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Change in education is easy to propose, hard to implement, and extraordinarily difficult to sustain (Hargreaves & Fink, 2006, p. 1).

Sound familiar? I am sure it does if you have spent any time in a school leadership role!

Continuous, sustainable educational improvement is possible. However, it is most dependent on successful leadership. Andy Hargreaves and Dean Fink make such a case in their book *Sustainable Leadership* and further note a relevant truism: Making leadership sustainable is difficult too (p. 1).

This easy-to-read text is full of such principles, each of which makes the book a powerful and timely read. This book addresses one area of school leadership that is a most important, yet often neglected subject in education today: educational improvement as correlated with leadership sustainability. Kouzes and Posner (1995), support such an integrated concept in their classic read *The Leadership Challenge* by relating the following: There are monumental differences... *(preview truncated at 150 words.)*

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