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*Elizabeth and Her German Garden* Houndstooth Press

"A detailed and richly illustrated account of how one of the UK's leading practitioners approaches the art of garden design."  
—Gardens Illustrated Prolific designer Jinny Blom embraces a wide variety of styles, from large garden spaces to formal walled gardens and contemporary installations. What defines her work is her skill with plants and her ability to create a garden that responds to the history of the site and the wider landscape. The gardens Jinny creates are as different as their owners and their locations. In this book, Jinny shares her insight into the creative process she has developed while designing more than 250 gardens around the world. The Thoughtful Gardener contains modern takes on traditional forms, and is split into six sections: seeing, understanding, structuring, harmonizing, rooting, and liberating. All of Jinny's gardens share a commitment to beautiful craftsmanship and considered planting. Structure and detail are important, and receive close attention. The styles vary considerably—logical, calm, beautiful, romantic, naturalistic, formal, sometimes spare—but the principles remain firm. Jinny designs for the long term, with consideration for the environment; these gardens are built to last. Reflecting Jinny's highly individual character, there is plenty of wit and quirkiness alongside the expert knowledge, and it will appeal to the widest audience of garden lovers. Thoughtful and beautiful, yet practical and informative, this book marries artistry with functionality. Praise for The Thoughtful Gardener "The most romantic, creative person in garden design I know." —Piet Oudolf "Jinny's genius is to marry a beautiful vision to an extraordinary empathy with the landscape into which that vision will fit, resulting in a pastoral harmony

second to none." —Victoria, Lady Getty "The Thoughtful Gardener, at once a lavishly illustrated coffee-table tome and a friendly hands-on primer, offers a glimpse into some of the most magical gardens in the world." —Architectural Digest "Landscape designer Jinny Blom's long-awaited book is so beautiful that you will not want to rush it. As the title suggests, there is more to this than lovely photography: the pages of The Thoughtful Gardener will stop you in your tracks and make you think about the potential of gardens, in a way that has never struck you before." —Gardenista  
**Enlightenment Now** Chronicle Books

Living pens an in-depth look at how to understand oneself and how one operates in this energetic environment--how the heart-mind-brain team manipulates the nervous-muscular system to signal responses.

**Slow Gardening** Univ of California Press

Presents advice on low-maintenance gardening, with tips for easy landscaping, short-cut composting, container gardening, and reliable plant combinations.

*The Enlightened Gardener Revisited* Penguin

Liza, an orphan girl living on the cold streets of London in 1834, is able to rise above her squalid surroundings to bring joy to the lives of others. Although only 11, she displays amazing courage as she cares for a younger child and ekes out a bare existence through the approaching winter, guided by the wisdom embodied in letters left to her by her mother. When Liza meets a wealthy gentleman, her mysterious, almost magical manner causes him to re-examine his own life. Over time, he and others around him are transformed as they begin to understand the depth of Liza's insight. Sydney Banks's simple, inspiring tale illuminates how love and compassion can bring peace and contentment to people of all ages and from all walks of life.

*Enlightened Motherhood* Wiley-Blackwell

The daughter of a Chinese mother and a Japanese father, Gail Tsukiyama's *The Samurai's Garden* uses the Japanese invasion of China during the late 1930s as a somber backdrop for this extraordinary story. A 20-year-old Chinese painter named Stephen is sent to his family's summer home in a Japanese coastal village to recover from a bout with tuberculosis. Here he is cared for by Matsu, a reticent housekeeper and a master gardener. Over the course of a remarkable year, Stephen learns Matsu's secret and gains not only physical strength, but also profound spiritual insight. Matsu is a samurai of the soul, a man devoted to doing good and finding beauty in a cruel and arbitrary world, and Stephen is a noble student, learning to appreciate Matsu's generous and nurturing way of life and to love Matsu's soulmate, gentle Sachi, a woman afflicted with leprosy.

*The Chicken Chick's Guide to Backyard Chickens* Wisefool Press  
Author and philosopher Sydney Banks once again brings to life his wise and simple gardener as a voice through which Banks presents more implications of the Three Principles that create human reality, calling on us to realize that to fully understand the Principles is to liberate one's spirit. In this sequel to *The Enlightened Gardener*, two colleagues return to England to meet once again with the remarkable gardener whose simple yet profound philosophy made such a difference to their lives. Their questions and the gardener's inspiring answers help the reader gain a deeper understanding of the message of wisdom and hope presented by the Three Principles of Mind, Consciousness and Thought."

*Private Gardens of the Hudson Valley* Chelsea Green Publishing  
Four lectures that reflect on spiritual and psychological aspects of the three principles of the mind.

*In Quest of the Pearl* Vintage

This absorbing debut memoir recounts an American gardener's

apprenticeship with the most prestigious gardening firm in Kyoto. *One Thought Changes Everything* Princeton University Press  
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 NOTABLE BOOK OF 2018 ONE OF THE ECONOMIST'S BOOKS OF  
 THE YEAR "My new favorite book of all time." --Bill Gates If you  
 think the world is coming to an end, think again: people are living  
 longer, healthier, freer, and happier lives, and while our problems  
 are formidable, the solutions lie in the Enlightenment ideal of  
 using reason and science. By the author of the new book,  
 Rationality. Is the world really falling apart? Is the ideal of  
 progress obsolete? In this elegant assessment of the human  
 condition in the third millennium, cognitive scientist and public  
 intellectual Steven Pinker urges us to step back from the gory  
 headlines and prophecies of doom, which play to our  
 psychological biases. Instead, follow the data: In seventy-five jaw-  
 dropping graphs, Pinker shows that life, health, prosperity, safety,  
 peace, knowledge, and happiness are on the rise, not just in the  
 West, but worldwide. This progress is not the result of some  
 cosmic force. It is a gift of the Enlightenment: the conviction that  
 reason and science can enhance human flourishing. Far from  
 being a naïve hope, the Enlightenment, we now know, has  
 worked. But more than ever, it needs a vigorous defense. The  
 Enlightenment project swims against currents of human nature--  
 tribalism, authoritarianism, demonization, magical thinking--which  
 demagogues are all too willing to exploit. Many commentators,  
 committed to political, religious, or romantic ideologies, fight a  
 rearguard action against it. The result is a corrosive fatalism and  
 a willingness to wreck the precious institutions of liberal  
 democracy and global cooperation. With intellectual depth and  
 literary flair, Enlightenment Now makes the case for reason,  
 science, and humanism: the ideals we need to confront our  
 problems and continue our progress.

*Responsibility Rebellion* CCB Publishing

A heartwarming series of stories and practical wisdom on  
 entrepreneurship and wealth in the vein of Rich Dad, Poor Dad,  
 written by a financially independent father for his ambitious son.  
 Soon after he opened his vineyard for business many years ago,  
 the Wealthy Gardener noticed a puzzling fact. Everyone wanted  
 money, but only a few people managed to accumulate it. The  
 reason, he realized, is that most people focus on short term gains  
 instead of achieving lasting wealth. As he grew old and aware of

his dwindling time on this Earth, the Wealthy Gardener began to  
 share his hard-earned wisdom with the financially troubled in his  
 community, patiently mentoring those who asked for his practical  
 advice on the ways of prosperity. The parable of the Wealthy  
 Gardener is far more than an admonishment to earn more or  
 spend less; it is about timeless principles. As his lessons reveal,  
 financial freedom is a means to power and control over our lives.  
 Without money, we are subject to the demands and whims of  
 others. With money, we are sheltered from the storm, and we can  
 extend that shelter to our loved ones. Poised to become an  
 intimate financial classic, *The Wealthy Gardener* will inspire  
 readers to find their own noble purpose and relieve their money  
 worries once and for all. No matter your income level, skillset, or  
 unique economic disadvantages, the lessons in this book will  
 show you the path forward. All you need is the will to work, the  
 desire to succeed, and the motivation to learn.

*The New Organic Grower* [Salt Spring Island, B.C]. : International  
 Human Relations Consultants

Judith Lowry's voice and experiences make a rich matrix for  
 essays that include discussions of wildflower gardening, the  
 ecology of native grasses, wildland seed-collecting, principles of  
 natural design, and plant/animal interactions. This lyrical and  
 articulate mix of the practical and the poetic combines personal  
 story, wildland ecology, restoration gardening practices, and  
 native plant horticulture.

*The Wealthy Gardener* Natural Law and Enlightenment

Would you like to experience amazing clarity, peace, and  
 freedom, even in the midst of challenging circumstances? In this  
 groundbreaking new book, bestselling author Michael Neill shares  
 an extraordinary new understanding of how life works that turns  
 traditional psychology on its head. This revolutionary approach is  
 built around three simple principles that explain where our  
 feelings come from and how our experience of life can transform  
 for the better in a matter of moments. Understanding these  
 principles allows you to tap into the deeper intelligence behind  
 life, access your natural wisdom and guidance, and unleash your  
 limitless creative power. You'll be able to live with less stress,  
 greater ease, and a sense of connection to the larger unfolding of  
 life. Welcome to the space where miracles happen... Are you  
 ready to begin?

*The Magic of Awareness* University of Chicago Press

So I had a problem. I felt like a peach. But aspired to be a  
 coconut. Unsurprisingly, I concluded I was ill-equipped for life,  
 doomed to feel exposed to outside variables. It felt like an  
 unstoppable blizzard was constantly blowing through me. My  
 mind was full of long, dark winter days. And peaches don't fare  
 well in winter. Then, one day, I realised I did not need to be a  
 coconut. In the midst of winter, I found within me an invincible  
 summer. I uncovered innate resilience. Innate health. It is my  
 birthright. It is the birthright of humanity. The one essential  
 question to ask is this: Where do we think our feelings are coming  
 from? And there is only one answer. Our feelings are always  
 coming from the power of Thought in the moment. Never from  
 anywhere else. Ever. Resilience is revealed when  
 misunderstanding falls away. Realising the inside-out logic and  
 wisdom of how our minds work reconnects us with what is true.  
 And experiencing this truth is resilience. In these powerful  
 reflective essays, Terry Rubenstein, author of the ground-  
 breaking book *Exquisite Mind* and an avid student of the human  
 dimension, reveals the logic and truth behind the extraordinary  
 genius with which all human beings have been designed. This  
 knowledge, which is self-evident when realised, eliminates the  
 false assumption that we are non-resilient. It carries with it  
 monumental implications and answers one of the most important  
 questions that we can ever ask: Why would a peach ever want to  
 be a coconut?

*Observations Upon Liberal Education* Lone Pine Media Productions  
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Free space for the city gardener might be no more than a  
 cramped patio, balcony, rooftop, windowsill, hanging rafter, dark  
 cabinet, garage, or storage area, but no space is too small or too  
 dark to raise food. With this book as a guide, people living in  
 apartments, condominiums, townhouses, and single-family homes  
 will be able to grow up to 20 percent of their own fresh food using  
 a combination of traditional gardening methods and space-saving  
 techniques such as reflected lighting and container "terracing."  
 Those with access to yards can produce even more. Author R. J.  
 Ruppenthal worked on an organic vegetable farm in his youth, but  
 his expertise in urban and indoor gardening has been hard-won  
 through years of trial-and-error experience. In the small city  
 homes where he has lived, often with no more than a balcony,  
 windowsill, and countertop for gardening, Ruppenthal and his

family have been able to eat at least some homegrown food 365 days per year.

Fresh Food from Small Spaces Catapult

Private Gardens of the Hudson Valley surveys the majestic landscape that borders the Hudson River, an area rich in history and unique garden designs. The scenery, which encompasses riverfront meadows, craggy hills, and long open valleys, is inherently dramatic. Twenty-six private gardens are presented here, chosen to establish a sense of place and to convey the romance of the landscape. John Hall's photographs give a privileged view of the life within, while Jane Garmey's warm and engaging narrative traces the development of the gardens and the great pleasure their owners take in nurturing them. As Garmey notes in her introduction, each of these gardens has been made by the owner, and special attention given to the transition between the cultivated garden and the grandeur of the larger landscape beyond. The splendid setting of the Hudson Valley encompasses an almost infinite variety of design approaches from formal and traditional to naturalistic and an equal range of scale from multiple gardens within a vast estate to charmingly diminutive spaces between historic village houses. All have much to tell us about the complexity, challenges, and finally the unforgettable pleasure of making a garden.

Democracy and Education Tampa, Fla. : Duval-Bibb Publishing Company, c1989, 1990 [i.e. 1989]

In this book, Dewey tries to criticize and expand on the educational philosophies of Rousseau and Plato. Dewey's ideas were seldom adopted in America's public schools, although a number of his prescriptions have been continually advocated by those who have had to teach in them.

Somebody Should Have Told Us! Charlesbridge Publishing  
Richard searches for a deeper understanding of his miraculous healing in the sequel to *Second Chance*, He returns to Maui where he reunites with Johnathan and Mamma Lila. Once again, he finds their wisdom intellectually contradictory, but most intriguing. In *Quest of the Pearl*, like *Second Chance*, is a simply told, very moving story bringing the reader into a world of soft tropical beauty, where undiscovered depths of feeling are waiting to be discovered.

The Samurai's Garden Penguin

This book is the story of human beings and how we create our experience of reality. But perhaps more importantly, how when any of us truly understands how we create reality, surprising and profound changes occur in our lives and in the world around us. "One Thought Changes Everything" begins with a moment in Mara Gleason's life, at 11-years old, when her father came across an understanding of the mind that dramatically changed him as a father and business leader. Her curiosity in what exactly changed him led her down the path of training and then a career sharing these principles of the mind with people from all walks of life. From the man at an IT company who decided to stop living in his basement and stop hitting his daughter, to the professional athlete who began living out his dreams again after having given up, to the US Marine who realized a deeper love for humanity than he ever knew was possible, she has observed this understanding profoundly influence the lives of her clients, and the lives of those around them. Gleason weaves together personal, humorous and deeply touching stories of her own new thoughts that have changed the trajectory of her life, as well as those of her clients. We follow her throughout her evolution in life and career to today when Gleason shares perhaps her biggest new thought yet - that this understanding of the mind is the one thing that would solve every global issue of our time. She offers the radically hopeful, yet simple message that at the source of all issues, whether personal, organizational, or global is the misunderstanding of the mind that pervades society today. The change we see in her father, in Mara herself, and in her clients when they discover how the mind truly works, are the very same changes that would dissolve the greatest issues of our time from terrorism and war to addictions, inequality, and climate change. There is not a single issue humanity faces that is not fueled by a misunderstanding of the mind, and that could absolutely be solved by a new understanding. Whether you want to understand yourself better, your relationships, your business, or the world at large, "One Thought Changes Everything" offers a a quietly simple solution that just may rock your world, and in turn change the world.

Cutting Back Chelsea Green Publishing

Like heirloom seeds and grafts from trees, advice from great

gardeners handed down through the centuries has shaped the science and art of gardens across the globe. Spanning gardeners from fifteenth-century Japan to the contemporary United States, *Lessons from the Great Gardeners* profiles forty groundbreaking botanists, nurserymen, and tillers of earth, men and women whose passion, innovation, and green thumbs endure in the formal landscapes and vegetable patches of today. Entries for each gardening great highlight their iconic plants and garden designs, revealing both the gardeners' own influences and the seeds—sometimes literal—that they sowed for gardens yet to sprout. From André Le Nôtre in seventeenth-century France, who drew on his training as an architect and hydraulic engineer to bring the topiary form to Vaux-le-Vicomte and Versailles, to the work of High Line and Lurie Garden designer Piet Oudolf, and Thomas Jefferson's advice on creating protected garden microclimates for help growing early crops and tender fruit like figs (with peas, a Jefferson favorite), *Lessons from the Great Gardeners* is a resource as rich as the soil from which it springs. Featuring lush illustrations harvested from the archives of the Royal Horticultural Society, as well as sections on a dozen international gardens that showcase the lessons of the greats, this homage to the love of good, clean dirt is sure to inspire readers to get out in the sun and dig.

Lost Enlightenment Andrews UK Limited

The revelation of timeless spiritual message of Lord Krishna is dramatically set in a battlefield, though it happened to be the only place where such a message had its poignance. Through its brilliant casting and superb plots the subtle difference between the ego and the spirit, between myth and reality becomes apparent. Thus the Geeta is a prenote to facilitate the seeker to recognize truth from untruth. It directs the Spirit's ascent through winding mind alleys of conditioning, concepts and projections into the threshold of Absolute Truth. Rejecting the path of self-torture or escapism it suggests the Divine union in the market place-- even in the mundane task of household chores. In the new light thrown by Sri Mataji Nirmala Devi on the subject, Yogi Mahajan gathers the dried-up leaves of the text so far buried under the weight of priesthood and brings them back to life for the seeker of Truth.