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Malcolm Gladwell's provocative fresh #1 bestseller -- now in paperback. Three thousand years ago on a battlefield in historic Palestine, a shepherd boy felled a mighty warrior with only a pebble and a sling-and since, the brands of David and Goliath possess stood for battles between underdogs and giants. He shouldn't have gained. David's victory was improbable and miraculous.In the tradition of Gladwell's prior bestsellers-The Tipping Point, Blink, Outliers and What your dog Saw-DAVID AND GOLIATH draws upon history, psychology and powerful story-telling to reshape just how we think of the world all around us. In DAVID AND GOLIATH, Malcolm Gladwell issues how we consider obstacles and disadvantages, supplying a new interpretation of what it means to be discriminated against, have problems with a disability, eliminate a parent, attend a mediocre school, or endure any number of other apparent setbacks. Or should he?



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Paradigm Shift There is a particular movement through the entire chapters of the book which take you about a journey through the process of advantages versus disadvantages, put into three segments: Identifying vantage points, identifying advantages in apparent disadvantages, and the exchanges of power (because they relate to benefits and drawbacks). The way that Malcolm discussed attractive difficulties, such as ADHD was so extremely validating. My absolutely favorite part of the reserve was this dialogue on desirable difficulties. This idea is definitely postured in the story of David and Goliath in the Aged Testament, where David is certainly a little and feeble character who stands up against the mighty huge warmonger, Goliath. Gladwell does well with this because even though many book about inspiration focus purely on the positive aspect of life, few have the ability to caution the opposite effect that may derive from an excessive amount of positivity (positivity utilized loosely right here). Gladwell uses this tale as an invitation to a paradigm shift - that people might see drawbacks in a new light. I've had ADHD my life and although I struggle with it, it has also been a blessing. ^Examine the book to find out why. If you are a person who will not enjoy stories, read the first many chapters then skim all of those other book. I would recommend this for anybody. You begin to understand where the stories are going and get used to Gladwell's style early on in the reading. That is to be expected since Gladwell is certainly a well-known journalist; However, when one becomes as well engrossed in the stories, and the points are made in mere a sentence or two out of many pages of tale, the points being made appear to lose their effect. Book Summary: The author highlights stories of inspiration to encourage visitors to overcome complications or adversity. He just quotes one resource and uses that source heavily to prove the idea that Goliath had a sickness in his mind that produced him big and made his movements slow. Besides that, I appreciated his use of sources. Overall, this book is well worth reading as it can switch your thinking for the better. The data used was mainly anecdotal or simply not the complete story — he choses circumstances that fit the conclusions he really wants to make disregarding the complexities, or ignoring the fact that only a small percentage of people have such experiences, and perhaps, just having incorrect details. The truths that are regarded in this text are basic truths that each person may benefit from learning or becoming alert to. Everyone faces giants in existence. Recommend "what the dog saw" as well Read it, especially if you're an underdog Great book but We couldn't see through 2/3rds of it. Normally when we do, we lose. Rather, we can discover strengths in the greatest of weaknesses, and opportunities in all kinds of circumstances that turn drawbacks upside-down. Great book, changes the way you think and gives .The points made hold a solidarity to them.. I think how David was willing to think out-of-the-box about how to kill Goliath can be how Malcolm Gladwell looks at so many different areas of existence. The two main points I took away from this book: •too much of any good thing will lead to a bad thing (and vice versa). The author also strongly cautions taking on too much adversity as the result may be the opposing of what's intended. The first three chapters focus on redefining our circumstances, followed by another three which are cause-and-effect associations (how our disadvantages form our lives for advantages), followed by more chapters of redefining drawbacks through questioning what actual power looks like. Although Gladwell makes great factors, you will probably find his story-telling to become redundant. This book will be impactful for all those that enjoy long stories/narratives to produce a point Headline: This reserve will end up being impactful for those that enjoy lengthy stories/narratives to create a point. Only one time did I find myself questioning Gladwell's resources, and that was on his information regarding Goliath's health. •I would much rather be a big seafood in a little pond than be considered a small fish in a big pond. The thesis of the book would be, "Through these stories, I would like to

explore two tips. The writer successfully attributes narratives throughout the book to create these points seem genuine. And second, that people consistently get these types of conflicts wrong. We misread them. Eventually, I would suggest this book. Giants aren't what we think they are. The same qualities that appear to give them strength are often the sources of great weakness" (Kindle, 48). The first is that a lot of what we consider beneficial in our world arises out of these kinds of lopsided conflicts, as the action of facing overwhelming odds creates greatness and beauty. essential read Biz reading Book Love the book My favorite of most of Malcom Gladwell's books. Five Stars Good book--Malcolm Gladwell makes interesting points! The idea is interesting, but reading the first few chapters is honestly enough. While this college student was in the 99th percentile in the world on her behalf brilliance, the constant comparing of herself to various other "smarter" students finished up holding her back. While Gladwell started this reserve well, with tales and points being made precisely and obviously, the book does not end that method. Gladwell comments, "We compare ourselves to those in the same situation as ourselves" (Kindle, 869). The story leads to a twist where David defeats the giant when everyone expects the giant to win. "What matters, in determining the likelihood of getting a science degree, is not just how intelligent you are. It's how smart you are feeling relative to the other folks in your classroom" (Kindle, 922). Had she attended a college with a slightly less competitive nature, she would possess excelled. As you go through past the 1st few chapters, the stories become much longer and it takes away from the points being made clearly. That is a good and a bad factor all at once. What sort of stories are written, they are engaging, causing you to feel like you're reading a historical novel. for he collects his thoughts thoroughly and runs on the set format to create his stories.. For example, it is challenging to argue the actual fact that too much or inadequate of anything could be both bad and the good. Gladwell references the U-curve (shaped like a parabola) in the first few chapters stating that the perfect point between good and bad is at the end of the U, going beyond which will see minimal results, going less than that point will demonstrate too little results. As nearly everything in this world is a binary, that is a difficult point to argue because it is true in nearly every situation (I cannot think of a situation where it does not). The beauty of the discussion, however, is not in the inability to argue the factors being made, rather it really is in the simplicity that it is explained. Gladwell takes what may be an extremely difficult concept and explains it in a way that just about any person may understand. We misinterpret them. The self-development and psychological elements are well-presented. Gladwell will a good work of interweaving these stories with data such as for example charts and graphs, in addition to historical data to defend his main idea. That is a positive message to place any underdog on top in all kinds of negative circumstances. Gladwell; The narratives also tug at one's heartstrings in a manner that makes the aim of the story become vivid. All of Malcom's books are believed provoking and eye-opening. I consider the story of David and Goliath from the Bible in different ways now. Great book, changes the way you think and gives perfect illustrations. if you want to read it, an overview online will serve you just as well without wasting therefore enough time. Just as Globe Battle Z highlighted mother-character's greatest strength as its greatest weakness, our apparently disadvantageous circumstances have more advantages than imagined. Gladwell will an excellent job capturing plenty of true stories of people with drawbacks, or in disadvantageous circumstances. All advantages may seem to have disadvantages, but there's even more that meets the attention. Absolutely love this publication. Thank You!! Gladwell further evidences his stage by offering simple good examples like a U-curve so that individuals may understand the tipping point as best as feasible between various scenarios. Very motivating, reminds you that you're perhaps well poised to accomplish

something amazing in your daily life and to look at the bads in your life as good training ground for achieving beyond better. Like Goliath, those giants give us a call out to battle with them on the terms, but we don't have to meet up with those giants on the terms. Once you get it, you dont feel just like reading the end. Only 4 stars because I have only started reading it (therefore don't know how the rest will be) Love this author, always enthusiastically written no matter the topic, and fits in real-world examples and analogies and estimates ways that make you think that differently, and laugh, and I always learn something! Great book A really great book Good Idea, That's it.Among the best stories in the book related to this tipping point was of a student who all attended Harvard for a degree in research. I'll confess that I haven't completed this book — which just occurs when I am not interested plenty of to continue. This book repeats the same concepts over and over again (as if you aren't wise enough to comprehend the first couple of times) and says it's conclusions and suggestions as if you can not really attract the conclusions themselves from equivalent information. Advantages have disadvantages, but drawbacks present the opportunity to discover new-found advantages. I experienced as though I was striking my mind with a brick while reading it, and while good points were made, a lot of it was useless fluff and redundancies. I'd not recommend this book; I came across it fascinating to learn that the slingers could sling a rock at a similar speed and strength compared to that of a bullet.



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