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A plane crashes on a desert island and the only survivors, a group of schoolboys, assemble on the beach and wait to be rescued. By day they inhabit a land of bright fantastic birds and dark blue seas, but at night their dreams are haunted by the image of a terrifying beast. As the boys' delicate sense of order fades, so their childish dreams are transformed into something more primitive, and their behaviour starts to take on a murderous, savage significance. First published in 1954, Lord of the Flies is one of the most celebrated and widely read of modern classics. Now fully revised and updated, this educational edition includes chapter summaries, comprehension questions, discussion points, classroom activities, a biographical profile of Golding, historical context relevant to the novel and an essay on Lord of the Flies by William Golding entitled 'Fable'. Aimed at Key Stage 3 and 4 students, it also includes a section on literary theory for advanced or A-level students. The educational edition encourages original and independent thinking while guiding the student through the text - ideal for use in the classroom and at home. From the bestselling author of Blink and The Tipping Point, Malcolm Gladwell's Outliers: The Story of Success overturns conventional wisdom about genius to show us what makes an ordinary person an extreme overachiever. Why do some people achieve so much more than others? Can they lie so far out of the ordinary? In this provocative and inspiring book, Malcolm Gladwell looks at everyone from rock stars to professional athletes, software billionaires to scientific geniuses, to show that the story of success is far more surprising, and far more fascinating, than we could ever have imagined. He reveals that it's

as much about where we're from and what we do, as who we are - and that no one, not even a genius, ever makes it alone. Outliers will change the way you think about your own life story, and about what makes us all unique. 'Gladwell is not only a brilliant storyteller; he can see what those stories tell us, the lessons they contain' Guardian 'Malcolm Gladwell is a global phenomenon ... he has a genius for making everything he writes seem like an impossible adventure' Observer 'He is the best kind of writer - the kind who makes you feel like you're a genius, rather than he's a genius' The Times Dashka Slater's *The 57 Bus*, a riveting nonfiction book for teens about race, class, gender, crime, and punishment, tells the true story of an agender teen who was set on fire by another teen while riding a bus in Oakland, California. A New York Times Bestseller Stonewall Book Award Winner—Mike Morgan & Larry Romans Children's & Young Adult Literature Award YALSA Award for Excellence in Nonfiction for Young Adults Finalist One teenager in a skirt. One teenager with a lighter. One moment that changes both of their lives forever. If it weren't for the 57 bus, Sasha and Richard never would have met. Both were high school students from Oakland, California, one of the most diverse cities in the country, but they inhabited different worlds. Sasha, a white teen, lived in the middle-class foothills and attended a small private school. Richard, a black teen, lived in the crime-plagued flatlands and attended a large public one. Each day, their paths overlapped for a mere eight minutes. But one afternoon on the bus ride home from school, a single reckless act left Sasha severely burned, and Richard charged with two hate crimes and facing life imprisonment. The case garnered international attention, thrusting both teenagers into the spotlight. "Nineteen Eighty-Four: A Novel", often published as "1984", is a dystopian social science fiction novel by English novelist George Orwell. It was published on 8 June 1949 by Secker & Warburg as Orwell's ninth and final book completed in his lifetime. Thematically, "Nineteen Eighty-Four" centres on the consequences of totalitarianism, mass surveillance, and repressive regimentation of persons and behaviours within society. Orwell, himself a democratic socialist, modelled the authoritarian government in the novel after Stalinist Russia. More broadly, the novel examines the role of truth and facts within politics and the ways in which they are manipulated. The story takes place in an imagined future, the year 1984, when much of the world has fallen victim to perpetual war, omnipresent government surveillance, historical negationism, and propaganda. Great Britain, known as Airstrip One, has become a province of a totalitarian superstate named Oceania that is ruled by the Party who employ the Thought Police to persecute individuality and independent thinking. Big Brother, the leader of the Party, enjoys an intense cult of personality despite the fact that he may not even exist. The protagonist, Winston Smith, is a diligent and skillful rank-and-file worker and Outer Party member who secretly hates the Party and dreams of rebellion. He enters into a forbidden relationship with a colleague, Julia, and starts to remember what life was like before the Party came to power. *Dream It! A Playbook to Spark Your Awesomeness* is a workbook that teaches middle-grade children to think about what they like, what they are good at, and what

their passions are. This playbook is filled with open-ended brainstorming activities to designed to help kids identify their goals and dreams, whatever they are! Dream It! is an effective, evidence-based tool for teaching social-emotional skills, increasing optimistic thinking, and nurturing imagination. Uncover a whole new world! Captivating Discovery Education(TM) video and stimulating global topics engage teenage learners and spark their curiosity. Developed in partnership with Discovery Education(TM), Uncover combines captivating video and stimulating global topics to motivate students and spark their curiosity, fostering more meaningful learning experiences. Up to four videos in every unit make learning relevant and create opportunities for deeper understanding. Guided, step-by-step activities and personalized learning tasks lead to greater speaking and writing fluency. Complete digital support, including extra online practice activities and access to the Cambridge Learning Management platform is also available. Engaging facts, amazing photography and captivating real-life video take young learners on a journey to explore the world as they learn English. Are you ready to explore? What makes our bodies move? Why do whales jump out of water? Guess What! is a six-level course that invites children to explore the world through engaging facts, amazing photography, and captivating video. The highly photographic Student's Book Level 1 brings lessons to life with engaging characters, topics that spark children's curiosity, and a wide variety of activities, including humorous contextual dialogs, songs, chants, games, stories illustrating social values, functional dialogs, and role play. There are plenty of opportunities for developing children's thinking skills and their knowledge of other subjects in the CLIL lessons. Declutter your desk and brighten up your business with this transformative guide from an organizational psychologist and the #1 New York Times bestselling author of The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying Up. The workplace is a magnet for clutter and mess. Who hasn't felt drained by wasteful meetings, disorganized papers, endless emails, and unnecessary tasks? These are the modern-day hazards of working, and they can slowly drain the joy from work, limit our chances of career progress, and undermine our well-being. There is another way. In Joy at Work, bestselling author and Netflix star Marie Kondo and Rice University business professor Scott Sonenshein offer stories, studies, and strategies to help you eliminate clutter and make space for work that really matters. Using the world-renowned KonMari Method and cutting-edge research, Joy at Work will help you overcome the challenges of workplace mess and enjoy the productivity, success, and happiness that come with a tidy desk and mind. Ignite that inner fire with the 30 engaging exercises, fun activities, inspirational images, and motivating ideas in this book. Learn what your Little Spark of creative passion looks like, how to capture it, and how to make room for it in your life. Use this guide as a month-long creative roadmap, or just dip into the exercises as your time and inclination allow. Either way, you will change your life. "The Spark Story Bible Psalm Book is a lovely collection of poems for children to pray. Fifty of the most well-known psalms are rewritten as kid-friendly prayers, accompanied by the beautiful artwork of Peter Grosshauser, illustrator of the Spark

Story Bible. This prayer book is a wonderful companion to the Spark Story Bible and Spark Story Bible Devotions for Kids."-- From popular Christian voices Lisa Jacobson and Phyllicia Masonheimer, *The Flirtation Experiment* inspires you to strengthen your marriage with a fun, unexpected approach that leads to the depth, richness, and closeness you desire. Romance novels, Hallmark movies . . . the immense demand for romantic stories reveals a deep, unsatisfied longing that can be found in many marriages, but does it have to be that way? Is it possible that the best marriage has to offer can grow, rather than fade after you say "I do"? Lisa and Phyllicia say, "Absolutely yes!" So what is the secret to a happy, thriving, loving marriage, where the fire of romance and close friendship do not fade? While *The Flirtation Experiment* includes the frisky side of marriage, it's far more than a good romp. By degrees, each chapter takes you to a deeper place, covering themes every beautiful marriage has in common, such as covenant, healing, and hope. After reading *The Flirtation Experiment*, wives will be filled with hope and encouragement for how they can make a powerful, positive change in their marriages, become empowered to pursue their husbands romantically, understand the Bible invites women to be proactive in their marriages, be motivated to consistently love in creative ways, and forge closeness and intimacy in their marriages. "Intentional flirting keeps a positive lightness in the atmosphere and improves our overall communication," says Jacobson. "My light flirtations bring us closer in meaningful ways and lead to connection on a deeper level. It helps us discover true romance waiting for us in everyday situations." Perfect for the wife who wants romance, passion, and the closeness that only comes from a deep heart connection but isn't sure where to start, *The Flirtation Experiment* is a candid, real-life record of two Christian women from different seasons of life who discovered they could make a significant impact on their marriage relationships, one small flirtatious experiment at a time. Readers can go deeper by using *The Flirtation Experiment Workbook*. Each action-packed story in this engaging Bible comes with a prompt to invite discussion and leaves kids begging for you to read "just one more." The most comprehensive and Scripture-based children's storybook Bible available, *The Spark Story Bible* includes 100 easy-to-read stories with more than 60 stories from the New Testament. *The Spark Story Bible* provides a true Gospel-centric resource for kids and families to enjoy. This engaging resource touches on Old Testament stories but focuses on the life and times of Jesus, Paul, and the early church. The rich retellings found within *The Spark Story Bible* will have children discovering powerful truth found in God's Word. Designed for read-aloud use, the child-friendly illustrations and captivating storytelling make this story Bible perfect for home, school, or church. Fun activities and brief interactive questions help children apply what they have read to their own lives while enjoying Squiggles, an expressive caterpillar who responds to each story. The 100 stories give kids an excellent foundation for a journey through God's message and trigger an interest in more study that your whole family can explore. With thousands in print, *The Spark Story Bible* is a perfect kids' Bible beloved by parents, grandparents, pastors, and teachers. This highly recommended

illustrated Bible is meant for personal use and does not work in tandem with Spark Sunday School. NATIONAL BESTSELLER

• In April 1992 a young man from a well-to-do family hitchhiked to Alaska and walked alone into the wilderness north of Mt. McKinley. Four months later, his decomposed body was found by a moose hunter. This is the unforgettable story of how Christopher Johnson McCandless came to die. "It may be nonfiction, but *Into the Wild* is a mystery of the highest order." —Entertainment Weekly

McCandless had given \$25,000 in savings to charity, abandoned his car and most of his possessions, burned all the cash in his wallet, and invented a new life for himself. Not long after, he was dead. *Into the Wild* is the mesmerizing, heartbreaking tale of an enigmatic young man who goes missing in the wild and whose story captured the world's attention. Immediately after graduating from college in 1991, McCandless had roamed through the West and Southwest on a vision quest like those made by his heroes Jack London and John Muir. In the Mojave Desert he abandoned his car, stripped it of its license plates, and burned all of his cash. He would give himself a new name, Alexander Supertramp, and, unencumbered by money and belongings, he would be free to wallow in the raw, unfiltered experiences that nature presented. Craving a blank spot on the map, McCandless simply threw the maps away. Leaving behind his desperate parents and sister, he vanished into the wild. Jon Krakauer constructs a clarifying prism through which he reassembles the disquieting facts of McCandless's short life. Admitting an interest that borders on obsession, he searches for the clues to the drives and desires that propelled McCandless. When McCandless's innocent mistakes turn out to be irreversible and fatal, he becomes the stuff of tabloid headlines and is dismissed for his naiveté, pretensions, and hubris. He is said to have had a death wish but wanting to die is a very different thing from being compelled to look over the edge. Krakauer brings McCandless's uncompromising pilgrimage out of the shadows, and the peril, adversity, and renunciation sought by this enigmatic young man are illuminated with a rare understanding—and not an ounce of sentimentality. *Into the Wild* is a tour de force. The power and luminosity of Jon Krakauer's stoytelling blaze through every page. I began as a tiny spark in the dry grass. All I wanted was a friend. I found one in the wind, who helped me to grow, helped me to fly! But was it really my friend? #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • The book that sparked a revolution and inspired the hit Netflix series *Tidying Up with Marie Kondo*: the original guide to decluttering your home once and for all. ONE OF THE MOST INFLUENTIAL BOOKS OF THE DECADE—CNN

Despite constant efforts to declutter your home, do papers still accumulate like snowdrifts and clothes pile up like a tangled mess of noodles? Japanese cleaning consultant Marie Kondo takes tidying to a whole new level, promising that if you properly simplify and organize your home once, you'll never have to do it again. Most methods advocate a room-by-room or little-by-little approach, which doom you to pick away at your piles of stuff forever. The KonMari Method, with its revolutionary category-by-category system, leads to lasting results. In fact, none of Kondo's clients have lapsed (and she still has a three-month waiting list). With detailed guidance for determining which items in

your house “spark joy” (and which don’t), this international bestseller will help you clear your clutter and enjoy the unique magic of a tidy home—and the calm, motivated mindset it can inspire. The Activity Book That Makes Kids Wild About Nature Nature books for kids should get them excited about heading out into the great outdoors. This one encourages them to track, explore, discover and create. Unlike some nature books for kids, the Exploring Nature Activity Book for Kids, is filled with hands-on educational outdoor activities--like crafting bird feeders out of fruit, pressing flowers, creating sundials and so much more. The Exploring Nature Activity Book for Kids includes: 50 AMAZING OUTDOOR PROJECTS--See how nature books for kids can inspire a lifetime of curiosity by using play to encourage natural observation. ACTIVITIES FOR EVERYONE, EVERYWHERE--Discover fun and educational outdoor activities designed for a variety of seasons, regions, and age ranges. WILD COLORS--Color illustrations bring activities to life, provide further instruction, and get kids excited about going outside. The hands-on, get-dirty approach makes this one of the best nature books for kids and shows them what makes the great outdoors great. The inspiring, unlikely, laugh-out-loud story of how one woman learned to lead—and how she ultimately succeeded, not despite her many mistakes, but because of them. This is the story of how Kristen Hadeed built Student Maid, a cleaning company where people are happy, loyal, productive, and empowered, even while they’re mopping floors and scrubbing toilets. It’s the story of how she went from being an almost comically inept leader to a sought-after CEO who teaches others how to lead. Hadeed unintentionally launched Student Maid while attending college ten years ago. Since then, Student Maid has employed hundreds of students and is widely recognized for its industry-leading retention rate and its culture of trust and accountability. But Kristen and her company were no overnight sensation. In fact, they were almost nothing at all. Along the way, Kristen got it wrong almost as often as she got it right. Giving out hugs instead of feedback, fixing errors instead of enforcing accountability, and hosting parties instead of cultivating meaningful relationships were just a few of her many mistakes. But Kristen’s willingness to admit and learn from those mistakes helped her give her people the chance to learn from their own screwups too. Permission to Screw Up dismisses the idea that leaders and organizations should try to be perfect. It encourages people of all ages to go for it and learn to lead by acting, rather than waiting or thinking. Through a brutally honest and often hilarious account of her own struggles, Kristen encourages us to embrace our failures and proves that we’ll be better leaders when we do. The hauntingly prophetic classic novel. Over 1 million copies sold in the UK. Time Zones, Third Edition uses amazing photography, updated videos, and inspiring stories of global citizens to encourage teenage learners to explore the world in English. Through teacher-tested language lessons, carefully scaffolded practice activities, and teaching resources that keep classrooms engaged, Time Zones, Third Edition delivers the skills and language that learners need for wherever they're going next. Learn how to have better sex with your partner and build a lasting, satisfying relationship in this guide by a seasoned

couples therapist. Dr. Bruce Chalmer's *Reigniting the Spark* shows couples how to build a lasting relationship full of passion and fulfillment. You'll find out how to improve your communication, have better sex, and avoid pointless arguments. Dr. Chalmer combines his expertise in science with thirty years of experience as a couples therapist to show how you can restore intimacy and overcome any relationship problem to create and maintain a lively, loving, lasting relationship. He offers a unique perspective on the role of faith—not necessarily religious—in relationships. Whatever your faith background, religious or secular, Dr. Chalmer's approach to faith as a key to unlocking intimacy will inform and inspire you. This book explores the most common issues that sap the happiness out of a relationship and shows you exactly what to do to turn it around. Written in a relatable and easy-to-understand style, *Reigniting the Spark* will help you better understand yourself and your partner so you can both be more satisfied. Whether you're reading alone or with a partner, this book will teach you: How to build and restore intimacy, trust, and a deep connection in your relationship How to identify triggering issues like trauma that could be sapping the joy out of your relationship, and exactly what to do about it A list of bad reasons people get married—and one good one How to go from plain old sex, to good sex, to sacred sex How to be your best self when your partner has been unfaithful How to know when to break up, and when to work through the inevitable growing pains in your relationship *Reigniting the Spark* is for any couple who's ready to create a stronger, more fulfilling relationship. Perfect for fans of *The Seven Principles for Making Marriage Work* by Jon Gottman and Nan Silver, *Kosher Sex* by Shmuley Boteach, *Mating in Captivity* by Esther Perel, *The 5 Love Languages* by Gary Chapman, and *Getting the Love You Want* by Harville Hendricks and Helen LaKelly Hunt. "At once playful, smart, easy to implement and, dare I say, punk rock, the pages of this book will wake you up to your personal power and remind you just how enjoyable your life, and work, can be. I highly recommend you let Katan trespass all over your sitch and get yourself this fabulous book."—Jen Sincero, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *You are a Badass* and *You are a Badass at Making Money* **SHORTLISTED FOR THE PORCHLIGHT BUSINESS BOOK AWARD** Creative disruptor, inspirational speaker, and co-creator of the internationally viral campaign *#ItWasNeverADress* shows you how to put the spark back into your work and life. "You don't have to turn into a corporate drone to kick ass in the working world," says Tania Katan. After more than ten years of smuggling creativity into the business sector without getting busted, Katan is here to tell you that any task or pursuit can be a creative one. You just need to be willing to defy conformity and be ready to conjure imagination anywhere, at any time. If you're feeling stuck in a dullsville job, a windowless cubicle, or an ill-fitting polyester work shirt, chin up! Katan has been there, too, and she's lived to tell the story. How? By choosing to stand out rather than fit in, to find her light, and to bask in it with all of her quirks and flaws. "The moment you choose to let the world see the real you—messy, imperfect, warts and all," she says, "is the moment you choose to shine too." Whether you're an entrepreneur seeking new ways to

innovate, a newbie trying to spice up routine entry-level work, a free spirit with a rich creative life outside the office looking to bring more of that magic into your job, or just someone who occasionally feels the urge to scream “Why does it say paper jam when there is no paper jam?!!,” Katan will show you how to transform monotony into novelty and become more energized in your work and in the world. Peppered with stories of her own shenanigans—from organizing a wrestling match in the middle of an art museum to staging a corporate culture intervention via post-its—and lessons from the rule-breaking exploits of artists, change-makers, and totally legit business leaders alike, this book is a rollicking, uninhibited guide to using creativity as fuel for a freer and more joyful life.

Living in a "perfect" world without social ills, a boy approaches the time when he will receive a life assignment from the Elders, but his selection leads him to a mysterious man known as the Giver, who reveals the dark secrets behind the utopian facade.

Links words with pictures, spoken word and written language and everyday and school based language, to develop basic English literacy and numeracy. The Complete Book of Math provides 352 pages of fun exercises for students in grades 1 to 2 that teach students key lessons in basic math skills. Lessons cover topics including patterns, comparing, geometry, place value, measurement, graphing, time and money, and fractions. It also includes a complete answer key, user-friendly activities, and easy-to-follow instructions. Over 4 million in print! Designed by leading experts, books in the Complete Book series help children in grades preschool-6 build a solid foundation in key subject areas for learning success. Complete Book are the most thorough and comprehensive learning guides available, offering high-interest lessons to encourage learning and full-color illustrations to spark interest. Each book also features challenging concepts and activities to motivate independent study, a fun page of stickers, and a complete answer key to measure performance and guide instruction.

From incomparable storyteller and beloved diversity and inclusion expert, Steve L. Robbins, comes the 10th Anniversary Edition of his classic book used by scores of companies globally for diversity training. This 10th anniversary edition of the beloved classic features 10 new stories written by Dr. Robbins that help readers gain deeper insight into the role our brains play in shaping our thoughts and actions, and what we can do to be more curious and open-minded in our diverse world. Based on his study of the fields of behavioural science and cognitive neuroscience, Robbins explores unconscious bias in many of its forms, including; availability bias, confirmation bias, anchoring bias and others. What If? is a fun, unpretentious guide for individuals and organizations that will help break down defenses and shine a helpful light on human behaviour in a world filled with differences.

Links words with pictures, spoken word and written language and everyday and school based language, to develop basic English literacy and numeracy. Attain greater self-awareness and orient toward your highest potential through a process of engaged, incisive questioning. It's been said that finding the right question is more important than finding its answer. As author Jennie Lee writes, “Quality questions lead to quality answers. Questions promote deeper thought, connection, authenticity, and humility.” In Spark



Change, Lee shows you how to identify that most important question and explore how it might redefine the trajectory of your life. Here Lee guides you through 108 inspiring questions designed to deepen your awareness of your innermost needs and initiate powerful shifts throughout your life. Whether it's examining the attitudes that hold you back or investigating where you truly want to go in life, these guided inquiries are meant to cultivate gratitude for your gifts, peace with the form of the present moment, and resilience in the face of life's challenges. For the last two decades, Lee has used conscious inquiry practices to encourage self-reflection in her yoga therapy practice. Inspired by the source teachings of classical yoga as well as Lee's own inner journey, these prompts delve into some of the most enduring questions of psychology, self-improvement, and the spiritual path. With Lee's piercing insight and constant guidance, Spark Change provides 108 prime opportunities to stop, ponder, and listen to the call of your most essential self. Discover your unique imprint for work that makes you come alive, fills you with meaning, joy, purpose, and possibility, then spend the rest of your life doing it. We're all born with a certain "imprint" for work that makes us come alive. This is your "Sparketype®," your DNA-level driver of work that lets you know, deep down, you're doing what you're here to do. Work that motivates you, fills you with purpose and, fully-expressed in a healthy way, becomes a main-line to meaning, flow, performance, and joy. Put another way, work that "sparks" you. Sparked draws upon years of research, experimentation, more than 25-million data-points generated by over half-a-million people, and hundreds of deep-dive conversations with luminaries from science to art to industry and wellbeing. Award-winning author, serial wellness-industry founder, and host of the top-ranked Good Life Project®, Jonathan Fields, and his team at Spark Endeavors, developed the Sparketype imprints and methodology that is the basis of this book. In this book, Fields and his team will help you: Discover what sparks you, what drains you, where you stumble and come alive, so you can reclaim a sense of direction, control, and purpose; Understand the "real" reasons certain experiences, jobs, and roles leave you empty and know how to make things better, without having to endure big disruptive changes; Learn from real-world, relatable stories, case-studies, and data-driven insights; Identify the action steps to begin immediately transforming the way you work and live. Sparked takes you deep into the world of the Sparketypes, revealing an entirely new depth of insights about what makes you come alive in work life, along with what empties you out and trips you up, so you can avoid those life-drains. You'll discover tons of case studies, stories, and real-world applications, creating a comprehensive guide to help you discover what you are meant to do and how to get started. A fresh look at electricity and its powerful role in life on Earth When we think of electricity, we likely imagine the energy humming inside our home appliances or lighting up our electronic devices—or perhaps we envision the lightning-streaked clouds of a stormy sky. But electricity is more than an external source of power, heat, or illumination. Life at its essence is nothing if not electrical. The story of how we came to understand electricity's essential role in all life is rooted in our

observations of its influences on the body—influences governed by the body’s central nervous system. Spark explains the science of electricity from this fresh, biological perspective. Through vivid tales of scientists and individuals—from Benjamin Franklin to Elon Musk—Timothy Jorgensen shows how our views of electricity and the nervous system evolved in tandem, and how progress in one area enabled advancements in the other. He explains how these developments have allowed us to understand—and replicate—the ways electricity enables the body’s essential functions of sight, hearing, touch, and movement itself. Throughout, Jorgensen examines our fascination with electricity and how it can help or harm us. He explores a broad range of topics and events, including the Nobel Prize–winning discoveries of the electron and neuron, the history of experimentation involving electricity’s effects on the body, and recent breakthroughs in the use of electricity to treat disease. Filled with gripping adventures in scientific exploration, Spark offers an indispensable look at electricity, how it works, and how it animates our lives from within and without. Data in all domains is getting bigger. How can you work with it efficiently? Recently updated for Spark 1.3, this book introduces Apache Spark, the open source cluster computing system that makes data analytics fast to write and fast to run. With Spark, you can tackle big datasets quickly through simple APIs in Python, Java, and Scala. This edition includes new information on Spark SQL, Spark Streaming, setup, and Maven coordinates. Written by the developers of Spark, this book will have data scientists and engineers up and running in no time. You’ll learn how to express parallel jobs with just a few lines of code, and cover applications from simple batch jobs to stream processing and machine learning. Quickly dive into Spark capabilities such as distributed datasets, in-memory caching, and the interactive shell Leverage Spark’s powerful built-in libraries, including Spark SQL, Spark Streaming, and MLlib Use one programming paradigm instead of mixing and matching tools like Hive, Hadoop, Mahout, and Storm Learn how to deploy interactive, batch, and streaming applications Connect to data sources including HDFS, Hive, JSON, and S3 Master advanced topics like data partitioning and shared variables What hidden skill links successful people in all walks of life? The answer is surprisingly simple: they know how to ask the right questions at the right time. Questions help us break down barriers, discover secrets, solve puzzles, and imagine new ways of doing things. The right question can provide for us not only the answer we need right then but also the ones we’ll need tomorrow. Emmy award–winning journalist and media expert Frank Sesno wants to teach you how to question others in a methodical, intentional way so that you can find the same success that others have found by mastering this simple skill. In Ask More, you will learn: How the Gates Foundation used strategic questions to plan its battle against malaria How turnaround expert Steve Miller uses diagnostic questions to get to the heart of a company's problems How creative questions animated a couple of techie dreamers to brainstorm Uber How journalist Anderson Cooper uses confrontational questions to hold people accountable Throughout Ask More, you’ll explore all different types of inquiries--from questions that cement

relationships, to those that will help you plan for the future. By the end, you'll know what to ask and when, what you should listen for, and what you can expect as the outcome.

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