**David Brooks Bios**

**Short bio:**

David Brooks is chair of [Weave: The Social Fabric Project](http://weareweavers.org/) at The Aspen Institute in Washington, DC. He is a New York Times columnist, a commentator on NPR and PBS NewsHour, and author of five books, including “The Road to Character” and “The Second Mountain.” [@nytdavidbrooks](https://twitter.com/nytdavidbrooks) [@weavetheppl](https://twitter.com/weavetheppl?lang=en)

**Irreverent Short bio:**

David Brooks uses his soapbox in a variety of media outlets to promote the idea that, across the political spectrum, there's more that unites us than divides us. Whether it's writing columns in *The New York Times*, appearing as a commentator on *PBS Newshour*, opining on National Public Radio's *All Things Considered* or debating on NBC's *Meet the Press*, Brooks has a central thesis that we are stronger when we unite to move America forward. He founded and chairs [*Weave: The Social Fabric Project*](http://weareweavers.org/) at the Aspen Institute.

**Medium-length bio:**

David Brooks is a columnist for The New York Times and a contributor to The Atlantic, as well as Founder and Chair of [Weave: The Social Fabric Project](http://weareweavers.org/) at the Aspen Institute. He is a commentator on “The PBS Newshour,” NPR’s “All Things Considered” and NBC’s “Meet the Press.”

His most recent book, “The Second Mountain,” shows what can happen when we put commitment-making and relationships at the center of our lives. He is also the author of “The Road to Character,” “Bobos In Paradise: The New Upper Class and How They Got There” and “The Social Animal: The Hidden Sources of Love, Character, and Achievement.”

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**Long bio:**

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Born on August 11, 1961 in Toronto, Canada, Mr. Brooks graduated with a BA in history from the University of Chicago in 1983. He became a police reporter for the City News Bureau, a wire service owned jointly by the Chicago Tribune and Sun Times.

He worked at The Washington Times and then The Wall Street Journal for 9 years. His last post at the Journal was as op-ed editor. Prior to that, he was posted in Brussels, covering Russia, the Middle East, South Africa and European affairs. His first post at the Journal was as editor of the book review section, and he filled in as the Journal's movie critic.

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