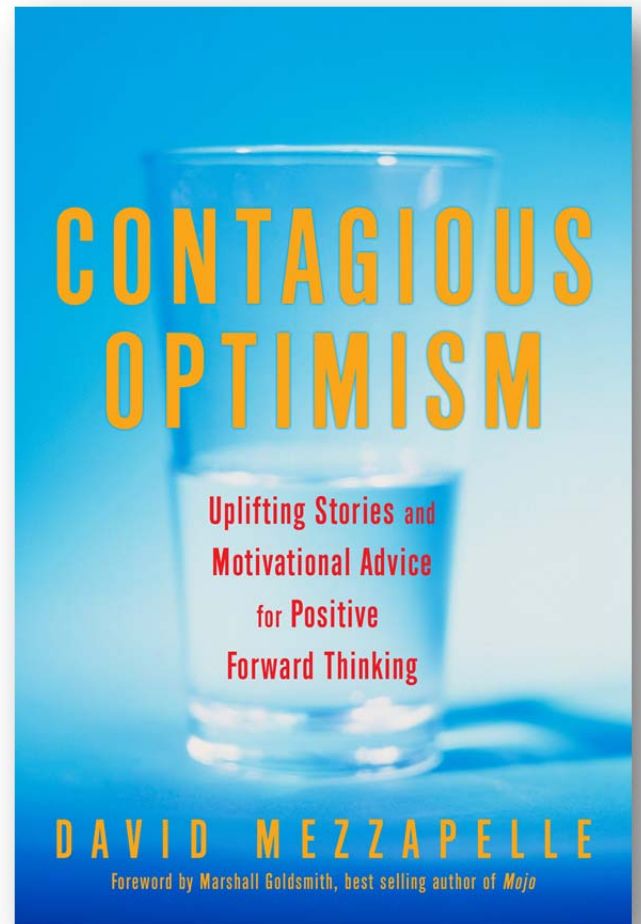


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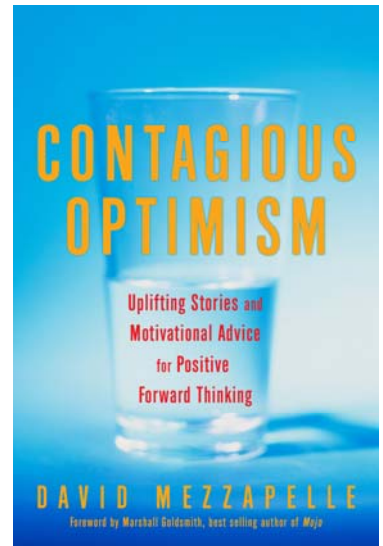
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Thank you for your interest in this wonderful project.

Contagious Optimism is an uplifting book series that includes real stories from real people around the globe. Our themes reflect stories and outcomes that our readers can relate to.

We are now working on our next volume which will include stories across a broad range of themes from people such as you. You have wonderful stories to tell and we believe our readership would enjoy them, learn from them, and find them uplifting. We also believe that everyone has the capacity to make optimism contagious just by sharing our life's adventures. Whether people are experiencing good or bad times, just knowing that others have been in the same boat, and have persevered, is comforting and spreads a message of hope.



Your approved stories are professionally copyedited by our team. Once accepted, you are considered a published author; a wonderful honor and an impressive accomplishment. By publishing these stories, we are adding to your family's legacy and capturing tangible knowledge about you that will be passed on to future generations in perpetuity. And remember, this is a fun project you can do together with family and friends if you wish.

Our team looks forward to working with you and is available anytime should you have questions. This information is also available online at <http://www.contagiousoptimism.com/fau-senior-edition.html>. Thank you.

David Mezzapelle
Author, *Contagious Optimism*

Essay Questionnaire

Thank you for participating in the *Contagious Optimism* writing project. We are looking forward to receiving your essay. Feel free to submit as many as you wish. Simply copy this form for each essay you wish to submit. Please do not worry about perfect grammar, spelling, etc. All essays are professionally copyedited. This is a fun project you can do together with family or friends if you wish.

Below you will find 12 questions along with spaces to write your bio and your essay. If possible, we would prefer that you submit this via email. Simply type the question number and your answer into the body of any email program. When complete, please email to submissions@lifecarrots.com. If not, please submit this form to the address or fax on the previous page. (You can also complete this form online at <http://www.contagiousoptimism.com/essayform.html>).

1. WRITER FULL NAME _____ (include a title if you wish. i.e. Dr. Esq. etc.)
2. ADDRESS _____

3. PHONE # _____
4. EMAIL ADDRESS (if applicable) _____
5. WHERE DO YOU CONSIDER YOUR "HOMETOWN?" (city, state or country) _____
6. WHERE WERE YOU BORN? (city, state or country) _____

If someone is completing this form on your behalf, please have them complete this section. If not, please skip to #11:

7. THEIR FULL NAME _____
8. THEIR RELATIONSHIP TO YOU _____ (i.e. son, spouse, friend, niece, caregiver, etc.)
9. THEIR PHONE # _____
10. THEIR EMAIL ADDRESS (if applicable) _____
11. Tell us a little about yourself (125 words or less). This is your brief biography for the "Meet our Co-Authors" section:

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12. THIS SECTION IS WHERE YOU WILL WRITE YOUR ESSAY. Please tell us about an event or events in your life where you prevailed despite difficult circumstances. You can also tell stories about other people such as parents, children, friends, relatives, mentors, etc. Our readers look to these essays to find examples where people persevered and were successful despite the odds. We are looking for an uplifting story or advice that demonstrates the importance of a positive attitude and how things can really work out for the best (850 words or less. 1,100 maximum if necessary).

You can write your essay across any of the themes below or create a new one:

Love, relationships, family, loss, career, body image, business, finance, education, sports, health, addressing fear, current events, military/war, appreciating the past, altruism – giving and/or caring about others, examples of gratitude in your life - past or present, examples of happiness in your life, examples of forgiveness in your life, learning lessons, disappointments that turned into something good, addiction, co-dependency, importance of a mentor, examples of teamwork, etc.

There are no wrong answers. We always welcome new themes and ideas! Share your story here!

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