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Bloodroot - Joyce Dyer 2013-07-24
Winner of the 1997 Appalachian Studies Award
Appalachian Writers Association 1999 Book of
the Year Winner of the Susan Koppleman Award
of the Popular Culture Association for Best
Edited Collection in Women's Studies Joyce Dyer

is director of writing and a
[You Are One of Them](#) - Elliott Holt 2013-05-30
"A hugely absorbing first novel from a writer
with a fluid, vivid style and a rare knack for
balancing the pleasure of entertainment with the
deeper gratification of insight. More, please."

—Maggie Shipstead, *The New York Times Book Review* (Editors' Choice) "A story about Russia, the United States, friendship, identity, defection, and deception that is smart, startling, and worth reading regardless of when you were born."

—Kathryn Schulz, *New York Magazine* "Holt's beguiling debut... in which there is no difference between personal and political betrayal, vividly conjures the anxieties of the Cold War without ever lapsing into nostalgia." —*The New Yorker*
Sarah Zuckerman and Jennifer Jones are best friends in an upscale part of Washington, D.C., in the politically charged 1980s. Sarah is the shy, wary product of an unhappy home: her father abandoned the family to return to his native England; her agoraphobic mother is obsessed with fears of nuclear war. Jenny is an all-American girl who has seemingly perfect parents. With Cold War rhetoric reaching a fever pitch in 1982, the ten-year-old girls write letters to Soviet premier Yuri Andropov asking for peace. But only Jenny's letter receives a

response, and Sarah is left behind when her friend accepts the Kremlin's invitation to visit the USSR and becomes an international media sensation. The girls' icy relationship still hasn't thawed when Jenny and her parents die tragically in a plane crash in 1985. Ten years later, Sarah is about to graduate from college when she receives a mysterious letter from Moscow suggesting that Jenny's death might have been a hoax. She sets off to the former Soviet Union in search of the truth, but the more she delves into her personal Cold War history, the harder it is to separate facts from propaganda. *You Are One of Them* is a taut, moving debut about the ways in which we define ourselves against others and the secrets we keep from those who are closest to us. In her insightful forensic of a mourned friendship, Holt illuminates the long lasting sting of abandonment and the measures we take to bring back those we have lost.

Scholarships, Grants & Prizes 2013 -

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Peterson's 2012-08-15

Peterson's Scholarships, Grants & Prizes 2013 is the must have guide for anyone looking for private aid money to help finance an education. This valuable resource provides up-to-date information on millions of privately funded awards available to college students. The comprehensive scholarship and grant profiles include those awards based on ethnic heritage, talent, employment experience, military service, and other categories, which are available from private sources, such as foundations, corporations, and religious and civic organizations. In addition, there are informative articles containing advice on avoiding scholarship scams, winning scholarships with a winning essay, and getting in the minority scholarship mix.

The Fountainhead - Ayn Rand 2008-06-26

The story of a gifted architect, his struggle against conventional standards, and his violent love affair

The Nonprofit Fundraising Solution - Laurence Pagnoni 2013-10-15

Between government cutbacks, shrinking endowments, and business belt-tightening, the nonprofit sector may end up being the biggest victim of today's topsy-turvy market that few even hear about. But this does not mean that nonprofits aren't just as vital as before--if not more so--or that yours cannot receive the regular funding it needs to fulfill the mission you heroically set out to do. But it's going to take the same type of advanced organizational and competitive strategies that the most successful for-profit businesses have utilized in order to remain atop the leader board. Bridging the gap between theory and practical methods, The Nonprofit Fundraising Solution shows readers how to:

- Ensure that executive leadership and board dynamics fully support fundraising initiatives
- Build a broad constituency of donors aligned to the mission
- Determine the right level of funding diversification
- Use tactics such

as challenge drives, stretch gifts, and corporate matching; parlor gatherings; leadership councils; year-end drives; corporate partnerships; and major campaigns to power revenue, increase access to wealthy donors, and raise their community profile • Proactively encourage planned giving • Avoid revenue plateaus To survive and ultimately thrive, a nonprofit needs forceful revenue strategies and an organizational culture that champions them. Complete with stories of those who have done this exceptionally well, as well as “casebooks” of the strategies-in-action, this invaluable resource for philanthropists of all kinds reveals how any nonprofit can implement advanced fundraising methods and secure the funds they need to excel.

Greater than Equal - Sarah Caroline Thuesen
2013-08-01

During the half century preceding widespread school integration, black North Carolinians engaged in a dramatic struggle for equal

educational opportunity as segregated schooling flourished. Drawing on archival records and oral histories, Sarah Thuesen gives voice to students, parents, teachers, school officials, and civic leaders to reconstruct this high-stakes drama. She explores how African Americans pressed for equality in curricula, higher education, teacher salaries, and school facilities; how white officials co-opted equalization as a means of forestalling integration; and, finally, how black activism for equality evolved into a fight for something "greater than equal--integrated schools that served as models of civic inclusion. These battles persisted into the Brown era, mobilized black communities, narrowed material disparities, fostered black school pride, and profoundly shaped the eventual movement for desegregation. Thuesen emphasizes that the remarkable achievements of this activism should not obscure the inherent limitations of a fight for equality in a segregated society. In fact, these unresolved struggles are emblematic of fault

lines that developed across the South, and serve as an urgent reminder of the inextricable connections between educational equality, racial diversity, and the achievement of first-class citizenship.

Skiing Heritage Journal - 2011-07

Skiing Heritage is a quarterly Journal of original, entertaining, and informative feature articles on skiing history. Published by the International Skiing History Association, its contents support ISHA's mission "to preserve skiing history and to increase awareness of the sport's heritage."

Reflecting on Service-Learning in Higher Education - M. Gail Hickey 2016-05-12

Reflecting on Service-Learning in Higher Education: Contemporary Issues and Perspectives examines forms of pedagogy such as service-learning, experiential learning, and problem-based learning in order to determine how students make connections between and among abstract academic concepts and real-life issues. This edited collection is divided into

three sections—"Reflecting on Community Partnerships," "Reflecting on Classroom Practice," and "Reflecting on Diversity"—so as to represent interdisciplinary subjects, diverse student populations, and differing instructional perspectives about service-learning in higher education. Contributors provide service-learning programs and plans that can be replicated or adapted at other institutions of higher education. This book is recommended for scholars and practitioners of education.

Culture, Music Education, and the Chinese Dream in Mainland China - Wai-Chung Ho
2018-01-04

This book focuses on the rapidly changing sociology of music as manifested in Chinese society and Chinese education. It examines how social changes and cultural politics affect how music is currently being used in connection with the Chinese dream. While there is a growing trend toward incorporating the Chinese dream into school education and higher education,

there has been no scholarly discussion to date. The combination of cultural politics, transformed authority relations, and officially approved songs can provide us with an understanding of the official content on the Chinese dream that is conveyed in today's Chinese society, and how these factors have influenced the renewal of values-based education and practices in school music education in China.

[Creating and Promoting Lifelong Learning in Public Libraries](#) - Donna L. Gilton 2016-06-21
Creating and Promoting Lifelong Learning in Public Libraries describes specific ways that public librarians and other professionals can promote lifelong learning by planning and implementing Information Literacy Instruction (ILI). This book includes chapters on planning for instruction, using teaching methods, teaching with and about technology, and combining elements of ILI with more traditional public library programs, services, and activities. It is the sequel to Lifelong Learning in Public

Libraries: Principles, Programs, and People.
Cultural Negotiations - David L. Browman
2013-06-01

This meticulously researched reference work documents the role of women who contributed to the development of Americanist archaeology from 1865 to 1940. Between the Civil War and World War II, many women went into anthropology and archaeology, fields that, at the beginning of this period, welcomed and made room for amateurs of both genders. But over time, the increasingly professional structure of these fields diminished or even obscured the contributions of women due to their lack of access to prestigious academic employment and publishing opportunities. As a result, a woman archaeologist during this period often published her research under her husband's name or as a junior author with her husband. In Cultural Negotiations archaeologist David L. Browman has scoured the archaeological literature and archival records of several institutions to bring

the stories of more than two hundred women in Americanist archaeology to light through detailed biographies that discuss their contributions and publications. This work highlights how the social and cultural construction of archaeology as a field marginalized women and will serve as an invaluable reference to those researchers who continue to uncover the history of women in the sciences.

Congressional Record - United States.
Congress 1962

God and Man at Yale - William F. Buckley
2021-08-31

Celebrate 70 years of the classic! "For God, for country, and for Yale... in that order," William F. Buckley Jr. wrote as the dedication of his monumental work—a compendium of knowledge that still resonates within the halls of the Ivy League university that tried to cover up its political and religious bias. In 1951, a twenty-

five-year-old Yale graduate published his first book, which exposed the "extraordinarily irresponsible educational attitude" that prevailed at his alma mater. The book, *God and Man at Yale*, rocked the academic world and catapulted its young author, William F. Buckley Jr. into the public spotlight. Now, half a century later, read the extraordinary work that began the modern conservative movement. Buckley's harsh assessment of his alma mater divulged the reality behind the institution's wholly secular education, even within the religion department and divinity school. Unabashed, one former Yale student details the importance of Christianity and heralds the modern conservative movement in his preeminent tell-all, *God and Man at Yale: The Superstitions of "Academic Freedom."*

Bird Songs Bible - Les Beletsky 2010-10-27
From the best-selling Bird Songs series comes the most comprehensive bird book ever published. Bird Songs Bible covers the sights and sounds of every single breeding bird in

North American nearly 750 in all. This utterly distinctive package features a state-of-the-art digital audio player that brings to life the birds' songs and calls with the touch of a button. Written by a panel of ornithological experts and produced with the renowned Cornell Lab of Ornithology, this indispensable reference features lavish illustrations of the birds and their habitats, scientifically accurate range maps, and detailed information on distribution, habitat, behavior, and vocalizations. A beautiful keepsake object, Bird Songs Bible is an essential volume for the true bird lover.

The Postscript Journal: Issue Three - Alicia Lai

Tarawa - Robert Sherrod 2013-02-22

In the summer of 1943, at the height of World War II, battles were exploding all throughout the Pacific theater. In mid-November of that year, the United States waged a bloody campaign on Betio Island in the Tarawa Atoll, the most heavily fortified Japanese territory in the entire

Pacific. They were fighting to wrest control of the island to stage the next big push toward Japan—and one journalist was there to chronicle the horror. Dive into war correspondent Robert Sherrod's battlefield account as he goes ashore with the assault troops of the U.S. Marines 2nd Marine Division in Tarawa. Follow the story of the U.S. Army 27th Infantry Division as nearly 35,000 troops take on less than 5,000 Japanese defenders in one of the most savage engagements of the war. By the end of the battle, only seventeen Japanese soldiers were still alive. This story, a must for any history buff, tells the ins and outs of life alongside the U.S. Marines in this lesser-known battle of World War II. The battle itself carried on for three days, but Sherrod, a dedicated journalist, remained in Tarawa until the very end, and through his writing, shares every detail.

The Budget of the United States

Government - United States. Office of Management and Budget 2003

School Life - 1923

United States of America Congressional Record, Proceedings and Debates of the 113th Congress Second Session Volume 160 - Part 2 -

Real Life Drama - Wendy Smith 2013-08-06
Real Life Drama is the classic history of the remarkable group that revitalized American theater in the 1930s by engaging urgent social and moral issues that still resonate today. Born in the turbulent decade of the Depression, the Group Theatre revolutionized American arts. Wendy Smith's dramatic narrative brings the influential troupe and its founders to life once again, capturing their joys and pains, their triumphs and defeats. Filled with fresh insights into the towering personalities of Harold Clurman, Lee Strasberg, Cheryl Crawford, Elia Kazan, Clifford Odets, Stella and Luther Adler, Karl Malden, and Lee J. Cobb, among many others, Real Life Drama chronicles a passionate

community of idealists as they opened a new frontier in theater.

Twenty-First-Century Southern Writers - Jean W. Cash 2021-03-19

Contributions by Destiny O. Birdsong, Jean W. Cash, Kevin Catalano, Amanda Dean Freeman, David Gates, Richard Gaughran, Rebecca Godwin, Joan Wylie Hall, Dixon Hearne, Phillip Howerton, Emily D. Langhorne, Shawn E. Miller, Melody Pritchard, Nick Ripatrazone, Bes Stark Spangler, Scott Hamilton Suter, Melanie Benson Taylor, Jay Varner, and Scott D. Yarbrough
Twenty-First-Century Southern Writers: New Voices, New Perspectives, an anthology of critical essays, introduces a new group of fiction writers from the American South. These fresh voices, like their twentieth-century predecessors, examine what it means to be a southerner in the modern world. These writers' works cover wide-ranging subjects and themes: the history of the region, the continued problems of the working-class South, the racial divisions

that have continued, the violence of the modern world, and the difficulties of establishing a spiritual identity in a modern context. The approaches and styles vary from writer to writer, with realistic, place-centered description as the foundation of many of their works. They have also created new perspectives regarding point of view, and some have moved toward the inclusion of “magic realism” and even science fiction in their work. The nineteen essays in *Twenty-First-Century Southern Writers* feature a handful of fiction writers who are already well known, such as National Book Award-winner Jesmyn Ward, Tayari Jones, Michael Farris Smith, and Inman Majors. Others deserve greater recognition, and, in many cases, works in this anthology will be the first pieces of analysis dedicated to writers and their work. *Twenty-First-Century Southern Writers* aims to alert scholars of southern literature, as well as the reading public, to an exciting and varied group of writers, while laying a foundation for future examination of

these works.

Independent Schools Yearbook 2012-2013 - none
2013-06-20

The highly-respected book of reference of sought-after Independent Schools in membership of the Independent Schools Council's Associations: HMC, GSA, The Society of Heads, IAPS, ISA and COBIS.

Philosophy in Schools - Sara Goering 2013
Introducing philosophy to young people well before they get to college can help to develop and deepen critical and creative thinking, foster social and behavioral skills, and increase philosophical awareness. *Philosophy in Schools: An Introduction for Philosophers and Teachers* is an invaluable resource for students and practitioners who wish to learn about the philosophy for children movement, and how to work its principles into their own classroom activities.

Get a Teaching Job NOW - Mary C. Clement
2013-03-11

There ARE jobs for teachers, and this step-by-step guide will help college students and career changers find those jobs and get them. Whether you seek a job as a substitute teacher or full-time pre-school, elementary, middle, or high school teacher, the strategies needed to win a job are here.

ANTHEM - Ayn Rand 2021-01-01

Hailed by The New York Times as "a compelling dystopian look at paranoia from one of the most unique and perceptive writers of our time," this brief, captivating novel offers a cautionary tale. The story unfolds within a society in which all traces of individualism have been eliminated from every aspect of life — use of the word "I" is a capital offense. The hero, a rebel who discovers that man's greatest moral duty is the pursuit of his own happiness, embodies the values the author embraced in her personal philosophy of objectivism: reason, ethics, volition, and individualism. Anthem anticipates the themes Ayn Rand explored in her later

masterpieces, *The Fountainhead* and *Atlas Shrugged*. Publisher's Weekly acclaimed it as "a diamond in the rough, often dwarfed by the superstar company it keeps with the author's more popular work, but every bit as gripping, daring, and powerful." Anthem is a dystopian fiction novella by Ayn Rand, written in 1937 and first published in 1938 in England. It takes place at some unspecified future date when mankind has entered another dark age characterized by irrationality, collectivism, and socialistic thinking and economics. Technological advancement is now carefully planned (when it is allowed to occur at all) and the concept of individuality has been eliminated.

Literacy Assessment and Intervention for Classroom Teachers - Beverly DeVries
2017-07-05

The fourth edition of this comprehensive resource helps future and practicing teachers recognize and assess literacy problems, while providing practical, effective intervention

strategies to help every student succeed. The author thoroughly explores the major components of literacy, providing an overview of pertinent research, suggested methods and tools for diagnosis and assessment, intervention strategies and activities, and technology applications to increase students' skills. Discussions throughout focus on the needs of English learners, offering appropriate instructional strategies and tailored teaching ideas to help both teachers and their students. Several valuable appendices include assessment tools, instructions and visuals for creating and implementing the book's more than 150 instructional strategies and activities, and other resources.

Atlas Shrugged - Ayn Rand 2005-04-21

Peopled by larger-than-life heroes and villains, charged with towering questions of good and evil, *Atlas Shrugged* is Ayn Rand's magnum opus: a philosophical revolution told in the form of an action thriller—nominated as one of

America's best-loved novels by PBS's *The Great American Read*. Who is John Galt? When he says that he will stop the motor of the world, is he a destroyer or a liberator? Why does he have to fight his battles not against his enemies but against those who need him most? Why does he fight his hardest battle against the woman he loves? You will know the answer to these questions when you discover the reason behind the baffling events that play havoc with the lives of the amazing men and women in this book. You will discover why a productive genius becomes a worthless playboy...why a great steel industrialist is working for his own destruction...why a composer gives up his career on the night of his triumph...why a beautiful woman who runs a transcontinental railroad falls in love with the man she has sworn to kill. *Atlas Shrugged*, a modern classic and Rand's most extensive statement of Objectivism—her groundbreaking philosophy—offers the reader the spectacle of human greatness, depicted with

all the poetry and power of one of the twentieth century's leading artists.

FCC Record - United States. Federal Communications Commission 2015

The Truth About Our Schools - Melissa Benn 2015-11-06

"A superb, crucial, blistering expose of all the myths about our education system that are all too often used to attack it. Melissa Benn again proves why she is one of country's most formidable education campaigners - and why the powerful should fear her. Owen Jones, Guardian columnist and best-selling author Never has it been more urgent to publicise the truth about what works and doesn't work in our education system. Debunking the ideology of marketisation, and exposing the half-truths that pass for objective reporting, Benn and Downs meticulously lay out the evidence: that a national system of comprehensive schools delivers the best outcomes. This hugely important book

should be required reading for each new Education Secretary. Caroline Lucas, MP Opinions about comprehensive education are often made into easy-to-swallow sound-bites by media and politicians alike and whilst the benefits of a genuinely comprehensive education for all pupils are obvious, untruths have unwittingly evolved into hard facts. Based on Melissa Benn and Janet Downs' work as part of the pioneering Local Schools Network, The Truth About Our Schools calls for us to urgently and articulately challenge unquestioned myths about state education. Benn and Downs have meticulously built an argument for its still enormously vital role, and rigorously challenge assumptions that: Comprehensive education has failed Local authorities control and hold back schools Choice, competition and markets are the route to educational success Choice will improve education in England: the free school model. Academies raise standards Teachers don't need qualifications Private schools have the magic

DNA Progressive education lowers standards
Anyone who thinks that comprehensive education cannot deliver, that local authorities are the chief block to improving our school system, that competition and markets are the route to educational success and that private schools hold the magic DNA that can simply be transferred to other state schools will have their beliefs shaken by this blisteringly incisive book. .

Africare - Penelope Campbell 2013-11-01

Africare is a US-based non-profit organization specializing in development aid for Africa. It is also the oldest and largest African-American led organization in the development field. Since its founding in 1970, Africare has delivered more than \$710 million in assistance through over 2,500 projects to thirty-six African countries. The organization employs over 1,000 people, largely indigenous to the countries affected. This is a study in leadership and competing African and American black interests. Africare has sought to become the leading voice speaking on

Africa within the US, a goal more difficult to attain than becoming the premier NGO in Africa. Sources of opinion and channels of expression about American policy in Africa are fragmented. They do not have name recognition or influential sponsors. There is poor coverage of African affairs in the US, except for key, often tragic, events. Africare has a heritage and has filled a niche in American society. Penelope Campbell argues that unless the organization reclaims these unique assets, it may lose the distinctiveness enabling its survival. The challenge for Africare is spreading its story and message. The author raises disturbing fundamental issues. Has foreign aid become such an industry that the patient is not allowed to get well? As the military cannot afford peace, it seems the world cannot afford the cessation of poverty. Campbell argues that success in Africa has been elusive not because of the failures of development organizations, but the magnitude of the issues involved. The author presents a

convincing case for aid to Africa, the pitfalls involved, and for Africare's potential as a leader in meeting the continent's needs.

The Language Situation in China - Li Yuming
2019-09-23

China, with the world's largest population, numerous ethnic groups and vast geographical space, is also rich in languages. Since 2006, China's State Language Commission has been publishing annual reports on what is called "language life" in China. These reports cover language policy and planning initiatives at the national, provincial and local levels, new trends in language use in a variety of social domains, and major events concerning languages in mainland China, Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan. Now for the first time, these reports are available in English for anyone interested in Chinese language and linguistics, China's language, education and social policies, as well as everyday language use among the ordinary people in China. The invaluable data contained

in these reports provide an essential reference to researchers, professionals, policy makers, and China watchers.

The Kelley ABCs of Healing Feelings - Ronald Kelley MD DLFAPA 2021-03-04

This book teaches you how to begin to have a good day on a bad day. It teaches you how to train your brains, how to grow into feeling a sense of well-being, most of the time, in less than six months. It does so by teaching easy to learn positive emotion techniques to be practiced a few minutes several times everyday for several months to create new positive nerve networks in the brain which is now based upon recent advances in neuroscience. Dr. Kelley, an eclectic psychiatrist began to develop the ABCs of Healing Feelings thirty years ago to strengthen the ego strengths of patients for them to benefit from psychotherapy. These techniques are also effective in others for developing an optimal state of well-being for enhanced resilience in various life stressors.

Scholarships, Fellowships, and Loans - 1999

State of Wisconsin Blue Book 2013-2014 -
2013-07-03

Congressional Record Index - 1996

Includes history of bills and resolutions.

Philosophy and Education - Roberta Israeloff
2013-01-15

Are children natural philosophers? They are curious about questions such as the meaning and purpose of being alive and whether we can know anything at all. Pre-college philosophy takes as a starting point young people's inherent interest in large questions about the human condition. *Philosophy and Education: Introducing Philosophy to Young People* seeks to illuminate the ways in which philosophy can strengthen and deepen pre-college education. The book examines various issues involved in teaching philosophy to young people at different grade levels, including assessing what teachers

need in order to teach philosophy and describing several models for introducing philosophy into schools. Ways to explore specific branches of philosophy – ethics, epistemology, metaphysics, aesthetics, and logic – through literature, thought experiments, and games and activities, as well as traditional philosophy texts, are described. The book's final section considers student assessment and program evaluation, and analyzes the contributions pre-college philosophy can make to education in general. Teachers and educators – and parents – all want young people to grow up with the skills they need to pursue their own goals and become productive and successful adults. Thinking independently and reasoning clearly are central to these objectives. Philosophy helps students develop some of the analytic skills they need to engage in thoughtful decision-making throughout their lives, and the richness of the questions involved can help young people maintain their awareness of the world as

marvelous and mysterious.

101 Solutions for School Counselors and Leaders in Challenging Times - Stuart F. Chen-Hayes 2013-11-09

School counseling strategies that promote student success! So much is expected to prepare today's students for success—academic achievement, career and college readiness, emotional and social competency, just to name a few. School counselors can make an enormous positive difference in children's lives. In a succinct Q&A format, the authors provide school counselors and educational leaders with: 101 solutions to common counseling issues across the K-12 spectrum on topics ranging from data-driven counseling to bullying, collaboration, and equity Stories of school counselors and educational leaders who have successfully implemented these solutions Numerous print and digital resources for further exploration

Trapped - Mary M. Hall-Rayford 2013-01-28
Nine women, Ensnared by life's circumstances

are skeptical, abandoned, abused, misguided and used. Their destiny or choice? They speak from the womb and beyond death revealing the depths of their souls in their attempts to escape their perceived fates. Women, who dared to face themselves through the lens of the others, realize they must make the right choice—before it's too late—like the one gone before them. They are the only ones who can change the course of their lives—freed from the traps that attempted to hold them in bondage for life!

Creating a College Culture for Latino Students - Concha Delgado Gaitan 2013
Discover winning strategies from the nation's most outstanding college-readiness programs for Latino learners, including best practices for program design and mentoring that promote college preparation.

Contest(ed) Writing - Mary Lamb 2013-01-14
This collection is about writing contests, a vibrant rhetorical practice traceable to rhetorical performances in ancient Greece. In

their discussion of contests' cultural work, the scholars who have contributed to this collection uncover important questions about our practices. For example, educational contests as epideictic rhetoric do indeed celebrate writing, but does this celebration merely relieve educators of the responsibility of finding ways for all writers to succeed? Contests designed to reward single winners and singly-authored works admirably celebrate hard work, but do they over-emphasize exceptional individual achievement over shared goals and communal reward for success? Taking a cultural-rhetorical approach to contests, each chapter demonstrates the cultural work the contests accomplish. The essays in Part I examine contests and riddles in classical Greek and

Roman periods, educational contests in eighteenth-century Scotland, and the Lyceum movement in the Antebellum American South. The next set of essays discusses how contests leverage competition and reward in educational settings: medieval universities, American turn-of-the-century women's colleges, twenty-first century scholarship-essay contests, and writing contests for speakers of other languages at the University of Portsmouth. The last set of essays examines popular contests, including poetry contests in Youth Spoken Word, popular American contests designed by marketers, and twenty-first century podcasting competitions. This collection, then, takes up contests as a cultural marker of our values, assumptions, and relationships to writing, contests, and competition.