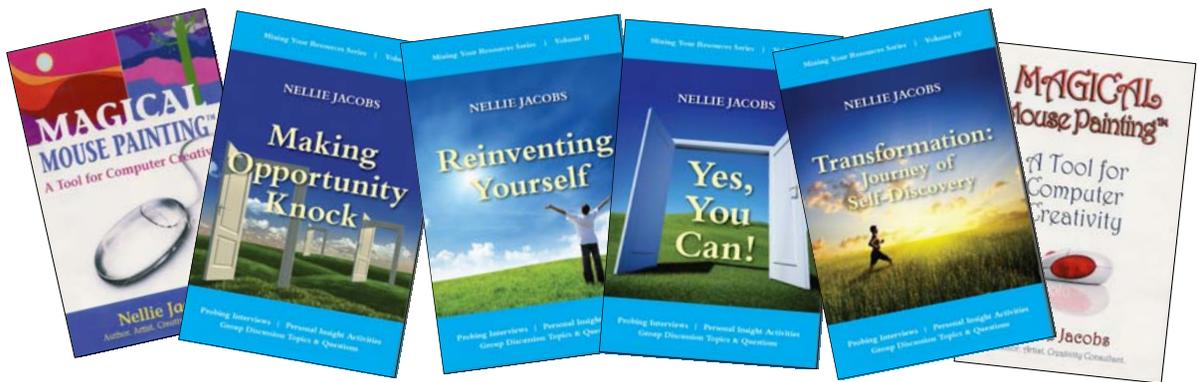


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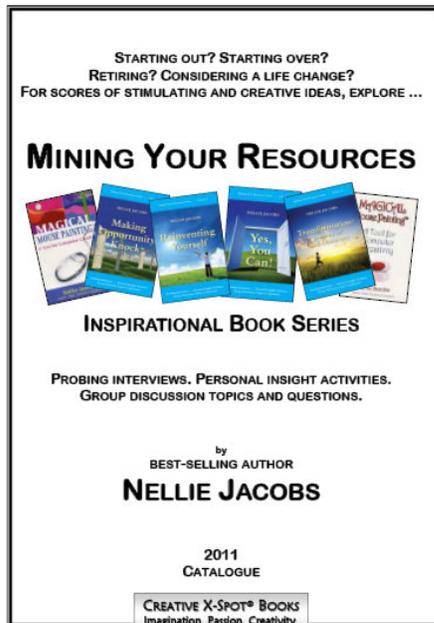
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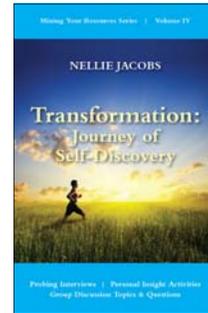
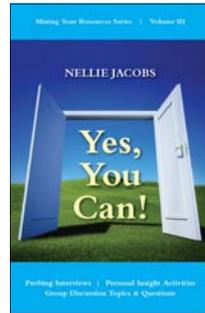
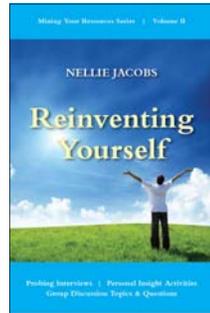
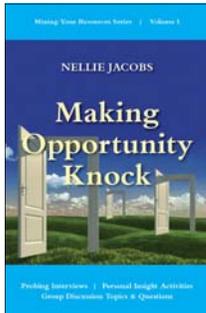
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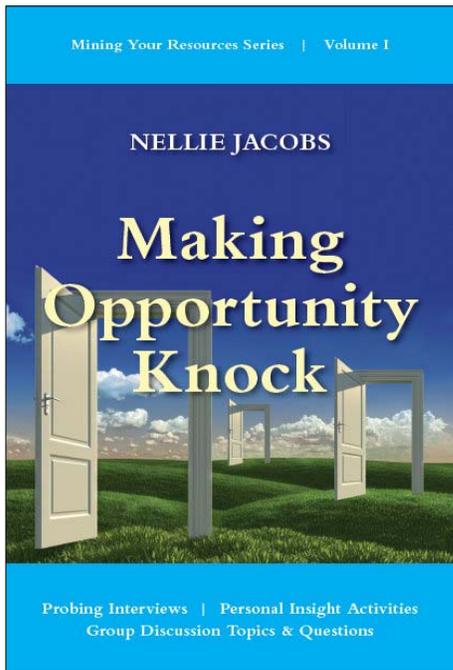
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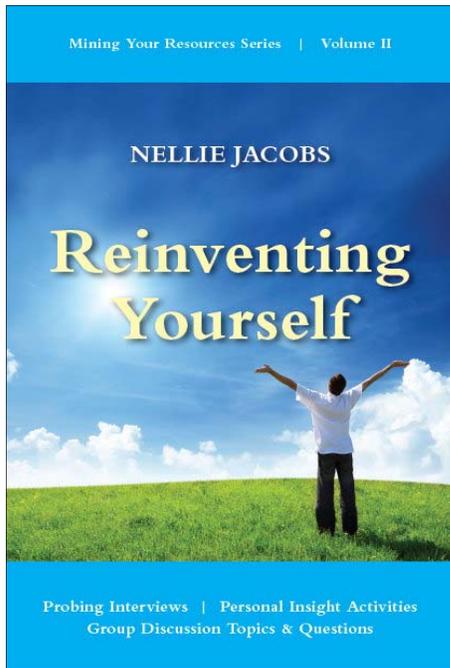
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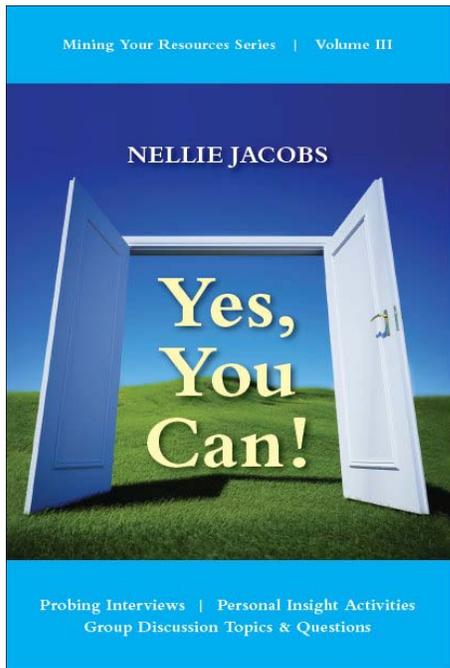
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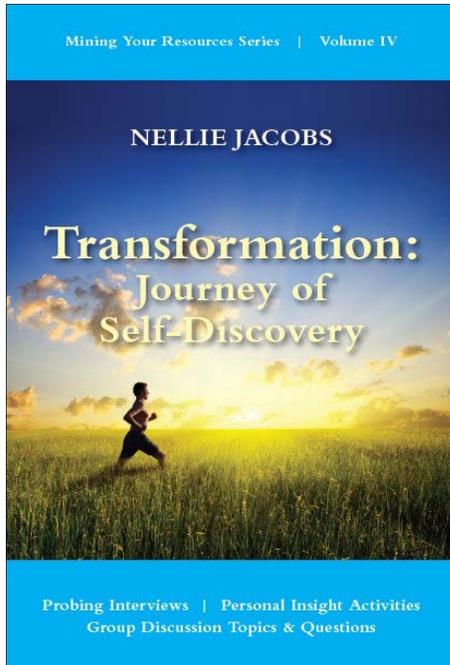
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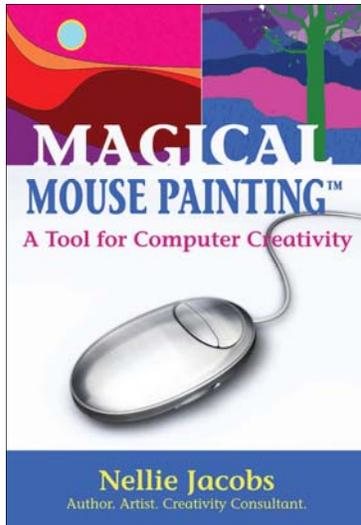
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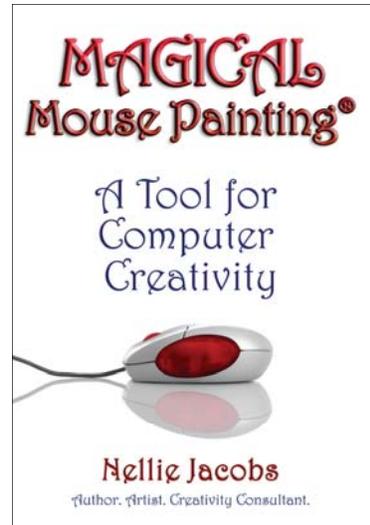
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*Former Toronto Elementary school teacher Nellie Jacobs, a mother of four, examines the profound effect teachers can have on children.. The book offers common-sense advice for evaluating teachers - and what to do when they don't measure up. **Featured book/bestseller list, Maclean's magazine***

*Over four years of research, she questioned educators at all levels of the system, collected horror stories from teachers and parents alike. **Ellie Teshler, Toronto Star***

*This is a plain-talking book ...Jacobs tells parent show to get involved with their children's school affairs without going overboard. **Susan Schwartz, The Gazette, Montreal***

*At the heart of *Grading the Teacher* is a catalogue of the attributes Jacobs says make a good teacher. She reduces this material to a simple, bulleted report card that parents can use to grade a teacher's performance. **Winnipeg Free Press***

*For parents who want advice on how to become involved in their child's schooling, this 207 pager can open the door. **Beverly Brenna, StarPhoenix***

*Jacobs consciously pursues a fair, balanced approach ...greatest appeal may be to administrators. **Marsha Heron, Quill and Quire***

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*Read your book with great interest, and have used it ...to support my arguments not only to BCCPAC but also to the press and to the local school board and others. ... I do sense a growing concern to evaluate teachers as one of the best means of improving public education ...keep up the good work. **Peter Buitenhuis, former chair, English Department, Simon Fraser University, vice-president, DCPAC, West Vancouver, B.C.***

*I ordered your book a few weeks ago. I have read it and loved it. I loved the way you were able to support both students and teachers. ... The more we work on this the more we realized what an excellent tool your questionnaire is. **L. G., Norwell, MA, U.S.A.***

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The metaphor of mining illuminated for me how we sometimes have to dig deep and work hard to find pure gold, precious gems or fuel for firing our imagination. Julie Wratten, United Kingdom. Specialist Nurse/Coronary Heart Disease, Counsellor,

I love the work that you do around creativity. Chris Dunmire. Chicago, Illinois. Creative Director, Publisher at Creativity Portal®, Author, Book Developer, e-Book Publisher at Creative Slush Playbooks

Thank you for all the time, effort and love you put into preparing for my interview with you. ... Sandy Offenheim. Children's Singer/Songwriter. Author. Poet. (*Volume Two: Reinventing Yourself*)

As she was speaking, I got an idea for a new story and had to write it down quickly before it disappeared ..I'm always fascinated to find out people's beginnings ..and how creative people find (or don't find) their place in the big, wide world. Christina Senkiw, children's author/illustrator

I spill my guts on this interview. Nellie Jacobs does a radio show "Igniting Imagination" on Blog Talk Radio. She interviews creative types and digs out their thought process. Very, very in depth. Matthew Ferry, California. Turn-around-coach. (*Volume Three, Yes, You Can!*)

I love hearing the different ways in which the experiences of different people pertain to my life and how these great things people offer are things I can use in my life to make the world a better place! I have gotten a lot of inspiration from many of your guests as well as from your thoughts. Jamie Staggs. Florida. University Student

You have such a wonderful way of getting information Colleen Baldrice, Past President, Minnesota School Counselors Association. Stillwater Human Rights Commission . Author, *Tree Spirited Woman*

I enjoyed all the positive energy and good advice. Elaine Clayton. Connecticut. Artist, healing and spiritual arts, Reiki, and psychic/intuitive readings

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