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Get Up, Stand Up! for the king of reggae music! Bob Marley was a reggae superstar who is considered to be one of the most influential musicians of all time. Born in rural Jamaica, this musician and songwriter began his career with his band, The Wailing Wailers, in 1963. The Wailers went on to spread the gospel of reggae music around the globe. Bob's distinctive style and dedication to his Rastafari beliefs became a rallying cry for the poor and disenfranchised the world over and led to a hugely successful solo career. After his death in 1981, Bob Marley became a symbol of Jamaican culture and identity. His greatest-hits album, *Legend*, remains the best-selling reggae album of all time. *Who Was Bob Marley?* tells the story of how a man with humble roots became an international icon. This title in the New York Times best-selling series contains eighty illustrations that help bring the story to life.

Bob Marley in Comics!

In the middle of a depressing youth in a ghetto of Kingston, Jamaica, Robert Nesta Marley sees only one way out: music. And that music will be what Jamaica made of rock and pop locally that had hardly been heard anywhere else: reggae! It is Marley who brings the unmistakable beat of reggae to the entire world. From small stages in Jamaica, his partners, The Wailers, accompany him all the way to the most fabulous world tours and adulation. In addition to a rocketing musical career, the most famous rasta wants to shake things up and proclaim his humanitarian and egalitarian values.

Bob Marley

Bob Marley was the first, and possibly the only, superstar to emerge from the Third World. Although he lived a short life, only 36 years, Bob penned an enormous quantity of songs, pioneering a new reggae rhythm and sound that was distinctly Jamaican. An expert lyricist who could more than hold his own with any contemporary hip-hop word slinger, Bob crafted emotionally powerful chains of words that packed a serious punch. Twenty-five years after his death, the music of Bob Marley and the Wailers is as popular and relevant as it was the day it was released. Author David Moskowitz gives readers an inside look at the man behind the legend. Fans from all corners of the globe are a testament to the fact that his music transcends race, color, economic class, even language. From Marley's poverty stricken early childhood in rural Jamaica to break out his faith in Rastafarianism, this biography recounts the life and music of one of the most famous popular artists of the last century, an incredible story for long-time fans as well for a new and ever-increasing audience who were too young to witness Marley's history-making music career firsthand. A timeline, photos, and a rich bibliography of print and electronic sources make this biography ideal for both research purposes and casual reading.

Bob Marley

One of the twentieth century's most iconic cultural figures, Bob Marley was responsible for popularizing reggae music throughout the world. He set attendance records that still stand today and his 1977 *Exodus* album was hailed by *Time* magazine as the greatest of the 20th Century. His unique blend of politically conscious lyrics and unforgettable melodies won him legions of fans far beyond the Caribbean. But Marley was no mere pop star: his strong attachment to Rasta beliefs and practices and his fierce hostility to the injustice of "Babylon" made him an important spokesperson for the dispossessed all over the globe. In this new biography, Garry Steckles follows Marley's eventful life through the early days in rural Jamaica, arrival

in Kingston, first recordings and performances to his spectacular status as an international superstar. Throughout he analyzes Marley's political and religious beliefs, while also concentrating on his relationships with fellow musicians, family and influential figures. A chapter focusing on Marley's long-term legacy explores what the musician contributed to world music and what the religious believer gave to Rastafarianism.

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COMPOSERS & MUSICIANS. Few have combined the music with a message in such a radical way as the Jamaican born superstar. The best of Marley's work conveys elements of his social background and religious and political experience. To fully appreciate his legacy, it is vital to explore his songs, with their attendant themes, stories, nuances and characters. This book is the first comprehensive, biographical examination of the huge output of material unleashed on a succession of superb singles and albums delivered by Bob Marley & The Wailers. It looks at the background, circumstances and significance of each song from the early 1960s right up until Marley's untimely death in May 1981.

Bob Marley

In honor of Bob Marley's seventy-fifth birthday, this glorious oversize book collects more than 150 photographs that celebrate the life and influence of the forefather of reggae and one of the greatest musical and sociopolitical icons of twentieth-century pop culture. Drawing exclusively on photos in the Marley family archives, the book mixes the iconic and the intimate, bringing together striking images of Marley as a performer onstage with unseen glimpses into his creative process in and out of the studio and his family life in Jamaica. Making the most of its oversize pages, the book is designed as a monument to his influence. Focusing on the last decade of his life--the period of his greatest worldwide fame--and with excerpts from unpublished interviews and prophetic quotes alongside the images, this is a definitive portrait of one of the great artists of the twentieth century made by those who knew him best.

Bob Marley

Is Bob Marley the only third world superstar? How did he achieve this unique status? In this captivating new study of one of the most influential musicians of the twentieth century, Jason Toynbee sheds new light on issues such as Marley's contribution as a musician and public intellectual, how he was granted access to the global media system, and what his music means in cultural and political terms. Tracing Marley's life and work from Jamaica to the world stage, Toynbee suggests that we need to understand Marley first and foremost as a 'social author'. Trained in the co-operative yet also highly competitive musical laboratory of downtown Kingston, Marley went on to translate reggae into a successful international style. His crowning achievement was to mix postcolonial anger and hope with Jamaican textures and beats to produce the first world music. However the period since his death has been marked by brutal and intensifying inequality in the capitalist world system. There is an urgent need, then, to reconsider the nature of his legacy. Toynbee does this in the concluding chapters, weighing Marley's impact as advocate of human emancipation against his marginalisation as a 'Natural Mystic' and pretext for disengagement from radical politics.

Bob Marley

A journalist's access to the music icon gives this account an "authenticity that sets the book apart from other biographies about the man and the legend" (Steve Richards, *The Independent*). The man who introduced reggae to a worldwide audience, Bob Marley was a hero figure in the classic, mythological sense. From humble beginnings, with talent and religious belief his only weapons, the Jamaican recording artist applied himself with unstinting perseverance to spreading his prophetic musical message across the globe. In 1980, on tour, Bob Marley and the Wailers played to the largest audiences a musical act had ever experienced in Europe. Less than a year later, Marley would die, only thirty-six years old. Sales of Marley's albums before

his death were spectacular; in the years since he died, they have been phenomenal. Chris Salewicz interviewed Bob Marley in Jamaica in 1979. Now, for the first time, in this thorough, detailed account of Marley's life and the world in which he grew up and which he came to dominate, Salewicz brings to life not only the Rastafari religion and the musical scene in Jamaica, but also the spirit of the man himself. Interviews with dozens of people who knew Marley and have never spoken before are woven through the narrative as Salewicz seeks to explain why Marley has become such an enigmatic and heroic figure, loved by millions all over the world. "As gritty, entertaining, and starry-eyed as Marley himself." —Publishers Weekly "The definitive account of the man and the myth." —Steve Richards, *The Independent* "[Salewicz] invades and illuminates Marley's privacy more effectively than previous biographers." —Robert Sandall, *The Sunday Times* (London)

Bob Marley and the Wailers

Explore the entire, incredible journey of Bob Marley and the Wailers, and their enduring legacy, in this unique visual history. More than four decades after Marley's death, he and his bandmates remain the most famous reggae artists of all time--and one of the most famous bands of all time, period. Illustrated with photos and memorabilia from all phases of their journey, *Bob Marley and the Wailers* illuminates the lives and times of the man and his collaborators. Their evolution from early-'60s Jamaican ska act to international superstars was not just improbable, but unprecedented for an act from an underdeveloped country. As you make your way through the band's story, you will see the crucial role they played in establishing reggae as a globally popular form of music, and the influence that the Rastafari movement had on their lives and sound; plus, how Marley's socially conscious lyrics and actions made him a universal symbol of pride and justice. This beautifully designed volume includes: A complete history of the band, right up to Marley's untimely death in 1981, and his continuing influence today Fantastic performance and candid off-stage photography Images of rare memorabilia Sidebars from a roster of respected music journalists Coverage of the 2024 Bob Marley biopic *One Love* This is the definitive illustrated biography of Bob Marley and the Wailers—a must-have for every fan of the world music legend.

The Bible and Bob Marley

With a Bible and guitar, Bob Marley set out to conquer the world of popular music. Rising from humble origins to international stardom, he worked tirelessly to spread a dual message of resistance and redemption--a message inspired by his reading of scripture. Marley's constant reliance on the Bible throughout the stages of his artistic and spiritual paths is an integral part of his story that has not been sufficiently told--until now. This is the first book written on Bob Marley as biblical interpreter. It answers the question, What light does biblical scholarship shed on Marley's interpretation, and what can Marley teach biblical scholars? Focusing on the parts of the Bible that Marley quotes most often in his lyrics, MacNeil provides a close analysis of Marley's interpretation. For students of Marley, this affords a deeper appreciation and understanding of his thought and his art. For students of scripture, it demonstrates the nature of Marley's unique contribution to the field of biblical interpretation, which can be appreciated as an excellent example of what R. S. Sugirtharajah calls "vernacular interpretation" of scripture.

The Future Is the Beginning

In this one-of-a-kind collection, edited by Gerald Hausman and with an introduction by Cedella Marley, the words of reggae legend Bob Marley are gathered together to give readers a sense of his deeply felt and powerfully motivated sense of spirit. The texts, many unpublished in book form, were gathered at 56 Hope Road, Kingston, Jamaica, where Bob lived and worked in the 1970s. Bob Marley's wisdom came not only through his songs but also from his poetic, spoken words. The short selections in this book, which are gathered from interviews he gave over years, will give readers a true sense of who Bob Marley really was and are bound to inspire them with his timeless faith, unity, and love.

One Love

Adapted from one of Bob Marley's most beloved songs, *One Love* brings the joyful spirit and unforgettable lyrics of his music to life for a new generation. Readers will delight in dancing to the beat and feeling the positive groove of change when one girl enlists her community to help transform her neighborhood for the better. Adapted by Cedella Marley, Bob Marley's first child, and gorgeously illustrated by Vanessa Newton, this heartwarming picture book offers an upbeat testament to the amazing things that can happen when we all get together with one love in our hearts.

Every Little Thing

Bob Marley's songs are known the world over for their powerful message of love, peace, and harmony. Now a whole new generation can discover one of his most joyous songs in this reassuring picture book adaptation written by his daughter Cedella and exuberantly illustrated by Vanessa Brantley-Newton. This upbeat story reminds children that the sun will always come out after the rain and mistakes are easily forgiven with a hug. Every family will relate to this universal story of one boy who won't let anything get him down, as long as he has the help of three very special little birds. Including all the lyrics of the original song plus new verses, this cheerful book will bring a smile to faces of all ages—because every little thing's gonna be all right!

No Woman No Cry

Bob Marley is the unchallenged king of reggae and one of music's great iconic figures. Rita Marley was not just his wife and the mother of four of his children but his backing singer and friend, life-long companion and soul mate. They met in Trenchtown when he was 19 and she was 18, and she was very much part of his musical career, selling his early recordings from their house in the days before Island Records signed up the Wailers. She shared the hard times and the dangers - when Bob was wounded in a gunfight before the Peace Concert, Rita was shot in the head and left for dead. Their marriage was not always easy, but Rita was the woman Bob returned to no matter where music and other women might take him, the woman who held him when he died at the age of 35. Today she sees herself as the guardian of his legacy. Full of new insights, *No Woman No Cry* is a unique biography of Marley by someone who understands what it meant to grow up in poverty in Jamaica, to battle racism and prejudice. It is also a moving and inspiring story of a marriage that survived both poverty and then the strains of global celebrity. 'It will surely become the definitive biographical account of the reggae guitarist-singer-songwriter who changed pop music and in the process became a leader to millions' *The Times* 'Rita Marley is reggae royalty . . . In her own words, this is a revealing insight into Marley's life and legacy' *Daily Mirror*

The Words and Music of Bob Marley

Throughout his life and perhaps even more since his death in 1981 at the age of 36, Bob Marley's music has demonstrated a unique ability to combine with almost any cultural setting, no matter how different the elements might at first appear. Through his adaptable, yet enduring musical messages, he represents an especially articulate type of singer-songwriter. Marley released a large quantity of introspective, autobiographical material at the height of his success and it is thus only in a work such as this—in which the artist is investigated through his recorded output—that one can understand who this great man truly was and what he hoped to achieve through his life and music. Time magazine made Bob Marley's impact strikingly clear when it named *Exodus* the most important album of the 20th century. Throughout his life and perhaps even more since his death in 1981 at the age of 36, Marley's music has demonstrated a unique ability to combine with almost any cultural setting, no matter how different the elements might at first appear. Through his adaptable, yet enduring musical messages, he represents an especially articulate type of singer-songwriter. Marley released a large quantity of introspective, autobiographical material at the height of his success and it is thus only in a work such as this—in which the artist is investigated through his recorded output—that one can understand who this great man truly was and what he hoped to achieve through his life and music. The

Words and Music of Bob Marley investigates Marley's creative output chronologically and provides complementary biographical information where it is relevant and helpful. Themes discussed throughout the book include protest, revolution, love, hate, biblical concepts, and Rastafari culture.

Get Up, Stand Up

The third picture book adaptation of one of Bob Marley's beloved songs that has a timely message for children: To counter injustice, lift others up with kindness and courage. A heartfelt and meaningful book that brings Bob Marley's music to life in a new way: As a young girl goes on with her day in school, she comes across several instances of teasing and intimidation. But with loving action and some help from her friends, she's able to make things right for herself and others. • This cute children's book includes the impactful lyrics of Bob Marley's song 'Get Up, Stand Up' that has inspired millions of listeners around the world with messages of peace, love, and truth • Written by Cedella Marley, Bob Marley's daughter, who has dedicated herself to keeping her father's message and memory alive • With exuberant pictures by John Jay Cabuay accompanying Marley's iconic lyrics, *Get Up, Stand Up* is a vibrant testament to the power we all have to make a difference Fans of *Every Little Thing* and *One Love* will also love the lyrical rhythm and the powerful message of love, peace, and harmony presented in *Get Up, Stand Up*. • Great family and classroom read-aloud book • Appeals to readers of all ages with the light-hearted tone and cheerful illustrations • Books for kids ages 6–8 • Children's books for early elementary students

Before the Legend

Bob Marley was a reggae superstar, a musical prophet who brought the sound of the Third World to the entire globe. *Before the Legend: The Rise of Bob Marley* goes beyond the myth of Marley to bring you the private side of a man few people ever really knew. Drawing from original interviews with the people closest to Marley—including his widow, Rita, his mother, Cedella, his bandmate and childhood friend, Bunny Wailer, his producer Chris Blackwell, and many others—*Legend* paints an entirely fresh picture of one of the most enduring musical artists of our times. This is a portrait of an artist as a young man, from his birth in the tiny town of Nine Miles in the hills of Jamaica, to the making of his debut international record, "Catch a Fire." We see Marley on the tough streets of Trench Town before he found stardom, struggling to find his way in music, in love and in life, and we take the wild ride with him to worldwide acceptance and adoration. From the acclaimed journalist, Christopher John Farely, the author of the bestselling *AALIYAH* and the reporter who broke the story on Dave Chappelle's retreat to South Africa, *Legend* is bursting with fresh insights into Marley and Jamaica, and is the definitive story of Marley's early days.

Bob Marley

Learn about the inspiring story of Bob Marley! The man who moved the world with his music. Little Bob grew up on the sunny, Caribbean Island of Jamaica. Born to a Black mother and white father, life could be difficult, and he was often bullied for the colour of his skin. But Bob didn't let others' unkindness harden his heart, instead he dreamed of a world where everyone felt they belonged. At twelve years old, he moved to Kingston and fell in love with ska—a style of popular music indigenous to Jamaica. Over the next few years he wrote songs, took singing lessons and played as much as he could with his newly formed band, Bob Marley and the Wailers. A year after their first hit single, Bob was introduced to Rastafari, a Jamaican religion and political movement. Driven to spread Rastafari beliefs, Bob and his band began to create Reggae, using their lyrics and melodies to fight for social justice and advocate for peace. Before long, his songs were spreading a message of unity across the world . . . Bob Marley is a cultural icon whose work and message remains evergreen. His story shows the power of music as a force for good and the joy to be found when we open our hearts to others. This powerful book features quirky illustrations and extra facts at the back, including a biographical timeline with historical photos and a detailed profile of the musician and activist's life. Little People, BIG DREAMS is a bestselling biography series for kids that explores the lives of outstanding people, from designers and artists to scientists and activists. All of them achieved incredible

things, yet each began life as a child with a dream. This empowering series of books offers inspiring messages to children of all ages, in a range of formats. The board books are told in simple sentences, perfect for reading aloud to babies and toddlers. The hardcover and paperback versions present expanded stories for beginning readers. With rewritten text for older children, the treasuries each bring together a multitude of dreamers in a single volume. You can also collect a selection of the books by theme in boxed gift sets. Activity books and a journal provide even more ways to make the lives of these role models accessible to children.

Listen to Bob Marley

DIVDIVAn inspiring collection of poems, meditations, and lyrics by one of the world's most revered musical legends /divDIVBob Marley's music defined a movement and forever changed a nation. Known worldwide for their message of peace and unity, Marley's songs—from "One Love" to "Redemption Song" to "Three Little Birds"—have touched millions of lives. This collection is the best of Bob Marley presented in three parts: "The Man," giving an in-depth look into the life of Bob Marley; "The Music," comprising his most memorable lyrics as well as links to many of his songs in iTunes; and "The Revolution," containing his meditations on social equality and the Rastafari movement. Enriched with iconic photographs, Listen to Bob Marley provides insight into a reggae legend, the inspirational man behind the music. /divDIV /divDIVThis ebook features an introduction by daughter Cedella Marley and an illustrated biography of Cedella including rare photographs from her personal collection./div/div

Catch a Fire

The definitive biography of Bob Marley has been newly revised and expanded, with a comprehensive discography and bibliography. Photos.

Bob Marley

* Critically acclaimed biographies of history's most notable African-Americans * Straightforward and objective writing * Lavishly illustrated with photographs and memorabilia * Essential for multicultural studies

Bob Marley: Lyrical Genius

The quintessential folk poet of the Third World, Bob Marley influenced generations of musicians and writers. He was a performer who held true to his religious and cultural heritage, who rallied against injustice, and who became an internationally revered musical icon. Renowned poet and scholar Kwame Dawes analyses in detail his verses and lyrics, matching them against the social and political climate of the time and asking of them what it meant to be a black, Jamaican man thrust into the limelight of western society; how change can be affected through music; and how political and ethical truths can be woven into song. His lyrics are poignant, powerful and poetic and this book showcases his written word. Updated to include an interactive timeline of his life, formed with videos and imagery, as well as integrated Spotify playlists, this is the perfect companion to Bob Marley's recordings.

Bob Marley

Nesta Robert Marley emerged from a poor neighbourhood of Kingston, Jamaica, called Trench Town to become not just the first Reggae superstar but also an icon of the Rastafarian religion. This is the illustrated biography of Bob Marley.

Bob Marley

Extensive reading improves fluency and there is a real need in the ELT classroom for motivating, contemporary graded material that will instantly appeal to students. Bob Marley was one of the world's most influential reggae artists, famous for his ground-breaking music and strong Rastafarian beliefs. This compelling biography focuses on Marley's musical and spiritual journey, beginning with his early days in Kingston, Jamaica and his rise to international fame with the band The Wailers, before his premature death at age thirty-six cemented his status as one of reggae's most iconic figures.

Who Was Charlie Chaplin?

Who was the real Charlie Chaplin? Kids will learn all about the comic genius who created \"The Little Tramp\"! Charlie Chaplin sang on a London stage for the first time at the age of five. Performing proved to be his salvation, providing a way out of a life of hardship and poverty. Success came early and made Chaplin one of the best loved people in the United States until the McCarthy witch hunts drove Chaplin from his adopted country. This is a moving portrait of a multi-talented man—actor, director, writer, even music composer—and the complicated times he lived in.

The Best of Bob Marley (Songbook)

(Easy Guitar). This terrific collection features 45 grooving favorites from the King of Reggae: Buffalo Soldier * Coming In from the Cold * Could You Be Loved * Exodus * Get Up Stand Up * I Shot the Sheriff * Is This Love * Jammin' * No Woman No Cry * Redemption Song * Three Little Birds * Trench Town Rock * Waiting in Vain * more.

Bob Marley

He was Jamaica's most beloved musical hero—and now Bob Marley's fascinating story unfolds as never before, through songs and in lavish images. This must-have volume for every fan is published to coincide with the 60th anniversary of Marley's birth and the major CD release of his entire body of work with the Wailers. In 1977, Bob Marley's groundbreaking album Exodus earned him worldwide fame and adulation. By that time, he already had many years of experience...and his music had undergone countless shifts. Yet most listeners' perception of Marley's work comes only from the brief period between Exodus and his untimely death just four years later, at only 36 years old. This richly illustrated volume—filled with rare photos and insightful musical analysis—is the first-ever attempt to cover his career through the entire range of his recordings and key live performances. It follows his progression from unknown Trenchtown Rasta to international reggae superstar, and encompasses the rock, “rebel,” and pop periods that have never quite fitted in with Marley's legend. Special features focus on the specifically Caribbean influences that shaped Marley and his music, including contemporary politics, religion, culture, fashion, and sport. A complete discography and buyer's guide to Marley's releases, as well as a discussion of the role Rita Marley played in his music, round out an intimate, revealing portrait of this uniquely talented man and unforgettable performer. Jeremy Collingwood has spent the past two decades researching Bob Marley's career, particularly the Jamaican years. He has produced a series of CDs that document the period 1967–1972 and served as researcher on several TV programs about the musician.

Marley and the Family Band

A picture book that celebrates music, love, and family from author Cedella Marley. A poetic story about a young girl who moves to a new country and learns to make friends—inspired by a childhood growing up with the musician Bob Marley as a father. When Marley and her family move from Jamaica to Delaware, she knows life is about to change in big ways. And she's got the perfect plan to help her and her siblings make friends: an outdoor concert for the whole neighborhood! But when weather ruins their plans, she discovers

help in the most unlikely places as her new neighbors quickly become the kindest of friends. In this joyful, vibrant picture book inspired by her childhood and iconic father, Cedella Marley assures children that nothing can stop the music as long as they have community.

Who Was Muhammad Ali?

Cassius Marcellus Clay, Jr. won the world heavyweight championship at the age of 22, the same year he joined the Nation of Islam and changed his name to Muhammad Ali. He would go on to become the first and only three-time (in succession) World Heavyweight Champion. Nicknamed “The Greatest,” Ali was as well known for his unique boxing style, consisting of the Ali Shuffle and the rope-a-dope, as he was for the catchphrase “float like a butterfly, sting like a bee.” He was an uncompromising athlete who brought beauty and grace to a very rough sport and became one of the world’s most famous cultural icons. Read *Who Was Muhammad Ali?* and discover “The Greatest.”

Marley and Me

Biography written by Marley's manager looking at the singer's childhood, musical career, relationships, and untimely death by assassination.

Legend

In the bestselling tradition of *DYLAN SCRAPBOOK*, a lavishly illustrated celebration of the life and music of an undisputed musical and cultural icon, *BOB MARLEY*.

Marley Legend

Discover the untold history of reggae legends of Bob Marley and the original Wailers. The perfect must-read if you loved the film *One Love*. Over one dramatic decade, a trio of Trench Town R&B crooners, Peter Tosh, Bunny Wailer and Bob Marley, swapped their 1960s Brylcreem hairdos and two-tone suits for 1970s battle fatigues and dreadlocks to become the Wailers - one of the most influential groups in popular music. Now one of our best and brightest non-fiction writers examines the story of the influential reggae band. Charting their complex relationship, their fluctuating fortunes, musical peak, and the politics and ideologies that provoked their split, Colin Grant shows us why they were not just extraordinary musicians, but also natural mystics. And, following a trail from Jamaica through Europe, America, Africa and back to the vibrant and volatile world of Trench Town, he travels in search of the last surviving Wailer. 'In Grant's hands life in Trench Town in the 1960's is energetic and theatrical, rich in comedy and tragic irony...This brilliant book is not just about Jamaica, but about ourselves' Guardian

I & I: The Natural Mystics

ONE OF AMAZON'S BEST ART & PHOTOGRAPHY BOOKS OF 2018 AN NPR AND PITCHFORK BEST MUSIC BOOK OF 2018 PICK ONE OF TIME'S 25 BEST PHOTOBOOKS OF 2018 NEW YORK TIMES, ASSOCIATED PRESS, WALLSTREET JOURNAL, ROLLING STONE, AND CHICAGO SUN HOLIDAY GIFT GUIDE PICK The perfect gift for music and photography fans, an inside look at the work of hip-hop photographers told through their most intimate diaries—their contact sheets. Featuring rare outtakes from over 100 photoshoots alongside interviews and essays from industry legends, *Contact High: A Visual History of Hip-Hop* takes readers on a chronological journey from old-school to alternative hip-hop and from analog to digital photography. The ultimate companion for music and photography enthusiasts, *Contact High* is the definitive history of hip-hop’s early days, celebrating the artists that shaped the iconic album covers, t-shirts and posters beloved by hip-hop fans today. With essays from BILL ADLER, RHEA L. COMBS, FAB 5 FREDDY, MICHAEL GONZALES, YOUNG GURU, DJ PREMIER, and RZA

Contact High

A searing portrait of Bob Marley and the making of Exodus, Time's best album of the twentieth century—and an acutely perceptive appreciation of his musical and spiritual legacy “Finely reported, vividly written, and politically astute, Vivien Goldman travels with Bob Marley on the intimate journey that led him to become the voice of the Exodus.” —Mariane Pearl, author of *A Mighty Heart: The Brave Life and Death of My Husband*, Danny Pearl Reggae superstar Bob Marley is one of our most important and influential artists, and his 1977 album Exodus is the most lasting testament to his social conscience. Recorded in London after an assassination attempt on his life sent Marley into exile from Jamaica, it remains a masterpiece of spiritual exploration. Vivien Goldman was the first journalist to introduce mass white audiences to the Rasta sounds of Bob Marley. Throughout the late 1970s, Goldman was a fly on the wall as she watched reggae grow and evolve, and charted the careers of many of its superstars, especially Bob Marley. So close was Vivien to Bob and the Wailers that she was a guest at his Kingston home just days before gunmen came in a rush to kill “The Skip.” Now, in *The Book of Exodus*, Goldman chronicles the making of this album, from its conception in Jamaica to the raucous but intense all-night studio sessions in London. But *The Book of Exodus* is so much more than a making-of-a-record story. This remarkable book takes us through the history of Jamaican music, Marley's own personal journey from the Trench Town ghetto to his status as global superstar, as well as Marley's deep spiritual practice of Rastafari and the roots of this religion. Goldman also traces the biblical themes of the Exodus story, and its practical relevance to us today, through various other art forms, leading up to and culminating with Exodus. Never before has there been such an intimate, first-hand portrait of Marley's spirituality, his political involvement, and his life in exile in London, leading up to his triumphant return to the stage in Jamaica at the Peace Concert of 1978.

The Book of Exodus

This unique, bestselling series now incorporates over 25 titles. Features quotes gathered over the years from family, friends and the artists themselves giving the reader a personal insight into their music and world. Fully illustrated throughout with black and white photographs.

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The Marley surname perpetuates Jamaican royalty, resonates from worldwide recognition and represents the pioneer of a cultural, political and social revolution. In the near-thirty years since the death of the world's greatest reggae-music icon, music lovers, truth seekers, and a new generation of social-activists alike have flocked to the musical catalog of Bob Marley like new believers on a pilgrimage for soul inspiration. Though Marley's iconic life was cut short before his time, his legacy lives on as vibrantly as it did when he walked among us. This is not only true because of his timeless music, but because of the musical genius of the extraordinary children he left behind. Born in Falmouth, Jamaica in 1976 as the tenth son of legendary reggae icon Bob Marley, Ky-Mani Marley discovered his musical talents late in life, rising to become an international music artist and film actor. Ky-Mani has not only written and performed songs of redemption around the world, like his famous father, but has lived and survived to recant his own personally redemptive story in the face of some very stark urban realities unbefitting any human, let alone a 'Marley.' *Dear Dad*, is an arresting narrative of a son locked out of his iconic father's shelter for the first half of his life and forced to survive the poverty-stricken, predator-infested streets of one of Miami's most violent ghettos, Liberty City. Initially estranged from his siblings and cut off from any financial benefit of the Marley Estate, young Ky-Mani's gritty ascent from a bullet-riddled life to the world stages he now commands as a Grammy-nominated recording artist are chronicled in this gripping biography. Today a dedicated father and family man traveling to all corners of the world, performing no less than 100 shows per year, Marley knew he'd reached a plateau of transformation in his life when he was named 'Philanthropist of the Year' by the Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation, Better World Awards. His life is truly a 'redemption song.'

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Presents a photographic chronicle of the life of reggae musician Bob Marley, accompanied by text tracing his life from his youth in Jamaica to his death at age thirty-six.

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