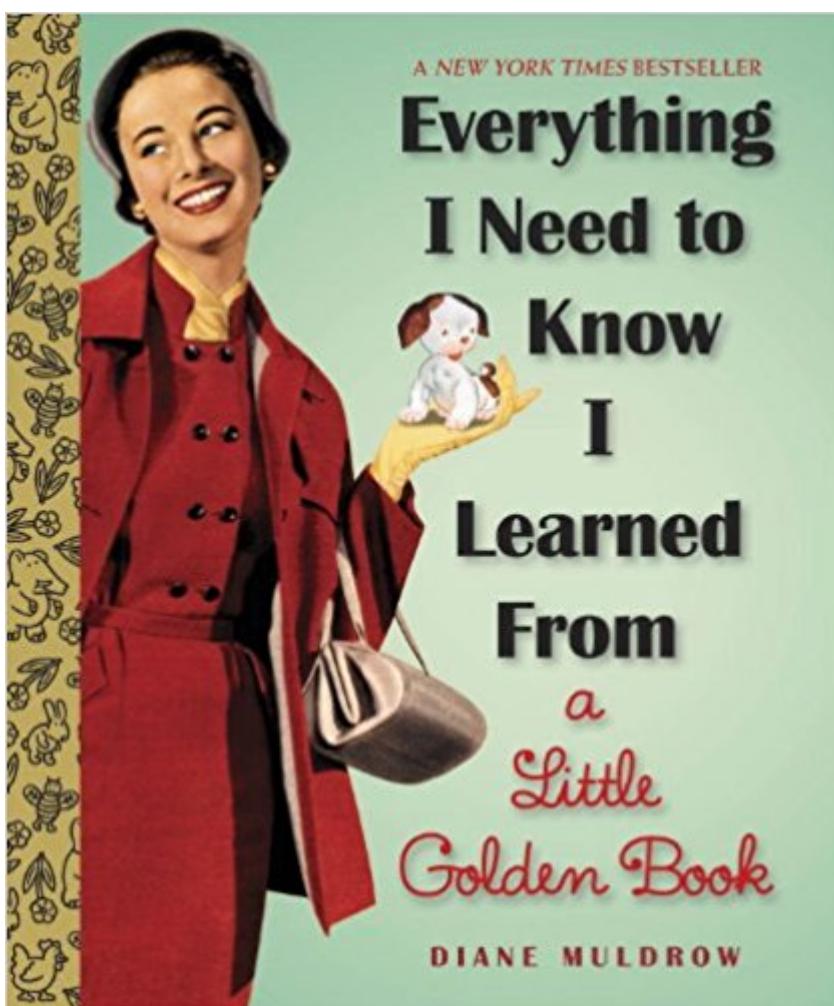


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# Everything I Need To Know I Learned From A Little Golden Book (Little Golden Books (Random House))



## Synopsis

Sure to bring memories and a smile, this Little Golden Book "guide to life" is the perfect gift for recent grads, lovers of children's literature, baby boomers— or anyone who cherishes the sturdy little books with the shiny cardboard covers and gold foil spines! A humorous "guide to life" for grown-ups! One day, Diane Muldrow, a longtime editor of the iconic Little Golden Books, realized that, despite their whimsical appearance, there was hardly a real-life situation that hadn't been covered in the more than 70-year-old line of children's books—from managing money, to the importance of exercise, to finding contentment in the simplest things. In this age of debt, depression, and diabetes, could we adults use a refresher course in the gentle lessons from these adorable books, she wondered—a "Little Golden guide to life"? Yes, we could! Muldrow's humorous yet practical tips for getting the most out of life ("Don't forget to enjoy your wedding!" "Be a hugger." "Sweatpants are bad for morale."), drawn from more than 60 stories, are paired with delightful images from these best-loved children's books of all time—among them *The Poky Little Puppy*, *Pantaloons*, *Mister Dog*, *Nurse Nancy*, *We Help Mommy*, *Five Pennies to Spend*, and *The Little Red Hen*. The Golden greats of children's illustration are represented here as well: Richard Scarry, Garth Williams, Eloise Wilkin, J. P. Miller, and Mary Blair, among many others. Sure to bring memories and a smile, this book is a perfect gift for baby boomers, recent grads, lovers of children's literature—or anyone who cherishes the sturdy little books with the shiny cardboard covers and gold foil spines!

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## Customer Reviews

Publishers Weekly, July 15, 2013: "Readers who grew up with Little Golden Books will enjoy this optimistic and cheering trip down memory lane." Kirkus Reviews, September 1, 2013: "Chicken soup for fans of Golden Books." School Library Journal, October 2013: "A fun and entertaining walk down memory lane... This title will be great for sharing one-on-one with children."

DIANE MULDROW, editorial director at Golden Books, has written dozens of children's books, including *We Planted a Tree*, illustrated by Bob Staake. She edited *Golden Legacy: How Golden Books Won Children's Hearts, Changed Publishing Forever*, and *Became an American Icon Along the Way*, by Leonard Marcus.

I have given this book to many people that I care about. It reflects a positive philosophy of life. It reflects the life cycle and gives direction when things go wrong. Everyone to whom I have given it would like to survive when things inevitably go wrong. Everyone has "bumps in the road" during their lives. They remember the little Golden Books that they have read throughout their childhoods and would like to recapture the positive feelings that Golden Books evoke. I would recommend this book to those readers that would like to live with as positive an attitude as possible. JIBLL

This is a beautifully illustrated book that will bring back sweet memories of when life did not seem so complicated. The simple but practical bits of advice are taken from numerous Golden Books. If you grew up with these wonderful children's books this volume will take you on a wonderful trip back to memory lane. The advice is simple and direct but that does not take away from the important life lessons it teaches you. Some of the wonderful tips in this book include the following: "Get some exercise every day, Day dream, Star Gaze, Bird Watch, Make music a part of your life, Turn off the TV from time to time and crack open a book, Savor the seasons as they roll around, Dare to explore what's out there for you" and many other great pieces of advice. The fantastic and colorful illustrations are worth the price of the book alone. This is the kind of book for all ages and one that provides practical and meaningful advice that is easy to follow. This is also a volume that you will want to pass down to other children to 7 years old to 90 years old. Rating: 5 Stars. Joseph J. Truncale

(Author: Haiku Moments: How to read, write and enjoy haiku).

I generally don't do "cutesy" books. I've waited for months to see this at the library because I knew it wouldn't be worth buying. Well, I was wrong. The illustrations alone are priceless, but the message is great and the author doesn't add her own opinions on every page. She doesn't need to and she leaves well enough alone. So often this type of book is ruined by personal and obvious remarks. For the price, it's an excellent nostalgic gift for anyone over the age of 50, though my own kids loved it as well (and they are under 40!). I've sent five people this book including one to a friend in the hospital--what a way to brighten someone's day. As I said, I don't do cutesy or trendy, so this book actually touched my heart.

This book pays tribute to Little Golden Books of the past. Reading it and, most especially, seeing the full page illustrations was a trip down memory lane. Diane Muldrow has pulled together some of the best of the LGB library and added little bits of wisdom and humor in each page. If you remember these books from childhood you will bring back memories. If not, you will get a fresh, new look at what generations of readers have enjoyed. A lovely book for sharing and very reasonably priced.

I really had no idea what to expect with this book. I must not have "looked inside" or maybe that wasn't offered. This book is just my cup of tea. Memories flood back from my childhood as well as my own children's and will continue with eventual grands. I brought it to my knitting group where many members are in their 80's and I saw quiet smiles. I didn't recognize a lot of the titles from the past which must be long out of print but there were plenty I knew. It makes me want to ask if there is a place where we can read ALL of the Goldens ever published. I think I'll be buying more as gifts!

What a fun book for a Librarian. I bought this for my friend who was an elementary school librarian, and she loves it. It has a lot of life truths in it. Just what one would expect from a Golden Book.

I saw this book in a bookstore a couple towns away when I was out on a day trip with my best friend, and wanted to get it for her birthday desperately, but knew I couldn't buy it there because she was with me. I immediately looked on as soon as I get home, and not only did they have it, but it was HALF THE PRICE as in the store, and I could get 2 day shipping with my Prime Account! Amazing. Not only did my best friend love her gift, but it was a hit with ALL the women at the dinner party. Everyone passed it around, utterly delighted with the memories it brought back of our own

childhoods. This book is cleverly put together, delightful to look through, and a joy to own, share, or give as a gift. I highly recommend it...for the child in all of us.

This is an adorable, little book to own. As a HUGE Little Golden Book fan from a very young age, this book brought back great memories and made me smile.

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