
Preface

In Search of Better Angels is a book about the challenges and possibilities we face in creating a more inclusive and welcoming society for children and adults with disabilities. It is about understanding and celebrating human diversity. It is also a book about the commonality of needs and aspirations throughout the human family.

The values expressed in this book are symbolized in the title by the image of "better angels." I borrowed this symbol from Abraham Lincoln's first inaugural address. He closed his address to the Union that was torn and filled with anger with an appeal to "the better angels of our nature." He hoped that the better angels in America would lead to peace and solidarity.

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