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His code name was The Needle. He was a German aristocrat of extraordinary intelligence a master spy with a legacy of violence in his blood, and the object of the most desperate manhunt in history.

"A first-class template demonstrating how to use superior leadership to drive performance in large organizations." - Paul Myners (Lord Myners), former FTSE100 Chair and Treasury Minister Leadership effectiveness drives organizational performance, yet almost half of all organizations face some kind of leadership gap that they are not able to fill. In Leadership at Scale, McKinsey experts Claudio Feser, Michael Rennie and Nicolai Nielsen share their secrets on how to increase leadership effectiveness across an organization. Using extensive research, distilled insights from McKinsey's leadership development work in practice, and lessons from a highly successful leadership development program, this book will focus on the leadership behaviors that matter most.

From bestselling writer David Graeber—"a master of opening up thought and stimulating debate" (Slate)—a powerful argument against the rise of meaningless, unfulfilling jobs...and their consequences. Does your job make a meaningful contribution to the world? In the spring of 2013, David Graeber asked this question in a playful, provocative essay titled "On the Phenomenon of Bullshit Jobs." It went viral. After one

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million online views in seventeen different languages, people all over the world are still debating the answer. There are hordes of people—HR consultants, communication coordinators, telemarketing researchers, corporate lawyers—whose jobs are useless, and, tragically, they know it. These people are caught in bullshit jobs. Graeber explores one of society's most vexing and deeply felt concerns, indicting among other villains a particular strain of finance capitalism that betrays ideals shared by thinkers ranging from Keynes to Lincoln. "Clever and charismatic" (The New Yorker), *Bullshit Jobs* gives individuals, corporations, and societies permission to undergo a shift in values, placing creative and caring work at the center of our culture. This book is for everyone who wants to turn their vocation back into an avocation and "a thought-provoking examination of our working lives" (Financial Times).

More than 6 years after his death David Halberstam remains one of this country's most respected journalists and revered authorities on American life and history in the years since WWII. A Pulitzer Prize-winner for his ground-breaking reporting on the Vietnam War, Halberstam wrote more than 20 books, almost all of them bestsellers. His work has stood the test of time and has become the standard by which all journalists measure themselves. *The Teammates* is the profoundly moving story of four great baseball players who have made the passage from sports icons--when they were young and seemingly indestructible--to men dealing with the vulnerabilities of growing older. At the core of the book is the friendship of these four very different men--Boston

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Red Sox teammates Bobby Doerr, Dominic DiMaggio, Johnny Pesky, and Ted Williams--who remained close for more than sixty years. The book starts out in early October 2001, when Dominic DiMaggio and Johnny Pesky begin a 1,300-mile trip by car to visit their beloved friend Ted Williams, whom they know is dying. Bobby Doerr, the fourth member of this close group--"my guys," Williams used to call them--is unable to join them. This is a book--filled with historical details and first-hand accounts--about baseball and about something more: the richness of friendship.

Media has most definitely evolved, as have the ways in which we contemplate, design, communicate and execute strategy. And rather than technological evolution, we're plainly in the midst of a technological revolution. We have no choice then but to reframe marketing and PR in the context of 21st Century technology, 21st Century media and disintermediation, and 21st Century articulation of and appreciation for business strategy. "Today, every organization is in the influence business. We influence customers to buy from us, employees to work for us, and the media to write about us. Gone are the days when you could be your own island. Now, to be successful, you need to live within the influence ecosystem and that requires a change of mindset. Fortunately, Philip Sheldrake will show you how." David Meerman Scott, bestselling author of *The New Rules of Marketing & PR* and the new hit *Real-Time Marketing & PR* New technology development starts with the generation of an idea. It ends with that idea's commercial application: a new product or a new service. In *Between* is a

complex sequence of stages demanding specialized management methods. With this in depth survey, R&D, marketing, and engineering managers can learn from the foremost experts about the most successful, proven practices and techniques-for managing all the stages of new technology development.

Contextualising business policy in its economic, institutional and political environment, this practical text shows students how to use financial analysis as a strategic tool. The authors employ a value-added accounting framework to describe how modern businesses compete in an international context and highlight the factors that influence company performance. Case examples including Microsoft & Intel; Shell, Brent Spar & Nigerian Oil; the pharmaceuticals sector and pension provision are used in each chapter, to bring together different themes and theories.

Most research on corporate communication has concentrated on positivist approaches, leading to a limited view. This book reviews extant corporate communication theory from discourse and strategy-as-practice perspectives, expanding the picture by more communicational aspects. It proposes an integrative framework of alternative corporate communication as a key contribution to corporate communication theory.

An Essential Guide to Business Statistics offers a clear and concise introduction for business students studying statistics for the first time. It helps them to become proficient in using statistical techniques and interpreting their results within a business content and will enable them to have a better understanding of

customers, decision making and planning for the future. This is an ideal resource for undergraduate business students taking introductory modules in business statistics or quantitative methods. Accompanying the text is a rich supporting website which contains additional teaching and learning materials including slides for each chapter, tutorials in excel, self-test quizzes and student practice projects at varying difficulty levels.

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • ONE OF TIME MAGAZINE'S 100 BEST YA BOOKS OF ALL TIME The extraordinary, beloved novel about the ability of books to feed the soul even in the darkest of times. When Death has a story to tell, you listen. It is 1939. Nazi Germany. The country is holding its breath. Death has never been busier, and will become busier still. Liesel Meminger is a foster girl living outside of Munich, who scratches out a meager existence for herself by stealing when she encounters something she can't resist—books. With the help of her accordion-playing foster father, she learns to read and shares her stolen books with her neighbors during bombing raids as well as with the Jewish man hidden in her basement. In superbly crafted writing that burns with intensity, award-winning author Markus Zusak, author of *I Am the Messenger*, has given us one of the most enduring stories of our time. “The kind of book that can be life-changing.” —The New York Times “Deserves a place on the same shelf with The

Diary of a Young Girl by Anne Frank.” —USA Today DON'T MISS BRIDGE OF CLAY, MARKUS ZUSAK'S FIRST NOVEL SINCE THE BOOK THIEF.

This is the second edition of an introduction to all the financial and management accounting concepts and techniques required by the general business student. Organizations big and small have started to realize just how crucial system and application reliability is to their business. They've also learned just how difficult it is to maintain that reliability while iterating at the speed demanded by the marketplace. Site Reliability Engineering (SRE) is a proven approach to this challenge. SRE is a large and rich topic to discuss. Google led the way with Site Reliability Engineering, the wildly successful O'Reilly book that described Google's creation of the discipline and the implementation that's allowed them to operate at a planetary scale. Inspired by that earlier work, this book explores a very different part of the SRE space. The more than two dozen chapters in Seeking SRE bring you into some of the important conversations going on in the SRE world right now. Listen as engineers and other leaders in the field discuss: Different ways of implementing SRE and SRE principles in a wide variety of settings How SRE relates to other approaches such as DevOps Specialties on the cutting edge that will soon be commonplace in SRE Best practices and technologies that make practicing SRE easier The important but rarely explored

human side of SRE David N. Blank-Edelman is the book's curator and editor. "An entertaining and refreshingly honest . . . exploration of business strategy, personal growth, and civic responsibility" by a former Microsoft executive (Publishers Weekly). From Microsoft's former Chief Xbox Officer, Robbie Bach, comes a unique book that provides a simple yet robust framework that can be used to tackle almost any problem. In *Xbox Revisited: A Game Plan for Corporate and Civic Renewal*, Bach takes business, non-profit, and community-engaged readers on the Xbox journey—a triumphant and personal saga from garage-shop beginnings to business success. Using the 3P Framework of Purpose, Principles, and Priorities developed by the Xbox team, Bach describes the process used to revitalize a beleaguered business and then applies those lessons to our most difficult community issues and the challenges of a nation at a crossroads. Bach is turning his strategic and leadership skills to a new opportunity: helping individuals and organizations drive transformational change in business and civic institutions. The book is packed with common sense thinking and a strategic framework that can set change in motion at every level of community life. *Xbox Revisited* is a wake-up call, a challenge to every citizen to become a "civic engineer" addressing the issues we face in our communities and across our country. "A highly effective, common-sense strategy to address

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difficult business and community issues . . . Seen through the lens of the creation of the Xbox, the story he tells from personal experience is both engaging and inspirational.” —Jeff Raikes, co-founder, Raikes Foundation, former CEO, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and president, Microsoft Business Division

Few things impact our lives more than marketing, yet few people consider how that influence can be a force for good. Honorable Influence shines the light of Christian faith on the field, revealing how marketers can avoid negative impact, and instead influence consumers to their benefit. Individuals and organizations will find in Honorable Influence practical guidance for doing what seems impossible to many—using marketing to show love to God and others.

Provides an introduction to business functions, issues and activities and to the way they interact with their environment. It is the core text for the Business In Context Series which serves as a stand-alone introduction to business studies. An ELBS/LPBB edition is available.

Assuming no prior knowledge of IS or IT, this book explains new concepts and terms as simply as possible. The importance of information in developing a company business strategy and assisting decision making is explained in this study volume.

You Wanted More Freedom... As an entrepreneur, being your own boss is probably not

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what you had in mind when you first started. In a broken business culture that promotes workaholism and non-stop hustle, where productivity and performance are measured by quantity over quality, it's easy to get sucked into the dark side of entrepreneurship and lose sight of the very reasons why you became an entrepreneur in the first place. That translates into a daily life of unmanageable workloads, focus-robbing reactivity, and deep overwhelm. But if your goal is to build a business that works for you instead of enslaving you, then this book is the answer. Here's what you can expect to learn and implement with this book: How to finish what you used to do in 40+ hours per week in 20 hours or less. The 2 types of tasks to focus on daily to double your productivity while delegating, outsourcing and automating most of your draining recurring tasks. 3 simple tweaks to swat away distractions and free you from firefighting, non-stop emergencies, and never-ending to-do lists. An easy to implement system that will allow you to optimally manage your time, energy and attention to ensure you'll perform at work and win at your personal life. Unique strategies to create the space in your schedule for what really matters. And much more! Dave Ruel is a former competitive physique athlete turned serial entrepreneur, author, speaker, and leadership mentor. After founding and growing multi-million dollar online companies in the field of health, fitness and sports nutrition, Dave founded Effic, an innovative leadership development company that helps busy entrepreneurs maximize their impact and freedom. His systems and tools are now used by entrepreneurs all around the world. Dave lives on

the East Coast of Canada with his wife Karine and their 2 daughters. The time is June 1942, the beginning of America's first summer at war. Somewhere off the coast of Massachusetts a German U-boat surfaces under cover of darkness. Aboard the U-boat are two agents of the Abwehr, Germany's military intelligence service, whom the ship's commander has been ordered to drop safely on American soil. The agents have as their mission to conduct sabotage against military and industrial installations. Hitler's intention in devising such an operation is to remind Americans he has the capability and the will to bring the war to their backyard. As the two agents are bringing their equipment ashore, they are surprised by a patrolling US Coastguardsman, who is quickly killed by one of the crewmen from the U-boat but an attack dog accompanying him badly mauls one of the agents. Desperately in need of medical attention, the wounded agent must be returned to the U-boat for treatment. As the crewmen disappear into the night Erich Stinnes, alias Karl Stoner, is left with the sudden realization he will be carrying out this operation on his own. Stoner is fortunate in not only finding a job at the local shipyard but he is able to rent an apartment from an attractive woman, who is recently widowed. It is not long before the two of them begin an affair that causes Karl, already ambivalent about the war, to question the wisdom of his mission. Before he can resolve his dilemma, an incident at the shipyard exposes him for what he is. Having no choice he is forced to flee leaving Anne to suffer the consequences of her affair with a Nazi spy.

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The Business Environment provides a flexible and comprehensive learning experience for modern PESTLE-driven courses by using a two-tier approach. The book offers an accessible introduction to the business environment model, taking into account curriculum and blended learning developments. For those new to business and business economics it introduces the key concepts, theory and examples (covering marketing, human resource management, operations management, finance), whilst also maintaining the depth and rigour needed for both undergraduate and postgraduate level study. The accompanying CourseMate offers a host of practical material mapped specifically to each chapter, and provides the overall product with unrivalled depth and coverage for the levels targeted.

One million students and business executives have used the market-leading text Exploring Strategy to boost their academic and professional careers. The expert authors now transfer the essence of Exploring Strategy into The Fundamentals of Strategy. This book is particularly suited for those engaged in short courses.

The rules of business are changing dramatically. The Aspen Institute's Judy Samuelson describes the profound shifts in attitudes and mindsets that are redefining our notions of what constitutes business success. Dynamic forces are conspiring to clarify the new rules of real value creation—and to put the old rules to rest. Internet-powered transparency, more powerful worker voice, the decline in importance of capital, and the complexity of global supply chains in the face of planetary limits all define the new

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landscape. As executive director of the Aspen Institute Business and Society Program, Judy Samuelson has a unique vantage point from which to engage business decision makers and identify the forces that are moving the needle in both boardrooms and business classrooms. Samuelson lays out how hard-to-measure intangibles like reputation, trust, and loyalty are imposing new ways to assess risk and opportunity in investment and asset management. She argues that “maximizing shareholder value” has never been the sole objective of effective businesses while observing that shareholder theory and the practices that keep it in place continue to lose power in both business and the public square. In our globalized era, she demonstrates how expectations of corporations are set far beyond the company gates—and why employees are both the best allies of the business and the new accountability mechanism, more so than consumers or investors. Samuelson's new rules offer a powerful guide to how businesses are changing today—and what is needed to succeed in tomorrow's economic and social landscape.

This textbook is a refreshingly clear introduction to the core accounting topics that non-specialist students need to master. Designed to help students learn key principles, reinforce understanding, and apply accounting concepts to real business decisions, it is an ideal first stepping stone into the world of accounting. Peter Scott's Accounting for Business: Offers full coverage of key accounting concepts in an authoritative manner whilst remaining sensitive to the needs of non-specialist students in employing

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an excellent writing style and clarity of explanation;- Firmly sets accounting principles in context through a variety of newspaper articles and online media to help students understand the relevance of accounting to a variety of business professions;- Uses running examples across Financial and Management Accounting so students can strengthen their understanding of the material covered as the author regularly reviews and recaps information;- Is a complete solution to teaching accounting, offering a brand new online learning and assessment tool, Dashboard. The Dashboard course offers a test bank of over 500 ready-to-use questions, tailored specifically to this text, which can be automatically graded to cut down time spent marking.- Dashboard also offers students numerous opportunities to revisit, reinforce and revise their understanding, through the provision of an online workbook fully integrated with the chapter material. For 20 years Boddy's Management text has introduced managers and students to the theory and practice of this broad discipline. Using diverse case studies to demonstrate and engage students in the theory of management, this text helps prepare them for the uncertainties of managing in the modern workplace. Management: Using Practice and Theory to Develop Skill offers a comprehensive guide for today's student throughout their career.

Managing people when you're not their boss is a challenge, particularly in professional service firms where, increasingly, top professionals are being tapped to lead their peers. Now Patrick McKenna and David Maister provide a 'play book' for professionals

trying to be both a team member and coach. In industries ranging from banking and insurance to law and engineering, as well as in research labs and software companies, management responsibility is increasingly delegated - usually without guidance - to those who head up smaller teams of professionals. *FIRST AMONG EQUALS* speaks directly to those who have gone from focusing on their own performance to being a group manager in charge of leading others. From understanding the group leader role to setting terms of reference and effectively dealing with talented prima donnas, McKenna and Maister present a thorough introduction to managing and orchestrating talent.

Reveals seven principles that can change one's business for the better, including becoming a great leader, attracting and keeping great people, developing a great business plan, offering a great product or service, delivering superior customer service and more.

This important book focuses on particular aspects of the development and implementation of community partnerships based in – and focused – on neighborhoods, municipalities, and regions. Throughout the book, David J. Maurrasse stresses the importance of philanthropy and representation from different types of organizations across public, private, and nongovernmental spectrums.

A sweeping intellectual history of the role of wealth in the church in the last days of the Roman Empire Jesus taught his followers that it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter heaven. Yet by the fall of Rome, the church was becoming rich beyond measure. *Through the Eye of a Needle* is a sweeping intellectual and social history of the vexing problem of wealth in Christianity in the waning days of the Roman Empire, written by the world's foremost scholar of late antiquity. Peter Brown examines the rise of the church through the lens of money and the challenges it posed to an institution that espoused the virtue of poverty and called avarice the root of all evil. Drawing on the writings of major Christian thinkers such as Augustine, Ambrose, and Jerome, Brown examines the controversies and changing attitudes toward money caused by the influx of new wealth into church coffers, and describes the spectacular acts of divestment by rich donors and their growing influence in an empire beset with crisis. He shows how the use of wealth for the care of the poor competed with older forms of philanthropy deeply rooted in the Roman world, and sheds light on the ordinary people who gave away their money in hopes of treasure in heaven. *Through the Eye of a Needle* challenges the widely held notion that Christianity's growing wealth sapped Rome of its ability to resist the barbarian invasions, and offers a fresh perspective on the social history of the

church in late antiquity.

Having escaped from the eastern European concentration camp where he has spent most of his life, twelve-year-old David struggles to cope with an entirely strange world as he flees northward to freedom in Denmark. Originally published as *North to Freedom*. An ALA Notable Book. Simultaneous.

Written by renowned data science experts Foster Provost and Tom Fawcett, *Data Science for Business* introduces the fundamental principles of data science, and walks you through the "data-analytic thinking" necessary for extracting useful knowledge and business value from the data you collect. This guide also helps you understand the many data-mining techniques in use today. Based on an MBA course Provost has taught at New York University over the past ten years, *Data Science for Business* provides examples of real-world business problems to illustrate these principles. You'll not only learn how to improve communication between business stakeholders and data scientists, but also how participate intelligently in your company's data science projects. You'll also discover how to think data-analytically, and fully appreciate how data science methods can support business decision-making. Understand how data science fits in your organization—and how you can use it for competitive advantage. Treat data as a business asset that requires careful investment if you're to gain real value

Approach business problems data-analytically, using the data-mining process to gather good data in the most appropriate way Learn general concepts for actually extracting knowledge from data Apply data science principles when interviewing data science job candidates

Skills of Management and Leadership is a concise introductory text focusing on the core skills of managing people in organisations. With a strong emphasis on people management, it addresses the needs of those in managerial and leadership roles, and identifies the skills needed to handle the growing range of managerial responsibilities such as prioritization, delegation, disciplinary and performance handling, and negotiation. Packed with real-life examples of management in practice, this text explores the key original concepts of the managerial escalator, the hybrid manager and the managerial gap. Key benefits:

- Clearly and accessibly written
- Lively case studies reveal the reality of management today
- Filled with engaging learning features such as end of chapter questions and appendices to help readers with self-development

This is the ideal introductory text for undergraduate and postgraduate management students.

A simple, powerful idea that's reinventing the way smart, adaptive companies do business. Most businesses follow the same basic formula: create a product or

service, sell it, and collect money. What Lisa Gansky calls "Mesh" businesses throw this model out the window. Instead, these companies use social media, wireless networks, and data crunched from every available source to provide people with goods and services at the exact moment they need them, without the burden and expense of owning them outright. The Mesh gives companies a better understanding of what customers really want. Already, hundreds of successful Mesh companies are redefining how we interact with the people, goods, and services in our lives. These businesses are easier to start and spreading like wildfire, from bike sharing and home exchanges to peer-to-peer lending, energy cooperatives, and open source design. Consider:

- ZipCar profits from streamlined car sharing
- Kickstarter connects artists with funding from enthusiastic supporters
- Music Gym makes finding a recording studio as easy as joining a gym

The Mesh reveals the next wave of information-enabled commerce, showing readers how to plug in and profit.

Now in its seventh edition, *Business in Context* introduces students to all the aspects of modern business and its changing environment. This classic text has been fully updated and is essential reading for all introductory business courses, particularly business environment modules. The seventh edition combines the hallmark qualities of David Needle's style whilst new co-author Jane Burns brings

over 20 years of industry experience.

This is the complete, up-to-date guide to creating a successful new venture. Using real-life examples, it helps you assemble every piece of the puzzle: you, your team, your opportunity, your business concept and revenue model, your resources, and your successful launch, execution, and growth. The authors illuminate entrepreneurial mindsets, motivation, attitudes, and leadership, and cover the entire process of starting a company, from idea through your first four years of operations. You'll learn how to recognize, define, test, and exploit opportunities; transform ideas into revenue models that earn sustainable value; demonstrate viability to funders; establish a strong ethical and legal foundation for your concept; and build a thriving team to execute on it.

Business in Context 4e provides an introduction to the business environment and the key functions of business placed within a managerial, organizational and environmental context. Offering a dynamic and contemporary global perspective on business, key issues are debated and supported by practical cases from well-known international companies. The latest edition of David Needle's best-selling functional business environment text has been thoroughly revised and rewritten, with expanded coverage of management, new chapters on globalization and ethics, new cases, improved pedagogy and text design,

Now with full-color topographic maps and featuring the latest on electronic navigation, The Essential Wilderness Navigator is the clearest and most up-to-date route-finding primer available. Providing readers with exercises for developing a directional 'sixth sense,' tips on mastering the art of map- and compass-reading, and comprehensive updates on a range of technological advances, this perennially popular guide is more indispensable than ever.

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The Other End of the Needle demonstrates that tattooing is more complex than simply the tattoos that people wear. Using qualitative data and an accessible writing style, sociologist Dave Lane explains the complexity of tattoo work as a type of social activity. His central argument is that tattooing is a social world, where people must be socialized, manage a system of stratification, create spaces conducive for labor, develop sets of beliefs and values, struggle to retain control over their tools, and contend with changes that in turn affect their labor. Earlier research has examined tattoos and their meanings. Yet, Lane notes, prior research has focused almost exclusively on the tattoos—the outcome of an intricate social process—and have ignored the significance of tattoo workers themselves. "Tattooists," as Lane dubs them, make decisions, but they work within a social world that constrains and shapes the outcome of their labor—the tattoo. The goal of this book is to help readers understand the world of tattoo work as an intricate and nuanced form of work. Lane ultimately asks new questions about the social processes occurring prior to the tattoo's existence.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • This instant classic explores how we can change our lives by changing our habits. **NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY** The Wall Street Journal • Financial Times In *The Power of Habit*, award-winning business reporter Charles Duhigg takes us to the thrilling edge of scientific discoveries that explain why habits exist and how they can be changed. Distilling vast amounts of information into engrossing narratives that take us from the boardrooms of Procter & Gamble to the sidelines of the NFL to the front lines of the civil rights movement, Duhigg presents a whole new understanding of human nature and its potential. At its core, *The Power of Habit* contains an exhilarating argument: The key to exercising regularly, losing weight, being more productive, and achieving

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success is understanding how habits work. As Duhigg shows, by harnessing this new science, we can transform our businesses, our communities, and our lives. With a new Afterword by the author “Sharp, provocative, and useful.”—Jim Collins “Few [books] become essential manuals for business and living. The Power of Habit is an exception. Charles Duhigg not only explains how habits are formed but how to kick bad ones and hang on to the good.”—Financial Times “A flat-out great read.”—David Allen, bestselling author of Getting Things Done: The Art of Stress-Free Productivity “You’ll never look at yourself, your organization, or your world quite the same way.”—Daniel H. Pink, bestselling author of Drive and A Whole New Mind “Entertaining . . . enjoyable . . . fascinating . . . a serious look at the science of habit formation and change.”—The New York Times Book Review

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