

A Gift Of Time

"An exceptional series opener ..."- Kirkus Reviews
Armies will clash and gods will die... For thousands of years, the Breaker of the Dawn has been locked away in the ethereal plane of the Otherworld. Now, a young blacksmith's apprentice finds himself trapped in a war between the noble Athrani, a subset of humanity gifted with the ability to transmute matter, and the Shaper, who holds the key to his prison. Gift of the Shaper chronicles the epic struggle between the existing forces of good and evil, with both sides vying for control of the key that unlocks the Otherworld. The very powers of creation and destruction hang in the balance, and only a heroic effort can possibly stop the Khyth from unleashing ruin upon their world. "...a rollicking good read that is action, suspense, and horror. ...akin to the classics of fantasy fiction from Tolkien and modern-day George RR Martin." -Seattle Book Review
"The Highglade series is nothing short of pure wonder. This is what fantasy should be. D.L. Jennings has created a rich, layered world that readers will love to get lost in. A must read for any fan of fantasy." - Luke Newman, Amazon
A GIFT OF TIME isn't about hands on a clock or changing seasons. It's about the hands we reach for & hold during the seasons of our lives. It's a scrapbook of experiences & feelings, captured in essays and photographs. It's about family & friends, love & commitment, work & responsibility, winning & failing, living & loving, laughing & crying---& enjoying it all.
RECOMMENDED FOR READERS 18 AND OLDER DUE TO STRONG LANGUAGE, SEXUAL SITUATIONS, AND VIOLENCE. This is Book 3 of 3 in the Nine Minutes Trilogy
A Gift of Time is the third installment in the Nine Minutes Trilogy. It is not intended to be a stand-alone novel, but could be read as one. Still, I highly recommend that you read my first two novels, Nine Minutes and The Gift of the Shaper, to get the most out of this novel.
background stories of the main characters. There are many twists and turns in both books that can best be connected if read consecutively. Are some secrets meant to stay buried? Three months have passed since Jason "Grizz" Talbot was put to death by lethal injection for crimes he committed. His former wife, Ginny, whom he had abducted from a convenience store, spent more than the last decade trying to carve out a life of normalcy in the bustling suburbs of Fort Lauderdale-including a thriving and happy marriage to Tommy "Grunt" Dillon, a former member of Grizz's gang. Tired of the secrets and the lies, Ginny and Tommy thought the final piece of their past could be left behind forever with Grizz's execution. However, the past discovered secret threatens to destroy their marriage. When tragedy strikes, Ginny is forced to reach into her heart and decide, once and for all, what she really wants. In this third book in the Nine Minutes trilogy, A Gift of Time takes readers from the busy tropical metropolis of South Florida into the serenity of the North Carolina Blue Ridge mountains as Ginny chases the secrets of her past...and her heart?

The Gift of the Magi is a treasured short story written by O. Henry. A young and very much in love couple can barely afford their one-room apartment, let alone the extra expense of getting Christmas presents for one another. But each is determined to show their love for the other in this traditional time of giving: each sells a thing they hold most dear in order to buy a gift for the other.

The Gift of the Magi

How a Tribe of Desert Nomads Changed the Way Everyone Thinks and Feels

Receiving the Day

A Gift from Abuela

Time Alone

Gifts of Time

The #1 New York Times bestselling WORLDWIDE phenomenon Winner of the Goodreads Choice Award for Fiction | A Good Morning America Book Club Pick | Independent (London) Ten Best Books of the Year "A feel-good book guaranteed to lift your spirits."—The Washington Post
The dazzling reader-favorite about the choices that go into a life well lived, from the acclaimed author of *How To Stop Time* and *The Comfort Book*. Somewhere out beyond the edge of the universe there is a library that contains an infinite number of books, each one the story of another reality. One tells the story of your life as it is, along with another book for the other life you could have lived if you had made a different choice at any point in your life. While we all wonder how our lives might have been, what if you had the chance to go to the library and see for yourself? Would any of these other lives truly be better? In *The Midnight Library*, Matt Haig's enchanting blockbuster novel, Nora Seed finds herself faced with this decision. Faced with the possibility of changing her life for a new one, following a different career, undoing old breakups, realizing her dreams of becoming a glaciologist; she must search within herself as she travels through the Midnight Library to decide what is truly fulfilling in life, and what makes it worth living in the first place.

Edward S. Curtis's *The North American Indian* is the most ambitious photographic and ethnographic record of Native American cultures ever produced. Published between 1907 and 1930 as a series of twenty volumes and portfolios, the work contains more than two thousand photographs intended to document the traditional culture of every Native American tribe west of the Mississippi. Many critics have claimed that Curtis's images present Native peoples as a "vanishing race," hiding both their engagement with modernity and the history of colonial violence. But in this major reappraisal of Curtis's work, Shamooin Zamir argues instead that Curtis's photography engages meaningfully with the crisis of culture and selfhood brought on by the dramatic transformations of Native societies. This crisis is captured profoundly, and with remarkable empathy, in Curtis's images of the human face. Zamir also contends that we can fully understand this achievement only if we think of Curtis's Native subjects as coauthors of his project. This radical reassessment is presented as a series of close readings that explore the relationship of aesthetics and ethics in photography. Zamir's richly illustrated study resituates Curtis's work in Native American studies and in the histories of photography and visual anthropology.

The Sabbath has always been a sacred day in Jewish culture, but with the pressures and demands of modern life, it can become harder and harder to honor the time of quiet and respect that comprises the Sabbath. Bonnie Saul Wilks encourages believers not to succumb to this apathy. After spending years studying Jewish culture and practice, Bonnie committed to keeping the Sabbath holy and observing the rites that had become almost obscure in the world today. In her book, *Sabbath*, Bonnie discusses what makes the seventh day special; and through current traditions, songs, and Sabbath recipes, demonstrates how it can truly be a time of rest and communion with family and God. Join Bonnie in her rediscovery of an ancient ritual and see just how the Sabbath can be A Gift of Time. After graduating from Bible school, Bonnie moved to Israel where she lived on a kibbutz for over two years. She learned Hebrew and grew to love the Jewish culture by interfacing with Israelis on a daily basis. Wayne and Bonnie have one twenty-one-year-old daughter.

In 2070 A.D., John Gribardsun assembles a team of scientists to travel back in time to 12,000 B.C. Their mission is Project Chronos: to learn about the ancient Magdalenian culture. After emerging from their timeship, the other members of the crew begin to suspect something out of the ordinary about their enigmatic gray-eyed leader. As he adapts to their primitive surroundings with remarkable ease, it is almost as if he belongs...

A Christmas Gift for Santa

Gift of the Shaper

The Gift of the Face

The Gift of Being Yourself

Nine Minutes

Give Yourself the Gift of Done

In the expanded edition of this profound exploration of Christian identity, David G. Benner illuminates the spirituality of self-discovery. He exposes the false selves that you may hide behind and calls you to discover the true self that emerges from your uniqueness in Christ. Deepen your experience of God through discovering the gift of being yourself.

In the tradition of celebrated wartime storytellers Somerset Maugham and Graham Greene, Tan Twan Eng's debut novel casts a powerful spell. The recipient of extraordinary acclaim from critics and the bookselling community, Tan Twan Eng's debut novel casts a powerful spell and has garnered comparisons to celebrated wartime storytellers Somerset Maugham and Graham Greene. Set during the tumult of World War II, on the lush Malayan island of Penang, *The Gift of Rain* tells a riveting and poignant tale about a young man caught in the tangle of wartime loyalties and deceipts. In 1939, sixteen-year-old Philip Hutton—the half-Chinese, half-English youngest child of the head of one of Penang's great trading families-feels alienated from both the Chinese and British communities. He at last discovers a sense of belonging in his unexpected friendship with Hayato Endo, a Japanese diplomat. Philip proudly shows his new friend around his adored island, and in return Endo teaches him about Japanese language and culture and trains him in the art and discipline of aikido. But such knowledge comes at a terrible price. When the Japanese savagely invade Malaya, Philip realizes that his mentor and sensei-to whom he owes absolute loyalty-is a Japanese spy. Young Philip has been an unwitting traitor, and must now work in secret to save as many lives as possible, even as his own family is brought to its knees.

The author of the runaway bestseller *How the Irish Saved Civilization* has done it again. In *The Gifts of the Jews* Thomas Cahill takes us on another enchanting journey into history, once again recreating a time when the actions of a small band of people had repercussions that are still felt today. *The Gifts of the Jews* reveals the critical change that made western civilization possible. Within the matrix of ancient religions and philosophies, life was seen as part of an endless cycle of birth and death; time was like a wheel, spinning ceaselessly. Yet somehow, the ancient Jews began to see time differently. For them, time had a beginning and an end; it was a narrative, whose triumphant conclusion would come in the future. From this insight came a new conception of men and women as individuals with unique destinies—a conception that would inform the Declaration of Independence—and our hopeful belief in progress and the sense that tomorrow can be better than today. As Thomas Cahill narrates this momentous shift, he also explains the real significance of such Biblical figures as Abraham and Sarah, Moses and the Pharaoh, Joshua, Isaiah, and Jeremiah. Full of compelling stories, insights and humor, *The Gifts of the Jews* is an irresistible exploration of history as fascinating and fun as *How the Irish Saved Civilization*.
BONUS MATERIAL: This ebook edition includes an excerpt from Thomas Cahill's *Heretics and Heroes*.

In *The 5 Love Languages*, you will discover the secret that has transformed millions of relationships worldwide. Whether your relationship is flourishing or failing, Dr. Gary Chapman s proven approach to showing and receiving love will help you experience deeper and richer levels of intimacy with your partner starting today.

Gift Time! (DreamWorks TrollsTopia)

Growing Older Gracefully

Christian Practices for Opening the Gift of Time

The Gift

Continuing Your Pregnancy When Your Baby's Life Is Expected to Be Brief

A Wold Newton Prehistory Novel

This guide to time management for the soul encourages consideration of the present moment before concern about the clock. The thoughts, questions, and ideas in this collection facilitate reflection on how to live a more fulfilling life and invest time wisely. Comfort in the cycles of life, the importance of simplicity, and the interaction between age and acceptance are among the messages complemented by natural and landscape images --From publisher description.

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER [**ONE OF TIME MAGAZINE'S 100 BEST YA BOOKS OF ALL TIME**
The extraordinary, beloved novel about the ability of books to feed the soul even in the darkest of times. When Death has a story to tell, you listen. It is 1939. Nazi Germany. The country is holding its breath. Death has never been busier, and will become busier still. Liesel Meminger is a foster girl living outside of Munich, who scratches out a meager existence for herself by stealing when she encounters something she can't resist--books. With the help of her accordion-playing foster father, she learns to read and shares her stolen books with her neighbors during bombing raids as well as with the Jewish man hidden in her basement. In superbly crafted writing that burns with intensity, award-winning author Markus Zusak, author of *I Am the Messenger*, has given us one of the most enduring stories of our time. "The kind of book that can be life-changing." —The New York Times
"Deserves a place on the same shelf with *The Diary of a Young Girl* by Anne Frank." —USA Today
DON'T MISS BRIDGE OF CLAY, MARKUS ZUSAK'S FIRST NOVEL SINCE THE BOOK THIEF.

When Micajah Fenton discovers a crater in his front yard with a broken time glider in the bottom and a naked, virtual woman on his lawn, he delays his plans to kill himself. While helping repair the marooned time traveler's glider, Cager realizes it can return him to his past to correct a mistake that had haunted him his whole life. In gratitude for his help, the virtual creature living in the circuitry of the marooned glider, sends Cager back in time as his ten-year-old self, knowing everything he'd known at eighty. As a bonus, it also gives him access to advanced equations of space and time.But living life over knowing the future isn't as easy as Cager anticipated, and he bumbles his chance at correcting the most serious mistake of his life. Now he must use his new knowledge of advanced math to build his own time machine to go back and try again. Meanwhile Cager's repairs to the creature's glider fail, keeping it stranded near earth. In desperation, the whale-like creature sends, Ell, a near-human, female copy containing it's consciousness to help Cager. While perfecting time travel, Cager and Ell overcome enormous problems, even being hunted by dinosaurs in the Cretaceous, and Cager falls in love with this indomitable anthropomorphic copy of a creature from across the galaxy.

This all-new storybook is based on the brand-new DreamWorks Trolls TV series TrollsTopia--premiering soon! Includes colorful pull-out card stock characters and scenes! Trolls fans 3 to 7 will love this full-color storybook that picks up the adventures of Poppy and Branch where the DreamWorks Trolls World Tour movie leaves off. Children will meet the friendliest Country Western Troll Holly Darlin', and learn about friendship and appreciating differences, and how differences and diversity bring everyone together. Featuring full-color pull-out card stock characters and scenes.

A Gift of Time

A Wrinkle in Time

Man in the Empty Suit

and 99 Other Rules to Liberate Yourself and Gain Back the Gift of Time

Sabbath

A Bedtime Book

Leah Marks has no idea what is missing from her quiet, uneventful life until a simple change in her daily routine alters her existence. From the moment she meets antique dealer Reagan Montgomery, Leah's world is turned upside down. A unique gift given to her by Reagan leads them on a journey that defies logic and the laws of time. Gift of Time is a story of love, devotion and a bond that carries two women from one lifetime to the next.

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On May 15, 1975, fifteen-year-old Ginny Lemon is abducted from a convenience store in Fort Lauderdale by a member of one of the most notorious and brutal motorcycle gangs in South Florida. From that moment on, her life is forever changed. She gets a new name, a new identity and a new life in the midst of the gang's base on the edge of the Florida Everglades-a frightening, rough and violent world much like the swamps themselves, where everyone has an alias and loyalty is tantamount to survival. And at the center of it all is the gang's leader, Grizz: massive, ruggedly handsome, terrifying and somehow, when it comes to Ginny, tender. She becomes his obsession and the one true love of his life. So begins a tale of emotional obsession and manipulation, of a young woman ripped from everything she knows and forced to lean on the one person who provides attention, affection and care: her captor. Precocious and intelligent, but still very much a teenager, Ginny struggles to adapt to her existence, initially fighting and then coming to terms with her captivity. Will she be rescued? Will she escape? Will she get out alive-or get out at all? Part psychological thriller, part coming-of-age novel, filled with mystery, romance and unexpected turns, Nine Minutes takes readers into the world of one motorcycle gang and inside the heart of a young girl, whose abduction brought about its fall.

"Part murder mystery and part mind-bending time-travel story. . . . Full of imagination" (Booklist). Say you're a time traveler and you've already toured the entirety of human history. After a while, the world might lose a little of its luster. That's why this time traveler celebrates his birthday partying with himself. Every year, he travels to an abandoned hotel in New York City in 2071, the hundredth anniversary of his birth, and drinks twelve-year-old Scotch (lots of it) with all the other versions of who he has been and who he will be. Sure, the party is the same year after year, but at least it's one party where he can really, well, be himself. The year he turns thirty-nine, though, the party takes a stressful turn. Before he even makes it into the grand ballroom for a drink he encounters the body of his forty-year-old self, dead of a gunshot wound to the head. As the older versions of himself at the party point out, the onus is on him to figure out what went wrong—he has one year to stop himself from being murdered, or they’re all goners. As he follows clues that he may or may not have willingly left for himself, he discovers rampant paranoia and suspicion among his younger selves, and a frightening conspiracy among the Elders. Most complicated of all is a haunting woman, possibly named Lily, who turns up at the party this year—the first person he's ever seen there besides himself. For the first time, he has something to lose. Here's hoping he can save some version of his own life. “A clever enough premise that it could be straight out of a Philip K. Dick or Kurt Vonnegut novel.” —Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
“A dark hybrid of Paul Auster and the film Memento, complete with a mysterious love interest . . . Best of all, however, is the evocation of mid-21st century New York as a melancholy, dilapidated place high in entropy, cluttered with ruined buildings, and weirdly infested with parrots.” —Toronto Star

“A tantalizing tale wrapped in a tale....[the] perfect treat for the holidays.” –Sara Gruen, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *At the Water's Edge*.
A magical, fable-like Christmas story from Cecelia Ahern, the celebrated New York Times bestselling author of *P.S. I Love You* and *Thanks for the Memories*. Extremely successful executive Lou Sufferin is always overstretched, immune to the holiday spirit that delights everyone around him. The classic workaholic who never has a moment to spare, he is always multitasking while shortchanging his devoted wife and their adorable children. And ever since he started competing for a big promotion, he has barely seen his family at all. One frigid morning in an uncharacteristic burst of generosity, he buys a cup of coffee for Gabe, a homeless man huddled outside his office building. Inspired by his own unexpected act of kindness, Lou decides to prolong his charitable streak and contrives to get Gabe a job in his company's mailroom. But when Gabe begins to meddle in Lou's life, the helping hand appears to be a serious mistake. Gabe seems to know more about Lou than Lou does about himself, and, perhaps more disturbingly, Gabe always seems to be in two places at once. With Lou's personal and professional fates at important crossroads and Christmas looming, Gabe resorts to some unorthodox methods to show his stubborn patron what truly matters and how precious the gift of time is. But can he help him fix what's broken before it's too late?

A Time of Gifts

The Sacred Call to Self-Discovery

Discoveries from the Daily Ritual of Reading with My Father

Making the Most of Your Time and Your Life

Life Beyond Sixty

Time's Last Gift

A Wrinkle in Time is the winner of the 1963 Newbery Medal. It was a dark and stormy night—Meg Murry, her small brother Charles Wallace, and her mother had come down to the kitchen for a midnight snack when they were upset by the arrival of a most disturbing stranger. "Wild nights are my glory," the unearthly stranger told them. "I just got caught in a downdraft and blown off course. Let me sit down for a moment, and then I'll be on my way. Speaking of ways, by the way, there is such a thing as a tesseract." A tesseract (in case the reader doesn't know) is a wrinkle in time. To tell more would rob the reader of the enjoyment of Miss L'Engle's unusual book. A Wrinkle in Time, winner of the Newbery Medal in 1963, is the story of the adventures in space and time of Meg, Charles Wallace, and Calvin O'Keefe (athlete, student, and one of the most popular boys in high school). They are in search of Meg's father, a scientist who disappeared while engaged in secret work for the government on the tesseract problem.

Presents a collection of gift books, The Journeys Series, invites the reader to pause and look into their own life. This collection aims to help and strengthen those who read them.

In her first book for children, Ruiz ("The Book of Memory Gaps") draws from her own history to share a deeply personal tale about remembering what's most important when life starts to get in the way. Full color.

What can Mooch the cat give Earl the dog when Earl has everything? The answer, of course, is nothing. This simple picture book story features characters from McDonnell's popular comic strip, "Mutts." Illustrations.

The Gifts of the Jews

The Last Gift of Time

Cut to the Chase

The Lost Track of Time

The Gift of Nothing

In a series of letters to his two children, Paola and Nicolas, author and television personality Jorge Ramos discusses love, death, religion, sex, family, the immigrant experience, success, and other topics.

From us to you... the precious gift of freedom from yourunbearable workload and space to breathe! What is the main thing that stops you doing all those thingsyou'd love to do? That stops you trying a new idea, starting a newhobby, looking for new opportunities or finishing that long-overdueproject. It's time isn't it? It certainly is for most of us. We'reall drowning in work – never-ending to-do lists, constantdeadlines one after the other, too many emails to possibly answer!If only some of that load could be lifted. If only we could findsome space, some breathing room, some time to actually think. Itwould mean we could try new things, think creatively, do our bestrather than just enough to get it done and off our plate. Certainlyn work, business growth is dependent on creative thinking andinnovation – you need time to do that. If you want to succeedin your career, or make more room in your life for the nonworkstuff, then you need to free up some time. And what's the key tofinding time? Delegation. Let Gail Thomas teach you to art ofdelegation. Stop wasting your time on tasks you're overqualifiedfor and see how you actually can focus on the important stuff. Andyou won't just learn how to delegate 'down' – Gail will alsohelp you master upwards delegation. The Gift of Time includes: How proper delegation can lead to a more successful career anda happier life Solid research into the value of delegation in real monetaryterms An examination of the attitudes and barriers to delegation andhow to overcome them Different types of delegation – not just 'downwarddelegation' but upwards and sideways delegation, silent andstakeholder delegation Articles by guest writers – experts in particular areas,such as parental delegation Case studies to illustrate exactly how effective delegation hasbeen done to great results

Caring and thoughtful, the book helps parents embrace the extraordinary time they will have with their child.

The inside story of a doctor who treats victims of brain and nervous-system tumors relates his optimistic strategies, techniques for overcoming the tumors, surgical practices, and numerous successes. Reprint.

How Delegation Can Give you Space to Succeed

Gift of Time

The Gift of Time

The Gift of Rain

The Book Thief

The Midnight Library

When the global pandemic hit Melbourne in March 2020, Frances Prince resolved to spend her afternoons in lockdown reading to David, her 95-year-old father. The books they explored together revived David's memories of his own Holocaust experiences and his life as a Polish Jewish university student in post-war Munich. As the days passed, what began as a reading project to fill the time, turned into an unexpected and rewarding journey of discovery.

From the author of Writing a Woman's Life comes an inspirational reflection on aging and the gift of life in your 70s and beyond. When she was young, distinguished author and critic Carolyn Heilbrun solemnly vowed to end her life when she turned seventy. But on the advent of that fateful birthday, she realized that her golden years had been full of unforeseen pleasures. Now, the astute and ever-insightful Heilbrun muses on the emotional and intellectual insights that brought her "to choose each day for now, to live." There are reflections on her new house and her sturdy, comfortable marriage; sweet solitude and the pleasures of sex at an advanced age; the fascination with e-mail and the joy of discovering unexpected friends. Even the encroachments of loss, pain, and sadness that come with age cannot spoil Heilbrun's moveable feast. They are merely the price of bountiful living.

DECIDE WHAT NOT TO DO # 46 TEACH PEOPLE HOW TO USE YOUR TIME # 97 TAKE BACK THE WEEKEND In Cut to the Chase, bestselling author Stuart R. Levine reveals 100 no-nonsense rules on how to be more effective at work and make the best use of your most precious resource: your time. Just before CEO and consultant Stuart Levine appeared on the Today show to discuss his book The Six Fundamentals of Success, co-host Matt Lauer said to him, "You know what really drives me nuts? When people come into my office for a five-minute conversation and an hour later, they're still there! Why can't they cut to the chase?" Lauer's question echoed the concerns Levine has heard from business people and top executives at every level: How can I get more done? How can I stay focused? How can I condense my workday so that I can become more successful and still spend more time with the people I love? Levine's answer? By cutting to the chase. Successful individuals are the ones who make the best use of their time and energy. They approach each task with clarity, focus, and purpose. They prioritize. They don't allow others to waste their time. They understand the importance of refueling their batteries outside of work. In Cut to the Chase, Levine distills the expertise of hundreds of CEOs, leaders, and professionals into 100 concise, invaluable lessons about how to get to the point, stay on track, and be more successful in everything you do. In an age where we spend more hours at work than ever before, Cut to the Chase is the indispensable guide for taking control over your time so that you can lead a happier, more balanced life.

Joan Chittister, one of our most celebrated spiritual writers, invites us in The Gift of Years to embrace older age as a natural part of life that is both active and contemplative, productive and reflective, and deeply rewarding. These are the capstone years, the time in which a whole new life is in the making again. The gift of these years is not merely being alive, it is the gift of becoming more fully alive than ever. Original.

Finish

The Gift of Years

The Five Love Languages

The Gift of Being with Yourself

A Novel

On Foot to Constantinople: From the Hook of Holland to the Middle Danube

The Christmas story you haven ' t read: What happens after Santa Claus delivers all the Christmas presents to boys and girls around the world? Is there a gift waiting for Santa at the North Pole? Has Mrs. Claus forgotten Santa on Christmas Eve? Cuddle up with your little ones and follow the journey through Santa ' s Workshop in search of Santa ' s Christmas present. With bright and whimsical illustrations, this take on the Christmas story is sure to become a holiday reading tradition—especially at bedtime! Written by John T. Elkins and illustrated by Ag Jatkowska, A Christmas Gift for Santa is: A great holiday season read for ages 4 to 8 A wonderful story filled with love and gratitude Filled with delightful rhyming text that the little ones in your life will want to read again and again Follow Santa as he searches his cozy North Pole home until he finds homemade gifts waiting for him next to a beautiful handwritten note. A Christmas Gift for Santa is great choice for any family to read together during the holiday season.

#1 Wall Street Journal bestseller! Jon Acuff, New York Times best-selling author of Do Over, Quitter, and Start, offers strategies for anyone who's ever wondered, "Why can't I finish what I started?" According to studies, 92 percent of New Year ' s resolutions fail. You ' ve practically got a better shot at getting into Juilliard to become a ballerina than you do at finishing your goals. For years, I thought my problem was that I didn ' t try hard enough. So I started getting up earlier. I drank enough energy drinks to kill a horse. I hired a life coach and ate more superfoods. Nothing worked, although I did develop a pretty nice eyelid tremor from all the caffeine. It was like my eye was waving at you, very, very quickly. Then, while leading a thirty-day online course to help people work on their goals, I learned something surprising: The most effective exercises were not those that pushed people to work harder. The ones that got people to the finish line did just the opposite—they took the pressure off. Why? Because the sneakiest obstacle to meeting your goals is not laziness, but perfectionism. We ' re our own worst critics, and if it looks like we ' re not going to do something right, we prefer not to do it at all. That ' s why we ' re most likely to quit on day two, " the day after perfect " —when our results almost always underperform our aspirations. The strategies in this book are counterintuitive and might feel like cheating. But they ' re based on studies conducted by a university researcher with hundreds of participants. You might not guess that having more fun, eliminating your secret rules, and choosing something to bomb intentionally works. But the data says otherwise. People who have fun are 43 percent more successful! Imagine if your diet, guitar playing, or small business was 43 percent more successful just by following a few simple principles. If you ' re tired of being a chronic starter and want to become a consistent finisher, you have two options: You can continue to beat yourself up and try harder, since this time that will work. Or you can give yourself the gift of done.

This beloved account about an intrepid young Englishman on the first leg of his walk from London to Constantinople is simply one of the best works of travel literature ever written. At the age of eighteen, Patrick Leigh Fermor set off from the heart of London on an epic journey—to walk to Constantinople. A Time of Gifts is the rich account of his adventures as far as Hungary, after which Between the Woods and the Water continues the story to the Iron Gates that divide the Carpathian and Balkan mountains. Acclaimed for its sweep and intelligence, Leigh Fermor ' s book explores a remarkable moment in time. Hitler has just come to power but war is still ahead, as he walks through a Europe soon to be forever changed—through the Lowlands to Mitteleuropa, to Teutonic and Slav heartlands, through the baroque remains of the Holy Roman Empire; up the Rhine, and down to the Danube. At once a memoir of coming-of-age, an account of a journey, and a dazzling exposition of the English language, A Time of Gifts is also a portrait of a continent already showing ominous signs of the holocaust to come.

Embrace time as a gift--not an obstacle Receiving the Day invites us to open the gift of time, to dwell in the freedom to rest and worship that God intends for us and for all creatures. In this book, Dorothy C. Bass shows how Christian practices for rest and worship continually welcome us into a way of life attuned to the love of God, neighbor, earth, and self. Bass does not aim to provide clear instructions for creating a schedule that solves all our puzzles about how to live in time. Rather, convinced that Christian faith bears great wisdom about time, Bass offers an account of the weekly practice of keeping sabbath, along with other practices by which Christians have sought to live faithfully in time. These practices have been lived by diverse communities of faith across centuries and cultures. Through them, we can learn to dwell more graciously, attentively, and faithfully within the hours and days we have. We can also learn to share the gift of time gladly and gratefully with others, in and for this world God loves.

Letters from a Father

A Gift from Earth

Portraiture and Time in Edward S. Curtis's The North American Indian

Book One of the HIGHGLADE Series

A magical fantasy, an allegorical cautionary tale, a feast of language, a celebration of creativity--this dazzling debut novel is poised to become a story for the ages! Penelope is running out of time! She dreams of being a writer, but how can she pursue her passion when her mother schedules every minute of her life? And how will she ever prove that writing is worthwhile if her mother keeps telling her to "get busy!" and "be more productive"? Then one day, Penelope discovers a hole in her schedule--an entire day completely unplanned!--and she mysteriously falls into it. What follows is a mesmerizing journey through the Realm of Possibility where Penelope sets out to find and free the Great Moodler, the one person who may have the answers she seeks. Along the way, she must face an army of Clockworkers, battle the evil Chronos, take a daring Flight of Fancy, and save herself from the grip of time. Brimming with clever language and masterful wordplay, The Lost Track of Time is a high-stakes adventure that will take you to a place where nothing is impossible and every minute doesn't count--people do!

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