

Download The Clinton Tapes Wrestling History With President Taylor Branch

Seeking to preserve his own witness for history, Branch dictated his impressions after each session, not only of the topics covered, but of Clinton's widely varying moods, manner, and highly personal interactions with Hillary and Chelsea Clinton. From these recollections, he has crafted an extraordinary blend of history, journalism, and politics, which sheds fresh light on a controversial president, a contentious era, and the nature of the presidency itself. Taylor Branch is a noted historian and Pulitzer Prize winner for one of the three massive and excellent books he wrote concerning the late Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., and the civil rights movement. With former President Clinton in the news lately, we thought it would be a good time to look at the most recent book covering his White House years, 'The Clinton Tapes: Wrestling History with the President' by Taylor Branch. His 2009 memoir, *The Clinton Tapes: Wrestling History with the President*, chronicles an unprecedented eight-year project to gather a sitting president's comprehensive oral history secretly on tape. His cover story for the October 2011 issue of *The Atlantic*, "The Shame of College Sports," touched off continuing national debate.