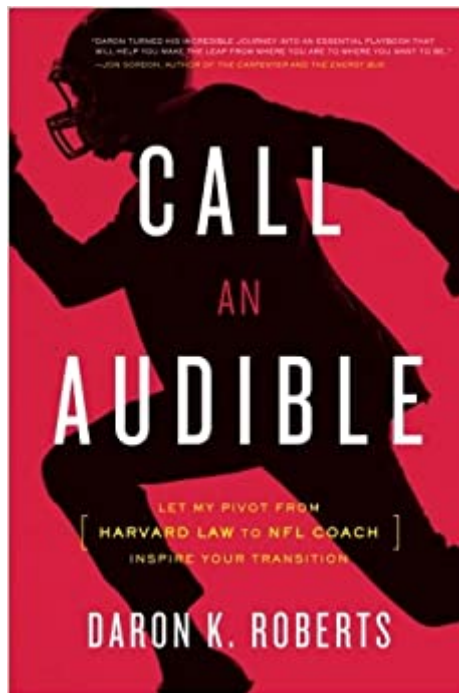




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# Call An Audible: Let My Pivot From Harvard Law To NFL Coach Inspire Your Transition



## Synopsis

**BESTSELLER IN MENTORING & COACHING** In the summer of 2006, author Daron K. Roberts was just one year away from earning a law degree from his dream school: Harvard. But that summer, in the throes of a clerkship at a Texas law firm, Roberts had a revelation—he wanted something different. Very different. Daron Roberts wanted to be an NFL football coach. After making the transition from Harvard Law student to NFL newbie, Roberts worked as a coach for the Kansas City Chiefs, Detroit Lions, West Virginia Mountaineers, and the Cleveland Browns. But he's not forgotten how hard it was to take that first step in a new direction. In *Call an Audible*, Roberts shares his inspiring journey and reveals his playbook to help guide your next transition.

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Daron K. Roberts is the founding director of the Center for Sports Leadership & Innovation (CSLi) at the University of Texas. He spent seven years as an NFL and college football coach after graduating from Harvard Law School. Roberts has been featured in ESPN the Magazine, Bloomberg Businessweek and Sports Illustrated. A lecturer at the University of Texas, Roberts focuses on leadership and innovation in the sports arena. He teaches a course that he built "Gameplan for Winning at Life" to all freshmen student athletes at the University of Texas. Roberts is a contributor to Forbes.com, and his articles have appeared in The Dallas Morning News, Fortune, Houston Chronicle, and Time.

One of the easiest reads I've ever experienced. This should be a book every college student and

working professional reads, regardless of their interest in football. It's written like a novel, but with the awesome fact that it's true events and dives into the thinking and actions of what it takes to get what you want when the odds are impossible to beat. It's a playbook, pun intended, on how to get from where you are to where you want to be. The details described in this book made me feel like part of Daron's story. I was anxious, I was scared, I laughed, I teared up, and finally was sad that it all ended. This is one of those books you finish reading and want everyone else to read it so you can laugh about it with them. Do yourself a favor and pick up a copy.

Whether looking to pivot from, improve, or completely redefine your career, life, or a relationship, *Call an Audible* is an inspiring story that will refresh your thinking and provide you with the motivation to go for it (whatever it is)! This book helps you realize any shortcomings in your happiness and lays out pieces of advice (pivot points) to push you toward your purpose (or, at the very least, living with more passion). Daron's incredible story takes him from Harvard Law student, on the verge of accomplishing something that only a small percentage of us can say we've done, to starting over in a brand new industry. His determination to outwork the competition, go the extra mile (literally), effectively network, and chase his goal is truly motivating and exciting. But, not only is his story inspirational (he demonstrates so much grit), he offers up valuable, relevant advice to us (see: the two pages of notes that I took while reading his book over a weekend). If you're interested in self-help, personal transformation, business, or leadership (even if you aren't a football fan) books, I would highly recommend *Call an Audible*.

The book is very well written obviously, and the story compelling. More than that though, the book has a clear blue print for improvement/success in your own endeavors. No, it is not just another self-help book, far from it. Look, I am as competitive as the next guy and have always gotten up after getting knocked down. Daron's "Call an Audible" was a bit of a wake-up call though: I can already think of a few specific instances when I chose the easy way out instead of keeping my head down and powering on. I hardly ever talk about books I read, or gift them to others. This one is different. I finished Daron's book last night and already bought it for a friend of mine and made plans for my wife and son to read it. Right now, I'd say it is life-altering. Do me a favor - just buy the book and read it. \$16+tax and a few hours later, I truly believe you will agree w/ me and thank Coach D.

I've never gained so much insight from a book. As a new grad starting out her career, this book has completely transformed my thinking in how I can achieve the goals I have set before me. This book

is for anyone. Whether you're at a new beginning in life or you've been waiting on working towards your biggest dreams, this book will give you the inspiration, motivation and support you need to go after it. I love this book so much, I bought four more to give to my friends. I've been talking about it so much, my family gave in, wanted to see what all I was excited about, and bought copies as well (I would have lent them mine, but mine is marked up with highlighter and notes on every page). You can't walk away from reading this book unchanged. If you're ready for some major movement in your life, this is the best place to start.

Daron Roberts spoke at my sister's graduation ceremony a couple of years ago. Upon hearing his story, I instantly connected with his journey. I believe we all long to call an audible but are afraid or scared to take that leap of faith because of the fear of the unknown and uncertainty. However, Daron did what few of us do and gave us the tools to call an audible as well. Daron's journey coupled with his reflections and insights are very relatable and applicable. It's a fun and entangling story filled with hardship, hard work, sacrifice, and an insurmountable pursuit of passion. I would highly recommend this book for anyone, not only those looking for change. Thank you Daron for sharing your experiences and journey.

It is rare for me to read a book that speaks to me on so many different levels. As I was reading this book, I felt as if the author's voice was speaking directly to me. Mr. Roberts managed to sound inspirational without sounding arrogant. His retelling of how he got his start in the NFL with the Kansas City Chiefs demonstrates his will and grit to never give up until he reached his final goal. It is easy to picture this Harvard Law graduate's intelligence and winning personality from this book. His personal journey inspired me and I highly recommend this book as a motivational tool for individuals as well as sports teams, coaches, and student-athletes. This is a must read for anyone who is willing to give 110% in everything they do.

Daron Roberts does an amazing job of capturing the keys to success and laying them out in a clear, succinct plan for life. Daron is a Harvard graduate who maximizes his degree through personal application; the marriage of his life dreams with his academic abilities creates extraordinary opportunities over and over again. Along the way don't miss the hilarious footnotes that leave you with a glimpse into his clever, yet personable side. This work is so spot-on perfect for the "pursuit of happiness" I am including it as mandatory reading for our home school students to help guide them in their own "Declaration of Independence". Touchdown, Daron Roberts! Everybody wins!

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