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Brody's Guide to the  
College Admissions  
Essay tells you  
everything you need to

know about the  
application essay-  
writing process. Unlike  
competing books,  
which dwell on the  
details of grammar and  
writing procedure,  
Brody's guide is short,  
easy-to-use, and  
focuses on the most

important issues. Special attention is paid to choosing a topic, making the essay interesting, distinguishing yourself as an applicant, and injecting passion into your writing. Additionally, the book includes and discusses seven first-rate and successful admissions essays. The authors, both of whom work full-time with applicants, have spent countless hours helping with admissions essays and speaking with current and former college admissions officers. Here they've taken everything they know about the process and distilled it into one insightful and surprisingly usable guide.

*My Mother's Daughter*  
Vintage  
NEW YORK TIMES

**BESTSELLER** • The “compassionate” (People), “startling” (Baltimore Sun), “moving” (Chicago Tribune) true story of two kids with the same name from the city: One went on to be a Rhodes Scholar, decorated combat veteran, White House Fellow, and business leader. The other is serving a life sentence in prison. In development as a feature film executive produced by Stephen Curry, who selected the book as his “Underrated” Book Club Pick with Literati

The chilling truth is that his story could have been mine. The tragedy is that my story could have been his. In December 2000, the Baltimore Sun ran a small piece about Wes Moore, a local

student who had just received a Rhodes Scholarship. The same paper also ran a series of articles about four young men who had allegedly killed a police officer in a spectacularly botched armed robbery. The police were still hunting for two of the suspects who had gone on the lam, a pair of brothers. One was named Wes Moore. Wes just couldn't shake off the unsettling coincidence, or the inkling that the two shared much more than space in the same newspaper. After following the story of the robbery, the manhunt, and the trial to its conclusion, he wrote a letter to the other Wes, now a convicted murderer serving a life sentence without the possibility

of parole. His letter tentatively asked the questions that had been haunting him: Who are you? How did this happen? That letter led to a correspondence and relationship that have lasted for several years. Over dozens of letters and prison visits, Wes discovered that the other Wes had had a life not unlike his own: Both had had difficult childhoods, both were fatherless; they'd hung out on similar corners with similar crews, and both had run into trouble with the police. At each stage of their young lives they had come across similar moments of decision, yet their choices would lead them to astonishingly different destinies. Told in alternating dramatic

narratives that take readers from heart-wrenching losses to moments of surprising redemption, *The Other Wes Moore* tells the story of a generation of boys trying to find their way in a hostile world. *Brody's Guide to the College Admissions Essay* Simon &

Schuster

It happens to us all: we think we've settled into an identity, a self, and then out of nowhere and with great force, the traces of our parents appear to us, in us--in mirrors, in gestures, in reaction and reactivity, at weddings and funerals, and in troubled thoughts that crouch in dark corners of our minds. In this masterful collection of new essays, the apple looks at the tree. Twenty-five writers deftly explore a

trait they've inherited from a parent, reflecting on how it affects the lives they lead today--how it shifts their relationship to that parent (sometimes posthumously) and to their sense of self. Apple, Tree's all-star lineup of writers brings eloquence, integrity, and humor to topics such as arrogance, obsession, psychics, grudges, table manners, luck, and laundry. Contributors include Laura van den Berg, S. Bear Bergman, John Freeman, Jane Hamilton, Mat Johnson, Daniel Mendelsohn, Kyoko Mori, Ann Patchett, and Sallie Tisdale, among others. Together, their pieces form a prismatic meditation on how we make fresh sense of ourselves and our

parents when we see the pieces of them that live on in us.

*Not Becoming My Mother* Vintage

“You will devour these beautifully written—and very important—tales of honesty, pain, and resilience” (Elizabeth Gilbert, New York Times bestselling author of *Eat Pray Love* and *City of Girls*) from fifteen brilliant writers who explore how what we don’t talk about with our mothers affects us, for better or for worse. As an undergraduate, Michele Filgate started writing an essay about being abused by her stepfather. It took her more than a decade to realize that she was actually trying to write about how this affected her relationship with her mother. When it

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mother. And Julianna Baggott talks about having a mom who tells her everything. As Filgate writes, “Our mothers are our first homes, and that’s why we’re always trying to return to them.”

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*The Good Mother Myth*

Algonquin Books  
Feminist philosophy meets family memoir in this “profound” (Publishers Weekly, starred review) new essay collection from Siri Hustvedt, an exploration of the shifting borders that define human experience, including boundaries we usually take for granted—between ourselves and others, nature and nurture, viewer and artwork—which turn out to be far less stable than we imagine. Described as “a 21st-century Virginia Woolf” in the *Literary Review* (UK), Man Booker longlisted Hustvedt displays her expansive intellect and interdisciplinary knowledge in this collection that moves effortlessly between

stories of her mother, grandmother, and daughter to artistic mothers, Jane Austen, Emily Brontë, and Lousie Bourgeois, to the broader meanings of maternal in a culture shaped by misogyny and fantasies of paternal authority. *Mothers, Fathers, and Others* is a polymath's journey into urgent questions about familial love and hate, human prejudice and cruelty, and the transformative power of art. This moving, fierce, and often funny book is finally about the fact that being alive means being in states of constant, dynamic exchange with what is around us, and that the impulse to draw hard and fast conceptual borders where none exist carries serious

theoretical and political dangers.

### **Black Is the Body**

Routledge

NATIONAL BESTSELLER

"A phenomenal, human story. . . . I could not put this book down."

—CLARA HUGHES An instant national

bestseller, this raw and affecting memoir is the story of a mother and daughter who beat the odds together.

Decades before Perdita Felicien became a World Champion hurdler running the biggest race of her life at the 2004 Olympics, she carried more than a nation's hopes—she carried her mother Catherine's dreams. In 1974, Catherine is determined and tenacious, but she's also pregnant with her second child and just scraping by in St. Lucia. When she meets

a wealthy white Canadian family vacationing on the island, she knows it's her chance. They ask her to come to Canada to be their nanny—and she accepts. This was the beginning of Catherine's new life: a life of opportunity, but also suffering. Within a few years, she would find herself pregnant a third time—this time in her new country with no family to support her, and this time, with Perdita. Together, in the years to come, mother and daughter would experience racism, domestic abuse, and even homelessness, but Catherine's will would always pull them through. As Perdita grew and began to discover her preternatural athletic gifts, she was edged

onward by her mother's love, grit, and faith. Facing literal and figurative hurdles, she learned to leap and pick herself back up when she stumbled. This book is a daughter's memoir—a book about the power of a parent's love to transform their child's life.

*High-Risk Homosexual*  
Broadview Press  
*Slow Arrow: Unearthing the Frail Children*  
explores in the microcosm of a forty-acre high mountain meadow and its surrounding lands vast worlds of ecological and familial migrations. The announcement by her eighty-five-year-old mother that she would be moving to Colorado to live out her last years sparks Winograd into a journey into what it means to be a



steward of a land and its inhabitants she knows little about and steward of a grieving mother sliding irrevocably into the blindness she fears and the dying for which she longs. Expanded gold mines, drought-induced wildfires, sudden aspen decline, solitary hawks and summer-pastured longhorns, coyote and elusive cougar, fairy trumpets: as Winograd takes her mother on an exploration of the inhabitants of this deceptively remote and arid landscape in southwest Colorado at the "back" of Pikes Peak, she begins to discover its metaphorical connections to the emotional family landscape she now lives in. In this collection of essays,

Winograd braids together the pressing environmental issues of today with the sacred and profane intersections of the human and the natural world .

The Mother of All Questions Penguin

"Blackness is an art, not a science. It is a paradox: intangible and visceral; a situation and a story. It is the thread that connects these essays, but its significance as an experience emerges randomly, unpredictably. . . .

Race is the story of my life, and therefore black is the body of this book." In these twelve deeply personal, connected essays, Bernard details the experience of growing up black in the south with a family name inherited from a

white man, surviving a random stabbing at a New Haven coffee shop, marrying a white man from the North and bringing him home to her family, adopting two children from Ethiopia, and living and teaching in a primarily white New England college town. Each of these essays sets out to discover a new way of talking about race and of telling the truth as the author has lived it. "Black Is the Body is one of the most beautiful, elegant memoirs I've ever read. It's about race, it's about womanhood, it's about friendship, it's about a life of the mind, and also a life of the body. But more than anything, it's about love. I can't praise Emily Bernard enough for what she has created in these

pages." --Elizabeth Gilbert  
 WINNER OF THE CHRISTOPHER ISHERWOOD PRIZE FOR AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL PROSE NAMED A BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR BY NPR AND KIRKUS REVIEWS ONE OF MAUREEN CORRIGAN'S 10 UNPUTDOWNABLE READS OF THE YEAR  
**The Autobiography of My Mother** Simon and Schuster  
 Best Catholic Spirituality Writing  
 2012 is a compilation of 30 essays published in the National Catholic Reporter. Since its founding in 1964, NCR has published many well-known authors of Catholic spiritual writing. This collection features works from Michael Leach, John Dear, Kathy Coffey, Michael Sean Winters, Joe McHugh, Melissa

Nussbaum, Michael  
 Morwood, Robert  
 McAllister, James  
 Behrens, Miriam  
 Therese Winter, Heidi  
 Schlumpf, Sidney  
 Callahan, Joyce Rupp,  
 Claire Bangasser,  
 Sharon Abercrombie,  
 Fran Rossi Szpylczyn,  
 Nicole Sotelo, Tina  
 Beattie, Jay Cormier,  
 James Martin and  
 Marty Haugen. From  
 prayer to creation  
 spirituality; the legacy  
 of the Second Vatican  
 Council to Facebook,  
 NCR's Best Catholic  
 Spirituality Writing  
 2012 takes you  
 through the Catholic  
 liturgical year with  
 reflections from 21  
 authors.

You're Wearing That?

Simon and Schuster  
 In Please send this  
 book to my mother,  
 artist Sarah Entwistle  
 dismantles the  
 traditional form of the

architectural  
 monograph and artist  
 biography. In 2011, the  
 astounding personal  
 effects of her  
 grandfather, architect  
 Clive Entwistle  
 (1916-76), emerged  
 from a Manhattan  
 storeroom. This book  
 welds together original  
 text fragments and  
 extensive visual  
 material from the  
 collection and Clive  
 Entwistle's years in  
 Paris, London,  
 Tangiers, and New  
 York. Clive Entwistle  
 described his cardinal  
 points as: Philosophy,  
 Architecture, Intellect,  
 and Sex. He was an  
 autodidact whose  
 unconsolidated  
 practice tackled  
 utopian city plans,  
 product design,  
 structural engineering,  
 formal  
 experimentation, and  
 architectural critique.

The one-time translator and collaborator of Le Corbusier, Entwistle's proposal for the Crystal Palace (1946) was described by Corbusier as, "one of the great projects of our time." However, none of his ambitious proposals was realized, and Entwistle's presence was largely erased from the landscape of modernism. Sarah Entwistle has constructed an ambiguous portrait, an evocative rendition of an extraordinary life, which provokes questions on the authority of the biographer and the monograph. This publication reaches beyond these genres to resemble an artist's book of poetry and prose fiction. Published to coincide with Sarah Entwistle's solo

exhibition of new sculptural works, "He was my father and I an atom destined to grow into him," Fondation Le Corbusier, Paris, October 23-December 6, 2015.

*In Search of Our Mothers' Gardens* UNC Press Books

In an era of mommy blogs, Pinterest, and Facebook, *The Good Mother Myth* dismantles the social media-fed notion of what it means to be a "good mother." This collection of essays takes a realistic look at motherhood and provides a platform for real voices and raw stories, each adding to the narrative of motherhood we don't tend to see in the headlines or on the news. From tales of mind-bending, panic-inducing overwhelm to

a reflection on using weed instead of wine to deal with the terrible twos, the honesty of the essays creates a community of mothers who refuse to feel like they're in competition with others, or with the notion of the ideal mom—they're just trying to find a way to make it work. With a foreword by Christy Turlington Burns and a contributor list that includes Jessica Valenti, Sharon Lerner, Soraya Chemaly, Amber Dusick, and many more, this remarkable collection seeks to debunk the myth and offer honest perspectives on what it means to be a mother. Write the SAT Essay Right! Simon and Schuster

At the age of twelve, Sophie Caco is sent from her impoverished

village of Croix-des-Rosets to New York, to be reunited with a mother she barely remembers. There she discovers secrets that no child should ever know, and a legacy of shame that can be healed only when she returns to Haiti—to the women who first reared her. What ensues is a passionate journey through a landscape charged with the supernatural and scarred by political violence, in a novel that bears witness to the traditions, suffering, and wisdom of an entire people. *My Mother's Voice* Harper Collins

How do children's books represent the Holocaust? How do such books negotiate the tension between the desire to protect children, and the

commitment to tell children the truth about the world? If Holocaust representations in children's books respect the narrative conventions of hope and happy endings, how do they differ, if at all, from popular representations intended for adult audiences? And where does innocence lie, if the children's fable of Roberto Benigni's *Life is Beautiful* is marketed for adults, and far more troubling survivor memoirs such as Anita Lobel's *No Pretty Pictures: A Child of War* are marketed for children? How should Holocaust Studies integrate discourse about children's literature into its discussions? In approaching these and other questions,

Kertzer uses the lens of children's literature to problematize the ways in which various adult discourses represent the Holocaust, and continually challenges the conventional belief that children's literature is the place for easy answers and optimistic lessons.

### **Thanks to My**

**Mother** Penguin

ONE OF NPR'S BEST BOOKS OF 2019 \*Most Anticipated Reads of 2019 by Publishers Weekly, BuzzFeed, The Rumpus, Lit Hub, The Week, and Elle.com\*  
Fifteen brilliant writers explore what we don't talk to our mothers about, and how it affects us, for better or for worse. As an undergraduate, Michele Filgate started writing an essay about being abused by her stepfather. It took her

more than a decade to realize what she was actually trying to write: how this affected her relationship with her mother. When it was finally published, the essay went viral, shared on social media by Anne Lamott, Rebecca Solnit, and many others. The outpouring of responses gave Filgate an idea, and the resulting anthology offers a candid look at our relationships with our mothers. While some of the writers in this book are estranged from their mothers, others are extremely close. Leslie Jamison writes about trying to discover who her seemingly perfect mother was before ever becoming a mom. In Cathi Hanauer's hilarious piece, she finally gets a chance to

have a conversation with her mother that isn't interrupted by her domineering (but lovable) father. André Aciman writes about what it was like to have a deaf mother. Melissa Febos uses mythology as a lens to look at her close-knit relationship with her psychotherapist mother. And Julianna Baggott talks about having a mom who tells her everything. As Filgate writes, "Our mothers are our first homes, and that's why we're always trying to return to them." There's relief in breaking the silence. Acknowledging what we couldn't say for so long is one way to heal our relationships with others and, perhaps most important, with ourselves. Contributors include Cathi Hanauer,

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 Carmen Maria  
 Machado, André  
 Aciman, Sari Botton,  
 Nayomi Munaweera,  
 Brandon Taylor, and  
 Leslie Jamison.  
Breath, Eyes, Memory  
 HarperCollins  
 Deborah Tannen's #1  
 New York Times  
 bestseller *You Just  
 Don't Understand*  
 revolutionized  
 communication  
 between women and  
 men. Now, in her most  
 provocative and  
 engaging book to date,  
 she takes on what is  
 potentially the most  
 fraught and passionate  
 connection of women's  
 lives: the mother-  
 daughter relationship.  
 It was Tannen who first  
 showed us that men

and women speak  
 different languages.  
 Mothers and daughters  
 speak the same  
 language—but still often  
 misunderstand each  
 other, as they struggle  
 to find the right  
 balance between  
 closeness and  
 independence. Both  
 mothers and daughters  
 want to be seen for  
 who they are, but tend  
 to see the other as  
 falling short of who she  
 should be. Each  
 overestimates the  
 other's power and  
 underestimates her  
 own. Why do daughters  
 complain that their  
 mothers always  
 criticize, while mothers  
 feel hurt that their  
 daughters shut them  
 out? Why do mothers  
 and daughters critique  
 each other on the Big  
 Three—hair, clothes,  
 and weight—while  
 longing for approval



and understanding? And why do they scrutinize each other for reflections of themselves? Deborah Tannen answers these and many other questions as she explains why a remark that would be harmless coming from anyone else can cause an explosion when it comes from your mother or your daughter. She examines every aspect of this complex dynamic, from the dark side that can shadow a woman throughout her life, to the new technologies like e-mail and instant messaging that are transforming mother-daughter communication. Most important, she helps mothers and daughters understand each other, the key to improving their relationship. With

groundbreaking insights, pitch-perfect dialogues, and deeply moving memories of her own mother, Tannen untangles the knots daughters and mothers can get tied up in. Readers will appreciate Tannen's humor as they see themselves on every page and come away with real hope for breaking down barriers and opening new lines of communication. Eye-opening and heartfelt, *You're Wearing That?* illuminates and enriches one of the most important relationships in our lives. "Tannen analyzes and decodes scores of conversations between moms and daughters. These exchanges are so real they can make you squirm as you relive the last fraught conversation you had

with your own mother or daughter. But Tannen doesn't just point out the pitfalls of the mother-daughter relationship, she also provides guidance for changing the conversations (or the way that we feel about the conversations) before they degenerate into what Tannen calls a mutually aggravating spiral, a "self-perpetuating cycle of escalating responses that become provocations." - The San Francisco Chronicle  
*Mothers, Fathers, and Others* Penguin  
 "A fiercely honest and beautifully written book." —Paul Austin, author, *Beautiful Eyes and Something for the Pain*  
 A cautionary tale of careless psychiatric diagnosis, treatment,

and resilience Sawyer's memoir is a harrowing, heroic, and redeeming story of her battle with mental illness, and her triumph in overcoming it. In 1960, as a suicidal teenager, Sawyer was institutionalized, misdiagnosed, and suffered through 89 electroshock treatments before being transferred, labeled as "unimproved." The damage done has haunted her life. Discharged in 1966, after finally receiving proper psychiatric care, Sawyer kept her past secret and moved on to graduate from Yale University, raise two children, and become a respected psychotherapist. That is, until 2001, when she reviewed her hospital records and

began to remember a broken childhood and the even more broken mental health system of the 1950s and 1960s.

Best Catholic Spirituality Writing 2012: 30 Inspiring Essays from the National Catholic Reporter One World

This witty memoir traces a touching and often hilarious spiralic path to embracing a gay, Latinx identity against a culture of machismo—from a cockfighting ring in Nicaragua to cities across the U.S.—and the bath houses, night clubs, and drag queens who help redefine pride I’ve always found the definition of machismo to be ironic, considering that pride is a word almost unanimously associated with queer

people, the enemy of machistas . . . In a world desperate to erase us, queer Latinx men must find ways to hold on to pride for survival, but excessive male pride is often what we are battling, both in ourselves and in others. A debut memoir about coming of age as a gay, Latinx man, *High-Risk Homosexual* opens in the ultimate anti-gay space: Edgar Gomez’s uncle’s cockfighting ring in Nicaragua, where he was sent at thirteen years old to become a man. Readers follow Gomez through the queer spaces where he learned to love being gay and Latinx, including Pulse nightclub in Orlando, a drag queen convention in Los Angeles, and the doctor’s office where

he was diagnosed a “high-risk homosexual.” With vulnerability, humor, and quick-witted insights into racial, sexual, familial, and professional power dynamics, Gomez shares a hard-won path to taking pride in the parts of himself he was taught to keep hidden. His story is a scintillating, beautiful reminder of the importance of leaving space for joy.

What My Mother Gave Me A&C Black

The eagerly anticipated second essay collection from Jessi Klein, author of the acclaimed New York Times bestselling debut *You’ll Grow Out of It*. “Sometimes I think about how much bad news there is to tell my kid, the endlessly long, looping

CVS receipt scroll of truly terrible things that have happened, and I want to get under the bed and never come out. How do we tell them about all this? Can we just play Billy Joel’s *We Didn’t Start the Fire* and then brace for questions? The first of which should be, how is this a song that played on the radio?”

In New York Times bestselling author and Emmy Award-winning writer and producer Jessi Klein’s second collection, she hilariously explodes the cultural myths and impossible expectations around motherhood and explore the humiliations, poignancies, and possibilities of midlife. In interconnected essays like “Listening to Beyoncé in the

Parking Lot of Party City," "Your Husband Will Remarry Five Minutes After You Die," "Eulogy for My Feet," and "An Open Love Letter to Nate Berkus and Jeremiah Brent," Klein explores this stage of life in all its cruel ironies, joyous moments, and bittersweetness. Written with Klein's signature candor and humanity, *I'll Show Myself Out* is an incisive, moving, and often uproarious collection.

*My Mother, My Father*

Atria Books

From the opening essay, "The Bloomsbury Group Live at the Apollo (Liner Notes from the New Best-Selling Album)" to the title piece that discusses ways in which you might begin a romance with your

mother ("In today's fast-moving, transient, rootless society, where people meet and make love and part without ever really touching, the relationship every guy already has with his own mother is too valuable to ignore...") to a parody that features Samuel Beckett as a pilot giving an existential in-flight speech to the passengers, the twenty-five comic essays in this delightful collection are nothing short of brilliant. Ian Frazier, long considered one of our most treasured humorists, proves that comedy can be just as smart as it is entertaining. *Salvage the Bones*  
Maupin House Publishing, Inc.  
When his mother leaves to live with

another man, nine-year-old Jeremy faces his own pain and loss, his father's depression and sister's distance, the pity of friends and

strangers, and his father's remarriage two years later, finding solace in fishing and artwork.