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WHAT MAKES AN EFFECTIVE AND SUCCESSFUL MARKETING LEADER? The 12 Powers of a Marketing Leader, by former McKinsey Partner Thomas Barta and senior London Business School professor Patrick Barwise, is the first research-based leadership book for marketers in the 21st century. Based on the largest ever research study of its kind, with detailed data on over 8,600 leaders in more than 170 countries, this game-changing book identifies 12 specific behaviors--or Powers--that drive marketers' business impact and career success. Reading it, you'll learn how to:

- **MOBILIZE YOUR BOSS:** Make an impact at the highest level and align marketing with the company's priorities.
- **MOBILIZE YOUR COLLEAGUES:** Inspire and motivate your non-marketing colleagues to deliver a great customer experience.
- **MOBILIZE YOUR TEAM:** Build and align a winning marketing team.
- **MOBILIZE YOURSELF:** Focus on goals that will benefit your customers, your company and yourself, by meeting your own needs and ambitions. By zeroing in on the value creation zone ("V-Zone")--the all-important overlap between your company's and customers' needs--you'll be able to help the business win in the market--and achieve your career goals.

Warning: This is not a marketing book. It's a leadership book for marketers, using the latest research on what works--and what doesn't--in marketing's digital age. **BONUS:** Receive full

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access to an online self-assessment tool and other marketing leadership resources.

The go-to book that revives confidence in Indian leaders and managers to build and grow without the fear of failure. From a small steel trading company in 1945 to India's largest tractor manufacturer in 2019, the fascinating story of Mahindra and Mahindra epitomizes rapid expansion and stellar convictions. In *Lead with Purpose Like Anand Mahindra*, Rajiv Agarwal shows how Anand Mahindra developed businesses that have all emerged as leaders in the industries in which they operate—be it aerospace, rural finance or Information Technology. Each chapter contains a case study that can inform and inspire an aspiring manager in taking tough decisions, following one's instincts and taking risks. A gripping and enriching narrative, the author elucidates managerial traits that helped Mahindra carve out successful ventures such as the Scorpio, and ensure the successful acquisition of SsangYong, a South Korean automobile manufacturer. Steadfast and courageous, Mahindra emerges not only as a visionary manager but also as a thoughtful and humble leader who has the eye and will to achieve what he sets out for. This book also explains classic business practices that can help the reader rise to the top just like the Renaissance Man, as Anand Mahindra has been called. This is the second book in the *Management Lessons From The Masters* series. A must-read for anyone who wants to learn the secrets of running a successful business.

Affiliate Marketing Is One Of The Few Industries Where The Impact Of The Coronavirus Has Presented Affiliate

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Marketers With Better Opportunities! As affiliate marketing is trending & a free source to make passive income easily, more & more people are drawn towards it seeking that financial security and the comfort of a laptop lifestyle. Moreover, COVID changed the world, vastly. Both online and offline. That means you have to adjust everything to the new situation. What is your marketing strategy, how do you reach out to people, what message do you send and what product category do you focus your marketing efforts on? As you probably already know, one of the fastest and easiest ways to make money online is in affiliate marketing. As an affiliate, you don't have to worry about creating products, providing support, or testing and tweaking sales pages endlessly in order to increase conversion rates, and ultimately, profits. In fact, affiliate marketers can make just as much money as product owners and online merchants without having to do ANY of the work! We Take Pride In Presenting...Affiliate Income Training Kit Make Game-Changing Commissions With Affiliate Marketing! This guide will walk you through every step and information you need to start and scale up your affiliate marketing business for massive commissions. We have included everything for you to tap into this incredible marketing potential and make huge profits. Affiliate Marketing Is THE Easiest Way To Make Profits Online... Forget About The Hassles, Risk & Costs Of... Dropshipping - Where you rely on unknown suppliers to fulfill orders for you Customer Support - Spending hours per day dealing with support tickets, questions & refund requests Buying & Storing Inventory - Just 'hoping' you can sell it without

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losing money Paid Ads - Forking out THOUSANDS on traffic with zero guarantees of results Affiliate marketing is truly your golden ticket into making a full-time income online without the cost or the hassle. According to Statista, affiliate marketing spending in the U.S. alone is expected to reach \$8.2 billion by 2022, more than triple what it was 10 years earlier 50% of affiliate-referred traffic comes from mobile devices. 74% of US online shoppers check multiple affiliate websites before deciding on a purchase 73% of the merchants reported that their affiliate revenue met their needs and many more And there's no better resource for making 7-figure recurring income with affiliate marketing than with this step-by-step training course...All you need to do is simply use the information provided in the training guide to take your business to unprecedented heights. Affiliate marketing is a quick and inexpensive method of making money without the hassle of actually selling a product. It has an undeniable draw for those looking to increase their income online! And this awesome training course will help you to boost your affiliate commissions to whatever level you see fit. It depends entirely on how ambitious you are, and what you want out of it.

Creativity and Marketing: The Fuel for Success presents a diverse collection of theoretical analysis, real world evidence, and case study applications to synthesize emerging studies on how creativity is important for marketing success.

The best-selling authors of Warren Buffett and the Art of Stock Arbitrage present an in-depth look at the stocks owned by Warren Buffett to explain why he has invested

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in them, sharing detailed case studies that reveal specific reasons each business has been declared good for long-term investments. 125,000 first printing.

Ride your personal brand to the highest level in your field! "A combination of inspiration and utility. . . . A must-read for leaders, entrepreneurs, or anyone who wants to harness the power of their own personal brand."

—DONNY DEUTSCH, television host and Chairman, Deutsch Inc. "Discover Your CEO Brand is an exploration into the art and science, heart and soul, and woof and warp of leadership. The examples are compelling, the reasoning impeccable, and the motivation irresistible." —ALAN WEISS, Ph.D., author of Million Dollar Consulting and The Consulting Bible

"I believe strongly that you cannot become a leader in an organization that operates in contrast to your personal values. With the advice provided in Suzanne's book, I am confident readers will find the match that works best for them." —JONATHAN RECKFORD, CEO, Habitat for Humanity International

"Whether you are already a famous CEO with a well-established brand or just starting to craft that brand and its impact, this book is an excellent resource and guide. Suzanne Bates motivates all CEOs to develop their personal brand and clearly shows how to do it." —MARSHA FIRESTONE, Ph.D., founder and President, Women Presidents' Organization

"Discover Your CEO Brand is a terrific read that sets out a powerful and compelling roadmap for becoming an effective leader. Filled with engaging examples, it is the quintessential guide to building your personal brand." —ANDREW SOBEL, author of All for

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One and Clients for Life About the Book Steve Jobs did it at Apple. Indra Nooyi did it at Pepsi. Alan Mulally did it at Ford Motor Company. What did these business leaders do exactly? They brought very real, positive change to their organizations by using their unique CEO brand. Now, executive coach Suzanne Bates explains how you can exert the same kind of influence at your company. Discover Your CEO Brand provides the insight, knowledge, and tools you need to discover your own personal CEO style and then develop it into a powerful presence that extends beyond your typical spheres of influence. Bates walks you through the process step by step, teaching you ways to increase your visibility and influence by combining traditional self-branding vehicles like PR and face-to-face networking with new social-media platforms, including Facebook, Twitter, and blogs. No two sets of values, principles, vision, and skills—the foundation of every successful CEO brand—are alike. Whether you're a CEO, team leader, or entrepreneur, you need to discover who you are as a leader, what you believe, and how that defines you. It's not as apparent as you may think. Applying her years of expertise, Bates takes you deep below the surface to find the powerful leadership brand inside you, so you can:

- Connect with key audiences
- Elevate your leader profile
- Attract and retain the best talent
- Create business opportunities
- Shape a high-performance culture
- Drive long-term value within your company

It's not about crafting a leadership style out of thin air in order to influence people and "get ahead." It's about discovering your own personal leadership style. It's about connecting with others

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authentically. It's about instituting change that benefits the company and the people in it. You're about to head down a road to dramatically improving your organization, your career, and your life. Take your first steps with Suzanne Bates and the proven methods she outlines in *Discover Your CEO Brand*.

Growth, Decline, and Regeneration in Large Cities sheds light on why some cities prosper, others implode, and still others are able to reverse their downward trajectories.

The book focuses on four major case studies of American metropolitan areas: Detroit, Boston, Minneapolis, and Austin. It explores how distinctive political and cultural forces in these cities affected economic growth or decline. Theoretical frameworks to explain economic development in urban areas are identified. The book addresses important subjects such as response to deindustrialization, disruption caused by gentrification, globalization, and the importance of human capital for economic development.

An accessible guide to effectively operating in the hedge fund arena *Hedge funds* are now in the news more than a thousand times a day and yet it is hard to find clear, factual information about how they operate, raise capital, and invest. *The Hedge Fund Book* provides real-world case studies of various hedge fund managers providing a solid foundation in specialized hedge fund knowledge for both financial professionals and those aspiring to enter this field. It provides an analysis of funds within different phases of their life cycles and investment processes, and examines each cycle in ways that would be informational for marketers as well as investors,

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bankers, and financial professionals who would like to learn more about day-to-day hedge fund operations. Addresses everything you need to know about this popular segment of the financial industry within a case study format. Each chapter contains several types of investment and situational analyses, insights and best practices along with a review and "test your knowledge section". Written by a successful hedge fund consultant and head of one of the largest hedge fund networking groups in the industry with more than 30,000 members. This book is required reading for participants within the hedge fund industry's leading designation program, the CHP Designation. If you're looking to gain a better understanding of hedge funds, look no further than *The Hedge Fund Book*.

Know how your company can accelerate growth by not only tapping into new growth vectors, but also by adapting its organization, culture, and processes. To oversee growth from an idea to a company with billions in revenue, CEOs must reinvent many aspects of their company in anticipation of it reaching ever-higher revenues. Author Peter Cohan takes you through the four stages of scaling: winning the first customers, building a scalable business model, sprinting to liquidity, and running the marathon. *What You'll Learn* Discover how founders keep their CEO positions by managing the organizational change needed to reach the next stage of scaling. Read case studies that illustrate how CEOs craft growth strategies, raise capital, create culture, build their organizations, set goals, and manage processes to achieve them. Discover principles of successful scaling.

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through comparisons of successful and less successful companies Use the Scaling Quotient to assess your startup's readiness to grow Follow a road map for turning your idea into a company that can change the world Who This Book Is For Entrepreneurs, aspiring CEOs, capital providers, and all other key stakeholders

The W&A Guide to Getting Published provides the would-be published author with expert knowledge on securing a book deal – from preparing a manuscript for submission, to finding an agent, from working with an Editor, to effective self-promotion. It considers all stages in the 'selling' of your idea and manuscript and gives up-to-date information on how the publishing industry functions and how authors can best navigate its mysteries and complexities. Each chapter provides practical, how-to advice on what to do, where to seek additional help, what costs might be involved, cautionary dos and don'ts, and useful case studies. This guide considers all publishing formats (print, digital and audio) and markets (fiction, non-fiction, children's and books for adults) to offer all-round support for the budding writer.

This title takes the broadest possible scope to interrogate the emergence of “platform urbanism”, examining how it transforms urban infrastructure, governance, knowledge production, and everyday life, and brings together leading scholars and early-career researchers from across five continents and multiple disciplines. The volume advances theoretical debates at the leading edge of the intersection between urbanism, governance, and the digital economy, by drawing on a range of empirically detailed cases from which to theorize the multiplicity of

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forms that platform urbanism takes. It draws international comparisons between urban platforms across sites, with attention to the leading edges of theory and practice and explores the potential for a renewal of civic life, engagement, and participatory governance through “platform cooperativism” and related movements. A breadth of tangible and diverse examples of platform urbanism provides critical insights to scholars examining the interface of digital technologies and urban infrastructure, urban governance, urban knowledge production, and everyday urban life. The book will be invaluable on a range of undergraduate and postgraduate courses, as well as for academics and researchers in these fields, including anthropology, geography, innovation studies, politics, public policy, science and technology studies, sociology, sustainable development, urban planning, and urban studies. It will also appeal to an engaged, academia-adjacent readership, including city and regional planners, policymakers, and third-sector researchers in the realms of citizen engagement, industrial strategy, regeneration, sustainable development, and transport.

This book argues that adaptation is an underrecognized yet constitutive element of Nordic noir. In so doing, it reframes the prevailing critical view. Now celebrated for its global sweep, Nordic noir is equally a transmedial phenomenon. *Nordic Noir, Adaptation, Appropriation* deploys the tools of current adaptation studies to undertake a wide-ranging transcultural, intermedial exploration, adding an important new layer to the rich scholarship that has arisen around Nordic noir in recent

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years.

The definitive “Customer Success Manager How-To-Guide” for the CSM profession from Gainsight, who brought you the market-leading Customer Success The Customer Success Manager has become a critical asset to organizations across the business landscape. As the subscription model has spread from the cloud and SaaS to more sectors of the economy, that pivotal role will only grow in importance. That’s because if you want to compete and thrive in this new environment, you need to put the customer at the center of your strategy. You need to recognize you’re no longer selling just a product. You’re selling an outcome. Customer Success Managers (CSM) are committed to capturing and delivering those outcomes by listening to their customers, understanding their needs, and adapting products and services to drive success. Although several existing resources address the customer success imperative, there is no authoritative instruction manual for the CSM profession—until now. The Customer Success Professional’s Handbook is the definitive reference book for CSMs and similar roles in the field. This practical, first-of-its-kind manual fills a significant gap in professional customer success literature, providing the knowledge every CSM needs to succeed—from the practitioner level all the way to senior leadership. The authors—acknowledged experts in building, training, and managing Customer Success teams—offer real-world guidance and practical advice for aspiring and experienced CSMs alike. The handbook is written by practioners for practioners. An indispensable

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resource for front-line Customer Success Managers, this much-needed book: Demonstrates how to build, implement, and manage a Customer Success team Helps new CSMs develop their skills and proficiency to be more employable and grow in their careers Provides clear guidance for managers on how to hire a stellar CSM Presents practical tactics needed to drive revenue growth during renewal, expansion, and customer advocacy opportunities Explains proven methods and strategies for mentoring CSMs throughout their careers Offers valuable insights from Gainsight, the Customer Success Company, and the broader customer success community with more than a dozen of the industry's most respected leaders contributing their perspectives Currently, with over 70,000 open positions, Customer Success Manager in one of the fastest-growing jobs in the world. The Customer Success Professional's Handbook: How to Thrive in One of the World's Fastest Growing Careers—While Driving Growth For Your Company will prove to be your go-to manual throughout every stage of your CSM career.

Feminism in Play focuses on women as they are depicted in video games, as participants in games culture, and as contributors to the games industry. This volume showcases women's resistance to the norms of games culture, as well as women's play and creative practices both in and around the games industry.

Contributors analyze the interconnections between games and the broader societal and structural issues impeding the successful inclusion of women in games and games culture. In offering this framework, this

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volume provides a platform to the silenced and marginalized, offering counter-narratives to the post-racial and post-gendered fantasies that so often obscure the violent context of production and consumption of games culture.

The Wall Street Journal bestseller! Learn the secrets to getting dramatic results on YouTube Derral Eves has generated over 60 billion views on YouTube and helped 24 channels grow to one million subscribers from zero. In *The YouTube Formula: How Anyone Can Unlock the Algorithm to Drive Views, Build an Audience, and Grow Revenue*, the owner of the largest YouTube how-to channel provides the secrets to getting the results that every YouTube creator and strategist wants. Eves will reveal what readers can't get anywhere else: the inner workings of the YouTube algorithm that's responsible for determining success on the platform, and how creators can use it to their advantage. Full of actionable advice and concrete strategies, this book teaches readers how to: Launch a channel Create life-changing content Drive rapid view and subscriber growth Build a brand and increase engagement Improve searchability Monetize content and audience Replete with case studies and information from successful YouTube creators, *The YouTube Formula* is perfect for any creator, entrepreneur, social media strategist, and brand manager who hopes to see real commercial results from their work on the platform.

-Encouraging the MSME entrepreneurs and youth to create big, sustainable businesses and generate employment through their work is the core objective of

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writing this book- Today, India is a land of great opportunities and will remain so for next three or four decades. Yet we don't have as many globally competitive enterprises and are struggling with unemployment, poverty and illiteracy. Why?

Entrepreneurship can be one of the effective responses to these challenges and opportunities. Entrepreneurs create jobs, develop innovative solutions to address the need of the society, they increase GDP and thus attract lot of foreign investments and can help this nation in a significant way. Business Stories is a book with sixteen such stories of successful MSME enterprises that has achieved meaningful success in relative shorter time span and has the potential to grow exponentially in the years ahead. They also have the potential to inspire and guide millions of existing and aspiring entrepreneurs and youth of this wonderful nation.

The success of any Organization - be it a Private or a Public Sector Enterprise (PSE) depends, to a greater degree, on the strength of its decision-making structure. A timely and well-considered decision is like the spark that sets the machinery into motion. Thus, the importance of decision making needs to be appreciated and should not be undermined at any stage. However, in the case of PSE, the problem is compounded as decision making is found wanting practically at all levels. The due adherence to the laid down procedures and proper recording of the reason for the deviation, if any, is also cited as one of the important factors

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responsible for delay in PSEs. This could also be a result of the fear of vigilance or audit, inadequate data/MIS, no proper appraisal/analysis, etc. This book on 'Decision Making in Public Sector' by Shri I K Achplani can prove to be the guide that everyone is on a look out for. Shri Achplani has gathered varied experiences during his service career so far and has quite beautifully penned down his thoughts, ideas and suggestions in the form of a book. "Not only will it help the people who hold decision-making positions today, but this book is a good read even for those aspiring to reach these positions of decision-making in future." Mr. A K Chaudhary, Chairman, SAIL (A Maharatna PSE)

Transmedia storytelling is defined as a process where integral elements of fiction get dispersed systematically across multiple delivery channels to create a unified and coordinated entertainment experience. This process and its narrative models have had an increasing influence on the academic world in addressing both theoretical and practical dimensions of transmedia storytelling. The Handbook of Research on Transmedia Storytelling and Narrative Strategies is a critical scholarly resource that explores the connections between consumers of media content and information parts that come from multimedia platforms, as well as the concepts of narration and narrative styles. Featuring coverage on a wide range of topics such as

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augmented reality, digital society, and marketing strategies, this book explores narration as a method of relating to consumers. This book is ideal for advertising professionals, creative directors, academicians, scriptwriters, researchers, and upper-level graduate students seeking current research on narrative marketing strategies.

Updated with fresh examples, the latest techniques and trends, new success stories, and fresh, practical marketing habits for today's aspiring guerrillas, this new edition provides marketers with the latest guerrilla marketing tools and tactics. In just 30 chapters and 30 days, famous marketers Jay Conrad Levinson and Al Lautenslager show eager entrepreneurs how to zero in on their marketing goals and maximize their profits. New marketers learn from updated real-life examples and success stories and proven fundamental concepts, and use daily exercises to take their marketing to the next level — ultimately increasing profits, cutting costs, and gaining new customers. Topics detailed in this new edition include proximity marketing, thought leadership, integration of online and offline marketing, speaking and events, direct email, personalization, and implementation. With every step, Levinson and Lautenslager provide thorough action plans to help aspiring guerrillas stay on track, leaving no excuse for anything but success.

This CHOICE award-winning author has teamed up

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with national school district experts to write a comprehensive book on the role of the superintendent as an instructional leader. Everything you need to know about superintendent core competencies, instructional leadership, policy and politics, professional development, accountability and evaluation, standards, building capacity, managing finances and resources, and creating an environment for professional growth are covered. The book starts with the role of the superintendent and then presents original research on superintendent core competencies, strategies for effective instructional leadership, benchmarking school district performance, and how get results.

Benefits and Features of Book: A comprehensive book covering all aspects of the superintendent position. Chapter objectives are aligned with the new ELCC and ISLLC, for accreditation and learning. Original research on superintendent core competencies. Each chapter contains a comprehensive case study and exercises for practical application. Provides a blend of academic, theory and practical perspectives on how the job of the superintendent and how to get results. Several handy resources are included in the appendices. This book offers a comprehensive model for explaining the success and failure of cities in nurturing startups, presents detailed case studies of how participants in that model help or hinder startup

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activity, and shows how to apply these lessons to boost local startup activity. Startup Cities explains the factors that determine local startup success based on a detailed comparison of regional startup cities—pairing the most successful and less successful cities within regions along with insights and implications from case studies of each of the model's elements. The book compares local city pairs, highlighting factors that distinguish successful from less successful cities and presents implications for stakeholders that arise from these principles. Peter Cohan is a lecturer of Strategy at Babson College and one of the world's leading authorities on regional startup ecosystems. Starting in 2012, he created and led Startup Strategy courses that explore four regional startup ecosystems—Hong Kong/Singapore, Israel, Paris, and Spain/Portugal. These courses are based on an original framework for evaluating why a few cities host most startup creation and the rest fail to do so. In running these courses, Peter has built a network of local policymakers, investors, entrepreneurs, and professors from which he draws practical insights for what distinguishes successful Startup Commons from their peers. The book provides vital benefits to these stakeholders. What You'll Learn Local policymakers will know how to build a local team to set objectives for their local Startup Commons and develop a comprehensive strategy to realize those

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goals Entrepreneurs will know how to choose where to locate their startups based on factors such as the supply and quality of talent—from chief marketing and technology officers to coders and sales people; quality of life, access to capital, customers, and mentors; and costs such as salary and real estate expense University administrators and faculty will know how to take research out of their labs and house it in companies that can commercialize that research, create academic programs that will encourage more entrepreneurship among their students, and connect with local policymakers and capital providers to spur local startup activity Capital providers will know how to scout out emerging startup cities where they can get access to the best investment opportunities at more favorable valuations and have greater influence on how the local startup scene evolves Who This Book Is For All key startup stakeholders, including local policymakers (mayors, directors of economic development, treasurers, controllers, presidents of regional chamber of commerce), entrepreneurs (CEOs, chief marketing officers, chief financial officers, chief HR officers, chief technology officers), universities (presidents; deans of faculty; provosts; professors of finance, management, and entrepreneurship; directors of international education), and capital providers (venture capital partners and associates, angel investors, bank loan

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officers, managers of accelerator operations)
On the Fringes of Literature and Digital Media Culture presents a polyphonic account of mutual interpenetrations of literature and new media, highlighting the impact of digital culture on the user experience and the modes of social communication and interaction.

Understand and use the latest developments to make an impact on business strategy as well as create a fair, inclusive and progressive working environment with this fully revised second edition of Transformational HR. This is the practical guide professionals need to unlock HR's potential as a powerhouse for organizational success, putting transformational HR in context, exploring what has and hasn't worked until now, and setting out a vision of what HR can be. Alongside critical discussion of the latest developments and business models, including agile and humanist ways of working, Transformational HR provides tools and advice for HR professionals aspiring to become more responsive, forward-thinking and impact-led. This updated edition features brand new case studies from companies who have adopted these models and transformed their workplaces, with examples from all sectors where organisations and their HR teams have used this book as inspiration. It is a blueprint for enabling the HR function to be a driving force for organizational success and create more

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fulfilling experiences for people.

What makes great leaders like Jeff Bezos and Elon Musk extraordinary? All In shows leaders and aspiring leaders how obsession can fuel the most incredible success, but also take a toll on a leader, his or her family and work colleagues.

Groundbreaking leaders share a passionate commitment to achieving their vision that borders and sometimes crosses the line into obsession. All In shows how obsession, if properly focused and managed, is both necessary and productive.

Advances in any endeavor almost always depend on a small group of individuals who are completely consumed by the goal they're pursuing. When these leaders and their teams are successful, everyone benefits from their singular focus and relentless drive. All In explores the three obsessions underlying the achievements of great leaders: Delighting customers Building great products Creating an enduring company By taking you inside the success stories of iconic leaders, including Jeff Bezos of Amazon, Elon Musk of Tesla, and Steve Jobs of Apple, author Robert Bruce Shaw shows the upside of obsession and the practices that support it. Shaw also provides insight into the dark side of obsession and its destructive potential - as illustrated in his case study of Uber during the final years of Travis Kalanick's leadership tenure. Appealing to any reader of entrepreneurial biographies, All In shows

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individuals and organizations how to manage obsession's downsides while realizing the benefits of striving to create something that truly matters. The Pleasures of Structure starts from the premise that the ability to develop a well understood and articulated story structure is the most important skill a screenwriter can develop. For example, good structure requires a great premise and rigorous character development. Without clear character motivations and goals--which are themselves indicative of key structural beats--your story is going exactly nowhere. Using the simple and flexible 'W' model of screenplay structure developed in the prequel *Write What You Don't Know*, Hoxter sets this out as its starting point. This model is tested against a range of examples which are chosen to explore the flexibility not only of that model but of movie storytelling more generally. Writers and students often worry that they are asked to work 'to formula'. This book will test that formula to breaking point. For example, the first case study will offer the example of a well written, professional, mainstream movie against which our later and more adventurous examples can be compared. So the lessons we learn examining the animated family adventure movie *How To Train Your Dragon* lead us directly to ask questions of our second case study, the acclaimed Swedish vampire movie *Låt den Rätte Komma In* (*Let The Right One In*). Both movies have protagonists with the same basic problem, the same goal, and they use the same basic structure to tell their stories. Of course they are very different films and they work on their audiences in very different ways. Our linked case studies

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will expose how simple choices, like reversing the order of elements of the protagonist's transformational arc and shifting ownership of key story beats, has an enormous impact on how we respond to a structural model that is otherwise functionally identical.

Writing a book is hard enough. Publishing it shouldn't be. "Get Published Today " is the definitive guide to getting your book published. From New York publishing to eBooks to self-publishing, this is the one comprehensive and insightful book that covers it all. Your Step-by-Step Roadmap to Publishing Success Tired of all those rejection letters? Find out how millions of authors like you are erasing old barriers to get their books published. "Get Published Today " explores the entire publishing industry and shows you the shortcuts and insider tips you need to successfully publish your book. We'll Teach You: How New York publishing really works How to get published in ninety days ... or less How to jump on the eBook bandwagon Hundreds of publishing and marketing resources Here's What's Inside: A step-by-step guide to getting published, packed with strategies, tips, and the secrets you need to know How to sell your book in the foreign market and make great money Savvy marketing tips and tricks to kick your marketing plan into high gear About the Author Penny C. Sansevieri is an adjunct instructor at NYU, teaching self-publishing. She is also CEO of Author Marketing Experts, Inc., the leading marketing and publicity company for publishers and authors.

This ebook explains why the only way to get rich is to get lucky. Self-employment also requires luck. For example,

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a moderate and limited correlation exists between IQ and income, but there is no correlation between IQ and net worth (or self-employment). These data suggest that wealth is either a result of pure luck or has to do with mental abilities unrelated to IQ (for instance, an entrepreneurial talent). The latter explanation also involves luck because a person can neither learn nor earn a talent. The correlation between hard work and income is weak and limited. Higher net worth correlates with fewer hours worked per year. Therefore, it's a bad idea to pay for advice on how to get rich or how to start a business. In addition, this ebook discusses some low-risk approaches to starting a business and to building wealth, but this information does not guarantee anything thanks to Lady Luck.

This book presents the latest research on Software Engineering Frameworks for the Cloud Computing Paradigm, drawn from an international selection of researchers and practitioners. The book offers both a discussion of relevant software engineering approaches and practical guidance on enterprise-wide software deployment in the cloud environment, together with real-world case studies. Features: presents the state of the art in software engineering approaches for developing cloud-suitable applications; discusses the impact of the cloud computing paradigm on software engineering; offers guidance and best practices for students and practitioners; examines the stages of the software development lifecycle, with a focus on the requirements engineering and testing of cloud-based applications; reviews the efficiency and performance of cloud-based

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applications; explores feature-driven and cloud-aided software design; provides relevant theoretical frameworks, practical approaches and future research directions.

"Real case studies show IT executives and practitioners how to be better leaders and make better decisionsThe demands placed upon today's Chief Information Officers (CIO) are greater than ever before. The speed at which the amount of changes and complexities that CIO's have to manage is rapidly increasing, and the majority of CIOs are ill-equipped to handle them. As IT becomes a more integral part of business operations and strategies, CIOs must be proficient at decision-making, which is one of the most crucial aspects of IT leadership. With candid personal reflections from respected CIOs and real case studies, this book forms a practical course on decision-making for IT leaders"--

If you're an author with a just-finished manuscript—or an aspiring author dreaming of one day writing a book that will make the bestseller list—you probably know that getting to the last words of your story isn't the end of your book's story. Once your book is written, the next step is to get it published. In this quick guidebook, I'll take you beyond the hoopla and the hype to a down-to-earth look at your publishing options. We'll look at the pros and cons of traditional publishing, consider when a subsidy press might be a viable alternative, and take an in-depth look at what's really involved when an author decides to become the publisher of his or her book. We'll also examine each step involved in the publishing process and come up with some sample budgets. Then

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we'll discuss which publishing model might be best for you and your book. You've worked hard on writing your book. If you want to make an informed decision about your next step, this book is for you.

In *Strategic Management: Theory and Practice*, Fourth Edition, John A. Parnell leads readers through detailed, accessible coverage of the strategic management field. Concise and easy to understand chapters address concepts sequentially, from external and internal analysis to strategy formulation, strategy execution, and strategic control. Rather than relegating case analysis to a chapter at the end of the book, Parnell aligns each chapter's key concepts with 25 case analysis steps. Current examples and high interest real-time cases, largely drawn from *The Wall Street Journal* and *Financial Times*, illustrate the key role of strategic management in the United States and around the world.

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