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On Writing the College Application Essay

Auggie Pullman, who was born with extreme facial abnormalities, goes from being home-schooled to entering fifth grade at a private middle school in Manhattan, which entails enduring the taunting and fear of his classmates.

Workout for the New PSAT/NMSQT

Two award-winning professors, a former admissions officer at a major university (now a counselor at a prestigious high school), and a gifted high school senior (now in the throes of the college admissions process himself) team up to offer you over 600 tips, techniques, and strategies to help you get in to the college of your choice. Comprehensive, yet easy-to-read, this book will teach you: How to size up the colleges you're considering—and come up with a coherent list. What are college nights, college fairs, and college rep visits—and how you can use each to your advantage. What are "holistic", "contextualized", and "legacy" admissions—and how each can work for you. How some schools count "demonstrated interest"—and how you can take advantage of this little-known fact. What are Early Decision, Early Action, and Single-Choice Early Action—and whether any is right for you. How to figure out the true costs of college, and what is the difference between "need-" and "merit-based" aid. What it means when colleges say they meet "100% of demonstrated financial aid" and what "loan-free" means. When and how to make campus visits—and what to do on each. How to prepare for each section of the ACT or SAT—and how to increase your scores. What admissions officers are looking for in your

application—and how to give it to them. How to write the all-important Common App essay—and present your extra-curricular activities. How to prepare for an alumni interview—and present yourself in the best light. Whom to ask for letters-of-recommendation—and how to help them write the best possible letter. How to compare your final offers—and, in some cases, substantially improve them. When it's good to wait out the "wait list"—and when not. -and much, much more. When you understand the college admissions process, you can maximize your chance of success. Why not put yourself ahead of the pack?

Ask a Manager

For all the anxiety that surrounds the college admissions process, one part of the application lies completely within a student's control: the essay. In this book, Rachel Toor--writing instructor and coach at all levels from high school to senior faculty, and former admissions officer at Duke University--shows that the key to writing a successful application essay is learning to present an honest portrait of yourself. This may sound simple but it means unlearning many of the principles taught in high school writing courses, avoiding the traps of mimicking sample essays and writing what you think admissions officers want to hear, and above all being willing to reveal your flaws as well as your strengths on the page. It also means mastering key mechanical issues that can undermine even the most thoughtful pieces of student writing. Toor offers her advice in a lively, humorous, and engaging tone, with stories of real students and their writing struggles and successes scattered throughout.

Heavenly Essays

Strategies and Tactics for the First Year Law Student gives you a detailed, step-by-step program for surviving the first year of law school. Note-taking--Sharpening your note-taking skills will maximize your study time and improve your grades Your law professor's personality--Understanding it can be to your advantage Study traps--What are they and how to avoid them Memory aids--How classic memory systems work and when you should (and shouldn't) use them The pressures of law school--Effective techniques for handling the pressure from classmates, professors, and reading assignments Taking exams--Nine steps to writing exceptional exam answers The Internet--Useful search engines and websites

It's Kind of a Funny Story

Why do we have such extraordinarily powerful responses toward the images and pictures we see in everyday life? Why do we behave as if pictures were alive, possessing the power to influence us, to demand things from us, to persuade us, seduce us, or even lead us astray? According to W. J. T. Mitchell, we need to reckon with images not just as inert objects

that convey meaning but as animated beings with desires, needs, appetites, demands, and drives of their own. *What Do Pictures Want?* explores this idea and highlights Mitchell's innovative and profoundly influential thinking on picture theory and the lives and loves of images. Ranging across the visual arts, literature, and mass media, Mitchell applies characteristically brilliant and wry analyses to Byzantine icons and cyberpunk films, racial stereotypes and public monuments, ancient idols and modern clones, offensive images and found objects, American photography and aboriginal painting. Opening new vistas in iconology and the emergent field of visual culture, he also considers the importance of Dolly the Sheep—who, as a clone, fulfills the ancient dream of creating a living image—and the destruction of the World Trade Center on 9/11, which, among other things, signifies a new and virulent form of iconoclasm. *What Do Pictures Want?* offers an immensely rich and suggestive account of the interplay between the visible and the readable. A work by one of our leading theorists of visual representation, it will be a touchstone for art historians, literary critics, anthropologists, and philosophers alike. “A treasury of episodes—generally overlooked by art history and visual studies—that turn on images that ‘walk by themselves’ and exert their own power over the living.”—Norman Bryson, *Artforum*

The Coddling of the American Mind

A memoir done in the form of a graphic novel by a cult favorite comic artist offers a darkly funny family portrait that details her relationship with her father—a funeral home director, high school English teacher, and closeted homosexual.

The College App Map

Paul Fisher sees the world from behind glasses so thick he looks like a bug-eyed alien. But he’s not so blind that he can’t see there are some very unusual things about his family’s new home in Tangerine County, Florida. Where else does a sinkhole swallow the local school, fire burn underground for years, and lightning strike at the same time every day? The chaos is compounded by constant harassment from his football-star brother, and adjusting to life in Tangerine isn’t easy for Paul—until he joins the soccer team at his middle school. With the help of his new teammates, Paul begins to discover what lies beneath the surface of his strange new hometown. And he also gains the courage to face up to some secrets his family has been keeping from him for far too long. In Tangerine, it seems, anything is possible.

Writing a Successful College Application Essay

Another classic from the author of the internationally bestselling *The Outsiders* Continue celebrating 50 years of *The Outsiders* by reading this companion novel. *That Was Then, This is Now* is S. E. Hinton's moving portrait of the bond between best friends Bryon and Mark and the tensions that develop between them as they begin to grow up and grow

apart. "A mature, disciplined novel which excites a response in the reader . . . Hard to forget."—The New York Times

The Strange Case of Donald J. Trump

'Unfinished Gestures' presents the social and cultural history of courtesans in South India, focusing on their encounters with colonial modernity in the 19th and early 20th centuries.

How to Ace Your Way Through College-- and Still Have a Life!

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The Great Influenza

The new edition of this test prep manual offers eight model SAT tests with answers and explanations, a full-length diagnostic test, subject reviews covering all pertinent math and verbal skills, study tips, plus a description of what test-takers can expect from the all-new SATs, premiering in early '94.

Tangerine

Jamie Grimm is a middle schooler on a mission: he wants to become the world's greatest standup comedian--even if he doesn't have a lot to laugh about these days. He's new in town and stuck living with his aunt, uncle, and their evil son Stevie, a bully who doesn't let Jamie's wheelchair stop him from messing with Jamie as much as possible. But Jamie doesn't let his situation get him down. When his Uncle Frankie mentions a contest called The Planet's Funniest Kid Comic, Jamie knows he has to enter. But are the judges only rewarding him out of pity because of his wheelchair, like Stevie suggests? Will Jamie ever share the secret of his troubled past instead of hiding behind his comedy act? Following the bestselling success of the hilarious Middle School, The Worst Years of My Life, James Patterson continues to dish out the funnies in another highly-illustrated, heartfelt middle school story. (Includes more than 175 black-and-white illustrations.)

Handbook of Demonstrations and Activities in the Teaching of Psychology: Physiological-comparative, perception, learning, cognitive, and developmental

As if getting accepted into a college of your choice isn't hard enough, determining which college best suits your skills and interests, keeping track of when to take each test and which teachers you've asked for recommendation letters — not to

mention deadlines—is pretty overwhelming. Here to guide you through all of the challenges of applying (and getting accepted) to your top schools is the College App Map. Packed with charts, checklists, and trusted advice from the Princeton Review, this journal gets you organized, inspired, and proactive about the admissions process in a fun and stress-free way. Now, if only school were that easy!

How to Prepare for Sat I

Describes the SAT I, provides a diagnostic exam and seven model tests, and details strategies and techniques to score higher on the SAT I

Wonder

Vowing to return to his father—the city storyteller—his lost gift of speech, Haroun begins a quest that introduces him to a mad bus driver, the Shadow Warriors, and the land of darkness.

How to prepare for the scholastic aptitude test, SAT

A comprehensive guide to the powerful packaging tool called the "Hook"—a special talent or achievement that leaps off the page of a college application and catches the eye of admissions officers. Competition for entry to the nation's top colleges is at an all-time high—and intensifying every year. Now nationally recognized college consultant and writer Pam Proctor reveals the "packaging" secrets that can help any student maximize the odds of admission to the college of his or her choice. Using real life anecdotes and examples from winning applications, Proctor provides students with a step-by-step program that will enable them to determine and develop their unique "Hook," and then package and market themselves at every stage of the admissions process.

That Was Then, This Is Now

Writing a winning college application is an art that can be learned. With examples of applications, interviews, and 23 college admission essays, this book reveals proven strategies to get into and pay for any college. Based on the experiences of students, who were selected to America's most prestigious universities, this book covers the entire admissions and financial aid process, step-by-step. This book addresses questions such as what can 9(th)-11(th) graders do to prepare for college, how can parents help without hurting, what it takes to ace the SAT and ACT, and where can students find free cash for tuition. Stories of students' successes and failures reveal how the college admissions and financial aid process really

works as well as give a personal face to what is often seen as an impersonal process.

The College Application Essay

An account of the deadly influenza epidemic of 1918, which took the lives of millions of people around the world, examines its causes, its impact on early twentieth-century society, and the lasting implications of the crisis.

Just Mercy

Offers tips on how to write meaningful essays for college admission applications. Includes sample essays.

College Writing Skills with Readings

"This eBook features 501 sample writing prompts that are designed to help you improve your writing and gain the necessary writing skills needed to ace essay exams. Build your essay-writing confidence fast with 501 Writing Prompts!" --

Grown and Flown

Strategies and Tactics for the First Year Law Student

THE PSAT IS CHANGING IN 2015! Be prepared to beat the exam, boost your National Merit Scholarship chances, *AND* get a jump on the New SAT with this practice book of all-new drills for the all-new exam. This eBook edition is optimized for on-screen learning with cross-linked questions, answers, and explanations. Starting in October 2015, a new version of the PSAT is being rolled out nationwide. The good news is that the New PSAT is being redesigned to look more like the New SAT—meaning that taking this exam will give you a valuable glimpse into what the New SAT will look like. The bad news, of course, is that it's a whole new test format to get familiar with! Created specifically for the redesigned exam, The Princeton Review's Workout for the New PSAT provides plenty of practice to get you ready to tackle the test, including:

- Essential information about the major exam changes, including an overview of new PSAT basics, scoring, and content
- 275+ practice questions covering all subject areas
- Answers and detailed explanations to help you learn from your mistakes
- A "Pre-College Insider" section filled with useful guidance and advice
- Everything you need to know about National Merit Scholarships

Inside, you'll find essential information about the new PSAT, material to show you what to expect on the exam, and all the practice you need to help get the score you want.

50 Successful Ivy League Application Essays

Seniors in high school start feeling stressed at the mere thought of writing the college application essay. They well know the role this crucial document plays in getting into their university of choice. What they may not know is that there is a right way and a wrong way to writing the essay. "I've noticed some recurrent bad habits that have hurt otherwise good essays and I have added mention of them throughout the book," says Michael James Mason, author of *How to Write a Winning College Application Essay*. "A student doesn't have to be a star scholar or a superhero to write a great application essay. They just have to show on paper that they know some things about themselves and that life has meaning and perspective." In *How to Write a Winning College Application Essay*, Mason teaches students how to put their best image on paper while letting the essay speak from their heart about what life means to them. Since the publication of the first two editions of his practical manual, thousands of students across the nation have used his techniques in the process of writing their personal statements for college and graduate school. "Thousands of good students have been accepted into colleges of their choice because their essays were honest, moving and sensitive. Their essays revealed their values, insights and spirit," says Mason. About the Author Michael James Mason has helped thousands of students at his College Essay Workshops and in previous editions of this book. In writing the third edition to this popular book, he looked to the experiences of real students and admissions officials, the people who write and read the essays in college applications. He lives in Marina Del Ray, California.

College Essay Essentials

A good college application essay takes admissions officers beyond the numbers and shows them who you are, what you care about, and how you think. With this simple guide to the craft of personal statement and application essays, your task will be simple.

The Secrets of Picking a College (and Getting In!)

The ideal graduation gift for anyone about to enter the workforce, a witty, practical guide to 200 difficult professional conversations—featuring all-new advice from the creator of the popular website Ask a Manager and New York's work-advice columnist. There's a reason Alison Green has been called "the Dear Abby of the work world." Ten years as a workplace-advice columnist have taught her that people avoid awkward conversations in the office because they simply don't know what to say. Thankfully, Green does—and in this incredibly helpful book, she tackles the tough discussions you may need to have during your career. You'll learn what to say when • coworkers push their work on you—then take credit for it • you accidentally trash-talk someone in an email then hit "reply all" • you're being micromanaged—or not being managed at all

• you catch a colleague in a lie • your boss seems unhappy with your work • your cubemate's loud speakerphone is making you homicidal • you got drunk at the holiday party Advance praise for Ask a Manager "A must-read for anyone who works . . . [Alison Green's] advice boils down to the idea that you should be professional (even when others are not) and that communicating in a straightforward manner with candor and kindness will get you far, no matter where you work."—Booklist (starred review) "I am a huge fan of Alison Green's Ask a Manager column. This book is even better. It teaches us how to deal with many of the most vexing big and little problems in our workplaces—and to do so with grace, confidence, and a sense of humor."—Robert Sutton, Stanford professor and author of *The No Asshole Rule* and *The Asshole Survival Guide* "Clear and concise in its advice and expansive in its scope, Ask a Manager is the book I wish I'd had in my desk drawer when I was starting out (or even, let's be honest, fifteen years in)."—Sarah Knight, New York Times bestselling author of *The Life-Changing Magic of Not Giving a F*ck*

501 Writing Prompts

"Contains 50 essays with analysis from successful Ivy League applicants, tips on how to select the best topic, what Ivy League admission officers want to see in your essay, 25 mistakes that guarantee failure and tips from Ivy League students on how to write a successful essay"--

Unfinished Gestures

The Strange Case of Donald J. Trump provides a coherent and nuanced psychological portrait of Donald Trump, drawing upon biographical events in the subject's life and contemporary scientific research and theory in personality, developmental, and social psychology. Dan P. McAdams, renowned psychologist who pioneered the study of lives, examines the central personality traits, personal values and motives, and the interpersonal and cultural factors that together have shaped Trump's psychological makeup, with an emphasis on the strangeness of the case--that is, how Trump again and again defies psychological expectations regarding what it means to be a human being. The book's central thesis is that Donald Trump is the episodic man. The chapters, structured as stand-alone essays each riffing on a single psychological theme, build on each other to present a portrait of a person who compulsively lives in the moment, without an internal story to integrate his life in time. With an emphasis on scientific personality research, rather than political rhetoric, McAdams shows that Trump's utter lack of an inner life story is truly exceptional. This book is a remarkable case study which should be of as much interest to psychologists as it is to readers trying to reckon with the often confounding behavior and temperament of the 45th President of the United States.

50 Successful Stanford Application Essays

Something is going wrong on many college campuses in the last few years. Rates of anxiety, depression, and suicide are rising. Speakers are shouted down. Students and professors say they are walking on eggshells and afraid to speak honestly. How did this happen? First Amendment expert Greg Lukianoff and social psychologist Jonathan Haidt show how the new problems on campus have their origins in three terrible ideas that have become increasingly woven into American childhood and education: what doesn't kill you makes you weaker; always trust your feelings; and life is a battle between good people and evil people. These three Great Untruths are incompatible with basic psychological principles, as well as ancient wisdom from many cultures. They interfere with healthy development. Anyone who embraces these untruths—and the resulting culture of safetyism—is less likely to become an autonomous adult able to navigate the bumpy road of life. Lukianoff and Haidt investigate the many social trends that have intersected to produce these untruths. They situate the conflicts on campus in the context of America's rapidly rising political polarization, including a rise in hate crimes and off-campus provocation. They explore changes in childhood including the rise of fearful parenting, the decline of unsupervised play, and the new world of social media that has engulfed teenagers in the last decade. This is a book for anyone who is confused by what is happening on college campuses today, or has children, or is concerned about the growing inability of Americans to live, work, and cooperate across party lines.

Get Into Any College

Revised and brought up to date with new essays from over 50 popular colleges, this book guides college applicants step-by-step through the essay-writing process. The author advises on how to choose a topic, make a rough draft, then polish and edit the writing into an essay that conveys the student's personality, interests, and thinking. Sample essays with critiques include both winning essays and losers.

Funny in Farsi

A compilation of fifty effective and diverse college application essays that offer students insights into what makes an essay compelling

Write Your Way In

For those who teach students in psychology, education, and the social sciences, the Handbook of Demonstrations and Activities in the Teaching of Psychology, Second Edition provides practical applications and rich sources of ideas. Revised to include a wealth of new material (56% of the articles are new), these invaluable reference books contain the collective experience of teachers who have successfully dealt with students' difficulty in mastering important concepts about human

behavior. Each volume features a table that lists the articles and identifies the primary and secondary courses in which readers can use each demonstration. Additionally, the subject index facilitates retrieval of articles according to topical headings, and the appendix notes the source as it originally appeared in *Teaching of Psychology*--especially useful for users needing to cite information. The official journal of the Society for the Teaching of Psychology, Division Two of the American Psychological Association, *Teaching of Psychology* is a highly respected publication devoted to improving teaching and learning at all educational levels. Volume II consists of 99 articles about teaching physiology, perception, learning, memory, and developmental psychology. Divided into eight sections (four devoted to developmental psychology and one for each of the other specialties), the book suggests ways to stimulate interest, promote participation, collect data, structure field experience, and observe and interact with patients.

What Do Pictures Want?

An unusually multifaceted approach to American higher education that views institutions as complex organisms, *Academia Next* offers a fresh perspective on the emerging colleges and universities of today and tomorrow.

How to Write a Winning College Application Essay

PARENTING NEVER ENDS. From the founders of the #1 site for parents of teens and young adults comes an essential guide for building strong relationships with your teens and preparing them to successfully launch into adulthood. The high school and college years: an extended roller coaster of academics, friends, first loves, first break-ups, driver's ed, jobs, and everything in between. Kids are constantly changing and how we parent them must change, too. But how do we stay close as a family as our lives move apart? Enter the co-founders of *Grown and Flown*, Lisa Heffernan and Mary Dell Harrington. In the midst of guiding their own kids through this transition, they launched what has become the largest website and online community for parents of fifteen to twenty-five year olds. Now they've compiled new takeaways and fresh insights from all that they've learned into this handy, must-have guide. *Grown and Flown* is a one-stop resource for parenting teenagers, leading up to—and through—high school and those first years of independence. It covers everything from the monumental (how to let your kids go) to the mundane (how to shop for a dorm room). Organized by topic—such as academics, anxiety and mental health, college life—it features a combination of stories, advice from professionals, and practical sidebars. Consider this your parenting lifeline: an easy-to-use manual that offers support and perspective. *Grown and Flown* is required reading for anyone looking to raise an adult with whom you have an enduring, profound connection.

Haroun and the Sea of Stories

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Finalist for the PEN/USA Award in Creative Nonfiction, the Thurber Prize for American Humor, and the Audie Award in Biography/Memoir This Random House Reader's Circle edition includes a reading group guide and a conversation between Firoozeh Dumas and Khaled Hosseini, author of *The Kite Runner*! "Remarkable . . . told with wry humor shorn of sentimentality . . . In the end, what sticks with the reader is an exuberant immigrant embrace of America."—*San Francisco Chronicle* In 1972, when she was seven, Firoozeh Dumas and her family moved from Iran to Southern California, arriving with no firsthand knowledge of this country beyond her father's glowing memories of his graduate school years here. More family soon followed, and the clan has been here ever since. *Funny in Farsi* chronicles the American journey of Dumas's wonderfully engaging family: her engineer father, a sweetly quixotic dreamer who first sought riches on Bowling for Dollars and in Las Vegas, and later lost his job during the Iranian revolution; her elegant mother, who never fully mastered English (nor cared to); her uncle, who combated the effects of American fast food with an army of miraculous American weight-loss gadgets; and Firoozeh herself, who as a girl changed her name to Julie, and who encountered a second wave of culture shock when she met and married a Frenchman, becoming part of a one-couple melting pot. In a series of deftly drawn scenes, we watch the family grapple with American English (hot dogs and hush puppies?—a complete mystery), American traditions (Thanksgiving turkey?—an even greater mystery, since it tastes like nothing), and American culture (Firoozeh's parents laugh uproariously at Bob Hope on television, although they don't get the jokes even when she translates them into Farsi). Above all, this is an unforgettable story of identity, discovery, and the power of family love. It is a book that will leave us all laughing—without an accent. Praise for *Funny in Farsi* "Heartfelt and hilarious—in any language."—*Glamour* "A joyful success."—*Newsday* "What's charming beyond the humor of this memoir is that it remains affectionate even in the weakest, most tenuous moments for the culture. It's the brilliance of true sophistication at work."—*Los Angeles Times Book Review* "Often hilarious, always interesting . . . Like the movie *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*, this book describes with humor the intersection and overlapping of two cultures."—*The Providence Journal* "A humorous and introspective chronicle of a life filled with love—of family, country, and heritage."—Jimmy Carter "Delightfully refreshing."—*Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* "[*Funny in Farsi*] brings us closer to discovering what it means to be an American."—*San Jose Mercury News*

Fun Home

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • NOW A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE STARRING MICHAEL B. JORDAN AND JAMIE FOXX • A powerful true story about the potential for mercy to redeem us, and a clarion call to fix our broken system of justice—from one of the most brilliant and influential lawyers of our time. "[Bryan Stevenson's] dedication to fighting for justice and equality has inspired me and many others and made a lasting impact on our country."—John Legend NAMED ONE OF THE MOST INFLUENTIAL BOOKS OF THE DECADE BY CNN • Named One of the Best Books of the Year by *The New York Times* • *The Washington Post* • *The Boston Globe* • *The Seattle Times* • *Esquire* • *Time* Bryan Stevenson was a young lawyer when

he founded the Equal Justice Initiative, a legal practice dedicated to defending those most desperate and in need: the poor, the wrongly condemned, and women and children trapped in the farthest reaches of our criminal justice system. One of his first cases was that of Walter McMillian, a young man who was sentenced to die for a notorious murder he insisted he didn't commit. The case drew Bryan into a tangle of conspiracy, political machination, and legal brinksmanship—and transformed his understanding of mercy and justice forever. *Just Mercy* is at once an unforgettable account of an idealistic, gifted young lawyer's coming of age, a moving window into the lives of those he has defended, and an inspiring argument for compassion in the pursuit of true justice. Winner of the Carnegie Medal for Excellence in Nonfiction • Winner of the NAACP Image Award for Nonfiction • Winner of a Books for a Better Life Award • Finalist for the Los Angeles Times Book Prize • Finalist for the Kirkus Reviews Prize • An American Library Association Notable Book "Every bit as moving as *To Kill a Mockingbird*, and in some ways more so . . . a searing indictment of American criminal justice and a stirring testament to the salvation that fighting for the vulnerable sometimes yields."—David Cole, *The New York Review of Books* "Searing, moving . . . Bryan Stevenson may, indeed, be America's Mandela."—Nicholas Kristof, *The New York Times* "You don't have to read too long to start cheering for this man. . . . The message of this book . . . is that evil can be overcome, a difference can be made. *Just Mercy* will make you upset and it will make you hopeful."—Ted Conover, *The New York Times Book Review* "Inspiring . . . a work of style, substance and clarity . . . Stevenson is not only a great lawyer, he's also a gifted writer and storyteller."—*The Washington Post* "As deeply moving, poignant and powerful a book as has been, and maybe ever can be, written about the death penalty."—*The Financial Times* "Brilliant."—*The Philadelphia Inquirer*

Academia Next

Writing an amazing college admission essay is easier than you think! So you're a high school senior given the task of writing a 650-word personal statement for your college application. Do you tell the story of your life, or a story from your life? Do you choose a single moment? If so, which one? The options seem endless. Lucky for you, they're not. College counselor Ethan Sawyer (aka The College Essay Guy) will show you that there are only four (really, four!) types of college admission essays. And all you have to do to figure out which type is best for you is answer two simple questions: 1. Have you experienced significant challenges in your life? 2. Do you know what you want to be or do in the future? With these questions providing the building blocks for your essay, Sawyer guides you through the rest of the process, from choosing a structure to revising your essay, and answers the big questions that have probably been keeping you up at night: How do I brag in a way that doesn't sound like bragging? and How do I make my essay, like, deep? Packed with tips, tricks, exercises, and sample essays from real students who got into their dream schools, *College Essay Essentials* is the only college essay guide to make this complicated process logical, simple, and (dare we say it?) a little bit fun.

50 Successful Harvard Application Essays

Essay writing is the cornerstone of a successful education and career. Becoming proficient can be a challenge. College Writing Skills with Readings presents a straightforward framework built on four bases -- unity, support, coherence, and sentence skills. By following and applying these principles, students will master effective composition skills.

The College Hook

"Includes advice from Stanford admissions officers and the 25 essay mistakes that guarantee failure."

I Funny

Like many ambitious New York City teenagers, Craig Gilner sees entry into Manhattan's Executive Pre-Professional High School as the ticket to his future. Determined to succeed at life—which means getting into the right high school to get into the right college to get the right job—Craig studies night and day to ace the entrance exam, and does. That's when things start to get crazy. At his new school, Craig realizes that he isn't brilliant compared to the other kids; he's just average, and maybe not even that. He soon sees his once-perfect future crumbling away.

Inspiring Active Learning

Based on mutual respect, collaboration, and dignity, offers practical strategies to help students work more willingly, diligently, and intelligently.

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