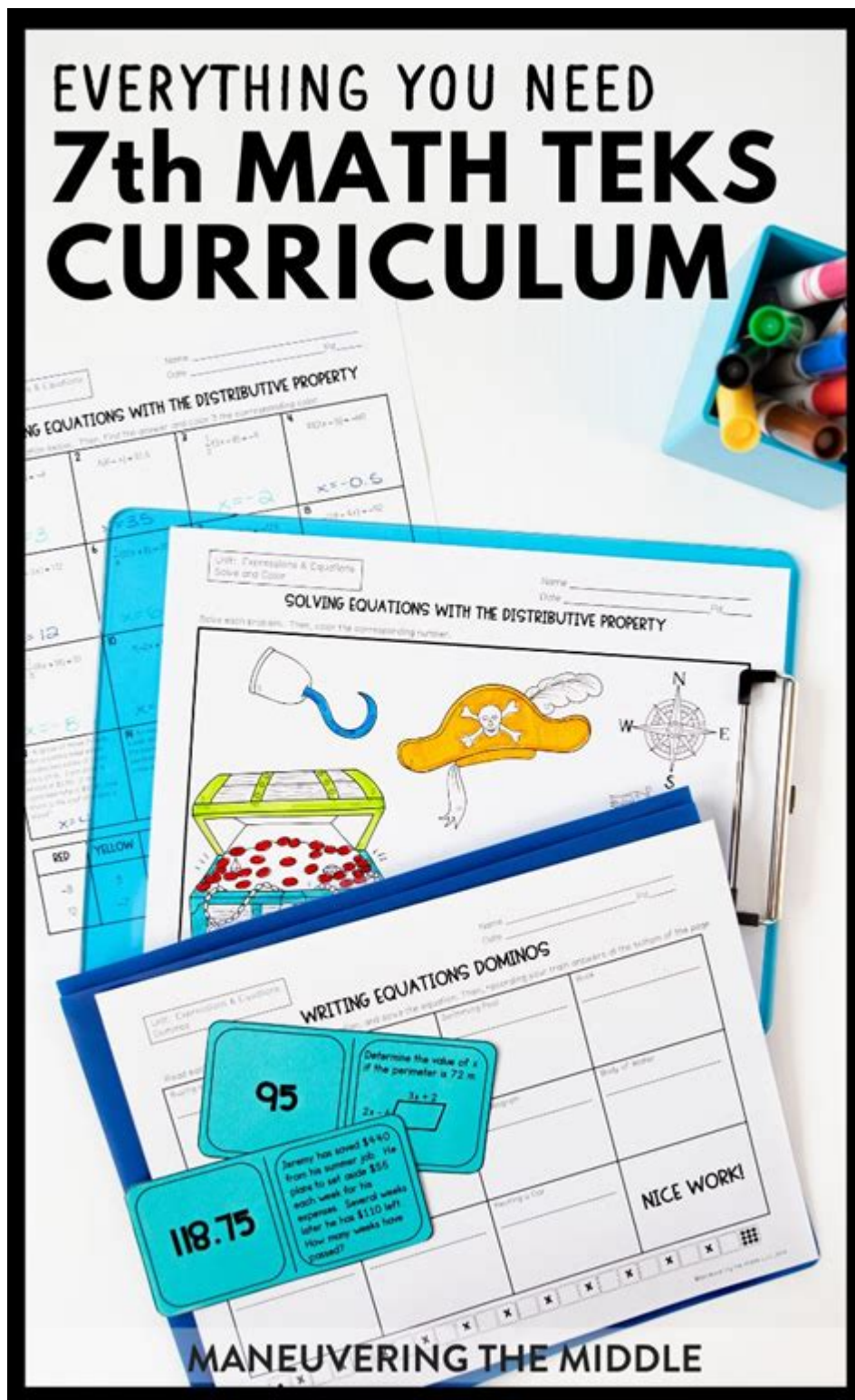


# Maneuvering The Middle Llc 2015



**Maneuvering the Middle LLC 2015: A Retrospective and**

# Lessons Learned

Navigating the complexities of business ownership, especially in the formative years, can feel like traversing a minefield. For many LLCs formed in 2015, "maneuvering the middle" was a daily reality. This post offers a retrospective look at the challenges faced by LLCs established in 2015, analyzing the economic climate, common pitfalls, and ultimately, the strategies that led to success. We'll explore key areas impacting these businesses, providing insights that are still relevant for today's entrepreneurs.

## The Economic Landscape of 2015 for New LLCs

2015 presented a unique economic backdrop for new businesses. The recovery from the 2008 recession was still underway, with steady, albeit moderate, growth. Interest rates remained low, making borrowing more accessible, but competition was fierce. This environment demanded agility and a keen understanding of market trends. Many LLCs found themselves wrestling with issues of scalability, cash flow management, and finding their niche in a still-recovering market.

## Common Pitfalls Faced by 2015 LLCs

Several common pitfalls plagued many LLCs launched in 2015. Let's delve into some of the most prevalent:

### **Underestimating Startup Costs:**

Many underestimated the true cost of launching and sustaining a business. Unexpected expenses, from unforeseen technical issues to marketing overruns, often stretched already tight budgets. Careful budgeting and contingency planning were crucial, but often overlooked.

### **Ignoring Market Research:**

A lack of thorough market research led many LLCs to develop products or services that lacked demand. Understanding the target audience, competitive landscape, and market trends was – and remains – paramount.

### **Neglecting Digital Marketing:**

The digital landscape was rapidly evolving in 2015. Many LLCs failed to leverage the power of online marketing, SEO, and social media, limiting their reach and potential customer base.

**Poor Cash Flow Management:**

Maintaining positive cash flow is critical for any business. Many 2015 LLCs struggled with late payments from clients, inadequate invoicing processes, and poor expense tracking, resulting in financial instability.

**Lack of Proper Legal and Financial Structure:**

While forming an LLC provides liability protection, many neglected the importance of ongoing legal and financial compliance. This included failing to properly file taxes, maintain accurate records, and secure appropriate insurance.

## **Strategies for Success: Lessons from 2015**

Despite the challenges, many LLCs established in 2015 thrived. Their success can be attributed to several key strategies:

**Adaptability and Innovation:**

Successful 2015 LLCs were remarkably adaptable. They were quick to pivot their business models, products, or marketing strategies in response to changing market conditions.

**Strong Networking and Relationships:**

Building strong relationships with mentors, investors, and other businesses proved invaluable. These connections provided access to resources, advice, and potential collaborations.

**Data-Driven Decision Making:**

Utilizing data analytics to track performance, understand customer behavior, and refine strategies was a crucial differentiator for successful LLCs.

**Focus on Customer Service:**

Providing exceptional customer service fostered loyalty and positive word-of-mouth marketing, driving organic growth.

**Strategic Partnerships:**

Collaborating with complementary businesses opened up new markets and reduced operational costs.

## **The Long-Term Impact and Relevance Today**

The experiences of LLCs established in 2015 offer valuable lessons for today's entrepreneurs. The challenges faced then – from managing finances to adapting to technological shifts – remain relevant. The strategies employed by successful businesses – adaptability, strong networking, and data-driven decision-making – continue to be key drivers of growth. By learning from the past, today's entrepreneurs can better navigate the complexities of business ownership and increase their chances of long-term success.

## Conclusion

"Maneuvering the Middle LLC 2015" wasn't just a phrase; it was a reality for many entrepreneurs. This period underscored the importance of meticulous planning, adaptability, and a deep understanding of the business landscape. By analyzing the challenges and successes of these businesses, we can extract crucial lessons applicable to entrepreneurs launching businesses today. Remember, thorough preparation, consistent adaptation, and a focus on customer value are cornerstones of enduring success.

## FAQs

1. What were the biggest regulatory hurdles faced by LLCs in 2015? While not significantly different from today, compliance with evolving tax regulations and increasing reporting requirements presented challenges, especially for those without dedicated accounting support.
2. How did the rise of mobile technology impact LLCs in 2015? The increasing reliance on mobile devices demanded a mobile-first approach to websites and marketing strategies. Those who adapted quickly gained a competitive advantage.
3. What role did social media play in the success or failure of 2015 LLCs? Effective social media marketing was crucial for building brand awareness and engaging with customers. Those who neglected this aspect often struggled to gain traction.
4. What were the most effective marketing strategies employed by successful 2015 LLCs? A blend of digital marketing (SEO, social media, email marketing) combined with targeted advertising and content marketing proved effective.
5. How did access to funding differ for LLCs in 2015 compared to today? While interest rates were low, securing funding still required a strong business plan and a convincing pitch. Today, alternative funding options like crowdfunding are more prevalent.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: Gravel Roads** Ken Skorseth, 2000 The purpose of this manual is to provide clear and helpful information for maintaining gravel roads. Very little technical help is available to small agencies that are responsible for managing these roads. Gravel road maintenance has traditionally been more of an art than a science and very few formal standards

exist. This manual contains guidelines to help answer the questions that arise concerning gravel road maintenance such as: What is enough surface crown? What is too much? What causes corrugation? The information is as nontechnical as possible without sacrificing clear guidelines and instructions on how to do the job right.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: Victory 1918** Alan Warwick Palmer, 2000-12-04 Now in paperback, a distinguished historian recounts the myriad tragic blunders and the unprecedented, unfathomable bloodshed that was World War I in a fresh and revealing look at the war and its impact on the 20th century. Maps. of photos.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: The Beast Side** D. Watkins, 2015-09-08 A New York Times Best Seller! Baltimore, one of our country's quintessential urban war zones, is brought powerfully to life by literary talent, D. Watkins To many, the past 8 years under President Obama were meant to usher in a new post-racial American political era, dissolving the divisions of the past. However, when seventeen-year-old Trayvon Martin was shot by a wannabe cop in Florida; and then Ferguson, Missouri, happened; and then South Carolina hit the headlines; and then Baltimore blew up, it was hard to find any evidence of a new post-racial order. Suddenly the entire country seemed to be awakened to a stark fact: African American men are in danger in America. This has only become clearer as groups like Black Lives Matter continue to draw attention to this reality daily not only online but also in the streets of our nation's embattled cities. D. Watkins. fought his way up on the eastside (the "beastside") of Baltimore, Maryland—or "Bodystore, Murderland," as his friends call it. He writes openly and unapologetically about what it took to survive life on the streets while the casualties piled up around him, including his own brother. Watkins pushed drugs to pay his way through school, staying one step ahead of murderous business rivals and equally predatory lawmen. When black residents of Baltimore finally decided they had had enough—after the brutal killing of twenty-five-year-old Freddie Gray while in police custody—Watkins was on the streets as the city erupted. He writes about his bleeding city with the razor-sharp insights of someone who bleeds along with it. Here are true dispatches from the other side of America. In this new paperback edition, the author has also added new material in a section title Bonus Tracks, responding to the rising tide of racial resentment and hate embodied by political figures like Donald Trump and Ted Cruz as well as the heartbreaking killings of Alton Sterling and Philando Castile, and the impact this has had on issues of race in America. This book is essential reading for anyone trying to make sense of the chaos of our current political moment.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: International Building Code 2015** International Code Council, 2014 Offers the latest regulations on designing and installing commercial and residential buildings.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: The Invisible Woman** Claire Tomalin, 2012-08-29 Charles Dickens and Nelly Ternan met in 1857; she was 18, a hard-working actress performing in his production of *The Frozen Deep*, and he was 45, the most lionized writer in England. Out of their meeting came a love affair that lasted thirteen years and destroyed Dickens's marriage while effacing Nelly Ternan from the public record. In this remarkable work of biography and scholarly reconstruction, the acclaimed biographer of Mary Wollstonecraft, Thomas Hardy, Samuel Pepys and Jane Austen rescues Nelly from the shadows of history, not only returning the neglected actress to her rightful place, but also providing a compelling portrait of the great Victorian novelist himself. The result is a thrilling literary detective story and a deeply compassionate work that encompasses all those women who were exiled from the warm, well-lighted parlors of Victorian England.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: Marvel and a Wonder** Joe Meno, 2015-08-10 A boy and his grandfather hunt for a stolen horse in this novel "evoking William Faulkner and Cormac McCarthy" (Booklist). Longlisted for the American Library Association's Andrew Carnegie Medal for Excellence in Fiction In the summer of 1995, Jim Falls, a Korean War vet, struggles to raise his sixteen-year-old mixed-race grandson, Quentin, on a farm in southern Indiana. In July, they receive a mysterious gift—a beautiful quarter horse—which upends the balance of their difficult lives. The horse's appearance catches the attention of a pair of troubled, meth-dealing brothers and, after a violent

altercation, the horse is stolen and sold. Grandfather and grandson must travel the landscape of the bleak heartland to reclaim the animal and to confront the ruthless party that has taken possession of it. Along the way, both will be forced to face the misperceptions and tragedies of their past. "A vivid portrait of Heartland America . . . I've long been an admirer of Joe Meno's work, and this is his most ambitious book yet." —Dan Chaon, New York Times–bestselling author of *Ill Will* "[Meno] has a knack for giving small happenings emotional weight. . . . Meno knows how to make you love his characters, want what they want. But don't think he's going to let things turn out well for them. Marvels and wonders aren't worth the trouble. Fortunately, this book is." —The New York Times Book Review "It's at once a story about two people and an exploration of the past, present, and future of the country. . . . As the fate of the horse, of Jim Falls, of Quentin—of America!—becomes more perilous, the book picks up speed. The story is operating on different levels—as a family story, an epic, and in the end a page-turner—but they remain skillfully balanced." —Chicago Reader "A wise and touching novel of love, loyalty, courage; an extraordinary book not to be missed." —Library Journal

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: Flying beyond the stall** Douglas A. Joyce, 2014 The X-31 Enhanced Fighter Maneuverability Demonstrator was unique among experimental aircraft. A joint effort of the United States and Germany, the X-31 was the only X-plane to be designed, manufactured, and flight tested as an international collaboration. It was also the only X-plane to support two separate test programs conducted years apart, one administered largely by NASA and the other by the U.S. Navy, as well as the first X-plane ever to perform at the Paris Air Show. *Flying Beyond the Stall* begins by describing the government agencies and private-sector industries involved in the X-31 program, the genesis of the supermaneuverability concept and its initial design breakthroughs, design and fabrication of two test airframes, preparation for the X-31's first flight, and the first flights of Ship #1 and Ship #2. Subsequent chapters discuss envelope expansion, handling qualities (especially at high angles of attack), and flight with vectored thrust. The book then turns to the program's move to NASA's Dryden Flight Research Center and actual flight test data. Additional tasking, such as helmet-mounted display evaluations, handling quality studies, aerodynamic parameter estimation, and a tailless study are also discussed. The book describes how, in the aftermath of a disastrous accident with Ship #1 in 1995, Ship #2 was prepared for its outstanding participation in the Paris Air Show. The aircraft was then shipped back to Edwards AFB and put into storage until the late 1990s, when it was refurbished for participation in the U. S. Navy's VECTOR program. The book ends with a comprehensive discussion of lessons learned and includes an Appendix containing detailed information.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: Reinforcement Learning, second edition** Richard S. Sutton, Andrew G. Barto, 2018-11-13 The significantly expanded and updated new edition of a widely used text on reinforcement learning, one of the most active research areas in artificial intelligence. Reinforcement learning, one of the most active research areas in artificial intelligence, is a computational approach to learning whereby an agent tries to maximize the total amount of reward it receives while interacting with a complex, uncertain environment. In *Reinforcement Learning*, Richard Sutton and Andrew Barto provide a clear and simple account of the field's key ideas and algorithms. This second edition has been significantly expanded and updated, presenting new topics and updating coverage of other topics. Like the first edition, this second edition focuses on core online learning algorithms, with the more mathematical material set off in shaded boxes. Part I covers as much of reinforcement learning as possible without going beyond the tabular case for which exact solutions can be found. Many algorithms presented in this part are new to the second edition, including UCB, Expected Sarsa, and Double Learning. Part II extends these ideas to function approximation, with new sections on such topics as artificial neural networks and the Fourier basis, and offers expanded treatment of off-policy learning and policy-gradient methods. Part III has new chapters on reinforcement learning's relationships to psychology and neuroscience, as well as an updated case-studies chapter including AlphaGo and AlphaGo Zero, Atari game playing, and IBM Watson's wagering strategy. The final chapter discusses the future societal impacts of

reinforcement learning.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: *Red Ink*** David Wessel, 2012 Presents a narrative analysis of the federal budget that reveals how funds were actually spent in 2011, evaluating the roles of such contributors as Jacob Lew, Douglas Elmendorf, and Pete Peterson.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: *Manicpixiedreamgirl*** Tom Leveen, 2013-04-23 Seventeen-year-old Tyler Darcy looks back on his first three years of high school and considers the significant events involving Becky, his elusive dream girl who may be more troubled than he is willing to acknowledge.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: *Undoing the Demos*** Wendy Brown, 2015-02-13 Tracing neoliberalism's devastating erosions of democratic principles, practices, and cultures. Neoliberal rationality—ubiquitous today in statecraft and the workplace, in jurisprudence, education, and culture—remakes everything and everyone in the image of homo oeconomicus. What happens when this rationality transposes the constituent elements of democracy into an economic register? In *Undoing the Demos*, Wendy Brown explains how democracy itself is imperiled. The demos disintegrates into bits of human capital; concerns with justice bow to the mandates of growth rates, credit ratings, and investment climates; liberty submits to the imperative of human capital appreciation; equality dissolves into market competition; and popular sovereignty grows incoherent. Liberal democratic practices may not survive these transformations. Radical democratic dreams may not either. In an original and compelling argument, Brown explains how and why neoliberal reason undoes the political form and political imaginary it falsely promises to secure and reinvigorate. Through meticulous analyses of neoliberalized law, political practices, governance, and education, she charts the new common sense. *Undoing the Demos* makes clear that for democracy to have a future, it must become an object of struggle and rethinking.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: *Operation Thunderbolt*** Saul David, 2015-12-01 The definitive account of one of the greatest Special Forces missions ever, the Raid of Entebbe, by acclaimed military historian Saul David. On June 27, 1976, an Air France flight from Tel Aviv to Paris was hijacked by a group of Arab and German terrorists who demanded the release of 53 terrorists. The plane was forced to divert to Entebbe, in Uganda -- ruled by the murderous despot Idi Amin, who had no interest in intervening. Days later, Israeli commandos disguised as Ugandan soldiers assaulted the airport terminal, killed all the terrorists, and rescued all the hostages but three who were killed in the crossfire. The assault force suffered just one fatality: its commander, Yoni Netanyahu (brother of Israel's Prime Minister.) Three of the country's greatest leaders -- Ehud Barak, Shimon Peres and Yitzhak Rabin -- planned and pulled off one of the most astonishing military operations in history.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: *Unequal Childhoods*** Annette Lareau, 2011-08-02 This book is a powerful portrayal of class inequalities in the United States. It contains insightful analysis of the processes through which inequality is reproduced, and it frankly engages with methodological and analytic dilemmas usually glossed over in academic texts.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: *The Middle of Somewhere*** Sonja Yoerg, 2015-09-01 A troubled, young widow hikes from Yosemite Valley deep into the wilderness on the John Muir Trail to elude her shameful past in this emotionally gripping story from the author of *House Broken*. With her thirtieth birthday looming, Liz Kroft is heading for the hills—literally. Her emotional baggage weighs her down more than her backpack, but a three-week trek promises the solitude she craves—at least until her boyfriend, Dante, decides to tag along. His broad moral streak makes the prospect of confessing her sins more difficult, but as much as she fears his judgment, she fears losing him more. Maybe. They set off together alone under blue skies, but it's not long before storms threaten and two strange brothers appear along the trail. Amid the jagged, towering peaks, Liz must decide whether to admit her mistakes and confront her fears, or face the trail, the brothers and her future alone.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: *The Sins of Brother Curtis*** Lisa Davis, 2011-03-15 This brilliantly reported, unforgettable true story reveals how one of the most monstrous sexual criminals

in the history of the Mormon church preyed on his victims even as he was protected by the church elders who knew of his behavior. When Seattle attorney Tim Kosnoff agreed to listen to an eighteen-year-old man who claimed to have been molested by his Mormon Sunday school teacher, he had no idea he was embarking on a quest for justice on behalf of multiple victims or that the battle would consume years of his life and pit him against the vast, powerful, and unrepentant Mormon church itself. As Kosnoff began to investigate the case, he discovered that the Sunday school teacher, a mysterious figure named Frank Curtis, possessed a long and violent prison record before he was welcomed into the church, where he became a respected elder entrusted with the care of prepubescent Mormon boys. Through Lisa Davis's deft storytelling, two astonishing narratives unfold. The first shows how Brother Curtis ingratiated himself into the lives of young boys from working-class Mormon families where money was tight, and was accepted by mothers and fathers who saw in him a kindly uncle or grandfather figure who enjoyed the blessing of the church. Having gained the families' trust, Curtis became fiendishly helpful, offering to supervise trips or overnights out of the sight of parents, when he could manipulate his victims or ply them with alcohol. The other narrative is a real-life legal thriller. As Davis shows, Kosnoff and his partners tirelessly assembled the case against the church, sifting through records, tracking down victims, and convincing them to testify about Brother Curtis's acts. What began as a case of one plaintiff turned into a complex web stretching across multiple states. Joined by what would become a team of attorneys and investigators, Kosnoff found himself up against one of the most insular institutions in the United States: the secretive and powerful Mormon church. The amazing legal case at the heart of *The Sins of Brother Curtis* shows how the church's elite, well-funded team of attorneys claimed the church was protected under the Constitution from revealing that Curtis had molested a number of Mormon boys. Yet Kosnoff and his devoted legal team (which included a female investigator adept at getting parents of victims to talk to her) succeeded in forcing the church to reveal that it knew about Curtis and ultimately achieved a successful settlement. Emotionally powerful page by page, *The Sins of Brother Curtis* delivers a redemptive reading experience in which the truth, no matter how painful and hidden, is told at last and justice is hard won. This is a remarkable story, all true.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015:** *Inside the Middle East* Avi Melamed, 2016-03-29  
Acclaimed Israeli intelligence analyst Avi Melamed has spent more than thirty years interpreting Middle East affairs. His long-awaited *Inside the Middle East* challenges widely-accepted perceptions and provides a gripping and uniquely enlightening guide to make sense of the events unfolding in the region—to answer how the Arab world got to this point, what is currently happening, what the ramifications will be, how they will affect Israel, and what actions must immediately be undertaken, including how Western leaders need to respond. Melamed considers all the major power players in the Middle East, explains the underlying issues, and creates a three-dimensional picture, an illustration that connects the dots and provides a fascinating roadmap. He elucidates developments such as the Arab Spring, the downfall of the Muslim Brotherhood, the rise of ISIS, the epic Sunni-Shiite animosity, the essence of the war in Syria, the role of the Caliphate and Jihad, and the looming nuclear arms race. He also provides a rare opportunity to journey into the psyche of Arab society. Look through the lens of its leaders and its most ruthless terrorists. See what makes them tick and what they want. Discover how they can be overtaken. This unparalleled volume is a milestone in our understanding of the Middle East. It is the untold story of the struggles that will shape the region, and the world, for decades to come, and a groundbreaking guide that will shake you to the core, force you to reevaluate your outlook, and give you tips to navigate the future. From author Avi Melamed: The conflicts in the Middle East grow more confusing and dangerous every day. In my encounters with thousands of people from across the world - from global leaders to high school students - I know there is deep and intense thirst for knowledge because today understanding the Middle East is not optional - it's mandatory. My new book, *Inside the Middle East: Making Sense of the Most Dangerous and Complicated Region on Earth* is based on my decades of advisory, counterterrorism, education, and intelligence - positions - as well as my intimate connections throughout the Arab world. The book also provides the building blocks and database to understand



the contemporary Middle East, offers a unique insight into the Arab world, and is "a GPS to help you navigate the dramatically changing Middle East." In the book, I also offer an out of the box idea that could lead to a positive breakthrough in the Israeli- Palestinian conflict.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: It's. Nice. Outside.** Jim Kokoris, 2015-12-08 *It's. Nice. Outside.* explores that universal tension between being a parent and keeping true to yourself. In this laugh-out-loud, heartbreaking, generous family novel, Jim Kokoris returns to the heartfelt writing of *The Rich Part of Life*. Meet John Nichols. He's 50-something years old, an ex-basketball player, ex-author, ex-philanderer, ex-husband, ex-high school English teacher. And he's father to three: two overachieving adult daughters, and 19 year-old Ethan, who will never be an adult. John's oldest daughter is getting married, and as the whole family travels from their homes in New York and the Chicago area, John is secretly preparing for a life-change that will alter his family's hearts forever.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: *Fundamentals of Rocket Propulsion*** DP Mishra, 2017-07-20 The book follows a unified approach to present the basic principles of rocket propulsion in concise and lucid form. This textbook comprises of ten chapters ranging from brief introduction and elements of rocket propulsion, aerothermodynamics to solid, liquid and hybrid propellant rocket engines with chapter on electrical propulsion. Worked out examples are also provided at the end of chapter for understanding uncertainty analysis. This book is designed and developed as an introductory text on the fundamental aspects of rocket propulsion for both undergraduate and graduate students. It is also aimed towards practicing engineers in the field of space engineering. This comprehensive guide also provides adequate problems for audience to understand intricate aspects of rocket propulsion enabling them to design and develop rocket engines for peaceful purposes.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: *Never Kiss a Stranger*** Heather Grothaus, 2011 Set in 13th-century England, this first book in a thrilling new trilogy introduces the heiresses of Fallstowe Castle: Sybilla, the ruthless beauty; Cecily, the pure-hearted innocent; and Alys, the youngest sister, whose wild spirit has yet to be matched. Original.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: *The Good Girl's Guide to Getting Lost*** Rachel Friedman, 2011-03-29 Rachel Friedman has always been the consummate good girl who does well in school and plays it safe, so the college grad surprises no one more than herself when, on a whim (and in an effort to escape impending life decisions), she buys a ticket to Ireland, a place she has never visited. There she forms an unlikely bond with a free-spirited Australian girl, a born adventurer who spurs Rachel on to a yearlong odyssey that takes her to three continents, fills her life with newfound friends, and gives birth to a previously unrealized passion for adventure. As her journey takes her to Australia and South America, Rachel discovers and embraces her love of travel and unlocks more truths about herself than she ever realized she was seeking. Along the way, the erstwhile good girl finally learns to do something she's never done before: simply live for the moment.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: *Unschooling Rules*** Clark Aldrich, 2011-02

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: *Guided Math AMPED*** Reagan Tunstall, 2021-03-31 In today's classrooms, the instructional needs and developmental levels of our students are highly varied, and the conventional math whole-group model has its downsides. In contrast to the rigid, one-size-ts-all approach of conventional whole-group instruction, guided math allows us to structure our math block to support student learning in risk-free, small-group instruction. Guided math goes beyond just reorganizing your math block; it also gives you an opportunity to approach math instruction with a renewed sense of perspective and purpose. Drawing on two decades of experience, Reagan Tunstall oers step-by-step best practices to help educators revolutionize their math blocks with a student-centered approach. Whether you're a new teacher who's curious about guided math or a veteran educator looking to hone your methodology, Guided Math AMPED will transform your math block into an exciting and engaging encounter that encourages your students to see themselves as genuine mathematicians. Most educators have come to realize that the magic happens at the teacher table or during small-group instruction. If that's the case, Guided Math AMPED is the spell book. -JENNIFER SALYARDS, M.Ed., principal, Chamberlin Elementary,

Stephenville ISD Guided Math AMPED provides educators with a practical framework for enhancing math instruction in a way that provides research-based practices, differentiated instruction, and fun, all while strengthening relationships with students and developing math mindsets. No matter your experience or tenure in education, Guided Math AMPED will give you tips and tricks to implement in your classroom. -MATT BERES, district administrator, Wooster, OH Guided math is one of the best things you can implement in your classroom, and Reagan Tunstall is the best to learn from, thanks to her perfect framework and step-by-step instructions. She has thought through every potential roadblock and offers concise solutions because she's experienced it all in her own classroom. -HALEE SIKORSKI, educator, A Latte Learning Don't you dare let another teacher borrow this book . . . you may never get it back! From the first page to the end, this book is filled with practical ideas and guidelines guaranteed to take your guided math block to the next level. -LORI MCDONALD, M.Ed., retired educator

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: *The Ambassadors*** Paul Richter, 2020-10-27 Veteran diplomatic correspondent Paul Richter goes behind the battles and the headlines to show how American ambassadors are the unconventional warriors in the Muslim world—running local government, directing drone strikes, building nations, and risking their lives on the front lines. The tale's heroes are a small circle of top career diplomats who have been an unheralded but crucial line of national defense in the past two decades of wars in the greater Middle East. In *The Ambassadors*, Paul Richter shares the astonishing, true-life stories of four expeditionary diplomats who “do the hardest things in the hardest places.” The book describes how Ryan Crocker helped rebuild a shattered Afghan government after the fall of the Taliban and secretly negotiated with the shadowy Iranian mastermind General Qassim Suleimani to wage war in Afghanistan and choose new leaders for post-invasion Iraq. Robert Ford, assigned to be a one-man occupation government for an Iraqi province, struggled to restart a collapsed economy and to deal with spiraling sectarian violence—and was taken hostage by a militia. In Syria at the eruption of the civil war, he is chased by government thugs for defying the country's ruler. J. Christopher Stevens is smuggled into Libya as US Envoy to the rebels during its bloody civil war, then returns as ambassador only to be killed during a terror attack in Benghazi. War-zone veteran Anne Patterson is sent to Pakistan, considered the world's most dangerous country, to broker deals that prevent a government collapse and to help guide the secret war on jihadists. “An important and illuminating read” (The Washington Post) and the winner of the prestigious Douglas Dillon Book Award from the American Academy of Diplomacy, *The Ambassadors* is a candid examination of the career diplomatic corps, America's first point of contact with the outside world, and a critical piece of modern-day history.

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: *A Long Time Gone*** Karen White, 2015-04-07 From the New York Times bestselling author of the Tradd Street novels comes an enthralling southern gothic saga about one woman's quest for the truth... When Vivien Walker left her home in the Mississippi Delta, she swore never to go back. But in the spring, nine years to the day since she'd left, Vivien returns, fleeing from a broken marriage and her lost dreams for children. What she hopes to find is solace with her dear grandmother who raised her, a Walker woman with a knack for making everything all right. Instead Vivien is forced into the unexpected role of caretaker, challenging her personal quest to find the girl she once was. But things will change again in ways Vivien cannot imagine. A violent storm has revealed the remains of a long-dead woman buried near the Walker home, not far from the cypress swamp that is soon to give up its ghosts. Vivien knows there is now only one way to rediscover herself—by uncovering the secrets of her family and breaking the cycle of loss that has haunted them for generations. READERS GUIDE INCLUDED

**maneuvering the middle llc 2015: *Lost and Wanted*** Nell Freudenberger, 2020-03-31 NATIONAL BESTSELLER ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR: VOGUE • FRESH AIR As a professor of physics at MIT, Helen Clapp disdains notions of the supernatural in favor of rational thought and proven ideas. So it's perhaps especially vexing when, on an otherwise unremarkable Wednesday in June, she gets a phone call from a friend who has just died. That friend was Charlotte Boyce, Helen's roommate at Harvard. The two women once confided in each other about everything:

Helen's struggles as a young woman in science, Charlie's as a black screenwriter in Hollywood, their shared challenges as parents. But as the years passed, they gradually grew apart. And now Charlie is permanently, tragically gone. Drawn back into her friend's orbit, Helen is forced to question the laws of the universe that have always steadied her mind and heart. Suspenseful, perceptive, deeply affecting, *Lost and Wanted* is a story of friends and lovers, lost and found, at the most defining moments of their lives.

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