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Are you frustrated in your relationships? Are you an employee, manager or boss? Are you parent, teacher or caregiver? Are you a sibling, friend or part of a couple? In this book, Dr. Marcia Sirota gives you the straight talk with real-life stories, deep psychological insights and practical, easy-to-apply tools to rebuild your self-esteem and stop trying so hard to make other people happy. In *Be Kind, Not Nice*, you'll discover how: To escape the vicious circle of people pleasing, being mistreated, frustration and addiction To become a more compassionate, kind person To love and accept yourself first To take better care of yourself and live a more authentic, empowered life To create positive, successful relationships at home, school and work If you're a people-pleaser and can't stop being nice, this book is for you. We use words like kindness and nice every day without ever really thinking about what they may actually mean. By deconstructing two seemingly simple words in an attempt to define them, this book opens a doorway to a deep meditation on self-forgiveness, healing and true personal potential. - Jeff de Boer, metal artist and creator of suits of armour for mice Every page of Dr. Marcia Sirota's new book reflects her own intelligence and compassion. *Be Kind, Not Nice* offers the kind of encouragement we all need - not rooted in fantasy or wishful thinking, but based in a truth that is unlocked with greater understanding of ourselves and our own potential. You are amazing, and Dr. Sirota can prove it. - David Hopkins, author of *We Miss All the Great Parties Finally*, a book that champions your success. Don't miss out on even one more day of getting all you want in life. The breakout star of *The Real Housewives of Atlanta*, who is known for being the ultimate Southern Belle, advises women on fashion, etiquette, dating and the workplace, giving a modern twist to traditional Southern values. During the mid 1980s Howard Marks had forty three aliases, eighty nine phone lines and owned twenty five companies throughout the world. Whether bars, recording studios or offshore banks, all were money laundering vehicles serving the core activity: dope dealing. Marks began to deal small amounts of hashish while doing a postgraduate philosophy course at Oxford, but soon he was moving much larger quantities. At the height of his career he was smuggling consignments of up to fifty tons from Pakistan and Thailand to America and Canada and had contact with organisations as diverse as MI6, the CIA, the IRA and the Mafia. Mr Nice is Howard Mark's extraordinary story. Nice people don't finish last! Nice people live longer, are healthier, and make more money, and "nice" companies have lower employee turnover, lower recruitment costs, and higher productivity. Full of positive messages, practical tips and success stories that prove nice' can transform how you live and work.; "A thick skin is a gift from God." Konrad Adenauer "There is only one way to avoid criticism; Do nothing, Say nothing, Be nothing." Aristotle Time to get your life back effectively!!!. They have done you enough harm but there is still much opportunity to own your life. It is a self-help book aimed at people who have been victims of all forms of abuse and bullying and for those currently in those situations or a just unhappy with their lives. Catering to those who struggle to be level headed but not letting anyone harm you because of your, good nature, be it kindness or patience. You have all the power when it comes to you and sometimes you do not give yourself that credit. Time to shape up and stop being victims and be leaders and victors. Take this to learn something new and unsaid This is more than a self-help book as we discuss the best way forward and realise you matter . Practical, impeccable solutions are offered on how to take charge and control of your life. You will enjoy some humour and real emotion as we speak about you taking control of your life and manifesting your destiny, with no limitations and fears . You can have the joy and success that belongs to you and let go of the undeserved pain. The book is helpful in letting you recognize who you are and the part other people play in your life . And why you have to stop being nice but not overlapping to mean. Working to help you get to where you realise you are not alone and yes everything you want and dream of all matter . Perfect for those with big dreams and hopes for the future regardless of the dull past. It is very good for people in business trying to build a name for themselves or any other cooperate goals, people in relationships or looking to be, perfect for teens and school pupils with big dreams but struggle with self-esteem and being bullied. It is all about rising. Purchase a copy now!!! Imagine if you could hope for the best, even after the worst. Imagine if your past could become your superpower. Imagine if you could be happy, regardless. When life is hard, *The World is a Nice Place* offers a new way of thinking. We all have the power to fall in love with our lives—even when it's a series of disasters. As an international journalist, Amy Molloy spent over a decade interviewing amazing people who've survived incredible challenges—from terrorism attacks, to natural disasters, loss, grief, breakups, breakdowns and the everyday events that can cause our lives to freeze. As a "serial survivor" herself, Amy wanted to discover the secret formula that allows some people to move forward—joyfully—after difficulty, without letting it become their entire identity. In *The World is a Nice Place* she shares her story. A child with obsessive compulsive tendencies, who became a teenager with an eating disorder and a 23-year-old widow. Throw in a family history of depression, a father paralyzed from cancer, and a tendency to have spiritual premonitions and it's a recipe for a messed-up adult. Or, is it? This insightful and searingly honest book, the product of ten years' research, combines personal anecdotes with practical tools to help readers explore their memories, pinpoint their triggers and use their past to empower, inspire and guide them. Don't let the worst day of your life be your greatest achievement. Imagine if you could hope for the best, even after the worst. Imagine if your past could become your superpower. 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With the help of Mac, an expert in the art of *Relationship Awareness Theory*, John learns the three stages of conflict, and how he reacts in each. Once John recognizes his own values and trigger points, as well those of other people, he becomes able to better navigate these situations, express his points in a way that resonates for other people, and even avoid conflict altogether. Equipped with this new understanding of how other people interpret and react to conflict, John soon finds all the relationships in his life—both at work and at home—improving. Reveals a practical understanding of how conflict really works Shows how to recognize its initial stages of conflict, how to navigate it better to diffuse a situation, and how to understand the values of the other person to better frame your point for them Provides guidance for moving beyond conflict to enhance relationships Includes a five-step framework (anticipate, prevent, identify, manage, and resolve) and tools for locating conflict triggers in ourselves and others Anyone can profit from the tools in this book to understand and take control over conflict. **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** Building on the groundwork laid in the New York Times bestseller *White Fragility*, Robin DiAngelo explores how a culture of niceness inadvertently promotes racism. In *White Fragility*, Robin DiAngelo explained how racism is a system into which all white people are socialized and challenged the belief

that racism is a simple matter of good people versus bad. DiAngelo also made a provocative claim: white progressives cause the most daily harm to people of color. In *Nice Racism*, her follow-up work, she explains how they do so. Drawing on her background as a sociologist and over 25 years working as an anti-racist educator, she picks up where *White Fragility* left off and moves the conversation forward. Writing directly to white people as a white person, DiAngelo identifies many common white racial patterns and breaks down how well-intentioned white people unknowingly perpetuate racial harm. These patterns include: -rushing to prove that we are “not racist”; -downplaying white advantage; -romanticizing Black, Indigenous and other peoples of color (BIPOC); -pretending white segregation “just happens”; -expecting BIPOC people to teach us about racism; -carefulness; -and feeling immobilized by shame. DiAngelo explains how spiritual white progressives seeking community by co-opting Indigenous and other groups’ rituals create separation, not connection. She challenges the ideology of individualism and explains why it is OK to generalize about white people, and she demonstrates how white people who experience other oppressions still benefit from systemic racism. Writing candidly about her own missteps and struggles, she models a path forward, encouraging white readers to continually face their complicity and embrace courage, lifelong commitment, and accountability. *Nice Racism* is an essential work for any white person who recognizes the existence of systemic racism and white supremacy and wants to take steps to align their values with their actual practice. BIPOC readers may also find the “insiders” perspective useful for navigating whiteness. Includes a study guide. For fans of Elinor Oliphant *Is Completely Fine* and *Severance: an offbeat, wryly funny debut novel that follows an eccentric product engineer who works for a hip furniture company where sweeping corporate change lands her under the purview of a startlingly charismatic boss who seems determined to get close to her at all costs . . .* Here are some ways to start a conversation with guys, with girls, with teens, with adults, with young people. Listen as much or more than you talk. Some people consider themselves skilled communicators because they can talk endlessly. But the ability to speak is only one part of the equation—and not the most important part. The best communication occurs with an even and equal exchange between two people. Think of conversation as a tennis match in which the players lob the ball back and forth. Each person gets a turn—and no one hogs the ball. Discover the "must-listen for every smart, capable woman who wants to succeed"-a guide on how to communicate with maximum impact in the workplace that's the new book in the New York Times bestselling *Nice Girls Don't* series (Anne Fisher, Fortune.com). How many times have you asked yourself why you didn't speak up in a meeting? Or pushed for the raise you deserved? Or agreed to take on someone else's task because you didn't want to rock the boat? Whether the answer is once or ten times or more, the reason is the same: It's because you're a nice girl who goes along to get along. But staying quiet and being ignored are not paths to achievement. Now, in *Nice Girls Don't Speak Up or Stand Out*, Dr. Lois Frankel shows you how to be an effective communicator and advocate for yourself. From the basics of speaking up to navigating sticky situations and mastering the art of influencing others, this audiobook provides step-by-step advice using real-life examples and powerful tools such as: Be a broken record Choose powerful word Never say no Enlist advocates And many more -- in bonus materials for extra tools in your pocket Dr. Frankel chose the format of this new audio-first work carefully, with the mission of creating an interactive and impactful listen, interweaved with actionable recommendations, real-life anecdotes, and concrete examples of not only what to say in various scenarios, but how to say it. *Nice Girls Don't Speak Up or Stand Out* dives deeply into nearly one hundred everyday challenges women face related to communication. With Dr. Lois Frankel as your guide, you can learn how to express yourself confidently, courageously, and clearly -- and start taking charge of your career. How being “nice” in school and university settings works to reinforce racialized, gendered, and (dis)ability-related inequities in education and society Being nice is difficult to critique. Niceness is almost always portrayed and felt as a positive quality. In schools, nice teachers are popular among students, parents, and administrators. And yet Niceness, as a distinct set of practices and discourses, is not actually good for individuals, institutions, or communities because of the way it maintains and reinforces educational inequity. In *The Price of Nice*, an interdisciplinary group of scholars explores Niceness in educational spaces from elementary schools through higher education to highlight how this seemingly benign quality reinforces structural inequalities. Grounded in data, personal narrative, and theory, the chapters show that Niceness, as a raced, gendered, and classed set of behaviors, functions both as a shield to save educators from having to do the hard work of dismantling inequity and as a disciplining agent for those who attempt or even consider disrupting structures and ideologies of dominance. Contributors: Sarah Abuwandi, Arizona State U; Colin Ben, U of Utah; Nicholas Bustamante, Arizona State U; Aidan/Amanda J. Charles, Northern Arizona U; Jeremiah Chin, Arizona State U; Sally Campbell Galman, U of Massachusetts; Frederick Gooding Jr., Texas Christian U; Deirdre Judge, Tufts U; Katie A. Lazdowski; Román Liera, U of Southern California; Sylvia Mac, U of La Verne; Lindsey Malcolm-Piqueux, California Institute of Technology; Giselle Martinez Negrette, U of Wisconsin–Madison; Amber Poleviyuma, Arizona State U; Alexis Richmond, Arizona State U; Frances J. Riemer, Northern Arizona U; Jessica Sierk, St. Lawrence U; Bailey B. Smolarek, U of Wisconsin–Madison; Jessica Solyom, Arizona State U; Megan Tom, Arizona State U; Sabina Vaught, U of Oklahoma; Cynthia Diana Villarreal, U of Southern California; Kristine T. Weatherston, Temple U; Joseph C. Wegwert, Northern Arizona U; Marguerite Anne Fillion Wilson, Binghamton U; Jia-Hui Stefanie Wong, Trinity College; Denise Gray Yull, Binghamton U. If you're like most folks, you were raised to be "nice". Yet now you find yourself asking: "If I'm so nice, why isn't my life better?" Renowned minister and lecturer Duke Robinson has the answer. Robinson says that well-intended behavior is essential to a humane society, but carries a down side. Being nice often means we take on too much, tell little lies, strive endlessly for perfection, and fall prey to other self-defeating behaviors. Now Robinson outlines the nine unconscious mistakes nice people make daily, and he shows how to correct them and avoid unnecessary stress with life-affirming actions. Learn how to: -- Say "no" and save yourself from burnout -- Tell others what you want, and actually receive it -- Express anger in healing ways that maintain valued relationships -- Respond effectively when i0rrationally criticized or attacked -- Liberate your true self. Are you, like many of us, too nice for your own good? This remarkable book will empower you to get what you need and deserve, out of life...and still be a nice person! Learn to get what you want without burning bridges In this revised and updated edition of the renowned classic *The Power of Nice*, negotiations expert, sports agent, New York Times bestselling author, attorney, business leader and educator, Ron Shapiro, shares the key principles of effective negotiation through a combination of a time-tested process, anecdotes, and exercises. Drawing on his unparalleled experiences from the worlds of sports, law, business and politics, as well as dealing with life issues common to us all, Shapiro takes you through the steps of his systematic approach: The Three Ps, Prepare-Probe-Propose. Learn how to use the process to empower you in negotiations. Regardless of your level of experience or the extent of your confidence, you will get what you want while building stronger relationships for the future. This updated edition contains: Significant new material including an expanded view of its applicability to a broad array of business and life challenges a new streamlined version of the Preparation Checklist a more precise understanding of the concept of WIN-win forewords by Cal Ripken, Jr., and Ambassador Charlene Barshefsky, and an Epilogue highlighting negotiation lessons from the life of Nelson Mandela The book also provides a link to reinforcement of its lessons through the website of the Shapiro Negotiations Institute. Whether you are negotiating with, among others, a customer or client, a boss or government official, or even setting a teenager's curfew or getting a last seat on an airplane, this invaluable guide will help you read the other side and bring the power of human psychology and a time-tested process to the negotiating table. If you're tired of uneven "compromise" and the feeling of being manipulated, turn the tables for good with *The Power of Nice*, and learn strength from the master himself. This book will help you become more familiar with yourself, not just present several ways on how to overcome self-sabotage. Ultimately, once you know how your mind works, and how your thoughts are reflected into unhelpful actions, your life will turn around for the better. The best is yet to come, and now that you've found this book, you're one step closer to your goal. You'll encounter fresh and thought-provoking ideas on how to be freed from self-sabotage. This enlightenment will complement your strong desire to stop destroying wonderful opportunities and start creating more doors through which greener pastures can be reached. Here is a preview of what you'll learn... Understanding where success meets failure The symptoms of fear of success Related concepts to fear of success Understanding why people fear success How to overcome fear of success Self help interventions for fear of success Much, much more! This guide first identifies the root sources of procrastination and a description of the four types of procrastinators that will be familiar to all of us. Next, the book describes the consequences of procrastination, including the detrimental effects of procrastination upon families, careers and lives. In short, procrastination produces pain. The creators of the popular blog *BetchesLoveThis.com* use their signature wit and wisdom to teach you how to make it in a dangerous world filled with nice girls and carbs. LOOK, MAYBE YOU'RE A NICE GIRL, but we're guessing you're more like us or you probably wouldn't have picked up this book. Not that we have a problem with girls who are nice people. But being nice is just not the way to get what you want. And this book is about getting what you want. Not in like a finding happiness, giving back to the world, being grateful for what you have sort of way. But in a ruling your world, being the most desired, powerful badass in the room way, so you can come out on top of any situation: guys, career, friends, enemies, whatever. How does a betch make that happen? Here are some highlights: DON'T BE EASY. DON'T BE POOR. DON'T BE UGLY. We didn't come up with these life lessons. We're just the ones who wrote it all down. This is not self-help. Self-help is for fat people and divorcées. This is how to deal with your problems when you have no problems. You're welcome. Do you think you're too nice? Are you always worried about disappointing people? If you are tired of helping others all the time and not having enough energy for yourself, then this book is for you! After reading *How To Stop Being Too Nice*, you will have knowledge of: Identifying if you are being too nice for your health The negative effects of being too

nice Why you are compelled to people-please Saying "no" without the guilt Steps on how to stop being too nice to others There is nice and there is being too nice. How do you know if you've already crossed over to the negative side? Neurotic people-pleasing habits can damage you. It can hurt you physically, mentally, emotionally, and financially. Because people view you as weak, you become an easy target for users and abusers. That is why it is important to learn how to say "no" from time to time. How To Stop Being Too Nice offers valuable information about the ways you can stop yourself from wanting to please others at your expense, such as: Trust your inner voice Re-learn to say your opinion Value your well-being over others Learn to cope with disapproval It also teaches you to effectively resolve conflict. This is huge for people who are too nice because conflict is like their kryptonite. They would bend over backwards to accommodate somebody else just to avoid creating negative emotions. If you struggle with saying no to others just to win their approval and are tired of being bitter and resentful, then this book is for you. Download your copy now! Break your crippling addiction to approval and learn to be less "nice". Do you keep your mouth shut for fear of falling out of people's graces? Feel that you need to please and serve to stay in your social circles? You have the need to please, and all the associated beliefs. Stop bitterness, resentment, and anxiety from always saying yes. Stop People Pleasing is a frank look at people-pleasing tendencies - where they come from, how they manifest, and exactly what to do about them. Most importantly, the book emphasizes real, actionable tactics to change your relationship with yourself and others. This book was written by a recovering people-pleaser, so you can be sure that there is a real understanding of your struggles. Reprogram your beliefs and learn to accept yourself. Patrick King is an internationally bestselling author and social skills coach. His writing draws of a variety of sources, from scientific research, academic experience, coaching, and real life experience. Find your voice, stand up for yourself, and put yourself first.

- The psychological and often traumatic origins of people-pleasing tendencies.
- The harmful beliefs you subconsciously possess and how to alter them.
- How to learn new, empowering habits. Learn the deep origins of your need to please, and how to set healthy boundaries.
- How to set boundaries, and avoid porous ones.
- A plethora of strategies to say no and make your thoughts known.
- Understand your guilt and get better with confrontation.

"This collection extends a line of critique from Castagno's book, *Educated in Whiteness: white teachers' default position of 'being nice' and its problematic relationship with larger inequities in education and society*. Castagno and her contributors explore how the frame of niceness is the primary one through which teachers problematically engage diversity and maintain ideological commitments to colorblindness, equality, and politeness"-- Most books that want to change us seek to make us richer or thinner. This book wants to help us to be nicer: that is, less irritable, more patient, readier to listen, warmer, less prickly... Niceness may not have the immediate allure of money or fame, but it is a hugely important quality nevertheless and one that we neglect at our peril. This is a guidebook to the uncharted landscape of niceness, gently leading us around the key themes of this forgotten quality. We learn how to be charitable, how to forgive, how to be natural and how to reassure. We learn that niceness is compatible with strength and is no indicator of naivety. Niceness deserves to be rediscovered as one of the highest of all human achievements. You aren't crazy for being Too Nice, you just need a new strategy. Nice Card Mean Card cuts clear away all the verbal fluff and misdirection, to show how being Too Nice isn't some kind of mental disorder, but a learned strategy from childhood. But rather than deep diving into trying to process your childhood like a therapy session, it provides a winning strategy you can use right now to start changing your life. Most books on dealing with being Too Nice can only describe the problem in great depth, and encourage you to solve it. Nice Card Mean Card gives you a four-step plan to stand up for yourself, and improve your relationships. The Nice Card is the Agreeable Yes. The Mean Card is the Disagreeable No. Rule 1: Play Nice Cards by Default. Rule 2: Retaliate against hostile Mean Cards. Rule 3: Resume Nice Cards if they are sorry. Rule 4: Don't feud and try and even up the score. These four rules help you win the power games in your relationship, without turning into an angry ogre, or a horrible person. You also learn; Why being nice doesn't make people like you. How you got addicted to being Too Nice in the first place. Why it feels emotionally impossible to stop being Too Nice. Why bad relationships last as long as they do. Why only 2% of your social interactions really matter. How every relationship has some form of Contracting. How Covert Contracts are passive-aggressive. What your personal Boundaries really are. Why being codependent means you can't stand up for yourself. Why saying no won't turn you evil. Why standing up for yourself creates drama in the short term, but peace in the long term. Why people hold grudges and why apologies are often required. How there are two types of trust in a relationship. Why reading a bunch of revenge stories makes you unhappy, How to Forgive someone. How to handle a spouse that is particularly sensitive. Why violence means the conversation is over. Why when your partner puts you down based on your social group, your relationship is deeply in trouble. How knowing who you are makes standing up for yourself easier. Why being Too Nice at work can cost you your career or business. Why shipping the battle of the sexes into your relationship can wreck it. How being Too Nice in a romantic relationship can damage your relationship. Why you need to be nice to yourself. How to spot people worth your time to be friends with. Nice Card Mean Card is devoid of fluff and filler, full of insights and revelations, and an easy read The classic collaboration from the internationally bestselling authors Neil Gaiman and Terry Pratchett, soon to be an original series starring Michael Sheen and David Tennant. ?Season 2 of Good Omens coming soon! "Good Omens . . . is something like what would have happened if Thomas Pynchon, Tom Robbins and Don DeLillo had collaborated. Lots of literary inventiveness in the plotting and chunks of very good writing and characterization. It's a wow. It would make one hell of a movie. Or a heavenly one. Take your pick." —Washington Post According to The Nice and Accurate Prophecies of Agnes Nutter, Witch (the world's only completely accurate book of prophecies, written in 1655, before she exploded), the world will end on a Saturday. Next Saturday, in fact. Just before dinner. So the armies of Good and Evil are amassing, Atlantis is rising, frogs are falling, tempers are flaring. Everything appears to be going according to Divine Plan. Except a somewhat fussy angel and a fast-living demon—both of whom have lived amongst Earth's mortals since The Beginning and have grown rather fond of the lifestyle—are not actually looking forward to the coming Rapture. And someone seems to have misplaced the Antichrist . . . Vietnamese edition of the popular business management book which takes "kindness" as its main strategy for success. Third printing. Vietnamese translation by Trinh Ngoc Minh. In Vietnamese. Annotation copyright Tsai Fong Books, Inc. Distributed by Tsai Fong Books, Inc. Nice is the secret ingredient to a better life. It makes us happy. It may even be what makes us civilizedÑwhen we say thank you, shake hands, send flowers, we're doing the nice things that bring people together. ?A compulsive and chunky book for lovers of trivia, popular history, customs, and cultureÑand a perfect gift to say Òyou're niceÓÑThe Book of Nice is an entertaining, quirky compendium of those signs, traditions, and expressions that we so often take for granted, yet turn out to be quite fascinating. It's about why we cover a yawn (originally to prevent evil spirits from entering our bodies, now to hide the impression that something's boring us). About holiday traditionsÑit's thanks to Guy Lombardo's December 31 broadcast in 1929 that we now sing ÒAuld Lang SyneÓ on New Year's Eve. About customary offeringsÑthe wedding cake evolved out of the Roman use of wheat as a symbol of fertility (and it's much tastier than bits of grain). And about those simple yet essential nicetiesÑhow Thomas Edison championed an obscure term, ÒhelloÓ (if Alexander Graham Bell had gotten his way, we'd all be saying ÒahoyÓ). Why not put a little nice in your day? God never called us to be nice. What happens when we replace courage with compromise? What happens when we replace honesty with likability? What happens when we replace conviction with clichés? What happens when we replace discipleship to Christ with a devotion to nice? We live in a culture that prizes niceness as one of its highest virtues. Niceness keeps the peace, wins friends, gains influence, and serves our reputations well, but it also takes the teeth out of our witness and the power out of our faith. When we choose to be nice instead of faithful, we bear fruits that are bland, bitter, empty, and rotten to the core. In this life-changing book, Sharon Hodde Miller explores the seemingly innocent idol that has crept into our faith and quietly corrupted it, producing the bad fruits of cowardice, inauthenticity, shallowness, and more. Then she challenges readers to cultivate a better tree, providing practical steps to reclaim our credibility as followers of Christ, and bear better, richer, more life-giving fruits. A perfect introduction to manners and playing nice, by David Ezra Stein—author of Caldecott Honor winner *Interrupting Chicken*, *Pouch!* (a Charlotte Zolotow Honor book) and *Leaves* (recipient of the Ezra Jack Keats New Writer Award). From cuddling koalas to friendly penguins, an array of animals illustrates fun, sweet, and silly examples of "how to be nice," showing simple ways young children can show they care for those around them. The lyrical text, funny illustrations and upbeat friendship message make this a great gift and a wonderful introduction to manners. An acclaimed expert illuminates the distinctive role that white women play in perpetuating racism, and how they can work to fight it In a nation deeply divided by race, the "Karens" of the world are easy to villainize. But in *Nice White Ladies*, Jessie Daniels addresses the unintended complicity of even well-meaning white women. She reveals how their everyday choices harm communities of color. White mothers, still expected to be the primary parents, too often uncritically choose to send their kids to the "best" schools, collectively leading to a return to segregation. She addresses a feminism that pushes women of color aside, and a wellness industry that insulates white women in a bubble of their own privilege. Daniels then charts a better path forward. She looks to the white women who fight neo-Nazis online and in the streets, and who challenge all-white spaces from workplaces to schools to neighborhoods. In the end, she shows how her fellow white women can work toward true equality for all. The New York Times bestselling authors of *Nice Is Just a Place in France* and *When's Happy Hour?* and creators of the online humor and advice phenomenon *Betches.com* and Instagram account @Betches explain the brutal truths of how to date like a true betch, with insights from the Head Pro. In the age of Tinder, Hinge, or any other dating app that matches you with randos, the dating game has grown complex and confusing. Cue the Betches—first, we helped you win at basically everything, and now we're going to help you win the most important battle a betch can face: dating. Maybe you're a Delusional Dater who needs to get in

touch with reality (seriously, he's just NOT that f***ing into you) or perhaps you're a TGF who needs to stop being so desperate and start playing the game. Or maybe you're just tired of swiping left and ready for the pro of your dreams to put a 15-karat diamond ring on it so you can stop pretending to do work. Either way, we've got you covered. So put away the Ben & Jerry's fro-yo (just because it's low fat doesn't mean it's okay to eat the whole tub) and start dating like a winner. A no-holds-barred guidebook aimed at white women who want to stop being nice and start dismantling white supremacy. It's no secret that white women are conditioned to be "nice," but did you know that the desire to be perfect and to avoid conflict at all costs are characteristics of white supremacy culture? As the founders of Race2Dinner, an organization which facilitates conversations between white women about racism and white supremacy, Regina Jackson and Saira Rao have noticed white women's tendency to maintain a veneer of niceness, and strive for perfection, even at the expense of anti-racism work. In this book, Jackson and Rao pose these urgent questions: how has being "nice" helped Black women, Indigenous women and other women of color? How has being "nice" helped you in your quest to end sexism? Has being "nice" earned you economic parity with white men? Beginning with freeing white women from this oppressive need to be nice, they deconstruct and analyze nine aspects of traditional white woman behavior--from tone-policing to weaponizing tears--that uphold white supremacy society, and hurt all of us who are trying to live a freer, more equitable life. *White Women* is a call to action to those of you who are looking to take the next steps in dismantling white supremacy. Your white supremacy. If you are in fact doing real anti-racism work, you will find few reasons to be nice, as other white people want to limit your membership in the club. If you are not ticking white people off on a regular basis, you are not doing it right. The history of the vocoder: how popular music hijacked the Pentagon's speech scrambling weapon The vocoder, invented by Bell Labs in 1928, once guarded phones from eavesdroppers during World War II; by the Vietnam War, it was repurposed as a voice-altering tool for musicians, and is now the ubiquitous voice of popular music. In *How to Wreck a Nice Beach*—from a mis-hearing of the vocoder-rendered phrase “how to recognize speech”—music journalist Dave Tompkins traces the history of electronic voices from Nazi research labs to Stalin's gulags, from the 1939 World's Fair to Hiroshima, from artificial larynges to Auto-Tune. We see the vocoder brush up against FDR, JFK, Stanley Kubrick, Stevie Wonder, Neil Young, Kraftwerk, the Cylons, Henry Kissinger, and Winston Churchill, who boomed, when vocoderized on V-E Day, “We must go off!” And now vocoder technology is a cell phone standard, allowing a digital replica of your voice to sound human. From T-Mobile to T-Pain, *How to Wreck a Nice Beach* is a riveting saga of technology and culture, illuminating the work of some of music's most provocative innovators. It pays to be nice. Where so many companies encourage a dog-eat-dog mentality, The Kaplan Thaler Group has succeeded through chocolates and flowers. In 'The Power of Nice' they demonstrate why - contrary to conventional wisdom - nice people finish first. Learn to get what you want without burning bridges In this revised and updated edition of the renowned classic *The Power of Nice*, negotiations expert, sports agent, New York Times bestselling author, attorney, business leader and educator, Ron Shapiro, shares the key principles of effective negotiation through a combination of a time-tested process, anecdotes, and exercises. Drawing on his unparalleled experiences from the worlds of sports, law, business and politics, as well as dealing with life issues common to us all, Shapiro takes you through the steps of his systematic approach: The Three Ps, Prepare-Probe-Propose. Learn how to use the process to empower you in negotiations. Regardless of your level of experience or the extent of your confidence, you will get what you want while building stronger relationships for the future. This updated edition contains: Significant new material including an expanded view of its applicability to a broad array of business and life challenges a new streamlined version of the Preparation Checklist a more precise understanding of the concept of WIN-win forewords by Cal Ripken, Jr., and Ambassador Charlene Barshefsky, and an Epilogue highlighting negotiation lessons from the life of Nelson Mandela The book also provides a link to reinforcement of its lessons through the website of the Shapiro Negotiations Institute. Whether you are negotiating with, among others, a customer or client, a boss or government official, or even setting a teenager's curfew or getting a last seat on an airplane, this invaluable guide will help you read the other side and bring the power of human psychology and a time-tested process to the negotiating table. If you're tired of uneven "compromise" and the feeling of being manipulated, turn the tables for good with *The Power of Nice*, and learn strength from the master himself. Demonstrates how Robert Shapiro, an agent and attorney for some of the most famous baseball figures of the present day, successfully makes a deal and skillfully bargains so that all involved walk away a winner. Reprint. 30,000 first printing. \$50,000 ad/promo. Tour. With the poignant honesty of Robert Fulghum and the good sense of "Dear Abby", this practical guide shows effective ways to avoid being "too" nice and reclaim a satisfying and fulfilling life. Most people are raised to be "nice". But some just overdo it. They want to be perfect: always helpful, always available, never distinguishing between their own needs and those of others. Inside they're frustrated and unhappy. By analyzing the nine most common pitfalls, "Good Intentions" shows how the afflicted can liberate themselves from this damaging behavior, assert their own needs, and still remain the "good person" they've always wanted to be. Originally published as an e-book that became a controversial media phenomenon, *No More Mr. Nice Guy!* landed its author, a certified marriage and family therapist, on *The O'Reilly Factor* and the *Rush Limbaugh* radio show. Dr. Robert Glover has dubbed the "Nice Guy Syndrome" trying too hard to please others while neglecting one's own needs, thus causing unhappiness and resentment. It's no wonder that unfulfilled Nice Guys lash out in frustration at their loved ones, claims Dr. Glover. He explains how they can stop seeking approval and start getting what they want in life, by presenting the information and tools to help them ensure their needs are met, to express their emotions, to have a satisfying sex life, to embrace their masculinity and form meaningful relationships with other men, and to live up to their creative potential. LOOK, MAYBE YOU'RE A NICE GIRL, but we're guessing you're more like us or you probably wouldn't have picked up this book. Not that we have a problem with girls who are nice people. But being nice is just not the way to get what you want. And this book is about getting what you want. Not in like a finding happiness, giving back to the world, being grateful for what you have sort of way. But in a ruling your world, being the most desired, powerful badass in the room way, so you can come out on top of any situation: guys, career, friends, enemies, whatever. How does a betch make that happen? Here are some highlights: DON'T BE EASY. DON'T BE POOR. DON'T BE UGLY. We didn't come up with these life lessons. We're just the ones who wrote it all down. This is not self-help. Self-help is for fat people and divorcées. This is how to deal with your problems when you have no problems. You're welcome. When Mike Feinberg and Dave Levin signed up for Teach for America right after college and found themselves utter failures in the classroom, they vowed to remake themselves into superior educators. They did that—and more. In their early twenties, by sheer force of talent and determination never to take no for an answer, they created a wildly successful fifth-grade experience that would grow into the Knowledge Is Power Program (KIPP), which today includes sixty-six schools in nineteen states and the District of Columbia. KIPP schools incorporate what Feinberg and Levin learned from America's best, most charismatic teachers: lessons need to be lively; school days need to be longer (the KIPP day is nine and a half hours); the completion of homework has to be sacrosanct (KIPP teachers are available by telephone day and night). Chants, songs, and slogans such as "Work hard, be nice" energize the program. Illuminating the ups and downs of the KIPP founders and their students, Mathews gives us something quite rare: a hopeful book about education.

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