

# Only the Rich Can Play: A Journey into the Hidden World of Wealth and Privilege

By Robert Frank

In his groundbreaking new book, *Only the Rich Can Play*, Robert Frank takes us on a journey into the hidden world of wealth and privilege. Frank, a sociologist and economist, has spent years studying the ultra-wealthy, and he has come to some startling s.



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Frank argues that the ultra-wealthy are not simply lucky or hard-working. They have a set of advantages that allow them to accumulate and maintain their wealth. These advantages include access to better education, healthcare, and financial advice. They also have the ability to influence the political system to their own benefit.

The result is a system that is rigged in favor of the wealthy. The ultra-wealthy are able to use their wealth to buy influence, which they then use to make the system even more tilted in their favor. This creates a vicious cycle that is difficult to break.

Frank's book is a powerful indictment of the growing inequality in our society. He shows how the ultra-wealthy are able to live in a world of their own, far removed from the struggles of ordinary people. He also shows how the system is rigged to benefit the wealthy, at the expense of the rest of us.

*Only the Rich Can Play* is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the growing inequality in our society. It is a powerful indictment of the system that is rigged in favor of the wealthy, and it offers a clear path to a more just and equitable society.

## **Reviews**

"*Only the Rich Can Play* is a tour de force. Frank has written a book that is both deeply researched and highly readable. He has exposed the hidden world of wealth and privilege, and he has shown how it is rigged in favor of the wealthy. This is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the growing inequality in our society." - Joseph Stiglitz, Nobel Prize-winning economist

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challenges facing our society today." - Robert Reich, former Secretary of Labor

## About the Author

Robert Frank is a sociologist and economist. He is a professor at the Cornell University School of Industrial and Labor Relations. Frank is the author of several books, including *Luxury Fever: Why We Want Things We Don't Need* and *The Darwin Economy: Liberty, Competition, and the Common Good*.

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