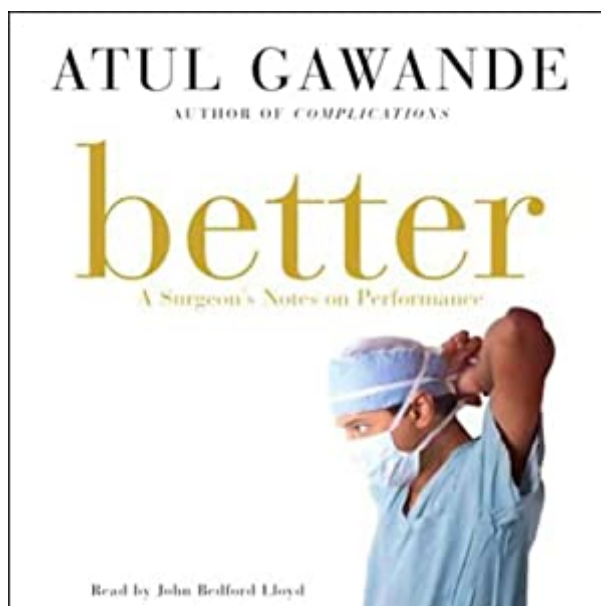


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# Better: A Surgeon's Notes On Performance



## Synopsis

National Bestseller The struggle to perform well is universal: each of us faces fatigue, limited resources, and imperfect abilities in whatever we do. But nowhere is this drive to do better more important than in medicine, where lives may be on the line with any decision. Atul Gawande, the New York Times bestselling author of *Complications*, examines, in riveting accounts of medical failure and triumph, how success is achieved in this complex and risk-filled profession. At once unflinching and compassionate, *Better* is an exhilarating journey, narrated by "arguably the best nonfiction doctor-writer around" (Salon.com). --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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## Customer Reviews

This is one of several Gawande books I purchased. I enjoy reading about medical cases. This doctor writes well and keeps the reader entertained and informed. It's good to hear the other side of the story. I think people forget that doctor's are human and make mistakes.

I read this for my English class, this is a fairly easy read with motivating content on betterment not just with healthcare but with other aspects of society or your life.

Worth one's time to understand the pressures and culture of current practice of medicine. I appreciate Dr Gawande's attitude and approach to helping patients and his honesty in approaching

this complex topic.

Really fascinating book. Amazing behind the scenes in hospitals, and of the lives of these exhausted, over-worked medical professionals.

I found the section on physician assistance in executions to be thought provoking. In the veterinary world we face euthanasia every day and a very important part of the human animals bond. When done correctly and professionally it is a very good process. If physicians were permitted to offer advice and judgement there would be many fewer mistakes made in a process that must be legally carried out. This was why I only gave five stars was his assessment of this problem. I have to say he almost got the star back during his discussion of the Indian doctors and their dedication resourcefulness and persistence. As usual Atul has made me give much thought and inward reflection on my own ability, persistence and dedication to my profession. Can't wait for his next book

As a pre-med student, this book has been a very useful guide on how to go into medicine with the intent to become a great doctor and not just another person with a white coat. Very insightful! I definitely recommend this for any doctor or doctor to be. P.S. the Afterword is very inspiring.

Lessons for life by a very thoughtful, curious young doctor heading into a surgical practice. What does it take to make an excellent doctor? or human being? Well told stories exploring these questions & more.

This is a great book that I recommend for anyone, especially those in the medical field.

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