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In this unique and important book, one of the world's great spiritual leaders offers his practical wisdom and advice on how we can overcome everyday human problems and achieve lasting happiness. The Art of Happiness is a highly accessible guide for a western audience, combining the Dalai Lama's eastern spiritual tradition with Dr Howard C. Cutler's western perspective. Covering all key areas of human experience, they apply the principles of Tibetan Buddhism to everyday problems and reveal how one can find balance and complete spiritual and mental freedom. For the many who wish to understand more about the Dalai Lama's approach to living, there has never been a book which brings his beliefs so vividly into the real world.

This concise handbook of Tibetan Buddhist teachings, designed for Western students, is centered on a sitting practice called Contemplative Meditation. This practice can be used as a way to change troublesome habits, even by someone with little knowledge of Buddhism. Although the teachings are based it on a nineteenth-century text by Lama Mipham, they are presented in a non-scholarly way, with examples drawn from modern life and everyday experience. In particular, the author addresses the

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unique attitudes and questions of twenty-first-century Westerners who are exploring Buddhism. The practice taught in the book consists of a reflection on four subjects, known as the Four Seals of the Buddha's teaching: multiplicity, impermanence, suffering, and emptiness. Khenpo Gawang Rinpoche explains how to investigate each of these topics in a way that helps you recognize your innate wisdom mind, which is your ultimate teacher. Once you learn how to examine your own mind and your life with this method, you will start to look at everything differently. By helping to dissolve negative thoughts and habits, the practice can increase your focus, confidence, self-esteem, and happiness. Along with exercises and questions, short readings, a glossary, and checklists for study, this book provides a complete handbook, with simple instructions for additional practices: • the Ninefold Exhalation, a breathing method for expelling stale air before meditation • visualization of buddhas and great teachers to inspire practice • the practice of bodhichitta, or generating love and compassion for all beings • the seven-branch offering, seven devotional thoughts to strengthen efforts • dedication of merit—the positive energy from the meditation—for the benefit of all beings Finally, the appendix gives translations of two short readings: The Wheel of Analytical Meditation by Lama Mipham, which is the source of this book's teaching, and the Heart Sutra,

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a famous brief teaching on emptiness, along with a traditional commentary.

What is a singing bowl? It is one of the ritual objects of Tibetan. It has therapeutic value as well. This book imparts information on the use of sound in meditation, healing and prayer and secretes of singing bowls by Tibetan monks. This book explains the Himalayan bowls ã also known as Tibetan or Nepalese singing bowls ãand the special sounds they make, called sound massage. The author discusses the meeting between East and West, singing bowls, sacrificial dishes, how the bowls work, synchronization and inner massage, shamanism and brainwaves, and practical instruction for working with these sounds. It does provide practical information about using them as well as showing you how to go about finding the bowl that is right for you. The mysteries explained here are a wonderful overview if you want to open your heart and mind to the therapeutic value to this phenomenon.

Wabi sabi biedt een heel nieuwe kijk op de wereld en je leven, geïnspireerd op eeuwenoude Japanse wijsheid. Het helpt ons de schoonheid in imperfectie te zien, simpelheid te waarderen en de vergankelijkheid van het leven te accepteren. De filosofie van wabi sabi is relevanter dan ooit, in een wereld waarin alles draait om sneller, beter en meer. Wat als we daar nu eens mee zouden stoppen? Dit boek gaat over accepteren en loslaten. Het is een

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uitnodiging om de schoonheid te zien in je huidige leven, het te ontdoen van opsmuk en te zien wat er dan tevoorschijn komt. Wabi sabi helpt je om deze filosofie in elk facet van je leven toe te passen.

Many forms of Buddhism, divergent in philosophy and style, emerged as Buddhism filtered out of India into other parts of Asia. Nonetheless, all of them embodied an ethical core that is remarkably consistent. Articulated by the historical Buddha in his first sermon, this moral core is founded on the concept of karma--that intentions and actions have future consequences for an individual--and is summarized as Right Speech, Right Action, and Right Livelihood, three of the elements of the Eightfold Path. Although they were later elaborated and interpreted in a multitude of ways, none of these core principles were ever abandoned. The Oxford Handbook of Buddhist Ethics provides a comprehensive overview of the field of Buddhist ethics in the twenty-first century. The Handbook discusses the foundations of Buddhist ethics focusing on karma and the precepts looking at abstinence from harming others, stealing, and intoxication. It considers ethics in the different Buddhist traditions and the similarities they share, and compares Buddhist ethics to Western ethics and the psychology of moral judgments. The volume also investigates Buddhism and society analysing economics, environmental ethics, and Just War

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ethics. The final section focuses on contemporary issues surrounding Buddhist ethics, including gender, sexuality, animal rights, and euthanasia. This groundbreaking collection offers an indispensable reference work for students and scholars of Buddhist ethics and comparative moral philosophy.

In this collection of short stories, David Michie offers life-enhancing insights with the same heart-warming compassion that pervades his Dalai Lama's Cat books. "Whatever dreams he was having, Jason knew they had nothing to do with his physical body. His eyes were firmly shut and his consciousness withdrawn from his senses when all this was going on. Yet in his dreams he experienced sights, sounds and even visceral sensations much more intensely than when he was awake. From this he understood that you didn't need a physical body to see, or smell, or endure any kind of experience with an acuteness that was more real than reality. From an early age he deduced that heaven or hell need not be material places so much as states of mind – and no less glorious or horrifying because of that. There were no limits to mind untethered from form." What if you could re-live the enchantment of childhood bedtime—but with magic that is real? What if you felt the wonder you once sensed when you believed that anything is possible? Or were inspired to see the world through fresh eyes? In this compendium of

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delightful short stories, David Michie draws us into the extraordinary experiences of everyday people as they encounter those tell-tale cracks exposing reality as not quite what it seems. Four female book club members are unexpectedly propelled, by the same black and white photograph, to discover a shared purpose beyond their wildest imaginings. An earnest young seeker finds that drawing aside the veil to an immeasurably more wonderful reality, doesn't depend so much on the arcane books he reads as on a source much closer to home. A cat-crazy woman, who wishes her beloved felines would talk to her, is shaken when she realises what they have been trying to communicate all along. Through intriguing storylines and revelations, David Michie offers life-enhancing insights with the same heart-warming benevolence that pervades his Dalai Lama's Cat books. How better to gently unwind at the end of the day - and to prepare for the infinite possibilities we may encounter in the realms of our dreams?

Essential Teachings presents the first English translation of a series of talks given in 1974 by the Dalai Lama in Bodh Gaya, India—the site of the Buddha's enlightenment—to a gathering of Tibetan refugees and Western Buddhists. His precise and eloquent commentary on the "Path of the Bodhisattva," one of the most important teaching texts of the Tibetan Buddhist tradition, offers a step-

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by-step guide to thirty-seven practices designed to help cultivate the spirit of compassion for all life and service to others that is at the heart of Buddhism. An ultimate sourcebook to the symbolic language of Tibetan art. Hundreds of author Robert Beer's own exquisite line drawings depict major Tibetan symbols and motifs--landscapes, deities, animals, plants, gurus, mudras (ritual hand gestures), dragons and other mythic creatures--ranging from complex mythological scenes to small, simple ornaments. Line art throughout.

According to the Buddha, no one can attain basic sanity or enlightenment without practicing meditation. The teachings given here on the outlook and technique of meditation provide the foundation that every practitioner needs to awaken as the Buddha did. Trungpa teaches us to let go of the urge to make meditation serve our ambition; thus we can relax into openness. We are shown how the deliberate practice of mindfulness develops into contrived awareness, and we discover the world of insight that awareness reveals. We learn of a subtle psychological stage set that we carry with us everywhere and unwittingly use to structure all our experience—and we find that meditation gradually carries us beyond this and beyond ego altogether to the experience of unconditioned freedom.

The Handbook of Tibetan Buddhist Symbols Serindia Publications, Inc.

Over the past nine years the Orient Foundation has compiled a database that brings together information on over 600 Tibetan-related organizations throughout the world. Compiled under the auspices of HH The Dalai Lama, this book provided comprehensive information about Tibetan Buddhism and

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culture for the general public including: Museums, teaching centres, retreat centres and publications listed in a country-by-country gazetteer. Background information on the four schools of Tibetan Buddhism Biographies of practising Tibetan teachers The First glossary of Tibetan terms

Koreaanse megabestseller over spirituele wijsheid en het belang om rust te vinden in een drukke wereld van een van de invloedrijkste boeddhistische leermeesters van dit moment Rust vinden in een drukke wereld De Koreaanse

boeddhistische monnik Sunim geeft les over verschillende levenskwesities, van liefde en vriendschap tot werk, levensdoelen en spiritualiteit. Zijn inzichten en adviezen helpen om in het moderne, drukke leven te zoeken naar rustpunten. Zo legt hij bijvoorbeeld uit hoe je mindful kunt omgaan met negatieve emoties als woede en jaloezie.

Haemin Sunim laat het belang zien van sterke relaties met anderen en benadrukt dat je vergevingsgezind en mild moet zijn tegenover jezelf. De prachtige, kleurrijke illustraties fungeren als kalmerende visuele pauzes die ons aansporen rustig aan te doen. Want als jij rustig bent, zal de wereld ook rustig worden. De pers over Dingen die je alleen ziet als je er de tijd voor neemt 'Dit handboek voor mindfulness en kalmte, een bestseller in Korea, staat vol wijze adviezen over reflectie en hoe het rustiger aan te doen in het leven.' Elle.com

'Sunims woorden zijn diepgaand én herkenbaar, eenvoudig én verfijnd, en elk hoofdstuk voelt meer aan als een gesprek met een lieve, bedachtzame vriend dan als het lezen van weer een boek over mindfulness. Perfect voor lezers die op zoek zijn naar een onderbreking van hun drukke leven.

Sunims filosofie roept een kalme zekerheid op, die doet denken aan Libanees-Amerikaanse dichter Kahlil Gibran.'

Publishers Weekly 'Oude boeddhistische filosofie voor de moderne tijd. Diepgaande maar begrijpelijke wijsheden over omgaan met de dagelijkse sleur – en over in het oog houden



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wat er nu echt toe doet. Leg dit boek op je nachtkastje om je hoofd leeg te maken voor het slapengaan.' Real Simple Zijne Heiligheid de Dalai Lama heeft in zijn leven groot lijden gekend, maar hij straalt altijd vriendelijkheid en rust uit. Hoe doet hij dat? In De kracht van het geluk laat Howard Cutler de lezer kennismaken met de filosofie van de Dalai Lama over hoe je gemoedsrust kunt vinden en in het reine kunt komen met het lijden van de wereld. Samen onderzoeken zij de wortels van de vele problemen waarmee de mensheid te kampen heeft en tonen ze ons hoe we die rampen kunnen benaderen op een manier die tegelijkertijd verlicht en ons helpt in onze zoektocht naar geluk. Door verhalen, meditaties en diepgaande gesprekken leert de Dalai Lama de lezer de culturele invloeden en manieren van denken te benoemen die leiden tot verdriet en hoe we onze eigen problemen die we het hoofd moeten bieden, evenals de moeilijkheden van anderen, kunnen doorgronden en oplossen. Het resultaat is een wijze benadering van menselijke problemen die zowel optimistisch als realistisch is, zelfs in tijden van grote uitdagingen.

A facsimile reproduction of a lavishly illustrated treatise describing the iconometric principles and measurements at the heart of 17th century Tibetan art. It includes many drawings of buddhas, bodhisattvas and divinities, script types, and stupa models from the world of Indo-Tibetan Buddhism.

\* First systematic review of Tibetan ritual art\* Never-before-published Buddhist art objects\* Written by expert on Tibetan art, Michael Henss Tibetan Buddhist art is not only rich in figural icons but also extremely diverse in its symbols and ritual objects. This first systematic review is an abundantly illustrated reference book on Tibetan ritual art that aids our understanding of its different types and forms, its sacred meanings and ceremonial functions. Over eighteen chapters, several hundred different implements are documented in

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detail, in many cases for the first time and often in their various styles and iconographic forms: altar utensils and amulets, masks and mirrors, magic daggers and mandalas, torii sculptures and prayer objects, vajras and votive tablets, sacrificial vessels and oracle crowns, stupas and spirit traps, ritual vases, textiles, furniture, and symbolic emblems. These are accompanied by many historical and modern text sources, as well as rare recorded oral material from high-ranking Tibetan masters. This long-awaited handbook is a must-have for all those with a profound interest in Buddhist art and religion.

This acclaimed spiritual masterpiece is widely regarded as one of the most complete and authoritative presentations of the Tibetan Buddhist teachings ever written. A manual for life and death and a magnificent source of sacred inspiration from the heart of the Tibetan tradition, *The Tibetan Book Of Living and Dying* provides a lucid and inspiring introduction to the practice of meditation, to the nature of mind, to karma and rebirth, to compassionate love and care for the dying, and to the trials and rewards of the spiritual path.

Through practical exercises and personal anecdotes, a revered spiritual leader shows how individuals' compassion can lead to global changes. By the author of *Becoming Enlightened*. Reprint.

This is the most comprehensive and authoritative introduction to Tibetan Buddhism available to date, covering a wide range of topics, including history, doctrines, meditation, practices, schools, religious festivals, and major figures. The revised edition contains expanded discussions of recent Tibetan history and tantra and incorporates important new publications in the field. Beginning with a summary of the Indian origins of

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Tibetan Buddhism and how it eventually was brought to Tibet, it explores Tibetan Mahayana philosophy and tantric methods for personal transformation. The four main schools of Tibetan Buddhism, as well as Bön, are explored in depth from a nonsectarian point of view. This new and expanded edition is a systematic and wonderfully clear presentation of Tibetan Buddhist views and practices.

Het boeddhisme spreekt een brede groep geïnteresseerden aan. Maar wat houdt boeddhisme eigenlijk precies in? Met 'Boeddhisme in alle eenvoud' schreef zenpriester Steve Hagen een korte, zeer toegankelijke en inspirerende tekst, waarin hij Boeddha's observaties en inzichten kort, bondig en ontdaan van hinderlijk jargon heeft verwerkt. Dit veelgeprezen boek over boeddhisme is een inspirerende gids voor iedereen die de kern van het boeddhisme wil doorgronden en deze levensvisie wil integreren in zijn bestaan.

Introduces Tibetan Buddhism and gathers selections from the most important Tibetan writings on Buddhism and the path to enlightenment

A handbook on the Buddhist mindfulness practice of Calm Abiding Meditation or shamatha (sanskrit). It includes instructions on the practices of Mindfulness of Body and Mindfulness of Feeling the Buddha taught. There are teachings on the five obstacles and eight antidotes, five experiences and nine stage of Calm Abiding meditation.

Based on the author's previous publication The Encyclopedia of Tibetan Symbols and Motifs, this

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handbook contains an array of symbols and motifs, accompanied by succinct explanations. It provides treatment of the essential Tibetan religious figures, themes and motifs, both secular and religious.

The Dalai Lama's indispensable commentary on a beloved Tibetan Buddhist text--now in the Shambhala Pocket Library series. One of the most beloved of all Buddhist texts, *The Way of the Bodhisattva* is a practical guide to generating the qualities of love, compassion, generosity, and patience. In this commentary on key sections of the text, the Dalai Lama shows how any of us can develop a truly "good heart," and why aspiring toward the happiness and enlightenment of others is central to any genuinely spiritual path. His Holiness's profound wisdom—the result of a lifetime of practice and study—shines brilliantly throughout this extraordinary book. This book is part of the Shambhala Pocket Library series. It was previously published with the title *For the Benefit of All Beings*. The Shambhala Pocket Library is a collection of short, portable teachings from notable figures across religious traditions and classic texts. The covers in this series are rendered by Colorado artist Robert Spellman. The books in this collection distill the wisdom and heart of the work Shambhala Publications has published over 50 years into a compact format that is collectible, reader-friendly, and applicable to everyday life.

A clear-headed and relatable guidebook for navigating the student-teacher relationship by one of the first female Buddhist teachers in the West. All major forms of Buddhism stress the need for a teacher. However, the

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importance of having a guide or guru is sometimes a source of cultural and spiritual confusion as Buddhism expands in the West. A clear understanding of the Buddhist view of the guru is essential for the student-teacher relationship to be beneficial for one's spiritual growth. Collecting over fifty years of personal experiences as both a student and a teacher, Shenpen Hookham writes candidly of the opportunities and challenges facing modern Dharma students in the West who wish to study with a teacher. Traditional texts often do not reflect how the student-teacher relationship manifests in practice, which leaves many pressing questions and a great deal of confusion in communities taking root in the West. With honesty and clarity, Hookham discusses the roles of the teacher, practices related to the guru, and commonly asked questions she receives as a teacher. This handbook is the first of its kind, breaking down in a pragmatic and relatable way everything you need to know to enter a student-teacher relationship with open eyes and an open heart.

The Handbook of Tibetan Buddhist Symbols is a portal into the rich, multifaceted, and profound symbolism of Tibetan sacred art. Robert Beer provides a deep and encompassing insight into the vast array of symbols and attributes that appear within the complex iconography of Tibetan Buddhism. The succinct descriptions that accompany his detailed line drawings reveal the origins, meanings, and functions of these symbols. Beer unravels the multiple layers of symbolism and meaning contained within the iconography, affording the reader a panoramic vision into the deeper dimensions of this sacred art. Drawn largely from Beer's monumental work *The Encyclopedia of Tibetan Symbols and Motifs*, the meticulous

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brush drawings in this book depict all of the major Buddhist symbols and motifs, including the various groups of auspicious symbols; cosmological symbols; natural and mythical animals, such as the dragon, garuda, and makara; the entire assembly of ritual tantric implements and weapons; magical and wrathful symbols; handheld emblems, attributes, and plants; esoteric Vajrayana offerings; and mudras, or ritual hand gestures.

Drawing on more than 2,500 years of Buddhist tradition and teaching, the spiritual leader demonstrates how to confront the negative emotions, stresses, and obstacles of everyday life in order to find the source of inner peace.

As an incredibly diverse religious system, Buddhism is constantly changing. The Oxford Handbook of Contemporary Buddhism offers a comprehensive collection of work by leading scholars in the field that tracks these changes up to the present day. Taken together, the book provides a blueprint to understanding Buddhism's past and uses it to explore the ways in which Buddhism has transformed in the twentieth and twenty-first centuries. The volume contains 41 essays, divided into two sections. The essays in the first section examine the historical development of Buddhist traditions throughout the world. These chapters cover familiar settings like India, Japan, and Tibet as well as the less well-known countries of Vietnam, Bhutan, and the regions of Latin America, Africa, and Oceania. Focusing on changes within countries and transnationally, this section also contains chapters that focus explicitly on globalization, such as Buddhist international organizations and diasporic communities. The second section tracks the relationship between Buddhist traditions and particular themes. These chapters review Buddhist interactions with contemporary topics such as violence and peacebuilding, and ecology, as well as Buddhist influences in areas such as medicine and

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science. Offering coverage that is both expansive and detailed, The Oxford Handbook of Contemporary Buddhism delves into some of the most debated and contested areas within Buddhist Studies today.

In een wereld waarin zoveel strijd en geweld is, wil iedereen steeds meer zekerheid hebben. Volgens Pema Chödrön is een beetje onzekerheid onmisbaar om spirituele groei te bereiken. Op een eenvoudige en eerlijke manier laat de auteur ons zien hoe we stap voor stap innerlijk vrede kunnen bereiken op weg naar vrede in onze naaste omgeving én in de wereld. Chödrön staat opnieuw stil bij shenpa, een sleutelbegrip uit haar werk. Shenpa is het gevoel dat je kunt krijgen als er iets vervelends gebeurt, waardoor je emotioneel verkrampt. Om dat te voorkomen, is het belangrijk dat je liefdevol naar jezelf kijkt, en open en ontspannen blijft. Met behulp van meditatieoefeningen kun je dit bereiken. Een kleine klassieker in de dop over persoonlijke spirituele groei. In massmarket for the first time, Start Where You Are is an indispensable handbook for cultivating fearlessness and awakening a compassionate heart, from bestselling author Pema Chodron. With insight and humour, she presents down-to-earth guidance on how to make friends with ourselves and develop genuine compassion towards others. This book shows how we can 'start where we are' by embracing rather than denying the painful aspects of our lives. Pema Chodron frames her teachings on compassion around fifty-nine traditional Tibetan Buddhist maxims, or slogans, such as: 'Always apply a joyful state of mind', 'Always meditate on whatever provokes resentment' and 'Be grateful to everyone'. Working with these slogans and through the practice of meditation, Start Where You Are shows how we can all develop the courage to work with our own inner pain and discover joy, well-being and confidence.

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categorie Beste Non-fictie.\*\*\*De Dalai Lama en Desmond Tutu hebben beiden veel tegenslagen moeten overwinnen. Ondanks hun ontberingen - of zoals ze zelf zeggen dankzij hun ontberingen - behoren ze tot de vrolijkste mensen ter wereld. Ter gelegenheid van de 80e verjaardag van de Dalai Lama reisde Desmond Tutu naar Dharamsala om samen HET BOEK VAN VREUGDE te maken als cadeau voor iedereen. Tijdens deze bijzondere week toonden ze met hun eigen uitbundigheid, compassie en humor hoe vreugde kan groeien van een voorbijgaande emotie tot een blijvende, solide levenshouding. Douglas Abrams was bij de gesprekken aanwezig en verwerkte ze tot dit boek. Een boek waar je blij van wordt, alleen al vanwege de liefdevolle manier waarop deze oude wijze mannen met elkaar omgaan, de levensvreugde en speelsheid die ze delen en de respectvolle manier waarop ze hun verschil van inzicht bespreken, want de boeddhistische en de christelijke traditie hebben naast veel overeenkomsten ook duidelijke verschillen. Het is mooi om te lezen hoe onbelangrijk die verschillen worden, want hun kernboodschap is dezelfde: vreugdevol leven bereik je door anderen vreugde te brengen.

A classic study of Tibet and it's culture.

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Overzicht en gedetailleerde beschrijving van boeddhistische meditatiemethoden.

One of the greatest works created by any culture and overwhelmingly the most significant of all Tibetan Buddhist texts in the West, The Tibetan Book of the Dead has had a number of distinguished translations, but none encompassed the work in its entirety. Now, in one of the year's most important publishing events, the entire text has not only been made available in English but in a translation of quite remarkable clarity and beauty. With an introductory commentary by His Holiness The Dalai Lama, who calls this



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translation "an extraordinary accomplishment undertaken with great care over many years" this complete edition faithfully presents the insights and intentions of the original work. It includes one of the most detailed and compelling descriptions of the after-death state in world literature, exquisitely written practices that can transform our experience of daily life, guidance on helping those who are dying, and an inspirational perspective on coping with bereavement.

Translated with the close support of leading contemporary masters, including HH Dilgo Khyentse Rinpoche, and learned scholars such as Khamtrul Rinpoche and Zenkar Rinpoche, His Holiness the Dalai Lama says, "I hope that the profound insights contained in this work will be a source of inspiration and support to many interested people around the world."

In *Zijn wie je werkelijk bent* beschrijft de Dalai Lama hoe we vanuit een groter zelfbewustzijn de wereld om ons heen met meer liefde kunnen benaderen. Liefde is wat ons bij elkaar brengt en houdt. Om daar echt aan bij te dragen moeten we eerst in onszelf kijken en van binnenuit liefde voelen en geven.

Aan de hand van persoonlijke anekdotes en ervaringen geeft de Dalai Lama in dit boek praktische aanwijzingen voor een groter zelfbewustzijn en een liefdevoller leven. *Zijn wie je werkelijk bent* laat ons zien dat we eerst zelf liefde moeten geven voordat we kunnen ontvangen. De Dalai Lama overtuigt ons bovendien dat het geven van liefde na die eerste stap onbegrensd is, en inspireert ons om deze veranderingen een plek te geven in ons eigen bestaan.

'Kindness is my religion' - Dalai Lama  
Color photographs of some of the most influential masters of contemporary Tibetan Buddhism and quotations from each of them are presented in this testament to the compassion that is at the heart of Tibetan Buddhist tradition.

Buddhism is one of the fastest growing religions in the world today -and THE BUDDHIST HANDBOOK is the best

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introduction to the teachings of Buddhism, the main schools, the Buddhist world-view, leading Buddhist teachers, Buddhist festivals and meditation. 'There is a great need to come to terms with Buddhism AS A WHOLE. John Snelling's book is an admirable attempt to do just that. ' GOLDEN DRUM 'A clear, up-to-date survey. ' CATHOLIC HERALD

This is a beautiful, gift book edition (with a ribbon marker) of a modern-day classic. *Start Where You Are* is an indispensable handbook for cultivating fearlessness and awakening a compassionate heart. With insight and humor, Pema Chödrön, author of *The Wisdom of No Escape* and *When Things Fall Apart*, presents down-to-earth guidance on how to make friends with ourselves and develop genuine compassion toward others. The author shows how we can "start where we are" by embracing rather than denying the painful aspects of our lives. Pema Chödrön frames her teachings on compassion around fifty-nine traditional Tibetan Buddhist maxims, or slogans, such as: • "Always apply a joyful state of mind" • "Don't seek others' pain as the limbs of your own happiness" • "Always meditate on whatever provokes resentment" Working with these slogans and through the practice of meditation, *Start Where You Are* shows how we can all develop the courage to work with our own inner pain and discover joy, well-being, and confidence.

ˆHet Tibetaanse boek van leven en sterven van Sogyal Rinpoche geeft op een duidelijke en inspirerende manier inzicht in meditatie, karma, reïncarnatie, mededogen en de zorg voor mensen die gaan sterven. Het is een complete en gezaghebbende introductie in het Tibetaanse boeddhisme en verenigt oude Tibetaanse wijsheid met modern onderzoek over de dood en het sterven. ˆHet Tibetaanse boek van leven en sterven bevat tevens eenvoudige oefeningen voor iedereen die zijn leven wil veranderen, zich wil voorbereiden op de dood of stervenden wil begeleiden. Sogyal Rinpoche

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werd geboren in Tibet en kreeg zowel een Tibetaans boeddhistische als een westerse opleiding. Hieruit ontstond zijn unieke wijze van onderricht geven, vol inspirerende verhalen over het van mededogen vervulde hart van Boeddha. Sinds 1974 geeft hij boeddhistisch onderricht in Europa, onder andere in Nederland.

The "Tibetan Book of the Dead, a best-seller for three decades, is one of the most widely read texts of Tibetan Buddhism. Over the years, it has been studied and cherished by Buddhists and non-Buddhists alike. "Luminous Emptiness is a detailed guide to this classic work, elucidating its mysterious concepts, terms, and imagery. Fremantle relates the symbolic world of the "Tibetan Book of the Dead to the experiences of everyday life, presenting the text not as a scripture for the dying, but as a guide for the living. According to the Buddhist view, nothing is permanent or fixed. The entire world of our experience is constantly appearing and disappearing at every moment. Using vivid and dramatic imagery, the "Tibetan Book of the Dead presents the notion that most of us are living in a dream that will continue from lifetime to lifetime until we truly awaken by becoming enlightened. Here, Fremantle, who worked closely with Chogyam Trungpa on the 1975 translation of the "Tibetan Book of the Dead (Shambhala), brings the expertise of a lifetime of study to rendering this intriguing classic more accessible and meaningful to the living. "Luminous Emptiness features in-depth explanations of: -The Tibetan Buddhist notions of death and rebirth -The meaning of the five energies and the five elements in Tibetan Buddhism -The mental and physical experience of dying, according to the Tibetan Buddhist tradition

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