Louisiana. Each was struggling with the demands of Xavier's rigorous curriculum, yet each was determined to succeed, even if the statistics, or the stereotypes about black men, said otherwise. By drawing on each other's determination and individual strengths, they forged a brotherhood and created a bond so strong that it would carry them through college, medical school, and well beyond. Now they've come together in Pulse to share their stories and encourage young people of color to pursue high-level careers. Max grew up in New York City and Washington D.C., Pierre in Chicago, and Joe in New Orleans. Underperforming schools, instability in the home, the trappings of street life, or simply being "expected" to fail could have derailed their aspirations, yet all three men refused to accept failure as an option. No obstacle was too great, no ambition too high.Today, Dr. Maxime Madhere, Dr. Pierre Johnson, and Dr. Joseph W. Semien Jr. are each board-certified physicians, as well as fathers and community mentors. Their message in Pulse is both simple and complex: no matter where you're from, no matter what "society" tells you, you can realize your dreams with hard work, determination, and God's guidance.

Visitors to the Blalock Building at the Johns Hopkins University Medical Center are greeted by portraits of two great men. One, of renowned heart surgeon Alfred Blalock, speaks for itself. The other, of highschool graduate Vivien Thomas, is testimony to the incredible genius and determination of the first black man to hold a professional position at one of America's premier medical institutions. Thomas's dreams of attending medical school were dashed when the Depression hit. After spending some time as a carpenter's apprentice, Thomas took what he expected to be a temporary job as a technician in Blalock's lab. The two men soon became partners and together invented the field of cardiac surgery. Partners of the Heart is Thomas's extraordinary autobiography. Trained in laboratory techniques by Alfred Blalock and Joseph W. Beard, Thomas remained Blalock's principal technician and laboratory chief for the rest of Blalock's distinguished career. Thomas very rapidly learned to perform surgery, to do chemical determinations, and to carry out physiologic studies. He became a phenomenal technician and was able to carry out complicated experimental cardiac operations totally unassisted and to devise new ones. In addition to telling Thomas's life story, Partners of the Heart traces the beginnings of modern cardiac surgery, crucial investigations into the nature of shock, and Blalock's methods of training surgeons.

Presents a true account of the experiences of a backwoods school teacher.

NOW A NEW YORK TIMES, USA TODAY, AND PUBLISHER'S WEEKLY BESTSELLER “Dyson writes with the affection of a fan but the rigor of an academic. ... Using extensive passages from Jay-Z ’ s lyrics, ‘Made in America’ examines the rapper ’ s role as a poet, an aesthete, an advocate for racial justice and a business man, but devotes much of its energy to Hova the Hustler.” —Allison Stewart, The Washington Post “Dyson’s incisive analysis of JAY-Z’s brilliance not only offers a brief history of hip-hop’s critical place in American culture, but also hints at how we can best move forward.” —Questlove JAY-Z: Made in America is the fruit of Michael Eric Dyson ’ s decade of teaching the work of one of the greatest poets this nation has produced, as gifted a wordsmith as Walt Whitman, Robert Frost and Rita Dove. But as a rapper, he ’ s sometimes not given the credit he deserves for just how great an artist he ’ s been for so long. This book wrestles with the biggest themes of JAY-Z’s career, including hustling, and it recognizes the way that he ’ s always weaved politics into his music, making important statements about race, criminal justice, black wealth and social injustice. As he enters his fifties, and to mark his thirty years as a recording artist, this is the perfect time to take a look at JAY-Z ’ s career and his role in making this nation what it is today. In many ways, this is JAY-Z ’ s America as much as it ’ s Pelosi ’ s America, or Trump ’ s America, or Martin Luther King ’ s America. JAY-Z has given this country a language to think with and words to live by. Featuring a Foreword by Pharrell

Crimes Against My Brother

Three Young Men Learn to Forgive and Reconnect with Their Fathers

The Classic Autobiography of Growing Up Poor and Black in the Rural South

Vivien Thomas and His Work with Alfred Blalock

My Journey to Justice at Little Rock Central High School

Three Black Doctors on Their Journey to Success

A riveting personal exploration of the healthcare crisis facing inner-city communities, written by an emergency room physician who grew up in the very neighborhood he is now serving Sampson Davis is best known as one of three friends from inner-city Newark who made a pact in high school to become doctors. Their book The Pact and their work through the Three Doctors Foundation have inspired countless young men and women to strive for goals they otherwise would not have dreamed they could attain. In this book, Dr. Davis looks at the healthcare crisis in the inner city from a rare perspective: as a doctor who works on the front line of emergency medical care in the community where he grew up, and as a member of that community who has faced the same challenges as the people he treats every day. He also offers invaluable practical advice for those living in such communities, where conditions like asthma, heart disease, stroke, obesity, and AIDS are disproportionately endemic. Dr. Davis's sister, a drug addict, died of AIDS; his brother is now paralyzed and confined to a wheelchair as a result of a bar fight; and he himself did time in juvenile detention—a wake-up call that changed his life. He recounts recognizing a young man who is brought to the E.R. with critical gunshot wounds as someone who was arrested with him when he was a teenager during a robbery gone bad; describes a patient whose case of sickle-cell anemia rouses an ethical dilemma; and explains the difficulty he has convincing his landlord and friend, an older woman, to go to the hospital for much-needed treatment. With empathy and hard-earned wisdom, Living and Dying in Brick City presents an urgent picture of medical care in our cities. It is an important resource guide for anyone at risk, anyone close to those at risk, and anyone who cares about the fate of our cities. Praise for Living and Dying in Brick City “A pull-no-punches look at health care from a seldom-heard sector. . . . Living and Dying isn't a sky-is-falling chronicle. It's a real, gutsy view of a city hospital.”—Essence “Gripping. . . . a prescription to help kids dream bigger than their circumstances, from someone who really knows.”—People “[Dr. Davis] is really a local hero. His story has inspired so many of our young people, and he’s got his finger on the pulse of what is a challenge in Newark, and frankly all across America. . . . I think his book is going to make a big impact.”—Cory Booker “Some memoirs are heartfelt, some are informative and some are even important. Few, however, are all three. . . . As rare as it is for a book to be heartfelt, well written and inspirational, it’s even rarer for a critic to say that a book should be required reading. This ought to be included in high school curricula—for the kids in the suburbs who have no idea what life is like in the inner cities, and for the kids in the inner cities to know that there is a way out.”—The Star-Ledger “Dramatic and powerful.”—New York Daily News “This book just might save your life. Sampson Davis shares fascinating stories from the E.R. and addresses the inner-city health crisis. His book is an important investment in your most valuable resource: your health.”—Suzie Ozman, author of The Money Class

“Engrossing. . . The Pact is compelling reading.”—People In this heart-rending tale of love and friendship, Jodi Picoult brings to life a familiar world, and in a single terrifying moment awakens every parent’s worst fear: We think we know our children. . . . but do we ever really know them at all? The Golds and the Hartes, neighbors for eighteen years, have always been inseparable. So have their children—and it’s no surprise that in high school Chris and Emily’s friendship blossoms into something more. But the bonds of family, friendship, and passion—which had seemed so indestructible—suddenly threaten to unravel in the wake of unimaginable tragedy. When midnight calls from the hospital come in, no one is ready for the truth. Emily is dead at seventeen from a gunshot wound to the head. There’s a single unspent bullet in the gun that Chris pilfered from his father’s cabinet—a bullet that Chris tells police he intended for himself. But a local detective has doubts about the suicide pact that Chris describes. This extraordinary, poignant novel paints an indelible portrait of two families in anguish. . . . and creates an astonishingly suspenseful courtroom drama as Chris is put on trial for murder.

A NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER A remarkable story about the power of friendship. Chosen by Essence to be among the forty most influential African Americans, the three doctors grew up in the streets of Newark, facing city life’s temptations, pitfalls, even jail. But one day these three young men made a pact. They promised each other they would all become doctors, and stick it out together through the long, difficult journey to attaining that dream. Sampson Davis, George Jenkins, and Rameck Hunt are not only friends to this day—they are all doctors. This is a story about joining forces and beating the odds. A story about changing your life, and the lives of those you love most... together.

Ms. Shelby's third-grade girls are so excited about her upcoming wedding that they start a wedding planning competition, which drives a wedge between best friends Nikki and Deja, the two whose names were drawn to attend the event.

Coming of Age in Mississippi

Wave

Fire from the Rock

A Novel

Three Young Men Make a Promise and Fulfill a Dream : by Sampson Davis, George Jenkins, and Rameck Hunt

My Journeys in Multiracial America

The inspiring, instructive, and ultimately triumphant memoir of a man who used hard work and a Master Plan to turn a life sentence into a second chance. Growing up in a tough Washington, D.C., neighborhood, Chris Wilson was so afraid for his life he wouldn't leave the house without a gun. One night, defending himself, he killed a man. At eighteen, he was sentenced to life in prison with no hope of parole. But what should have been the end of his story became the beginning. Deciding to make something of his life, Chris embarked on a journey of self-improvement—reading, working out, learning languages, even starting a business. He wrote his Master Plan: a list of all he expected to accomplish or acquire. He worked his plan every day for years, and in his mid-thirties he did the impossible: he convinced a judge to reduce his sentence and became a free man. Today Chris is a successful social entrepreneur who employs returning citizens; a mentor; and a public speaker. He is the embodiment of second chances, and this is his unforgettable story.

Presens information on creating problem-solving ventures, with advice on identifying a social issue, doing research, creating a business plan, soliciting support from friends and adults, planning an event, raising funds, and using social media for promotion.

Gerry Faust won more hearts than games. He came to Notre Dame as the high school coach from Cincinnati's Moeller High School, such a perfect fit for Notre Dame that it seemed almost too good to be true. It was. Faust admits his mistakes, which include the manner in which he put together his first coaching staff, changing Notre Dame's offense, even feeling sorry for himself.

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