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*The Hidden Curriculum of Compulsory Schooling* Da Capo Press

An Iranian-American poet recounts her life as a daughter of Jewish parents growing up in Tehran, during which she witnessed the impact of the Ayatollah Khomeyni's return to the nation and contemplated political asylum. Reader's Guide included. Reprint. 25,000 first printing.

*Dumbing Us Down -25th Anniversary Edition* Macmillan

These essays follow a veteran teacher educator and school reform activist as he tries to understand an enterprise he calls "mysterious and immeasurable." By focusing on the authentic experiences of teaching and learning that he has lived over the past 15 years, Bill Ayers reconsiders, argues, reflects, and searches for ways to break through the routine and the ordinary to see teaching as the important and extraordinary work it is. Covering a range of issues—standards, equity, testing, professionalism—this book shows us teaching as an achingly personal calling, and ultimately as a social and a political act. With these essays, Bill Ayers invites teachers into a wonderful conversation about the meaning of teaching as craft, as art, as vocation. He reminds us that an active kind of hope is at the core of teaching, seeing things both as they are and as they could be.

*Why Homeschooling Makes Sense* The Sudbury Valley School

John Taylor Gatto's radical treatise on public education, a bestseller for 25 years, continues to advocate for the unshackling of children and learning from formal schooling. Now, in a changing world with an explosion of alternative routes to learning, it's poised to continue to shake the world of institutional education for many more years.

**Unschool** SCB Distributors

A developmental psychologist argues that children who are freed to follow their own interests through self-directed play will become better learners and achievers than the way they learn in modern school, which he says shows them that learning is work and not fun. 15,000 first printing.

*The Exhausted School* Chelsea Green Publishing

Remember the days of longing for the hands on the classroom clock to move faster? Most of us would say we love to learn, but we hated school. Why is that? What happens to creativity and individuality as we pass through the educational system? Walking on Water is a startling and provocative look at teaching, writing, creativity, and life by a writer increasingly recognized for his passionate and articulate critique of modern civilization. This time Derrick Jensen brings us into his classroom--whether college or maximum security prison--where he teaches writing. He reveals how schools perpetuate the great illusion that happiness lies outside of ourselves and that learning to please and submit to those in power makes us into lifelong clock-watchers. As a writing teacher Jensen guides his students out of the confines of traditional education to find their own voices, freedom, and creativity. Jensen's great gift as a teacher and writer is to bring us fully alive at the same moment he is making us confront our losses and count our defeats. It is at the center of Walking on Water, a book that is not only a hard-hitting and sometimes scathing critique of our current educational system and not only a hands-on method for learning how to write, but, like Julia Cameron's *The Artist's Way*, a lesson on how to connect to the core of our creative selves, to the miracle of waking up and arriving breathless (but with dry feet) on the far shore.

*A Different Kind of Teacher* Valor Academy

Lamenting risk-averse parents, over-structured school days, and a lack of playtime and solitude, Mergogliano argues that we are robbing our young people of "that precious, irreplaceable period in their lives that nature has set aside for exploration and innocent discovery," leaving them ill-equipped to face adulthood. The "domestication of childhood" squeezes the adventure out of kids' lives and threatens to smother the spark that animates each child with talents, dreams, and inclinations.--publisher description.

**Public Schools and the Decline of Christianity** Silver Dolphin Books

Offers an expose of American public education, charging that faddish educational theories and the drive to inflate students' self-esteem are causing standards to decline

*The Hidden Curriculum* Routledge

An honest, perceptive discussion of children, education, and our common life as a nation by the bestselling author of *Snow Falling on Cedars*. A high school English teacher, Guterson and his wife educate their own children at home. "A literate primer for anyone who wants to know more about alternatives to the schools" (Kirkus Reviews). Index.

*Homeschooling for Excellence* Pearson College Division

A premier collection of high-quality articles from leading voices in education, curriculum planning, and development. Curriculum Leadership: Readings for Developing Quality Educational Programs, 10/e combines high-quality articles with cases that illustrate pre-K through high school curriculum development in action. Featuring 72 articles from historic greats and current leaders, this book balances seminal works with contemporary perspectives. New to this edition are 38 recently published articles spotlighting technology, Common Core State Standards, high-stakes testing, and assessment. Each chapter is filled with background theory, articles, case studies and essays that show school leaders how to plan quality educational programs. Features include: Offers a collection of 72 articles on curriculum leadership--that tackle the bases for curriculum leadership; developing, implementing, and evaluating curriculum; and curriculum leadership in action. Includes seminal articles by historic greats in education and development-- such as John Dewey, William Heard Kilpatrick, William Bagley, Robert M. Hutchins, Erik Erikson, Lawrence Kohlberg, and more! Introduces contemporary perspectives by current leaders in education and development--such as Charlotte Danielson, Howard Gardner, Carol Ann Tomlinson, and more! Opens each chapter with focus questions and background theory--so readers can access the prerequisite knowledge for each chapter quickly. Presents practitioner-authored case studies throughout Part III (A Case Study in Curriculum Implementation) --to illustrate the complexities of institutional and system-wide curriculum implementation. Ends each chapter with essays authored by curriculum leaders (Leader's Voices-- Putting Theory into Practice) --so readers see how theory relates to practice. Includes instructional aides to facilitate understanding and application: Learning Activities Critical Thinking Application Activities Field Experiences Internet Activities Also from Forrest W. Parkay, Glen J. Hass and/ Eric J. Antcil: 0137158386 - Curriculum Leadership: Readings for Developing Quality Educational Programs, 9/e - (c)2010 Also from Forrest W. Parkay: 013286259X - Becoming a Teacher Plus

MyEducationLab with Pearson eText, 9/e - (c)2013 0205424228 - Social Foundations for Becoming a Teacher, 1/e - (c)2006

**Solving the Crisis of American Schooling** Grand Central Publishing

At a time when the U.S. education system consistently lags behind its international peers, Dumbing Down America shows exactly why America can't keep up by providing a critical look at the nation's schools through the eyes of the children whose minds are languishing in countless classrooms. Filled with specific examples of how gifted children are being shortchanged by a nation that believes smart kids will succeed on their own, Dumbing Down America packs a powerful message: If we want our nation to prosper, we must pay attention to its most intelligent youth. With more than 35 years of experience working with and for gifted children, author James R. Delisle provides a template of what can and must happen in America's schools if they are to fulfill their mission of educating every child to the fullest potential. Dumbing Down America is a must-read for any individual who believes that the unfulfilled promises to gifted children must begin to be met in America's schools today, not someday.

*Calm Down, Boris!* Crossway

Allow your children to experience the adventure, freedom, and wonder of childhood with this practical guide that provides all the information, inspiration, and advice you need for creating a modern, quality homeschool education. Inspired by the spirit of Henry David Thoreau—"All good things are wild and free"—mother of five Ainsley Arment founded Wild + Free. This growing online community of mothers and families want their children to receive a quality education at home by challenging their intellectual abilities and nurturing their sense of curiosity, joy and awe—the essence of a positive childhood. The homeschool approach of past generations is gone—including the stigma of socially awkward kids, conservative clothes, and a classroom setting replicated in the home. The Wild + Free movement is focused on a love of nature, reading great books, pursuing interests and hobbies, making the entire world a classroom, and prolonging the wonder of childhood, an appealing philosophy that is unpacked in the pages of this book *The Call of the Wild and Free* offers advice, information, and positive encouragement for parents considering homeschooling, those currently in the trenches looking for inspiration, as well as parents, educators, and caregivers who want supplementary resources to enhance their kids' traditional educations.

*A Different Kind of Teacher* Random House

The underground history of the American education will take you on a journey into the background, philosophy, psychology, politics, and purposes of compulsion schooling.

*Dumbing Us Down* New Society Publishers

Thirty years in New York City's public schools led John Gatto to the sad conclusion that compulsory schooling does little but teach young people to follow orders like cogs in an industrial machine. This book is collection of essays and speeches and includes a describes the wide-spread impact of the book and Gatto's "guerrilla teaching."

*Dumbing Us Down* HarperCollins

A children's epic rhyme about a sophisticated and cultured spider named Snider, who dreams of becoming a CIA spy and his subsequent adventures working for the CIA.

*A Teenager's Guide to Skipping High School and Going to College* Morgan James Publishing

With over 70,000 copies of the first edition in print, this radical treatise on public education has been a New Society Publishers' bestseller for 10 years! Thirty years in New York City's public schools led John Gatto to the sad conclusion that compulsory schooling does little but teach young people to follow orders like cogs in an industrial machine. This second edition describes the wide-spread impact of the book and Gatto's "guerrilla teaching." John Gatto has been a teacher for 30 years and is a recipient of the New York State Teacher of the Year award. His other titles include *A Different Kind of Teacher* (Berkeley Hills Books, 2001) and *The Underground History of American Education* (Oxford Village Press, 2000).

*Journey from the Land of No* Basic Books (AZ)

The definition of "recovery" is to regain health. If you feel that your child's physical and mental health could improve, then this book is for you. Drug-free recovery is possible. In this step-by-step guide, you will master the three steps that are crucial to recover from autism. In healing your child's body, you will also improve abilities such as learning, social adaptability, and self control. Here are the three stages you will learn to heal you child from autism: Stage 1: Repairing the gut Supporting the liver Testing for and treating pathogenic microbes The gut healing diet, supplements, and proper nutrition Stage 2: Heavy metal detoxification Natural clathration Stage 3: Brain repair and support Natural brain repairing Natural brain balancing supplementation Brain scan and volume assessment options"

**Readings for Developing Quality Educational Programs** Chicago Review Press

This radical treatise on public education has been a New Society Publishers' bestseller for 10 years! Thirty years of award-winning teaching in New York City's public schools led John Gatto to the sad conclusion that compulsory governmental schooling does little but teach young people to follow orders as cogs in the industrial machine. In celebration of the ten-year anniversary of Dumbing Us Down and to keep this classic current, we are renewing the cover art, adding new material about John and the impact of the book, and a new Foreword.

*Walking on Water* New Society Publishers

Contains detailed information by the doctor who first reported that hyperactivity in children is often caused by artificial food coloring and food flavoring. Includes the Feingold diet and how it should be applied.

*Essays on Hope and Justice* Broadway Books

Throw off the shackles of formal schooling and embark upon a rich journey of self-directed, life-long learning After over 100 years of mandatory schooling in the U.S., literacy rates have dropped, families are fragmented, learning "disabilities" are skyrocketing, and children and youth are increasingly disaffected. Thirty years of teaching in the public school system led John Taylor Gatto to the sad conclusion that compulsory governmental schooling is to blame, accomplishing little but to teach young people to follow orders like cogs in an industrial machine. He became a fierce advocate of families and young people taking back education and learning, arguing that "genius is as common as dirt," but that conventional schooling is driving out the natural curiosity and problem-solving skills we're born with, replacing it with rule-following, fragmented time, and disillusionment. Gatto's radical treatise on public education, a New Society Publishers bestseller for 25 years, continues to

bang the drum for an unshackling of children and learning from formal schooling. Now, in an ever-more-rapidly changing world with an explosion of alternative routes to learning, it's poised to continue to shake the world of institutional education for many more years. Featuring a new foreword from Zachary Slayback, an Ivy League dropout and cofounder of tech start-up career foundry Praxis, this 25th anniversary edition will inspire new generations of parents and students to

take control of learning and kickstart an empowered society of self-directed lifetime-learners.  
*Passion-Driven Education* Libertas Press

A hard-hitting collection of essays and articles written by a New York City school teacher exposes a system designed to promote economic and business interests and advocates a greater emphasis on teaching critical thinking skills.