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Uncover a new way to network and build relationships that last! Networking is often considered a necessary evil for all working professionals. With social media platforms like LinkedIn, Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook at our disposal, reaching potential investors or employers is much easier. Yet, these connections often feel transactional, agenda-driven, and dehumanizing, leaving professionals feeling burnt out and stressed out. Instead, we should connect on a human level and build authentic relationships beyond securing a new job or a new investor for your next big idea. To build real and meaningful networking contacts, we need to go back to basics, remembering that technology is a tool and not a means and end. We need to tap into our humanity and learn to be more intentional and authentic. As a “serial connector” and communications expert, Susan McPherson has a lifetime of experience building genuine connections in and out of work. Her methodology is broken down into three simple steps 1. Gather:

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Instead of waiting for the perfect networking opportunity to come to you, think outside the box and create your own opportunity. Host your own dinner party, join a local meet-up group, or volunteer at your neighborhood food pantry. Anyone from your local barista to a fellow parent at your daughter's elementary school can lead to another connection that you just might need. 2. Ask: Instead of leading with our own rehearsed elevator pitches asking for help, ask to help, opening the door to share resources, experience, contacts, and perspectives that add diversity to your own vision. 3. Do: Turn new connections into meaningful relationships by taking these newly formed relationships deeper. Follow through on the promises you made, keep in touch, and learn to move past small talk by embracing your vulnerability and having conversations that matter. Woven together with helpful tips and useful advice on making the most out of every step, the book draws on the real-life success stories of friends, and clients, as well as McPherson's own experience as a renowned "serial connector." Filled with humor, humility, and wisdom, *The Lost Art of Connecting* is the handbook we all need to foster personal and professional relationships that blur the lines between work and play—and enrich our lives in every way.

One of 2021's Most Highly Anticipated New Books—Newsweek One of The 20 Leadership Books to Read in 2020—Adam Grant One of The Best New Wellness

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Books Hitting Shelves in January 2021—Shape.com A Top Business Book for January 2021—Financial Times A Next Big Idea Club Nominee Social Chemistry will utterly transform the way you think about “networking.” Understanding the contours of your social network can dramatically enhance personal relationships, work life, and even your global impact. Are you an Expansionist, a Broker, or a Convener? The answer matters more than you think. . . . Yale professor Marissa King shows how anyone can build more meaningful and productive relationships based on insights from neuroscience, psychology, and network analytics. Conventional wisdom says it's the size of your network that matters, but social science research has proven there is more to it. King explains that the quality and structure of our relationships has the greatest impact on our personal and professional lives. As she shows, there are three basic types of networks, so readers can see the role they are already playing: Expansionist, Broker, or Convener. This network decoder enables readers to own their network style and modify it for better alignment with their life plans and values. High-quality connections in your social network strongly predict cognitive functioning, emotional resilience, and satisfaction at work. A well-structured network is likely to boost the quality of your ideas, as well as your pay. Beyond the office, social connections are the lifeblood of our health and happiness. The compiled results

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from dozens of previous studies found that our social relationships have an effect on our likelihood of dying prematurely—equivalent to obesity or smoking. Rich stories of Expansionists like Vernon Jordan, Brokers like Yo-Yo Ma, and Conveners like Anna Wintour, as well as personal experiences from King's own world of connections, inform this warm, engaging, revelatory investigation into some of the most consequential decisions we can make about the trajectory of our lives.

2018 Axiom Business Book Award Winner, Gold Medal Stop Selling! Start Solving! In *Ninja Selling*, author Larry Kendall transforms the way readers think about selling. He points out the problems with traditional selling methods and instead offers a science-based selling system that gives predictable results regardless of personality type. *Ninja Selling* teaches readers how to shift their approach from chasing clients to attracting clients. Readers will learn how to stop selling and start solving by asking the right questions and listening to their clients. *Ninja Selling* is an invaluable step-by-step guide that shows readers how to be more effective in their sales careers and increase their income-per-hour, so that they can lead full lives. *Ninja Selling* is both a sales platform and a path to personal mastery and life purpose. Followers of the *Ninja Selling* system say it not only improved their business and their client relationships; it also improved

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the quality of their lives.

Right now, 70% of Americans aren't passionate about their work and are desperately longing for meaning and purpose. They're sick of "average" and know there's something better out there, but they just don't know how to reach it. One basic principle? The Proximity Principle? can change everything you thought you knew about pursuing a career you love. In his latest book, *The Proximity Principle*, national radio host and career expert Ken Coleman provides a simple plan of how positioning yourself near the right people and places can help you land the job you love. Forget the traditional career advice you've heard! Networking, handing out business cards, and updating your online profile do nothing to set you apart from other candidates. Ken will show you how to be intentional and genuine about the connections you make with a fresh, unexpected take on resumes and the job interview process. You'll discover the five people you should look for and the four best places to grow, learn, practice, and perform so you can step into the role you were created to fill. After reading *The Proximity Principle*, you'll know how to connect with the right people and put yourself in the right places, so opportunities will come and you'll be prepared to take them.

In the tradition of *WONDER* and *TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD* this award-winning

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New York Times bestseller is an intensely moving, lyrically-written novel. COUNTING BY 7S tells the story of Willow Chance, a twelve-year-old genius who is obsessed with diagnosing medical conditions and finds comfort in counting by 7s. It has never been easy for her to connect with anyone other than her adoptive parents, but that hasn't kept her from leading a quietly happy life . . . until now. Suddenly Willow's world is tragically changed when her parents both die in a car crash, leaving her alone in a baffling world. Her journey to find a fascinatingly diverse and fully believable surrogate family is a joy and a revelation to read.

The HardTalk Handbook is an interactive guide to mastering the science and art of difficult conversations we keep avoiding. Using extensive research and neuroscience techniques, it explores the reasons behind the way we behave when communicating and how to combat those behaviours that hold us back. It demonstrates how to resolve conflict and affect change, even in the most diverse organisations, no matter your culture, background or experience. Discover why we'd rather 'put up' instead of 'turn up' and how our natural instinct to 'speak louder' is far less important than 'listening hard'. Whether you need to tell a colleague they smell, that your boss's approach is ineffective or any other type of HardTalk you have experienced, this Handbook will show you the skills you need

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to succeed at the conversations that make all the difference.

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 to 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.

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The chilling Saga of Darren Shan, the ordinary schoolboy plunged into the vampire world.

Eleven-year-old Isabella's blended family is more divided than ever in this "timely but genuine" (Publishers Weekly) story about divorce and racial identity from the award-winning and New York Times bestselling author of *Out of My Mind*, Sharon M. Draper. Eleven-year-old Isabella's parents are divorced, so she has to switch lives every week: One week she's Isabella with her dad, his girlfriend Anastasia, and her son Darren living in a fancy house where they are one of the only black families in the neighborhood. The next week she's Izzy with her mom and her boyfriend John-Mark in a small, not-so-fancy house that she loves. Because of this, Isabella has always felt pulled between two worlds. And now that her parents are divorced, it seems their fights are even worse, and they're always about HER. Isabella feels completely stuck in the middle, split and divided between them more than ever. And she is beginning to realize that being split between Mom and Dad involves more than switching houses, switching nicknames, switching backpacks: it's also about switching identities. Her dad is black, her mom is white, and strangers are always commenting: "You're so exotic!" "You look so unusual." "But what are you really?" She knows what they're really saying: "You don't look like your parents." "You're different." "What race are you really?" And when her parents, who both get engaged at the same time, get in their biggest fight ever, Isabella doesn't just feel divided, she feels ripped in two. What does it mean to be half white or half black? To belong to half mom and half dad? And if you're only seen as half of this and half of that, how can you ever feel whole? It seems like nothing can bring Isabella's family together

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again—until the worst thing happens. Isabella and Darren are stopped by the police. A cell phone is mistaken for a gun. And shots are fired.

Create a personal "power grid" of influence to spark professional and personal success "Other people have the answers, deals, money, access, power, and influence you need to get what you want in this world. To achieve any goal, you need other people to help you do it." -- JUDY ROBINETT As anyone in business knows, strategic planning is critical to achieving long-term success. In *How to Be a Power Connector*, super-networker Judy Robinett argues that strategic relationship planning should be your top priority. When you combine your specific skills and talents with a clear, workable path for creating and managing your relationships, nothing will stop you from meeting your goals. With high-value connections, you'll tap into a dynamic "power grid" of influence guaranteed to accelerate your personal and professional success. Robinett uses her decades of experience connecting the world's highest achievers with one another to help you build high-value relationships. She reveals all the secrets of her trade, including proven ways to: Find and enter the best network "ecosystem" to meet your goals Reach even the most unreachable people quickly and effectively Get anyone's contact information within 30 seconds Create a "3-D connection" that adds value to multiple people at the same time Access key influencers through industry and community events Subtly seed conversation with information about interests and needs Use social media to your best advantage Robinett has based her methods on solid research proving that social groups begin to break up when they become larger than 150 people, and that 50 members is the optimal size for group communication. As such, she has developed what she calls the "5+50+100" method: contact your top 5 connections daily, your Key 50 weekly, and your Vital 100 monthly.

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this is your power grid, and it will work wonders for your career. Nothing will stop you when you learn How to Be a Power Connector. PRAISE FOR HOW TO BE A POWER CONNECTOR: "Unlike many books in this genre, this one is written by a woman who has lived it. . . . Judy Robinett offers guidance on how to form authentic relationships that bring mutual benefits." -- ADAM GRANT, Wharton professor and New York Times bestselling author of Give and Take "How to Be a Power Connector is like an MBA in networking: an advanced course in finding and developing quality relationships with the people who can make the biggest difference in your professional success." -- IVAN MISNER, founder and chairman of BNI "Talk about power! Follow Judy Robinett's logical, straightforward, and helpfully detailed advice, and you can be a 'Power Connector' yourself! Great ideas, well presented, with no 'wasted space' in her argument!" -- DON PEPPERS, coauthor of Extreme Trust: Honesty as a Competitive Advantage "Absolutely brilliant. A step-by-step guide to building a network that will be both invaluable to you and just as valuable to those whose lives you will now have the opportunity to touch. I can't imagine a more powerful book for one who truly desires to be a Power Connector." -- BOB BURG, coauthor of The Go-Giver and author of Adversaries into Allies "In the C-Suite or in your personal life everything comes down to the quality of your relationships. Judy's book helps you attract and maintain the relationships that will get you what you want most. Be a super connector now!" -- JEFFREY HAYZLETT, TV host and bestselling author of Running the Gauntlet

Make Your Contacts Count is a practical, step-by-step guide for creating, cultivating, and capitalizing on networking relationships and opportunities. Packed with valuable tools, the book offers a field-tested "Hello to Goodbye" system that takes readers from entering a room, to

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making conversations flow, to following up. Updated from its first edition, the book now includes expanded advice on building social capital at work and in job hunting, as well as new case studies, examples, checklists, and questionnaires. Readers will discover how to: * draft a networking plan * cultivate current contacts * make the most of memberships * effectively exchange business cards * avoid the top ten networking turn-offs * share anecdotes that convey character and competence * transform their careers with a networking makeover Job-seekers, career-changers, entrepreneurs, and others will find all the networking help they need to supercharge their careers and boost their bottom lines.

From the #1 New York Times-bestselling author of *The 48 Laws of Power* comes the definitive new book on decoding the behavior of the people around you Robert Greene is a master guide for millions of readers, distilling ancient wisdom and philosophy into essential texts for seekers of power, understanding and mastery. Now he turns to the most important subject of all - understanding people's drives and motivations, even when they are unconscious of them themselves. We are social animals. Our very lives depend on our relationships with people. Knowing why people do what they do is the most important tool we can possess, without which our other talents can only take us so far. Drawing from the ideas and examples of Pericles, Queen Elizabeth I, Martin Luther King Jr, and many others, Greene teaches us how to detach ourselves from our own emotions and master self-control, how to develop the empathy that leads to insight, how to look behind people's masks, and how to resist conformity to develop your singular sense of purpose. Whether at work, in relationships, or in shaping the world around you, *The Laws of Human Nature* offers brilliant tactics for success, self-improvement, and self-defense.

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Alex Rogo is a harried plant manager working ever more desperately to try and improve performance. His factory is rapidly heading for disaster. So is his marriage. He has ninety days to save his plant - or it will be closed by corporate HQ, with hundreds of job losses. It takes a chance meeting with a colleague from student days - Jonah - to help him break out of conventional ways of thinking to see what needs to be done. Described by Fortune as a 'guru to industry' and by Businessweek as a 'genius', Eliyahu M. Goldratt was an internationally recognized leader in the development of new business management concepts and systems. This 20th anniversary edition includes a series of detailed case study interviews by David Whitford, Editor at Large, Fortune Small Business, which explore how organizations around the world have been transformed by Eli Goldratt's ideas. The story of Alex's fight to save his plant contains a serious message for all managers in industry and explains the ideas which underline the Theory of Constraints (TOC) developed by Eli Goldratt. Written in a fast-paced thriller style, *The Goal* is the gripping novel which is transforming management thinking throughout the Western world. It is a book to recommend to your friends in industry - even to your bosses - but not to your competitors!

It's a zombie world! -- Understanding focus -- Definition of purpose -- There are three ways to find purpose -- Where is the purpose in your work? -- A life with meaning -- Finding your purpose -- Defining your vision -- Your personal philosophy -- Using your personal mission statement -- Follow your compass -- The nature of motivation -- Extrinsic motivation -- Will the appeal of power or possessions motivate you? -- Will the passion for others motivate you? -- Lenses for focus -- Will goal setting help your focus? -- Using your imagination -- Using your skills and strengths -- Your direction is determined by your vision -- Using the power of one.

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Make authentic connections with influencers without being sleazy or bothersome What if you could connect with 7-figure business owners as soon as your venture (a small business, blog, YouTube channel—whatever!) begins? What if you could effortlessly get on the radar of influencers just by being yourself? Imagine how connections like these will help your initiative skyrocket! Four years ago, Michal was an lifelong employee entrenched in a large company; a shy introvert without a single business idea whatsoever. He did not know what a webinar was and had no Facebook account. Today Michal is active in several online communities, with authors, marketers, influencers and business owners. His works have been mentioned in Forbes and Business Insider. Michal interacts with millionaires and exchanged messages with Darren Hardy and David Allen. A rock star, with 2 million followers on Twitter, featured his blog post. His books got reviewed and recommended by bestselling authors. In "Making Business Connections That Count" he explains how you can achieve similar results. In this book, you will learn: A foolproof method of getting on the radar of influencers Where to connect with top bloggers, podcasters and business owners How to provide value to them even if you are just starting out in the online business world How to drive your agenda without being perceived as bothersome How to stand out in anyone's crowd of followers How to network with influencers even if you don't yet know a single blogger How to initiate contact when you need a favor What is the hidden networking superpower available to everyone How to bring value to the table from day one How to discern between genuine and superficial relationships When it's OK to ask for a favor How to make an offer your partner will feel embarrassed to decline How to build friendships AND business connections How to do favors for big influencers without a big-time investment How to be authentic in your networking efforts, so you will never be mistaken for a

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NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • The author of *The Power of Habit* and “master of the life hack” (GQ) explores the fascinating science of productivity and offers real-world takeaways to apply your life, whether you’re chasing peak productivity or simply trying to get back on track. “Duhigg melds cutting-edge science, deep reporting, and wide-ranging stories to give us a fuller, more human way of thinking about how productivity actually happens.”—Susan Cain, author of *Quiet In The Power of Habit*, Pulitzer Prize–winning journalist Charles Duhigg explained why we do what we do. In *Smarter Faster Better*, he applies the same relentless curiosity and rich storytelling to how we can improve at the things we do. At the core of *Smarter Faster Better* are eight key concepts—from motivation and goal setting to focus and decision making—that explain why some people and companies get so much done. Drawing on the latest findings in neuroscience, psychology, and behavioral economics—as well as the experiences of CEOs, educational reformers, four-star generals, FBI agents, airplane pilots, and Broadway songwriters—this book reveals that the most productive people, companies, and organizations don’t merely act differently. They view the world, and their choices, in profoundly different ways. *Smarter Faster Better* is a story-filled exploration of the science of productivity, one that can help us learn to succeed with less stress and struggle—and become smarter, faster, and better at everything we do.

An Introduction to e-Business provides the contemporary knowledge of the key issues affecting the modern e-business environment and links theory and practice of

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management strategies relating to e-business. This book brings together the most cogent themes for an introduction to e-business and constitutes a valuable contribution to formalising common themes for teaching the subject in higher education. It brings together theoretical perspectives based on academic research and the application of e-business strategies. These concepts are further explored in the six case studies that follow the set chapters. This new textbook integrates the main themes to provide a complete picture of the key elements relevant to an introductory text in e-business. To fully appreciate the e-business environment it is necessary to understand the links between the different disciplines that come together to form

The Challenge Built to Last, the defining management study of the nineties, showed how great companies triumph over time and how long-term sustained performance can be engineered into the DNA of an enterprise from the very beginning. But what about the company that is not born with great DNA? How can good companies, mediocre companies, even bad companies achieve enduring greatness? The Study For years, this question preyed on the mind of Jim Collins. Are there companies that defy gravity and convert long-term mediocrity or worse into long-term superiority? And if so, what are the universal distinguishing characteristics that cause a company to go from good to great? The Standards Using tough benchmarks, Collins and his research team identified a set of elite companies that made the leap to great results and sustained those results for at least fifteen years. How great? After the leap, the good-to-great

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companies generated cumulative stock returns that beat the general stock market by an average of seven times in fifteen years, better than twice the results delivered by a composite index of the world's greatest companies, including Coca-Cola, Intel, General Electric, and Merck. The Comparisons The research team contrasted the good-to-great companies with a carefully selected set of comparison companies that failed to make the leap from good to great. What was different? Why did one set of companies become truly great performers while the other set remained only good? Over five years, the team analyzed the histories of all twenty-eight companies in the study. After sifting through mountains of data and thousands of pages of interviews, Collins and his crew discovered the key determinants of greatness -- why some companies make the leap and others don't. The Findings The findings of the Good to Great study will surprise many readers and shed light on virtually every area of management strategy and practice. The findings include: Level 5 Leaders: The research team was shocked to discover the type of leadership required to achieve greatness. The Hedgehog Concept (Simplicity within the Three Circles): To go from good to great requires transcending the curse of competence. A Culture of Discipline: When you combine a culture of discipline with an ethic of entrepreneurship, you get the magical alchemy of great results. Technology Accelerators: Good-to-great companies think differently about the role of technology. The Flywheel and the Doom Loop: Those who launch radical change programs and wrenching restructurings will almost certainly fail to make the leap.

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“Some of the key concepts discerned in the study,” comments Jim Collins, “fly in the face of our modern business culture and will, quite frankly, upset some people.”

Perhaps, but who can afford to ignore these findings?

Have you ever thought your business was meant to be much more than just a means to make money? Biblical businesses are God's first choice as the means to bless mankind, build character, and develop faith. They hold the solution for much of what ails our economy and our culture. Join Dave Kahle as he explores what the Bible has to say about businesses and your role in leading a kingdom oriented business. You'll uncover Biblical truths that you may have never seen before. Your views on business will never be the same. Find your place in the movement and unlock the full potential of your business.

Outlines new approaches to networking that reflect shifting cultural values and improved digital technologies, sharing instructional case studies and practical tips for network building using online social media and in-person interactions.

You are one conversation away from changing your life. We all crave connection. We were never meant to live alone or communicate only in "likes" and retweets. In Every Conversation Counts, TV host and human connection keynote speaker Riaz Meghji digs deep into the dangers of isolation and loneliness, our social pandemic, that have been brought into sharp relief by the coronavirus crisis. He tackles a uniquely modern question: why are we so connected, and yet so alone--and how can we reconnect?

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Sharing personal insights from powerful interviews and years of on-air experience, Meghji offers 5 simple habits for building extraordinary relationships. He explains how to spark authentic conversations, win trust, create new business, and collaborate effectively. Meghji points a way forward to a better future--one in which we express genuine curiosity about others, listen with our whole hearts, show up as our authentic selves, and make every conversation count.

Ben Horowitz, cofounder of Andreessen Horowitz and one of Silicon Valley's most respected and experienced entrepreneurs, offers essential advice on building and running a startup—practical wisdom for managing the toughest problems business school doesn't cover, based on his popular ben's blog. While many people talk about how great it is to start a business, very few are honest about how difficult it is to run one. Ben Horowitz analyzes the problems that confront leaders every day, sharing the insights he's gained developing, managing, selling, buying, investing in, and supervising technology companies. A lifelong rap fanatic, he amplifies business lessons with lyrics from his favorite songs, telling it straight about everything from firing friends to poaching competitors, cultivating and sustaining a CEO mentality to knowing the right time to cash in. Filled with his trademark humor and straight talk, *The Hard Thing About Hard Things* is invaluable for veteran entrepreneurs as well as those aspiring to their own new ventures, drawing from Horowitz's personal and often humbling experiences.

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Get ready to focus on the single most important thing you can do to live a happy, healthy, and successful life: BELONG. “Read this book, do what it says, and discover exactly where you fit in.” —John Mackey, Co-founder and CEO, Whole Foods Market “If you want to belong, read this book.” —Deepak Chopra, MD “From the moment I opened this book I was hooked. This book is caring and tender, challenging and action-driven. It is now on my recommendation list.” —Esther Perel, author of *Mating in Captivity* and *The State of Affairs*, host of *Where Should We Begin?* podcast How is it that the internet connects us to a world of people, yet so many of us feel more isolated than ever? That we have hundreds, even thousands of friends on social media, but not a single person to truly confide in? Radha Agrawal calls this “community confusion,” and in *Belong* she offers every reader a blueprint to find their people and build and nurture community, because connectedness—as more and more studies show—is our key to happiness, fulfillment, and success. A book that’s equal parts inspiring and interactive, and packed with prompts, charts, quizzes, and full-color illustrations, *Belong* takes readers on a two-part journey. Part one is *Going IN*—a gentle but intentional process of self-discovery and finding out your true energy levels and VIA (values, interests, and abilities). Part two is *Going OUT*—building on all that you’ve learned about yourself to find those few special people who feed your soul, and discovering, or creating, the ever-widening groups that align with your aims and desires. As the Co-founder and CEO of the popular global morning dance community *Daybreaker*, Radha Agrawal developed

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an immense offline community with her team of Community Catalysts in 25 cities and on a dozen college campuses around the world by creating a physical space for people to connect, self-express, sweat, and dance. Now, Radha offers the life-changing strategies, tips, and tricks for making friends that will light your fire and give you the exhale of “Ahh, I’m home.” “Radha has written a book that’s fun to read, easy to digest, and embodies deep wisdom. This isn’t just a book I’m endorsing. This is a book that I want to buy multiple copies of because I have so many friends and acquaintances that will benefit from it. It’s the first book I couldn’t wait to finish reading it so I could give my copy to one of my friends to read the same day.” —Tony Hsieh, CEO of Zappos and author of *Delivering Happiness*

The former Google executive, editorial director of Twitter and self-described introvert offers networking advice for anyone who has ever cancelled a coffee date due to social anxiety—about how to nurture a vibrant circle of reliable contacts without leaving your comfort zone. Networking has garnered a reputation as a sort of necessary evil in the modern business world. Some do relish the opportunity to boldly work the room, introduce themselves to strangers, and find common career ground—but for many others, the experience is often awkward, or even terrifying. The common networking advice for introverts are variations on the theme of overcoming or “fixing” their quiet tendencies. But Karen Wickre is a self-described introvert who has worked in Silicon Valley for 30 years. She shows you to embrace your true nature to create sustainable

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connections that can be called upon for you to get—and give—career assistance, advice, introductions, and lasting connections. Karen’s “embrace your quiet side” approach is for anyone who finds themselves shying away from traditional networking activities, or for those who would rather be curled up with a good book on a Friday night than out at a party. For example, if you’re anxious about that big professional mixer full of people you don’t know, she advises you to consider skipping it (many of these are not productive), and instead set up an intimate, one-on-one coffee date. She shows how to truly make the most out of social media to sustain what she calls “the loose touch habit” to build your own brain trust to last a lifetime. With compelling arguments and creative strategies, this new way to network is perfect not only for introverts, but for anyone who wants for a less conventional approach to get ahead in today’s job market. Being connected is the ultimate source of personal effectiveness. This text provides a straightforward approach to building and working within networks. It delivers a practical guide to creating the kind of network that you need, and becoming a natural and effective networked communicator.

Make authentic connections with influencers without being sleazy or bothersome What if you could connect with 7-figure business owners right when your business begins? What if you could effortlessly get on the radar of influencers just by being yourself? Imagine how your small business would skyrocket with such connections! Four years ago, Michal was a lifelong employee and a shy introvert without a single business idea

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whatsoever. He did not know what a webinar was and had no Facebook account. Today Michal is active in several online communities, with authors, marketers, influencers and business owners. His works have been mentioned in Forbes and Business Insider. Michal interacts with millionaires and exchanges messages with Darren Hardy and David Allen. A rock star who has 2 million followers on Twitter featured his blog post. His books get reviewed and recommended by bestselling authors. In "Making Business Connections That Count" he explains how you can achieve similar results. In this book, you will learn: A foolproof method of getting on the radar of influencers Where to connect with top bloggers, podcasters and business owners How to provide value to them even if you are just starting out in an online business world How to drive your agenda without being perceived as bothersome How to stand out in the crowd of followers How to network with influencers even if you don't know a single blogger yet How to initiate contact when you need a favor What's the hidden networking superpower available to everyone How to bring value to the table since day one How to discern between genuine and superficial relationships When it's OK to ask for a favor How can you put up your offer so your partner will feel embarrassed to decline How to build friendships AND business connections How to make favors to big influencers without big time investment How to be authentic in your networking efforts, so you will never be mistaken with a sleazy salesman Buy this book now to create relationships with respectable peers and mentors, to boost your business

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Connecting with people instead of networking can make a huge difference in your personal and professional life. Join entrepreneur, Scott Oldford, as he walks you through his proven strategy for bringing strangers from all walks of life together over meals. From selecting the guest list to planning the event to executing the meal to following up, Scott will walk you through the process, tools and resources that work for him and get you results. Want new friends? New connections? Great conversation that exceeds comments about the weather and today's headlines? Ready to make your business more successful? Ready to become an influencer? Let's Go. Stop Networking. Start Connecting. Make Connections that Count.

Here is the definitive guide to successful mingling at business meetings, cocktail parties, and conventions from a seminar leader who has taught thousands of people the strategies of savvy socializing.

Cut through the networking noise and start building the powerful, real relationships needed to succeed in our digital world. If you think of networking as schmoozing at boring cocktail parties or scrolling through LinkedIn for new contacts to add, think again. In the social media age, you need a modern roadmap for creating and cultivating meaningful connections to stand out from the crowd and achieve any of your goals, no matter how big or small. In *Build Your Dream Network*, acclaimed business columnist

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and networking expert J. Kelly Hoey offers a fresh new approach to mastering this timeworn skill in a world where everyone is posting, liking, and friending fast and furiously, but many are failing to leverage their connections successfully. Hoey presents innovative strategies for forming strong relationships—the genuine, mutually beneficial, long-lasting kind—using all of the social tools at your disposal. She also reveals creative and surprisingly simple ways to harness the power of your network to accomplish any ambition, from landing your dream job or a coveted account or client to successfully crowdfunding a new business venture. Build Your Dream Network will help you: - Determine the most effective ways to connect with others so you don't clutter your calendar with dead-end coffee dates and informational interviews - Synchronize IRL networking efforts with your digital outreach - Turn “closed door” conversations into strong personal relationships and business opportunities - Eliminate FOMO by keeping your networking efforts focused Packed with infographics, flowcharts, and encouraging advice, Build Your Dream Network shows how small adjustments in your daily routine, generosity, and goal-focused efforts are all it takes to set you apart and ignite the powerful connections that will lead to major opportunities for success.

A landmark book by marine biologist Wallace J. Nichols on the remarkable effects of water on our health and well-being. Why are we drawn to the ocean each summer? Why does being near water set our minds and bodies at ease? In BLUE MIND, Wallace J. Nichols revolutionizes how we think about these questions, revealing the remarkable

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truth about the benefits of being in, on, under, or simply near water. Combining cutting-edge neuroscience with compelling personal stories from top athletes, leading scientists, military veterans, and gifted artists, he shows how proximity to water can improve performance, increase calm, diminish anxiety, and increase professional success. BLUE MIND not only illustrates the crucial importance of our connection to water-it provides a paradigm shifting "blueprint" for a better life on this Blue Marble we call home.

Smartphones, social media, and the Internet can only get a professional so far. At some point, the success of an organization will depend on face-to-face relationships, which means the isolated employees trying to do everything virtually will at some point have to fall back on the tried-and-true, essential skill of relationship building if they are going to survive in today's increasingly collaborative workforce. Unveiling eight indispensable competencies for the new Network-Oriented Workforce, Strategic Connections provides practical advice anyone can use for building better, more productive business relationships. Readers will discover how to:

- Commit to a positive, proactive networking mindset
- Earn trust
- Boost their social acumen and increase their likeability
- Master conversational skills and deepen interactions
- Employ storytelling to make communications memorable
- And much more

Businesses don't have to look very far to find employees with a strong presence in the different social networks. If you want to stand out and make yourself invaluable to your organization, focus on making your

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presence known in the company's physical networks.

A fascinating deep dive on innovation from the New York Times bestselling author of *How We Got To Now* and *Unexpected Life* The printing press, the pencil, the flush toilet, the battery--these are all great ideas. But where do they come from? What kind of environment breeds them? What sparks the flash of brilliance? How do we generate the breakthrough technologies that push forward our lives, our society, our culture? Steven Johnson's answers are revelatory as he identifies the seven key patterns behind genuine innovation, and traces them across time and disciplines. From Darwin and Freud to the halls of Google and Apple, Johnson investigates the innovation hubs throughout modern time and pulls out the approaches and commonalities that seem to appear at moments of originality.

The first step to success: really, truly and ultimately know thyself. What if you never procrastinated again? What if you knew your priorities with crystal clarity and were always aware of the path to achieve your goals? What if you discovered all obstacles and struggles in advance and prepared for them? What if you were always motivated to hustle along a success path? Amazon bestselling author Michal Stawicki presents an easy self-analysis process which allowed him to shed excess weight, save additional \$10,000 in three years, learn new skills and, well, become a bestselling author in the crowded self-help market. Following the guidance of the giants before him — including ancient sages (Socrates), CEOs (Tony Stubblebine) and icons of modern online

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business (Pat Flynn) — Michal answers the question: how can you in today busy world discover and follow your strengths? Michal uses a no nonsense approach, so this book will get you up to speed fast. If you want to succeed, you need to become aware of your vices and strengths. Even if you haven't dedicated a single thought to the matter of self-discovery for the past 10 years, you can learn how to perform daily self-analysis. In Know Yourself Like Your Success Depends on It you'll learn: -Why you already have enough within you to get success -How to harness 6 simple self-analysis techniques -How you can make these techniques an integral part your life. (Hint: there are no willpower struggles required.) -What's the most common habit among successful people -How to get a grip on self-talk -How to start and stick with a meditation habit. (Try it Michal's way, even if you've failed repeatedly at this) -What's the nature of interdependence between success and self-analysis? You will also discover: -Direct examples of the self-analysis application and results. These come straight from Michal's experience -The simplest self-analysis tool able to help you improve any are of your life, from finances to spirituality (and how to master it) -BONUS: free resources to jump start your self-discovery quest Download Know Yourself Like Your Success Depends on It today. Create an easy, step by step plan for discovering your true self which will help you grow in every area of your life. Pick up your copy today! Are you ... hoping your next networking event will be "the one"? ... collecting mountains of business cards? ... having countless breakfasts and lunches? ... thinking about what

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you give and get? Then your way of networking is ... dead. With social networks, teleconferencing, and webinars, you are able to meet more people in more ways than ever before. But that doesn't mean you're creating new possibilities through valuable connections. Networking Is Dead offers a new approach to fundamental networking misconceptions. Authors Melissa G Wilson and Larry Mohl show it's the quality rather than the quantity of connections that counts. Their fable tells the story of connection expert Dan guiding Meredith, an outgoing social media expert, and Lance, a shy accountant, to build relationships that matter to them and their businesses. It shows an effective process that lets you:

- Deepen existing relationships and make meaningful new ones
- Connect across your own company to strengthen your business
- Find people with similar values to embark on mutually beneficial opportunities
- Leverage your connections instead of being overwhelmed by them

Networking Is Dead is an engaging story that provides easy-to-implement tips at the end of each chapter. This powerful combination of story and time-tested action steps provides a comprehensive roadmap to achieve even your toughest goals. Networking is dead, but making connections that matter will bring new possibilities to life for you and your organization. Over the last few decades, networking has devolved into an endless series of cattle call events full of open bars and closed fists. Perfect strangers, after a long day at the office, agree to show up and bump into each other, randomly exchanging business pitches for business cards. Needless to say, traditional networking isn't working

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anymore. For successful 21st century business people, large networking events and the mountains of business cards they produce have become a waste of time and valuable resources. It's time for a new, modern approach to networking. Born out of author Derek Coburn's frustration with having spent thousands of fruitless hours attending traditional networking events, this book offers fresh, effective, unconventional strategies for growing and nurturing a powerful network. These strategies grew Coburn's revenue by 300% in just 18 months and can have a major impact on your business. You will learn how to:

- * Become the Ultimate Connector
- * Become the Ultimate Resource
- * Identify and develop relationships with world-class professionals
- * Enhance the value you deliver for your best clients
- * Position yourself for more quality introductions to ideal prospective clients

Once you implement the networking strategies in this book, the quality of your clients, your business, and your life will improve dramatically.

How and why the ability to connect with strangers is vital to business success Good communication with colleagues and clients is an important aspect of doing business successfully. But if you're only talking to your associates, you're missing out on half the story and leaving money on the table. Start with "Hello" reveals how the most successful businesspeople and leaders share an overlooked and underappreciated talent—the ability to engage and communicate with strangers in productive, creative ways. Put simply, people like to do business with people they know, like, and trust. So

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get to know more people! Even if you don't think of yourself as the most outgoing person, you can learn to be more open and engaging to strangers. The book explains simple, key aspects of communication that make it easy to connect with new people, including behavioral styles, body language, and eye contact. Add together simple tips for starting conversations and following-up on them, and you'll be well on your way to making the business connections that count. Features straightforward guidance for anyone who needs help building new connections with new people Written by a high-profile expert and thought leader in the art of relationship building Includes real stories that reveal how often chance meetings and conversations develop into profitable business relationships In a small, hyper-connected world, today's stranger might be tomorrow's client. If you want to boost your business prospects in simple, practical ways, Start with "Hello" is the resource for you.

"Have you ever found yourself stretched too thin? Do you simultaneously feel overworked and underutilized? Are you often busy but not productive? Do you feel your time is constantly being hijacked by other people's agendas? If you answered yes to any of these questions, the way out is the way of the Essentialist. Essentialism isn't about getting more done in less time. It's about getting only the right things done. Only once we discern what is absolutely essential and eliminate everything else can we make our highest possible contribution toward things that truly matter. By forcing us to apply more selective criteria for where to spend our precious time and energy, the

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disciplined pursuit of less empowers us to reclaim control of our own choices, instead of giving others the implicit permission to choose for us. Essentialism is not one more thing to do. It's a whole new way of doing less, but better, in every area of our lives"--Back cover.

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