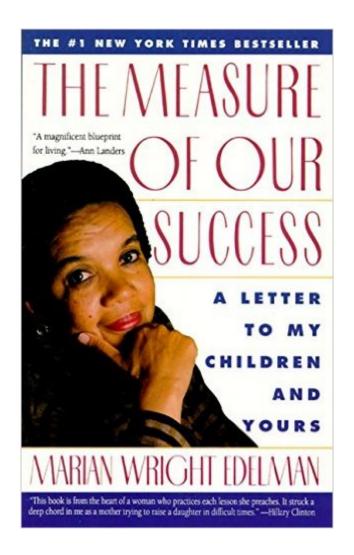
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Synopsis

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The author has written a book which combines traditional values with extraordinary wisdom and an eloquent statement of a needed American agenda to get children out of poverty. A black woman married to a somewhat prominent Jewish attorney (Peter Edelman) who has made his own impact on public policy, the author addresses this book to her three sons as they face growing up with the rare combination of being black, Jewish, and the sons of prominent people in the world of governmental policy-making. The author protects her children's privacy, and gives us few personal anecdotes about them. She wants her children to successfully make their way in the world, and hopes that they will find the examples of their parents and grandparents to be inspiring and useful. The heart of this book is the author's 25 lessons for life. It is a message of personal responsibility that the most hardened conservative would have problems disagreeeing with. But she breaks with conservatives in asking that the notion of personal responsibility cover responsibility for getting the government and other agents of society to take care of needy children even if their parents do not have the personal responsibility or the resources to do what they should do themselves. Her 25 Lessons for Life are as follows: "(1) There is no free lunch. Don't feel entitled to anything you don't sweat and struggle for; (2) Set goals and work quietly and systematically toward

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