

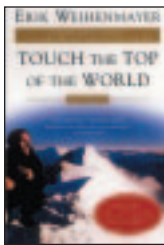


## BOOK REVIEWS

# FARTHER THAN THE EYE CAN SEE

by Brian Insolo

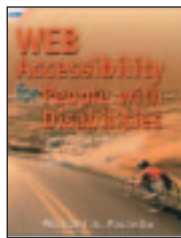
GSA's Schedule 76, Publication Media, can help you learn about the challenges of the disabled, how to make your website accessible to those with disabilities, and Braille or sign language. Listed are just a few of the items available on Schedule 76.



**Touch the Top of the World: A Blind Man's Journey to Climb Farther than the Eye Can See**

Erik Weihenmayer  
March 2002

*Touch the Top of the World* describes the journey of blind mountain climber Erik Weihenmayer who has scaled Mt. McKinley (Alaska), Aconcagua (Argentina), Kilimanjaro (Tanzania), and four of the world's Seven Summits. (The Seven Summits are the highest peaks on each of the seven continents.) Weihenmayer's loss of sight at the age of thirteen, high school wrestling career, and supportive family are all described in this surprisingly humorous book about his inspiring life.



**Web Accessibility for People with Disabilities (R & D Developer Series)**

Michael G. Paciello  
October 2000

*Web Accessibility for People with Disabilities* helps web designers build sites accessible to all. In this book, the reader learns how to comply with accessibility standards and legal mandates such as the American Disabilities Act (ADA), the HTML code needed to do so, where to find disability and web accessibility resources, how to deliver graphic and visual content to the blind, and how emerging technologies will affect web access.



**Maximum Accessibility: Making Your Web Site More Usable for Everyone**

John M. Slatin,  
Sharron Rush  
August 2002

This book will help make your website more accessible to the more than 600 hundred million people (54 million in the U.S. alone) with disabilities. Included in *Maximum Accessibility* are tips on writing effective text equivalents for images, working with PDFs, and how to label forms so people using talking browsers can give the right information at the right time.



**Computer and Web Resources for People with Disabilities: A Guide to Exploring Today's Assistive Technology**

*Alliance for Technology Access*  
March 2000

*Computer and Web Resources* provides recommendations for using assistive technologies, details on new technologies that help the disabled, and stories of people using assistive technologies in their everyday lives. This extremely useful book also has an extensive listing of both print and Internet resources.

A number of colorful illustrations to help you learn the Braille alphabet quickly and get started reading Braille may be found in *Braille for the Sighted*. To reinforce learning, a number of fun exercises and activities are included that will have you translating both to and from Braille in no time.



**Beginning with Braille: Firsthand Experiences with a Balanced Approach to Literacy**

*Anna M. Swenson*  
January 1999

Swenson's *Beginning with Braille* has a number of strategies for learning to read and write Braille (as well as use a Braille writer) in the early stages. The book also has a number of useful references for both students and teachers.



**Instructional Strategies for Braille Literacy**

*Diane P. Wormsley, Frances M. D'Andrea, American Foundation for the Blind*

January 1997

The award-winning *Instructional Strategies for Braille Literacy* has many user-friendly strategies for teaching the reading and writing of Braille to students with various impairments or to speakers of English as a second language.



**Reading by Touch**

*Susanna Millar*  
June 1997

*Reading by Touch* draws on Millar's research in examining how fluent

Braille readers process this language and the role experience with sounds, words, meaning, and spelling plays in the process.



**A Loss for Words: The Story of Deafness in a Family**

*Lou Ann Walker*  
September 1987

*A Loss for Words* tells the author's story of being born one of three hearing daughters to deaf parents in the Midwest in 1952. As the oldest daughter in her family, the author often saw the insensitivity of people while she served as "interpreter" for her parents— introducing the family to new neighbors, going to doctors' appointments with her mother, helping fill out forms, and correcting written English. This book offers a good insight into Deaf Culture and even explains Walker's career choice as a writer in New York after graduating from Harvard.



**Learning American Sign Language**

*Tom Humphries, Carol Padden*  
January 1992

This primer of American Sign Language (ASL) is based on learning ASL skills needed for everyday life. A particular strength of *Learning American Sign Language* is that it places a great deal of emphasis on practice sentences and conversation (including slang and idioms.)



**The American Sign Language Phrase Book**

*Louie J. Fant, Betty G. Miller (Illustrator)*  
September 1994

*The American Sign Language Phrase Book* serves as both an instant reference tool and a study aid. The book is organized by topics that include getting acquainted, health, weather, and travel. A discussion of ASL grammar, which is different from English grammar, is also included in this highly effective tool phrase book.

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