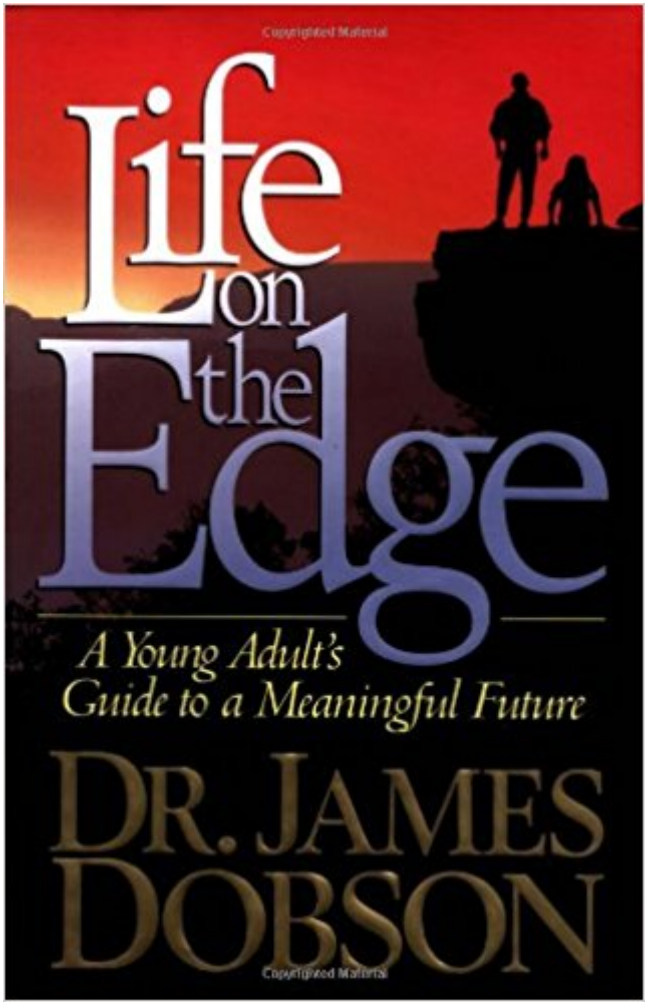
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Synopsis

America’s most respected family authority candidly addresses the defining issues that young adults face and the choices-education, marriage, career, vocation-that will impact the rest of their lives. Life on the Edge helps young adults make the right choices, get control of their lives, and look forward to a meaningful future.

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Customer Reviews

In his earlier books, Dobson, founder of focus on the family, wrote about topics ranging from the parental discipline of children to the relationship between husbands and wives. Here Dobson addresses the problems facing young adults between the ages of 16 and 26. Believing that life’s most crucial decisions are often made during this ten-year period, Dobson offers his advice about finding God’s will in the choice of a marriage partner, the quest for a profesion, the control of money, and the establishment of self-esteem. Although the book records the voices of young adults through a series of questions and answers, Dobson’s tone is often arrogant, his demeanor sexist, and his attitude narrow-minded. Still he has a large and dedicated following who will request this book.Copyright 1995 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Psychologist Dobson is one of the most successful--and because of his adamancy on the sinfulness of abortion and homosexuality, most controversial--Christian broadcasters via his daily program, Focus on the Family. On the strength of that success, Word is ordering a quarter-million-copy first

printing of this adviser on love and life for young adults age 16 to 26. Full of personal anecdotes and great swatches of text from Dobson's previous books, presented in a congenial, colloquial manner like that of Dobson's speeches and radio commentary, it is basically sound, commonsensical, albeit stringent counsel. Dobson is foursquare for delaying sex until marriage, choosing a spouse carefully, and dismissing divorce as a way to solve problems. He admonishes his target audience to be faithful to their families of origin despite the stresses caused by the necessity of achieving adult independence, and he advocates Christian rather than state or private secular colleges for undergraduate education. Undergirding these major themes are a pretty fundamentalist Christianity, to be sure, but also a genuine counselor's understanding of human weakness and extension of sympathy. And despite the bad rap the Religious Right, of which Dobson is a prominent voice, gets, there is not a hateful word in the book. Convinced young Christians, especially those who don't fancy themselves sophisticated, well may appreciate Dobson's manner as well as his matter. Ray Olson

I read this book when I was about 20 years old, which may have been a couple of years later than I needed to. In any case, I found a lot of good thoughts and very candid advice that if heeded can help to point in the right direction and hopefully guard against some pitfalls that can truly affect the rest of your life. Dr. Dobson does not beat around the bush though or sugar coat what he's trying to say. He is speaking very clearly and candidly, which I feel is the best approach for the subject matter. We bought two copies of this book for each of our older nieces as gifts. Maybe they'll read them and maybe they won't. This book was an inspiration to me when I was their age, so I figured now they at least have the opportunity.

This book is great and it truly shows the meaning and purpose why we face hardships during our younger years. This critical decade is the one that defines and shapes what our future will look like!

I'm nearly done reading this book, and although I'm well past my teen/young adult years, there are numerous things that are helpful or for anyone at any age. It is easy to read, conversational at times, and contains many stories and examples that make it interesting and read fast. I highly recommend it for anyone who wants help navigating the treacherous waters of life and I would consider it "required reading" for the target audience of 16-26 year olds.

This book is a great for teens at the in-between stage of graduation from high school and beginning

college. It’s "straight-up" talk from Dr. Dobson that covers many current issues today’s teen experiences. I use this book as a senior gift each year, knowing that the frank conversation and examples used by Dr. Dobson will get the reader’s attention and help put the information into usable form.

We have given this book as a gift to our HighSchool graduating seniors at church for overfifteen years. We will continue to do so.

I bought this book as a gift to give to a high school graduate in our church. This is one of those books that the advise never gets old and I feel every young person should read as they begin their adult life. I can’t encourage others to read this enough! Great book!

I read this book 15 years ago and it changed my mindset of life. I have used it many times for youth over the years. This copy went to a high school student.

You cannot beat this book for a teen or twenty something who needs advice for getting on the right track. While James Dobson is a traditional religious writer I feel that this book is down to earth enough to appeal to the intended age group. It is not judgemental. It just explains the benefits of making good choices. It also gives the information necessary to make good choices. It is so harsh that it would turn off a person who may not be as religious as the usualy Dobson reader. Excellent reading and excellent advice. Could also be useful for older readers as well.

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