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Because I Said So

The third delightfully undead novel in New York Times bestselling author Michele Bardsley's Broken Heart series. Not just anyone can visit Broken Heart, Oklahoma, especially since all the single moms—like me, Patsy Donahue—have been turned into vampires. I'm forever forty, but looking younger than my years, thanks to my new (un)lifestyle. And even though most of my customers have skipped town, I still manage to keep my hair salon up and running because of the lycanthropes prowling around. They know how important good grooming is—especially a certain rogue shape-shifter who is as sexy as he is deadly. Now, if only I could put a leash on my wild teenage son. He's up to his neck in danger. The stress would kill me if I wasn't already dead. But my maternal instincts are still alive and kicking, so no one better mess with my flesh and blood.

Because I'm the Child Here and I Said So

Many people still struggle with believing and trusting in God completely without a trace of doubt. They are oblivious to how to use the tools given to them as believers. In *Because He Said So*, author Talin Aintablian explains in practical ways how to have faith and confidence in God to the fullest, while challenging the reader to put faith to work step-by-step in order to see the desired results. With humor and sarcasm, she shares her innermost feelings on issues that anyone faces every day within families, churches, and relationships. Stories of her personal encounters with the spirit world will have you at the edge of your seat as she elaborates in specific detail the problems she faced for most of her young life. Talin learned the long hard way of how to be a strong individual in a crazy world, and believe in God's Word for what it is just *Because He Said So*.

Because Mummy Said So

A recent study indicates that Christian marriages don't fail as often as secular marriages -- they fail more! Debbie Kalmbach, the wife of a recovering alcoholic, understands the longing to leave but offers Christian wives solid reasons to stay in a difficult marriage. This is not a "how to save your marriage" but more a guidebook for wives on how to save their ability to love, to honor their commitment to their husbands, and to maintain their faith in God while in marriages that may never live up to their dreams. Debbie tackles tough questions such as "Why won't he go to counseling?" "Can I change him?" and "What do I do when I don't feel in love anymore?" with a warm, compassionate approach sure to encourage and inspire every struggling wife. From the Trade Paperback edition.

A Song for You

In June 1997, Camille Peri and Kate Moses launched the daily website Mothers Who Think on Salon.com for women who, like themselves, were starved for smart, honest stories about motherhood -- personal and intimate stories that went beyond tantrum control and potty training to grapple with the profound issues that affect women and their children. Like the online site, their bestselling, American Book Award-winning anthology Mothers Who Think struck a nerve across the country not just with mothers, but with all those who shared a vested interest in the raising of the next generation. Because I Said So gives readers even more to think about. This new collection of fiercely honest essays edited by Peri and Moses captures the challenges of motherhood in the twenty-first century as no other book has. Writers such as Janet Fitch, Mariane Pearl, Mary Roach, Susan Straight, Margaret Talbot, Rosellen Brown, Beth Kephart, Ariel Gore, and Ana Castillo delve into the personal and the political, giving passionate expression to their relationships with their children and to their evolving sense of themselves. Provocative, candid, witty, and wise, their stories range from the anguish of giving up child custody to the guilt of having sex in an era of sexless marriages; from learning to love the full-speed testosterone chaos of boys to raising girls in a pervasively sexualized culture; from facing racial and religious intolerance with your children to surviving cancer and rap simultaneously. Told in prose that is as unabashedly frank as it is lyrical, this is the collective voice of real mothers -- raised above the din -- in all their humor, anger, vulnerability, grace, and glory.

Because I Said So

The first ten lies they tell you in high school. "Speak up for yourself--we want to know what you have to say." From the first moment of her freshman year at Merryweather High, Melinda knows this is a big fat lie, part of the nonsense of high school. She is friendless, outcast, because she busted an end-of-summer party by calling the cops, so now nobody will talk to her, let alone listen to her. As time passes, she becomes increasingly isolated and practically stops talking altogether. Only her art class offers any solace, and it is through her work on an art project that she is finally able to face what really happened at that terrible party: she was raped by an upperclassman, a guy who still attends Merryweather and is still a threat to her.

Her healing process has just begun when she has another violent encounter with him. But this time Melinda fights back, refuses to be silent, and thereby achieves a measure of vindication. In Laurie Halse Anderson's powerful novel, an utterly believable heroine with a bitterly ironic voice delivers a blow to the hypocritical world of high school. She speaks for many a disenfranchised teenager while demonstrating the importance of speaking up for oneself. *Speak* was a 1999 National Book Award Finalist for Young People's Literature.

Because I Said So

This book is a crash course in effective reasoning, meant to catapult you into a world where you start to see things how they really are, not how you think they are. The focus of this book is on logical fallacies, which loosely defined, are simply errors in reasoning. With the reading of each page, you can make significant improvements in the way you reason and make decisions. *Logically Fallacious* is one of the most comprehensive collections of logical fallacies with all original examples and easy to understand descriptions, perfect for educators, debaters, or anyone who wants to improve his or her reasoning skills. "Expose an irrational belief, keep a person rational for a day. Expose irrational thinking, keep a person rational for a lifetime." - Bo Bennett This 2021 Edition includes dozens of more logical fallacies with many updated examples.

Maphead

Presents the classic play, first produced in 1947, about guilt, responsibility, and the relationship between fathers and sons in the aftermath of a World War II corruption case.

Because He Said so (Second Edition)

Special edition slipcase edition of John Green's *Paper Towns*, with pop-up paper town. From the bestselling author of *The Fault in our Stars*. Quentin Jacobsen has always loved Margo Roth Spiegelman, for Margo (and her adventures) are the stuff of legend at their high school. So when she one day climbs through his window and summons him on an all-night road trip of revenge he cannot help but follow. But the next day Margo doesn't come to school and a week later she is still missing. Q soon learns that there are clues in her disappearance . . . and they are for him. But as he gets deeper into the mystery - culminating in another awesome road trip across America - he becomes less sure of who and what he is looking for. Masterfully written by John Green, this is a thoughtful, insightful and hilarious coming-of-age story.

Because I Said So

Presents a dramatization of the tragic story of the friendship between two migrant workers, George and Lenny, and their dream of owning a farm.

Because I Said So!

Through journal entries, sixteen-year-old Miranda describes her family's struggle to survive after a meteor hits the moon, causing worldwide tsunamis, earthquakes, and volcanic eruptions.

Logically Fallacious

Bridge the Gap and Reach the Why Generation If you've ever struggled to motivate the young people in your sphere of influence, Answering Why is the game-changer you've been looking for. From the urgent skills gap crisis to the proven strategies to inspire our youngest generations, Answering Why addresses the burning questions faced by educators, employers, and parents everywhere. Author, CEO, and generational expert Mark C. Perna shares his wide experience and profound success as both a single dad and performance consultant for education and workforce development across North America. Readers will be empowered to:

- Embrace the branch-creak crisis moments of life
- Make meaningful, productive connections with the Why Generation (anyone under 40 today)
- Bring relevance, self-discovery, and passion to the learning process

The Why Generation is asking a serious question, and it's time to answer it. This book will help awaken the incredible potential of young people everywhere and spur them to increased performance on all fronts, so they can make a bigger difference—which is exactly what they want.

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Answering Why

Do the words "What's for dinner?" make you cringe? Are you tired of one-word answers from the teenager in the house? These hilarious stories are a laugh-out-loud look at everyday life. From "A construction company what were we thinking?" to "My Big, Fat Tongue," you won't be able to put this one down. *Because I Said So!* by comedy author Michelle Hoppe is a look into the ups and downs of raising a family, while attempting to become an author. Take a peek into the family life of the Hoppe clan and discover how Michelle turned everyday life into delightfully funny stories. Michelle was blessed with the ability to view life through rose tinted glasses. Unlike Claire Tomalin, who said "My life was a sort of series of random disasters," Michelle's life, with her twisted sense of humor and a madcap home crew, is more a series of random "by the seat of your pants motherhood". Growing up, Michelle loved to read books by Erma Bombeck; books like *If Life is a Bowlful of Cherries*, *What Am I Doing in the Pits* and *Motherhood* taught her to look for the humor in life. Michelle's favorite Erma quote "When humor goes, there goes civilization!" seemed like a call to action, so this comedy autobiography is her contribution to the continuation of mankind, oops personkind! This hilarious book contains humor about family life, motherhood, and parenting, and is sure to keep you laughing from beginning to end.

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Journalist Walls grew up with parents whose ideals and stubborn nonconformity were their curse and their salvation. Rex and Rose Mary and their four children lived like nomads, moving among Southwest desert towns, camping in the mountains. Rex was a charismatic, brilliant man who, when sober, captured his children's imagination, teaching them how to embrace life fearlessly. Rose Mary painted and wrote and couldn't stand the responsibility of providing for her family. When the money ran out, the Walls retreated to the dismal West Virginia mining town Rex had tried to escape. As the dysfunction escalated, the children had to fend for themselves, supporting one another as they found the resources and will to leave home. Yet Walls describes her parents with deep affection in this tale of unconditional love in a family that, despite its profound flaws, gave her the fiery determination to carve out a successful life. -- From publisher description.

Because He Said So

The era of the yummy mummy has finally gone and to celebrate, Shari Low has taken a baby wipe to the glossy veneer of the school of perfect parenting with *Because Mummy Said So*. This collection of hilarious memories tells the truth about motherhood in all of its sleep-deprived, frazzled glory. No judgement, no impossibly high standards, no perfect day - just real life and a whole lot of chaos that every experienced, new or soon-to-be parent will relate to. Embarrassing mistakes, disastrous summer holidays, childhood milestones, tear-jerking nativity plays, eight bouts of chickenpox and that time when a three-year-old superhero locked himself in a toilet this is one imperfect mum's tales of the ups, downs and unforgettable moments of parenthood.

Speak

Contains over three hundred sixty tips on raising children including common sense advice on spoiled children, sibling rivalry, and television issues.

You're Not Listening

Parents want their child to be happy, productive, and successful. Although, most parents wish for successful children, few know the parenting strategies method that provides an academic edge. After all, children do not come with a manual. This book is not a manual, but does provide information that provides parenting behaviors that promote high student achievement. This book investigates the influence parenting styles have on a child's social and academic success. Because I said so, also provides insight on parenting techniques that hinders academic success and contributes to academic achievement gaps.

Of Mice and Men

Traces the history of mapmaking while offering insight into the role of cartography in human civilization and sharing anecdotes about the cultural arenas frequented by map enthusiasts.

The Wednesday Wars

Endpapers display photographs of the author and her family with descriptive notes pertaining to the novels about the Logan family.

Because I Said Forever

Garth Callaghan doesn't know how long he has to live. But he can be certain of one simple thing: No matter his fate, his daughter, Emma, will find a handwritten note inside her lunchbox each day until she graduates from high school. Cancer has given Garth Callaghan a new purpose: to inspire parents to connect more with their children even in small ways, as he has done before and since his diagnosis by tucking a napkin note into his daughter's lunch every day. Every morning as he packs Emma's lunch, Garth adds a little surprise: a "napkin note"—a short, tender message to convey his love, encouragement, and pride. Garth began writing his napkin notes when Emma was in grade school, and as she grew up, his notes became more meaningful. Shortly after Emma turned twelve, Garth learned he had kidney cancer. Determined to

make the time he has left meaningful, he has compiled years' worth of notes to get his daughter through her high school graduation. Now, in this moving book, a blend of inspiration and memoir, he makes his remarkable legacy available to all of us, to deepen our relationships with our own children and those we love. Garth introduces each chapter with a napkin note and then shares a story connected to it and to his life. In the vein of *The Last Lecture*, *Tuesdays with Morrie*, and *Until I Say Good-bye*, *Napkin Notes* is an inspiring tale of family, love, and wisdom. Beautifully written, tender, and wise, it is sure to warm the hearts and touch the souls of readers everywhere.

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Because Your Vampire Said So

A single promise can change a life forever. We all make promises constantly. "Yes, I'll be there." "Sure, no problem!" But do we really mean what we are saying? What is the impact of a broken promise? And what happens to a life when a promise is honored? *Because I said I would* is the international social movement at the forefront of shifting how the world views commitment and accountability. With over 10.3 million Promise Cards distributed, this cause has played a unique role in changing lives around the world. Heartwarming, humorous, inspirational, and tragic—these stories will challenge readers to look deep within themselves and consider the importance of the promises they make. Through a collection of inspiring short stories and concise philosophical chapters, readers will gain the following: • Practical life lessons from surprisingly raw stories of everyday people with incredible determination • Useful advice on how to get better at keeping promises • Inspiring perspectives that can be utilized in leadership and character development initiatives One hundred percent of the author's proceeds go to *because I said I would*, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that is bettering humanity through

chapters of volunteers, character education in schools, accountability programs, and awareness campaigns with global reach.

Because I Said So

A 2008 Newbery Honor Book In this Newbery Honor-winning novel, Gary D. Schmidt offers an unforgettable antihero. The Wednesday Wars is a wonderfully witty and compelling story about a teenage boy's mishaps and adventures over the course of the 1967-68 school year in Long Island, New York. Meet Holling Hoodhood, a seventh-grader at Camillo Junior High, who must spend Wednesday afternoons with his teacher, Mrs. Baker, while the rest of the class has religious instruction. Mrs. Baker doesn't like Holling—he's sure of it. Why else would she make him read the plays of William Shakespeare outside class? But everyone has bigger things to worry about, like Vietnam. His father wants Holling and his sister to be on their best behavior: the success of his business depends on it. But how can Holling stay out of trouble when he has so much to contend with? A bully demanding cream puffs; angry rats; and a baseball hero signing autographs the very same night Holling has to appear in a play in yellow tights! As fate sneaks up on him again and again, Holling finds Motivation—the Big M—in the most unexpected places and musters up the courage to embrace his destiny, in spite of himself.

Eat This Because I Said So

A Kirkus Reviews Best Book of the Year The witty and exuberant New York Times bestselling author Ken Jennings relays the history of humor in “lively, insightful, and crawling with goofy factlings,” (Maria Semple, author of Where'd You Go Bernadette)—from fart jokes on clay Sumerian tablets to the latest Twitter gags and Facebook memes. Where once society's most coveted trait might have been strength or intelligence or honor, today, in a clear sign of evolution sliding off the trails, it is being funny. Yes, funniness. Consider: Super Bowl commercials don't try to sell you anymore; they try to make you laugh. Airline safety tutorials—those terrifying laminated cards about the possibilities of fire, explosion, depressurization, and drowning—have been replaced by joke-filled videos with multimillion-dollar budgets and dance routines. Thanks to social media, we now have a whole Twitterverse of amateur comedians riffing around the world at all hours of the day—and many of them even get popular enough online to go pro and take over TV. In his “smartly structured, soundly argued, and yes—pretty darn funny” (Booklist, starred review) Planet Funny, Ken Jennings explores this brave new comedic world and what it means—or doesn't—to be funny in it now. Tracing the evolution of humor from the caveman days to the bawdy middle-class antics of Chaucer to Monty Python's game-changing silliness to the fast-paced meta-humor of The Simpsons, Jennings explains how we built our humor-saturated modern age, where lots of us get our news from comedy shows and a comic figure can even be elected President of the United States purely on showmanship. “Fascinating,

entertaining and—I'm being dead serious here—important" (A.J. Jacobs, author of *The Year of Living Biblically*), *Planet Funny* is a full taxonomy of what spawned and defines the modern sense of humor.

Life as We Knew it

Draws on medical case histories, scientific findings, and personal research by the author to separate myth from fact and debunk a vast array of parental edicts.

Because I Said So

People are often misunderstood and mistreated by others they have always looked up to and respected, including authority figures within the church, which can prevent them from reaching their God-given destiny. Many people still struggle with believing and trusting in God. They don't know how to use the tools given to them as believers to their fullest extent. In *Because He Said So*, author Talin Aintablian explains in practical ways how to have and exercise their faith and confidence in God, while challenging the reader to put faith to work step-by-step in order to see the desired results.

The Glass Castle

Physical healing and deliverance from mental and emotional torment are impossible through our own power but not improbable with God. God is in the healing business, and business is good. Believers have access today to the same power that Jesus used to heal all who were afflicted by the Devil. All physical sickness and mental or emotional torment are from the Devil. Jesus came to destroy the works of the Devil and finished the job. We can co-labor with God to do the things Jesus did. Now is the time to change your way of thinking and believe the good news. The experiences described in this book are available to all believers. You can participate with God in miracles, signs, and wonders through the renewing of your mind. Take Jesus at His word, and amazing things will happen in your church, your work and your home. Why? Because He Said So.

All My Sons

"Our own precious Annie Oeth has penned *Genius* for us in *BECAUSE I SAID SO*. Matters not if one never parented a child--for certain, everybody WAS one, once--so the appeal and the truth are universal." Jill Conner Browne, Multiple #1 New York Times Bestselling author and *THE Sweet Potato Queen* "But whyyyy?" "Because I said so." It's the answer that rolls off the tongues of mamas from all over. In *Because I Said So: Life In The Mom Zone*, veteran mama Annie Oeth tells of the worries, laughter and sheer terror of being a mother. Trips to the emergency room, college graduations and the dangerous

combination of teenagers and fireworks are all fair game in this romp through southern motherhood. Spilling the (jelly)beans on Easter egg hunts, Santa Claus and frogs in mailboxes, Annie Oeth writes of life, love and raising children while hanging on to her sense of humor. From stories of laughter to tales of tears shed, she remembers her own growing-up years in small-town Mississippi, her parents' 44-year romance and her own children's travels on their way to adulthood, crafting stories that will touch hearts and funny bones. Anyone who's ever rocked a baby, worried over a teenager or seen family game night degenerate into a knock-down, drag-out can relate to these life lessons, straight from The Mom Zone. Mamas are tender-hearted, but don't mistake their kindness for an absence of backbone. In these stories, the love, strength, humor and super powers of mothers are hailed for the wonders that they are. Whether you're a mama to sons who have an affection for reptiles and bottle rockets or a daughter who thinks you're wrong just when you've figured out your own mother was right, you'll love yourself, your kids and your life more after this read. "Why?" "Because I Said So."

Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry

Love at first sight absolutely, positively doesn't exist

Napkin Notes

For parents everywhere whose kids complain about helping around the house, stall over homework, and bicker with one other, help is at hand. With compassion and humor, this book takes on the most common points of kid-induced friction—those altercations and annoying behaviors that drive parents most nuts—and offers quick, practical how-to advice for how to handle them. It explains to parents how to navigate everyday challenges, from helping kids learn responsibility for their possessions to getting them to stop tattling, whining, and using disrespectful language. Complete with solutions, helpful hints, and interesting bits of information, this indispensable guide offers exasperated parents the emotional support and reassurance they need to reduce friction and increase communication in the household.

Because I Said So!

The life and legacy of Whitney Houston both fascinates and devastates her fans. In the past two years, two documentaries about her relationships and the demons she struggled with have emerged. Throughout it all one major figure from Whitney's inner circle has remained largely a mystery: her closest friend Robyn Crawford. In her memoir, Robyn finally tells her story of life with Whitney. A vital memoir and a previously untold part of Whitney's life, from a woman who knew her better than nearly anyone else.

Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing

When was the last time you listened to someone, or someone really listened to you? "If you're like most people, you don't listen as often or as well as you'd like. There's no one better qualified than a talented journalist to introduce you to the right mindset and skillset—and this book does it with science and humor." -Adam Grant, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Originals* and *Give and Take* "An essential book for our times." -Lori Gottlieb, New York Times bestselling author of *Maybe You Should Talk to Someone* At work, we're taught to lead the conversation. On social media, we shape our personal narratives. At parties, we talk over one another. So do our politicians. We're not listening. And no one is listening to us. Despite living in a world where technology allows constant digital communication and opportunities to connect, it seems no one is really listening or even knows how. And it's making us lonelier, more isolated, and less tolerant than ever before. A listener by trade, New York Times contributor Kate Murphy wanted to know how we got here. In this always illuminating and often humorous deep dive, Murphy explains why we're not listening, what it's doing to us, and how we can reverse the trend. She makes accessible the psychology, neuroscience, and sociology of listening while also introducing us to some of the best listeners out there (including a CIA agent, focus group moderator, bartender, radio producer, and top furniture salesman). Equal parts cultural observation, scientific exploration, and rousing call to action that's full of practical advice, *You're Not Listening* is to listening what Susan Cain's *Quiet* was to introversion. It's time to stop talking and start listening.

The Outsiders

Just because supernatural ministry involves things impossible for us to perform does not mean that miracles, signs and wonders are improbable. Learn how to experience miracles, signs, and wonders in your church, at your home, and at your work. Overhaul your thinking about supernatural ministry. It is available to each believer. No experts are needed. Jesus was serious when He said, "Anyone who has faith in me will do those things I have been doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father." Learn to properly identify the enemy to focus your faith on healing and delivery from torment. Become convinced that all sickness and torment is from the devil—God is not in that business.

Because I Said So

50 years of an iconic classic! This international bestseller and inspiration for a beloved movie is a heroic story of friendship and belonging. No one ever said life was easy. But Ponyboy is pretty sure that he's got things figured out. He knows that he can count on his brothers, Darry and Sodapop. And he knows that he can count on his friends—true friends who would do anything for him, like Johnny and Two-Bit. But not on much else besides trouble with the Socs, a vicious gang of rich kids whose idea of a good time is beating up on "greasers" like Ponyboy. At least he knows what to expect—until the night

someone takes things too far. The Outsiders is a dramatic and enduring work of fiction that laid the groundwork for the YA genre. S. E. Hinton's classic story of a boy who finds himself on the outskirts of regular society remains as powerful today as it was the day it was first published. "The Outsiders transformed young-adult fiction from a genre mostly about prom queens, football players and high school crushes to one that portrayed a darker, truer world." —The New York Times "Taut with tension, filled with drama." —The Chicago Tribune "[A] classic coming-of-age book." —Philadelphia Daily News A New York Herald Tribune Best Teenage Book A Chicago Tribune Book World Spring Book Festival Honor Book An ALA Best Book for Young Adults Winner of the Massachusetts Children's Book Award

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Because I'm the Child Here and I Said So

Peter thinks he has the world's biggest problem - his little brother, Fudge. Fudge causes trouble wherever he goes and it's usually up to Peter to sort out the mess. When Peter wins a tiny green turtle called Dribble, he's determined to keep it away from his brother. But when Fudge does get his hands on Dribble - disaster strikes! Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing is the first book in this hugely successful series from the bestselling author and household name Judy Blume, featuring cover art from picture book star, Emily Gravett.

Because He Said So

Yes, there are times when it's appropriate to reason with your child, to patiently and eloquently explain why he or she

needs to do as you ask. You might present convincing arguments like “Because it makes you strong”; “Because it will keep you safe”; “Because it’s good for you”; “Because it’s bad for you.” But there are times when the only thing that really makes sense is . . . “Because I said so!!” This book is a hilarious, honest romp through motherhood—the joys, the sleeplessness, the frazzled days, the unending carpooling, the in-house refereeing, the dieting (yeah, right), the worrying—and did we say, the joy? Here’s what some of that joy looks like—with excerpts straight from the book: • I tried to do the Buns of Steel video, but quickly realized that it wasn’t intended for people who have buns of pudding. • I felt like my head might explode. I kind of hoped it would so I could take a nice, peaceful ambulance ride out of there. • I was a little at a loss. I mean, those parenting books don’t tell you how to break up a fight over an imaginary friend. • Moms aren’t allowed to get sick more than one day a year. Single moms aren’t allowed to get sick ever. • Before you have children you can’t imagine yourself saying things like “Don’t put chocolate milk in your pants,” “Take the hot dog out of your nose,” or “Because I said so!” If you’re a mom-to-be or a mom in the trenches, you’ll love knowing that you’re not the only one out there who sometimes just figures it out as you go along—and sometimes can’t figure it out at all. But in the end, Dawn has these words of encouragement just for you: “Enjoy this time. Even when they make you crazy, these are the best days of your life.” And they really are, aren’t they?

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Paper Towns

Want to take control of your life? Educate yourself! This book will give you the materials you need to succeed with education on healthy eating, metabolism, menu planning, and recipes!

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