

## Solution Selling Creating Buyers In Difficult Selling Markets

Did you know that the 80/20 rule applies to the world of sales too? Eighty percent of all sales are made by only twenty percent of salespeople. Which begs the question: How are they raking in so much money, and how can others join them? Sales trainer extraordinaire Brian Tracy has spent years studying the world's best salespeople and their methods and has discovered that the difference between the top 20 and the bottom 80 boils down to only a handful of critical areas in which the top professionals perform only a smidgen better than their peers. You are that close! In this compact and convenient guide, Tracy shares 21 tried-and-true techniques that can help any salesperson gain that winning edge. Learn how to:

- Set clear goals--and achieve them+1396
- Develop a sense of urgency and make every minute count
- Know your products inside and out
- Analyze your competition
- Find and quickly qualify prospects
- Understand the three keys to persuasion
- Overcome the six major objections
- And much more!

Packed with proven strategies and priceless insights, *Sales Success* will get you planted firmly on the path to success, making more money than you thought possible and greater career satisfaction than you ever believed you would find. The new way to transform a sales culture with clarity, authenticity, and emotional intelligence. Too often, the sales process is all about fear. Customers are afraid that they will be talked into making a mistake; salespeople dread being unable to close the deal and make their quotas. No one is happy. Mahan Khalsa and Randy Illig offer a better way. Salespeople, they argue, do best when they focus 100 percent on helping clients succeed. When customers are successful, both buyer and seller win. When they aren't, both lose. It's no longer sufficient to get clients to buy; a salesperson must also help the client reduce costs, increase revenues, and improve productivity, quality, and customer satisfaction. This book shares the unique FranklinCovey Sales Performance Group methodology that will help readers:

- Start new business from scratch in a way both salespeople and clients can feel good about
- Ask hard questions in a soft way
- Close the deal by opening minds
- Close the deal by opening minds

The Revolutionary Sales Approach Scientifically Proven to Dramatically Improve Your Sales and Business Success Blending cutting-edge research in social psychology, neuroscience, and behavioral economics, *The Science of Selling* shows you how to align the way you sell with how our brains naturally form buying decisions, dramatically increasing your ability to earn more sales. Unlike other sales books, which primarily rely on anecdotal evidence and unproven advice, Hoffeld's evidence-based approach connects the dots between science and situations salespeople and business leaders face every day to help you consistently succeed, including proven ways to:

- Engage buyers' emotions to increase their receptiveness to you and your ideas
- Ask questions that line up with how the brain discloses information
- Lock in the incremental commitments that lead to a sale
- Create positive influence and reduce the sway of competitors
- Discover the underlying causes of objections and neutralize them
- Guide buyers through the necessary mental steps to make purchasing decisions

Packed with advice and anecdotes, *The Science of Selling* is an essential resource for anyone looking to succeed in today's cutthroat selling environment, advance their business goals, or boost their ability to influence others. \*\*Named one of The 20 Most Highly-Rated Sales Books of All Time by HubSpot

What do winners of major sales do differently than the sellers who almost won, but ultimately came in second place? Mike Schultz and John Doerr, bestselling authors and world-renowned sales experts, set out to find the answer. They studied more than 700 business-to-business purchases made by buyers who represented a total of \$3.1 billion in annual purchasing power. When they compared the winners to the second-place finishers, they found surprising results. Not only do sales winners sell differently, they sell radically differently, than the second-place finishers. In recent years, buyers have increasingly seen products and services as replaceable. You might think this would mean that the sale goes to the lowest bidder. Not true! A new breed of seller—the insight seller—is winning the sale with strong prices and margins even in the face of increasing competition and commoditization. In *Insight Selling*, Schultz and Doerr share the surprising results of their research on what sales winners do differently, and outline exactly what you need to do to transform yourself and your team into insight sellers. They introduce a simple three-level model based on what buyers say tip the scales in favor of the winners: Level 1 "Connect." Winners connect the dots between customer needs and company solutions, while also connecting with buyers as people. Level 2 "Convince." Winners convince buyers that they can achieve maximum return, that the risks are acceptable, and that the seller is the best choice among all options. Level 3 "Collaborate." Winners collaborate with buyers by bringing new ideas to the table, delivering new ideas and insights, and working with buyers as a team. They also found that much of the popular and current advice given to sellers can damage sales results. *Insight Selling* is both a strategic and tactical guide that will separate the good advice from the bad, and teach you how to put the three levels of selling to work to inspire buyers, influence their agendas, and maximize value. If you want to find yourself and your team in the winner's circle more often, this book is a must-read.

In today's technology-saturated world, information is cheap. The Internet has changed everything for prospects--not to mention for the salespeople who hope to win their business. Prospects no longer need that big sales pitch touting all the features and benefits of a product. What's more, they have come to resent old-school selling techniques. As Marc explains in *Game Plan Selling*, winning the business of well-informed prospects is very similar to winning in sports. Consistent success--both in sales and on the field--requires a distinct strategy, a repeatable process and a clear plan to execute with commitment and passion. In this highly practical book, you will learn how to:

- \*Separate yourself from the competition;
- \*Use a simple system to close sales more quickly and with greater frequency;
- and \*Create a personal selling plan to virtually guarantee success.

The New Conceptual Selling has turned conventional sales thinking on its head by offering powerful, practical lessons that break down the boundaries of traditional product pitch selling. Based on the world-renowned Miller Heiman sales training programme, which has been adopted by some of the world's top companies, it is a thoroughly validated systematic process that has been shown to produce immediate, significant and reliable sales increases. Through listening to the customer and identifying their 'concept', it will teach sales directors, managers and executives how to identify customers' real needs, tailor every sale to one specific client, and earn and maintain credibility. True or false? In selling high-value products or services: 'closing' increases your chance of success; it is essential to describe the benefits of your product or service to the customer; objection handling is an important skill; open questions are more effective than closed questions. All false, says this provocative book. Neil Rackham and his team studied more than 35,000 sales calls made by 10,000 sales people in 23 countries over 12 years. Their findings revealed that many of the methods developed for selling low-value goods just don't work for major sales. Rackham went on to introduce his SPIN-Selling method. SPIN describes the whole selling process: Situation questions Problem questions Implication questions Need-payoff questions SPIN-Selling provides you with a set of simple and practical techniques which have been tried in many of today's leading companies with dramatic improvements to their sales performance.

NAMED THE #3 TOP SALES BOOK OF 2018! Make extraordinary sales happen! In the Age of the Customer, sales effectiveness depends mightily on the buyer experience. Despite nearly-universal agreement on the need for creating value in every step of the buyer's journey, sellers continue to struggle with how to create that value and connect meaningfully with buyers. New research bridges the gap and reveals the behavioral blueprint for sellers that makes buyers more likely to meet with them — and more likely to buy from them. In *Stop Selling & Start Leading*, you'll discover that the very same behaviors that make leaders more effective also work to make sellers more effective, too. This critical shift in the selling mindset, and in the sales role itself, is the key to boosting your overall sales effectiveness.

- Inspire, challenge, and enable buyers
- Change your behavior to build trust and increase sales
- Step into your leadership potential
- See yourself the way your buyers do
- Feel good about selling again

When you're aiming for quota attainment and real connections with buyers, this book gives you

the confidence and skills you need.

Conversations make or break everything in sales. Every conversation you have is an opportunity to find new prospects, win new customers, and increase sales. Rainmaking Conversations provides a proven system for leading masterful conversations that fill the pipeline, secure new deals, and maximize the potential of your account. Rainmaking Conversations offers a research-based, field-tested, and practical selling approach that will help you master the art of the sales conversation. This proven system revolves around the acronym RAIN, which stands for Rapport, Aspirations and Afflictions, Impact, and New Reality. You'll learn how to ask your prospects and clients the right questions, and help them set the agenda for success. Armed with the knowledge of the markets you serve, the common needs of prospects, and how your products and services can help, you can become a trusted advisor to your clients during and after the sale. With the RAIN system, you'll be able to: Build rapport and trust from the first contact Create conversations with prospects, referral sources, and clients using the telephone, email, and mail Uncover the real need behind client challenges Make the case for improved business impact and return on investment (ROI) for your prospects Understand and communicate your value proposition Apply the 16 principles of influence in sales Overcome and prevent all types of objections, including money Craft profitable solutions and close the deal The world-class RAIN SellingSM methodology has helped tens of thousands of people lead powerful sales conversations and achieve breakthrough sales performance. Start bridging the gap between "hello" and profitable relationships today.

In this groundbreaking book, Sabri Suby, the founder of Australia's #1 fastest growing digital marketing agency, reveals his exclusive step-by-step formula for growing the sales of any business, in any market or niche! The 8 phase 'secret selling system' detailed in this book has been deployed in over 167 industries and is responsible for generating over \$400 million dollars in sales. This isn't like any business or marketing book you've ever read. There's no fluff or filler - just battle-hardened tactics that are working right now to rapidly grow sales. Use these timeless principles to rapidly and dramatically grow the sales for your business and crush your competition into a fine powder.

Build better relationships and Sell More Effectively With a Powerful SALES STORY “Throughout our careers, we have been trained to ask diagnostic questions, deliver value props, and conduct ROI studies. It usually doesn't work; best case, we can argue with the customer about numbers—purely a left brain exercise, which turns buyers off. This book explains a better way.” —John Burke, Group Vice President, Oracle Corporation “Forget music, a great story has charm to soothe the savage beast and win over the most challenging customer. And one of the best guides in crafting it, feeling it, and telling it is What Great Salespeople Do. A must-read for anyone seeking to influence another human being.” —Mark Goulston, M.D., author of the #1 international bestseller Just Listen: Discover the Secret to Getting Through to Absolutely Anyone “Good salespeople tell stories that inform prospects; great salespeople tell stories that persuade prospects. This book reveals what salespeople need to do to become persuasive story sellers.” —Gerhard Gschwandtner, publisher of Selling Power “This book breaks the paradigm. It really works miracles!” —David R. Hibbard, President, Dialexis Inc™ “What Great Salespeople Do humanizes the sales process.” —Kevin Popovic, founder, Ideahaus® “Mike and Ben have translated what therapists have known for years into a business solution—utilizing and developing one's Emotional Intelligence to engage and lessen the defenses of others. What Great Salespeople Do is a step-by-step manual on how to use compelling storytelling to masterfully engage others and make their organizations great.” —Christine Miles, M.S., Psychological Services, Executive Coach, Miles Consulting LLC About the Book: This groundbreaking book offers extraordinary insight into the greatest mystery in sales: how the very best salespeople consistently and successfully influence change in others, inspiring their customers to say yes. Top-performing salespeople have always had a knack for forging connections and building relationships with buyers. Until now, this has been considered an innate talent. What Great Salespeople Do challenges some of the most widely accepted paradigms in selling in order to prove that influencing change in buyers is a skill that anyone can learn. The creator of Solution Selling and CustomerCentric Selling, Michael Bosworth, along with veteran sales executive Ben Zoldan, synthesize discoveries in neuroscience, psychology, sociology, anthropology, and other disciplines, combining it all into a field-tested framework—helping you break down barriers, build trust, forge meaningful relationships, and win more customers. This book teaches you how to: Relax a buyer's skepticism while activating the part of his or her brain where trust is formed and connections are forged Use the power of story to influence buyers to change Make your ideas, beliefs, and experiences “storable” using a proven story structure Build a personal inventory of stories to use throughout your sales cycle Tell your stories with authenticity and real passion Use empathic listening to get others to reveal themselves Incorporate storytelling and empathic listening to achieve collaborative conversations with buyers Breakthroughs in neuroscience have determined that people don't make decisions solely on the basis of logic; in fact, emotions play the dominant role in most decision-making processes. What Great Salespeople Do gives you the tools and techniques to influence change and win more sales.

Based on the author's TeleSmart 10 System for Power Selling, this award-winning business book pinpoints the ten skills essential to high-efficiency, high-success sales performance in an age of telesales and digital selling. Smart Selling on the Phone and Online equips salespeople with the powerful tools they need to open stronger, build trust faster, handle objections better, and close more sales when dealing with customers they can't see face-to-face. You'll learn how to: overcome ten different forms of “paralysis” and reestablish momentum; sell in sound bites, not long-winded speeches; ask the right questions to reveal customer needs; navigate around obstacles to get to the power buyer; and prioritize and manage your time so that more of it is spent actually selling. The world of selling keeps changing, and sales professionals are on the front line of innovation to keep profits flowing. Combining an accessible text with clear graphics and step-by-step processes, Smart Selling on the Phone and Online will help any rep master the world of sales 2.0 and become a true sales warrior.

Win more deals with the perfect sales story! “Power Messaging is a foundational element in our global marketing campaigns and sales training programs. We believe the concepts are core to engaging in customer conversations that are focused on their outcomes and what they want to achieve.” —Karen Quintos, CMO and SVP, Dell Inc. “The concepts outlined in this book are critical skills to building a world-class presales organization.” —Ken Hamel, Senior Vice President, Global Solutions and Presales, SAP “Our new messaging, using the approaches presented in this book, is great and is being widely used by our sales team. We’ve never had a year end sales meeting with content that was met with such widespread acceptance and enthusiasm.” —Jerry D. Cline, Senior Vice President, Retail Sales and Marketing, AmerisourceBergen Drug Company “The best salespeople sit across the table and make change easy for their customer by creating a succinct story and vision for what to change, how to change it, and how it will impact customer results. An enterprise focus on sales messaging, using the concepts in this book, is the hidden secret to driving incremental sales productivity and overwhelming customer success!” —Ken Powell, Vice President, Worldwide Sales Enablement, ADP “The Power Messaging techniques in this book are the foundation of how our marketing team creates our sales messages, as well as the process our field sales teams use for delivering that message in a unique and compelling way. At Kronos our results are a reflection of the power of the tool.” —Aron Ain, CEO, Kronos About the Book: In today’s highly competitive world of complex sales, commoditization of your brand is one of the greatest dangers. You must differentiate yourself from the competition—or you will lose out. And the way to do that is through customer engagement. Rather than sell your own corporate story and brand message, you need to tell customers their story—the one in which they are the heroes and they achieve success. Erik Peterson and Tim Riesterer have been developing and honing their Power Messaging sales technique for more than 20 years, and now they reveal all their secrets in *Conversations That Win the Complex Sale*. Presenting a catalog of facts or playing 20 questions with prospective customers is the surest way to lose the sale. Peterson and Riesterer provide the tools you need to recraft your message into a compelling story that wins more deals. With *Conversations That Win the Complex Sale*, you’ll learn how to: Differentiate yourself from the competition by finding your “Value Wedge” Avoid parity in your value propositions by creating “Power Positions” Create a message that can literally double the number of deals you close Spike customer attention and create “Wow” in your conversations Prove all your claims without resorting to lists of boring facts and statistics Your competitors are out there telling their own corporate story—a story customers don’t want to hear. Now is the time to seize the moment. This book is the one and only source you need to reframe your sales story and turn the tables on the competition by fully engaging their would-be customers. *Conversations That Win the Complex Sale* helps you create and deliver messages that customers care about, giving your brand the clear edge in today’s crowded markets.

Stand out, attract customers and grow your company into a sticky brand. *Sticky Branding* provides practical, tactical ideas of how mid-market companies — companies with a marketing budget, but not a vast one — are challenging the status quo and growing sticky brands.

Enable Your Buyer for Faster B2B Sales Garin Hess, the founder and CEO of Consensus, the leader in intelligent demo automation software, points out that when it comes to B2B sales effectiveness, the real challenge for salespeople is to get better at understanding and facilitating their customers’ buying group and buying process. Sales teams can shorten sales cycles and increase close rates by learning to equip their champion—the people promoting their solution inside the target account—effectively by using the DEEP-C™ buyer enablement framework: Discover, Equip, Engage, Personalize, and Coach. This book guides sales leaders and professionals through the process of moving from a sales-focused approach to a buyer enablement model.

Sales genius is a team sport. As a B2B sales leader, you know that by Murphy’s Law, despite your team’s best efforts, some deals will inevitably get stuck or key relationships will go sour. And too often, it’s the most important ones—the last thing you need when millions of dollars are on the line. “Dealstorming” is Tim Sanders’s term for a structured, scalable, repeatable process that can break through any sales deadlock. He calls it “a Swiss Army knife for today’s toughest sales challenges.” It fixes the broken parts of the brainstorming process and reinvigorates account management for today’s increasingly complicated sales environment. Dealstorming drives sales innovation by combining the wisdom and creativity of everyone who has a stake in the sale. You may think you are applying teamwork to your challenges, but don’t be so sure. There’s a good chance you’re operating inside a sales silo, not building a truly collaborative team across your whole company. The more disciplines you bring into the process, the more unlikely (but effective!) solutions the team can come up with. Sanders explains his seven-step Dealstorming process and shows how it has helped drive results for companies as diverse as Yahoo!, CareerBuilder, Regus, and Condé Nast. You’ll learn how to get the right team on board for a new dealstorm, relative to the size of the sales opportunity and its degree of difficulty. The key is adding people from non-sales areas of your company, making them collaborators early in the process. That will help them own the execution and delivery after the deal is done. The book includes real world examples from major companies like Oracle and Skillsoft, along with problem finding exercises, innovation templates, and implementation strategies you can apply to your unique situation. It’s based on Sanders’ many years as a sales executive and consultant, personally leading dozens of sales collaboration projects. It also features the results of interviews with nearly two hundred B2B sales leaders at companies such as LinkedIn, Altera and Novell. The strategies laid out in *Dealstorming* have led to a stunning 70% average closing ratio for teams across all major industries, leading to game-changing deals and long-term B2B relationships. Now you can learn how to make dealstorming work for you.

What’s the secret to sales success? If you’re like most business leaders, you’d say it’s fundamentally about relationships—and you’d be wrong. The best salespeople don’t just build relationships with customers. They challenge them. The need to understand what top-performing reps are doing that their average performing colleagues are not drove Matthew Dixon, Brent Adamson, and their colleagues at Corporate Executive Board to investigate the skills, behaviors, knowledge, and attitudes that matter most for high performance. And what they

discovered may be the biggest shock to conventional sales wisdom in decades. Based on an exhaustive study of thousands of sales reps across multiple industries and geographies, *The Challenger Sale* argues that classic relationship building is a losing approach, especially when it comes to selling complex, large-scale business-to-business solutions. The authors' study found that every sales rep in the world falls into one of five distinct profiles, and while all of these types of reps can deliver average sales performance, only one—the Challenger—delivers consistently high performance. Instead of bludgeoning customers with endless facts and features about their company and products, Challengers approach customers with unique insights about how they can save or make money. They tailor their sales message to the customer's specific needs and objectives. Rather than acquiescing to the customer's every demand or objection, they are assertive, pushing back when necessary and taking control of the sale. The things that make Challengers unique are replicable and teachable to the average sales rep. Once you understand how to identify the Challengers in your organization, you can model their approach and embed it throughout your sales force. The authors explain how almost any average-performing rep, once equipped with the right tools, can successfully reframe customers' expectations and deliver a distinctive purchase experience that drives higher levels of customer loyalty and, ultimately, greater growth.

Your customers have come a long way since *Value-Added Selling* was published twenty-five years ago. More knowledgeable, proactive, and price conscious, they regularly scour the Internet for low prices and have come to expect much more for each dollar they spend. Now, Tom Reilly has updated his sales classic to address a marketplace where slashing deals has become the standard response to buyers' addictions to bargain-basement prices. Used to great success for more than two decades and through every type of economy, Reilly's pioneering value-added sales method operates according to two simple rules: Add value, not cost; sell value, not price. It's the only way to protect your profit margins with today's customers. *Value-Added Selling* provides the strategies and tactics you need to not only close more sales but to improve repeat business by understanding buyers' needs from their perspective—and defining "value" accordingly. Reilly then helps you: Build a master plan that clearly directs your selling efforts Create sales tools that help you communicate your value Develop and execute effective value-added sales calls Connect with and sell to decision makers at the highest levels Increase customer retention by continuously creating new value There's nothing stopping you from joining the armies of salespeople who choose to compete on price. You can always lower your price and land a few sales. But at what cost? If you want to sell more products or services, more profitably, to more people, you must resist this temptation and begin focusing on value. Use *Value-Added Selling* to consistently deliver meaningful value to your customers, compete at a higher level than your competition, and protect your profits in any kind of economy.

Ask the questions—and get the sale. As a salesperson your product knowledge is extensive, but that's not enough. If you fail to ask the right questions—the ones that uncover a customer's real needs—you will never close the deal. *Sell* reveals advanced questioning techniques that will help you sell your products or services based on value to the customer, rather than price—and increase your success rate as a result. Packed with powerful examples, exercises, and hundreds of sample questions for a wide range of buyer interactions, the revised and updated second edition now includes new material on how to: Use questions to qualify prospects (without insulting them) \* Discover hidden customer needs and motivations \* Raise delicate questions \* Overcome stalls \* Reinvigorate a stale relationship \* Soothe anxious buyers \* Accelerate the decision process \* Upsell and cross-sell so you no longer leave money on the table \* Prospect for new business \* Pose intriguing questions to position yourself as a thought-leader on social media \* Turn social media contacts into active sales leads \* Identify dead-end opportunities \* Secure referrals \* And more Success is yours for the asking. Smart questioning will get you there.

Sellers often don't close all of the sales they deserve to close. Why? The sales model itself fails to address the off-line issues buyers must manage before making a buying decision. *Dirty Little Secrets* takes the reader behind the scenes to understand how buyers buy, and offers tools to help them. *Dirty Little Secrets* exposes the problems with sales that have resulted in over 90% failure rates, and offers front-end decision facilitation tools to mitigate the failures. Until now, sales books have focused on helping buyers through the solution-placement end of the buying decision. No other book takes the seller through the behind-the-scenes issues that buyers must address before they get buy-in for a solution. This is not a sales book, but a sophisticated examination of systems, change, and decision making to help sellers close more, find more prospects, and greatly minimize the sales cycle. This book is essential for any serious student of sales. Do you want to sell? Or have someone buy?

While a Vice President at Salesforce, David Priemer had an epiphany during one of the company's high-pressure selling periods: the very sales tactics they were using were not working on him. Yes, the numbers still showed results, but through brute force rather than elegance and efficiency. Priemer also discovered that his sales colleagues were spending far more time on leads that did not convert to sales than on those that did. His company—and his entire profession—was acting with more than enough gusto, but without enough awareness and empathy. They were not selling the way they buy. *Sell the Way You Buy* is about much more than putting yourself in the customer's shoes. Customers don't always know what they want or need, or they may be seeking a solution for something that isn't their core problem. They suffer from status quo bias, from recency bias, from confirmation bias. And meanwhile, the state of overwhelming choice has most products and solution providers adrift in the "Sea of Sameness." In today's world, almost everyone is in sales, but as Priemer realized, we don't teach it. *Sell the Way You Buy* will show you how to ask questions, how to listen, how to tell a compelling brand story, and how to talk to customers (how to talk to people). Priemer reveals scientifically supported methods to understand the customer, identify their needs, and move them toward the right solution—all the while teaching you to avoid all the reasons why the average person doesn't like salespeople. In short, to sell the way you buy.

People don't buy from people they like. No! Your buyer doesn't care about you or your product or service. It's not your job to overcome objections, it's your buyer's. Closing isn't a skill of good salespeople; it's the skill of weak salespeople. Price isn't the main reason salespeople lose the sale. *Gap Selling* shreds traditional and closely held sales beliefs that have been hurting salespeople for decades. For years, salespeople have embraced a myriad of sales tactics and belief systems that have unknowingly created many of the issues they have been trying to avoid such as: long sales cycles, price objections, no decision, prospects going dark, last minute feature requests, and more. Success at sales requires more than a set of tactics. Salespeople need to understand the game of sales, how sales works, and what the buyer is going through in order to make the decision to buy (change) or not to buy (not change). *Gap Selling* is a game-changing book designed to raise the sales IQ of selling organizations around the world. In his unapologetic and irreverent style, Keenan breaks down the tired old sales myths causing today's frustrating sales issues, to highlight a deceptively powerful new way to connect with buyers. Today's sales world is littered with glorified order takers, beholden to a frustrated buyer, unable to influence the sale and create value. *Gap Selling* flips the script and creates salespeople with immense influence at every stage of the buying process, capable of impacting the sales metrics that matter: Shorter Sales Cycles Increased Revenue Elevated Deal Values Higher Win Rates Fewer No Decisions More Leads And Happier Buyers *Gap Selling* elevates the sales world's selling IQ and turns sales order takers into sales influencers.

"A major breakthrough in the way goods and services [are] sold. When Mack Hanan speaks, we should all listen—really listen." – *Selling Magazine* Do you sell products or services? It doesn't matter: What you're really selling is customer profit. You help your customers and clients make profitable business decisions, and you are both rewarded with the fruits of a long-term business relationship. For 40 years, Mack Hanan's *Consultative Selling* has empowered countless sales professionals to reap maximum success, and the Eighth Edition is here to take them—and you—to the next level, with brand new sections on: Creating a two-tiered sales model to separate consultative sales from commodity sales • Building and using consultative databases for value propositions and proof of performance • Studying your customers'

cash flows to win proposals • Using consultative selling strategies on the Web • Coping with—and reversing—the inevitable “no” Consultative Selling is packed with new partnering strategies, cost/benefit analysis templates, detailed monetized value proposition models, outcome-based branding approaches, and powerful consulting tactics that will make your customers’ competition—and your own rivals—irrelevant. Buyer behavior has changed the marketplace, and sellers must adapt to survive The Collaborative Sale: Solution Selling in Today’s Customer-Driven World is the definitive guide to the new reality of sales. The roles of buyers, sellers, and technology have changed, and collaboration is now the key to success on all sides. The Collaborative Sale guides sales professionals toward alignment with buyers, by helping them overcome their problems and challenges, and creating value. From building a robust opportunity pipeline and predicting future revenues to mastering the nuances of buyer conversations, the book contains the information sales professionals need to remain relevant in today’s sales environment. Buyers have become more informed and more empowered. As a result, most sellers now enter the buying process at a much later stage than the traditional norm. The rise of information access has given buyers more control over their purchases than ever before, and sellers must adapt to survive. The Collaborative Sale provides a roadmap for adapting through sales collaboration, detailing the foundations, personae, and reality of the new marketplace. The book provides insight into the new buyer thought processes, the new sales personae required for dealing with the new buyers, and how to establish and implement a dynamic sales process. Topics include: Selling in times of economic uncertainty, broad information access, and new buyer behavior Why collaboration is so important to the new buyers The emergence of new sales personae – Micro-marketer, Visualizer, and Value Driver Buyer alignment, risk mitigation, and the myth of control Situational fluency, and the role of technology Focused sales enablement, and buyer-aligned learning and development Implementation and establishment of a dynamic sales process The book describes the essential competencies for collaborative selling, and provides indispensable supplemental tools for implementation. Written by recognized authorities with insights into global markets, The Collaborative Sale: Solution Selling in Today’s Customer-Driven World is the essential resource for today’s sales professional.

The Web has changed the game for your customers—and, therefore, for you. Now, CustomerCentric Selling, already recognized as one of the premier methodologies for managing the buyer-seller relationship, helps you level the playing field so you can reach clients when they are ready to buy and create a superior customer experience. Your business and its people need to be “CustomerCentric”—willing and able to identify and serve customers’ needs in a world where competition waits just a mouse-click away. Traditional wisdom has long held that selling means convincing and persuading buyers. But today’s buyers no longer want or need to be sold in traditional ways. CustomerCentric Selling gives you mastery of the crucial eight aspects of communicating with today’s clients to achieve optimal results: Having conversations instead of making presentations Asking relevant questions instead of offering opinions Focusing on solutions and not only relationships Targeting businesspeople instead of gravitating toward users Relating product usage instead of relying on features Competing to win—not just to stay busy Closing on the buyer’s timeline (instead of yours) Empowering buyers instead of trying to “sell” them What’s more, CustomerCentric Selling teaches and reinforces key tactics that will make the most of your organization’s resources. Perhaps you feel you don’t have the smartest internal systems in place to ensure an ideal workflow. (Perhaps, as is all too common, you lack identifiable systems almost entirely.) From the basics—and beyond—of strategic budgeting and negotiation to assessing and developing the skills of your sales force, you’ll learn how to make sure that each step your business takes is the right one.

Four years ago, the bestselling authors of The Challenger Sale overturned decades of conventional wisdom with a bold new approach to sales. Now their latest research reveals something even more surprising: Being a Challenger seller isn't enough. Your success or failure also depends on who you challenge. Picture your ideal customer: friendly, eager to meet, ready to coach you through the sale and champion your products and services across the organization. It turns out that's the last person you need. Most marketing and sales teams go after low-hanging fruit: buyers who are eager and have clearly articulated needs. That's simply human nature; it's much easier to build a relationship with someone who always makes time for you, engages with your content, and listens attentively. But according to brand-new CEB research--based on data from thousands of B2B marketers, sellers, and buyers around the world--the highest-performing teams focus their time on potential customers who are far more skeptical, far less interested in meeting, and ultimately agnostic as to who wins the deal. How could this be? The authors of The Challenger Customer reveal that high-performing B2B teams grasp something that their average-performing peers don't: Now that big, complex deals increasingly require consensus among a wide range of players across the organization, the limiting factor is rarely the salesperson's inability to get an individual stakeholder to agree to a solution. More often it's that the stakeholders inside the company can't even agree with one another about what the problem is. It turns out only a very specific type of customer stakeholder has the credibility, persuasive skill, and will to effectively challenge his or her colleagues to pursue anything more ambitious than the status quo. These customers get deals to the finish line far more often than friendlier stakeholders who seem so receptive at first. In other words, Challenger sellers do best when they target Challenger customers. The Challenger Customer unveils research-based tools that will help you distinguish the "Talkers" from the "Mobilizers" in any organization. It also provides a blueprint for finding them, engaging them with disruptive insight, and equipping them to effectively challenge their own organization.

**THE MARKET-PROVEN PRINCIPLES OF SOLUTION SELLING FOR TODAY'S HIGH-SPEED, HIGHER-PRESSURE SALES ENVIRONMENT** The long-awaited sequel to Solution Selling, one of history's most popular selling guides Nearly 10 years ago, the influential bestseller Solution Selling literally rewrote the rules for selling big-ticket, long-cycle products. The New Solution Selling expands the classic text's cases, examples, and situations and sharpens its focus on streamlining the sales process to achieve greater success in fewer steps and a shorter time frame. Much in sales has changed in the past decade, and The New Solution Selling incorporates those changes into an integrated, tailored approach for improving both individual productivity and organizational return on investment. Written to enhance the results and careers of sales pros and managers in virtually any industry, this performance-focused book features: A completely revamped, updated sales philosophy, management system, and architecture Tools to increase the quality and velocity of sales pipeline opportunities Techniques that "Best of the Best" use to prospect for success Solution Selling created new rules for one-to-one selling of hard-to-sell items. The New Solution Selling focuses on streamlining the

proven Solution Selling process and quickly differentiating both oneself and one's products from the competition while decreasing the time spent between initial qualifying and a successful, profitable close.

« This is a must read for every B2B entrepreneur, SaaS creator or consultant and business school student. It's the kind of book you don't read once, you go back to it on a regular basis. » - Carmen Gereá, CEO & Co-founder, UsabilityChefs  
Lean B2B helps entrepreneurs and innovators quickly find traction in the enterprise. Packed with more than 20 case studies and used by thousands around the world, Lean B2B consolidates the best thinking around Business-to-Business (B2B) customer development to help entrepreneurs and innovators focus on the right things each step of the way, leaving as little as possible to luck. The book helps: • Assess the market potential of opportunities to find the right opportunity for your team • Find early adopters, quickly establish credibility and convince business stakeholders to work with you • Find and prioritize business problems in corporations and identify the stakeholders with the power to influence a purchase decision • Create a minimum viable product and a compelling offer, validate a solution and evaluate whether your team has found product-market fit • Identify and avoid common challenges faced by entrepreneurs and learn ninja techniques to speed up product-market validation « The book will pay itself off in the first couple of pages! » - Ben Sardella, Co-Founder, Datanyze ????? 86% of Readers Rated it 5-Stars ????? « Treat this book like a map to show you where you are and a compass to show you the direction. I wish I could have read it 2 or 3 years ago. » – Jonathan Gebauer, Founder, exploreB2B « Lean B2B is filled with rock-solid advice for technology entrepreneurs who want a rapid-growth trajectory. Read it to increase your certainty and your success rate. » - Jill Konrath, Author of AGILE SELLING and Selling to Big Companies « Probably the most slept on book in the Lean startup market right now.... There is no sugarcoating here. Garbugli tells you exactly what needs to happen and how to make it happen... literally holds your hand and spells it out. I was really impressed with the overall depth and advice presented. » - AJ, B2B Entrepreneur « The book I read of which I have learned the most. » - Etienne Thouin, Founder and CTO, SQLNext Software « This book is essential reading for would-be entrepreneurs who face the daunting task of entering B2B markets. » – Paul Gillin, Co-Author, Social Marketing to the Business Customer

The revolutionary guide that challenged businesses around the world to stop selling to their buyers and start answering their questions to get results; revised and updated to address new technology, trends, the continuous evolution of the digital consumer, and much more In today's digital age, the traditional sales funnel—marketing at the top, sales in the middle, customer service at the bottom—is no longer effective. To be successful, businesses must obsess over the questions, concerns, and problems their buyers have, and address them as honestly and as thoroughly as possible. Every day, buyers turn to search engines to ask billions of questions. Having the answers they need can attract thousands of potential buyers to your company—but only if your content strategy puts your answers at the top of those search results. It's a simple and powerful equation that produces growth and success: They Ask, You Answer. Using these principles, author Marcus Sheridan led his struggling pool company from the bleak depths of the housing crash of 2008 to become one of the largest pool installers in the United States. Discover how his proven strategy can work for your business and master the principles of inbound and content marketing that have empowered thousands of companies to achieve exceptional growth. They Ask, You Answer is a straightforward guide filled with practical tactics and insights for transforming your marketing strategy. This new edition has been fully revised and updated to reflect the evolution of content marketing and the increasing demands of today's internet-savvy buyers. New chapters explore the impact of technology, conversational marketing, the essential elements every business website should possess, the rise of video, and new stories from companies that have achieved remarkable results with They Ask, You Answer. Upon reading this book, you will know: How to build trust with buyers through content and video. How to turn your web presence into a magnet for qualified buyers. What works and what doesn't through new case studies, featuring real-world results from companies that have embraced these principles. Why you need to think of your business as a media company, instead of relying on more traditional (and ineffective) ways of advertising and marketing. How to achieve buy-in at your company and truly embrace a culture of content and video. How to transform your current customer base into loyal brand advocates for your company. They Ask, You Answer is a must-have resource for companies that want a fresh approach to marketing and sales that is proven to generate more traffic, leads, and sales.

The Oxford Handbook of Strategic Sales and Sales Management is an unrivalled overview by leading academics in the field of sales and marketing management. Sales theory is experiencing a renaissance driven by a number of factors, including building profitable relationships, creating/delivering brand value, strategic customer management, sales and marketing relationships, global selling, and the change from transactional to customer relationship marketing. Escalating sales and selling costs require organisations to be more focused on results and highlight the shifting of resources from marketing to sales. Further the growth in customer power now requires a strategic sales response, and not just a tactical one. The positioning of sales within the organisation, the sales function and sales management are all discussed. The Handbook is not a general sales management text about managing a sales force, but will fill a gap in the existing literature through consolidating the current academic research in the sales area. The Handbook is structured around four key topics. The first section explores the strategic positioning of the sales function within the modern organisation. The second considers sales management and recent developments. The third section examines the sales relationship with the customer and highlights how sales is responding to the modern environment. Finally, the fourth section reviews the internal composition of sales within the organisation. The Handbook will provide a comprehensive introduction to the latest research in sales management, and is suitable for academics, professionals, and those taking professional qualifications in sales and marketing.

Selling is tougher than ever before. Potential customers are under extreme pressure to do more with less money, less time, and fewer resources, and they're wary of anyone who tries to get them to buy or change anything. Under such

extreme conditions, yesterday's sales strategies no longer work. No matter how great your offering, you face the daunting task of making yourself appear credible, relevant, and valuable. Now, internationally recognized sales strategist Jill Konrath shows how to overcome these obstacles to get more appointments, speed up decisions, and win sales with these short-fused, frazzled customers. Drawing on her years of selling experience, as well as the stories of other successful sellers, she offers four SNAP Rules: -Keep it Simple: When you make things easy and clear for your customers, they'll change from the status quo. -Be iNvaluable: You have to stand out by being the person your customers can't live without. -Always Align: To be relevant, make sure you're in synch with your customers' objectives, issues, and needs. -Raise Priorities: To maintain momentum, keep the most important decisions at the forefront of their mind. SNAP Selling is an easy-to-read, easy-to-use guide for any seller in today's increasingly frenzied environment.

In today's markets, success no longer depends on communicating the value of products or services. It rests on the crucial ability to create value for customers. Sales forces need to retool current strategies by recognizing the customer's dominant power in today's economy and what that means for those who sell. Capitalizing on research into the practices of cutting edge companies, the authors show how the successful sales force breaks away from traditional thinking and transforms themselves into complex business processes with multiple sales approaches and selling models that meet the demands of today's sophisticated customers.

The USA Today and New York Times Bestseller! Meet your sales objective and close more business in 20 minutes a day CONNECT with your customer immediately EXPLORE customer needs thoroughly and quickly LEVERAGE your solutions persuasively RESOLVE your customer's questions and objections confidently ACT when the time is right "Your thinking 'What? Another book about selling?' Wrong! This book is about winning! These days, when those of us who sell need every molecule of competitive edge we can muster, Linda cleverly pulls it together for us. And she does it with a voice radiating experience, knowledge, and sincere empathy for the challenging job we all have." --Dave Stein, CEO & Founder, ES Research Group, Inc., and author of How Winners Sell "In five steps, Linda helps you master the process of the sales call to a tee, freeing your creativity to focus on your customer and deal with the unexpected that will always occur." --Larry Wilson, sales leadership guru and bestselling author "For years, Linda Richardson has been one of the top two or three sales training consultants in the world. This is invaluable material and a must-read for anybody who cares about success in selling." --Geoffrey James, journalist and author of the popular blog, "Sales Machine"

In this age of rapidly-advancing technology, sales professionals need a reliable method for selling products and services that are perceived as sophisticated or complex. This book offers techniques for overcoming the customer's resistance, showing how to generate prospects and new business with a unique value-perception approach, create a set of tools that enable sales managers to manage pipeline, assign prospecting activity, control the cost of sales, and more.

Today's buyers want more from sales professionals than a simple consultation. What they're hungry for are meaningful, collaborative conversations built on mutual value and trust, that result in a Win3...where they, the seller, and the organization, achieve a winning outcome. Conversations That Sell introduces sales professionals to the collaborative conversation skills they need to capture the buyer's attention and secure business. Based on the author's five-step sales system, What's in It for Them (WIIFT)--Wait, Initiate, Investigate, Facilitate, Then Consolidate--the book shows readers how to: \* Prepare for an effective sales call \* Identify sales opportunities and the factors that drive buyers to act \* Adjust their approach to the type of buyer--Achievers, Commanders, Reflectors, and Expressers \* Make conversations flow easily \* Address problems, opportunities, wants, and needs \* Work through objections \* Advance and close sales \* And more Packed with valuable tools and examples, salespeople in all industries will discover how to increase their short- and long-term sales success by keeping the focus of every conversation where it belongs--on the buyer.

Look out for Daniel Pink's new book, When: The Scientific Secrets of Perfect Timing #1 New York Times Business Bestseller #1 Wall Street Journal Business Bestseller #1 Washington Post bestseller From the bestselling author of Drive and A Whole New Mind, and teacher of the popular MasterClass on Sales and Persuasion, comes a surprising--and surprisingly useful--new book that explores the power of selling in our lives. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, one in nine Americans works in sales. Every day more than fifteen million people earn their keep by persuading someone else to make a purchase. But dig deeper and a startling truth emerges: Yes, one in nine Americans works in sales. But so do the other eight. Whether we're employees pitching colleagues on a new idea, entrepreneurs enticing funders to invest, or parents and teachers cajoling children to study, we spend our days trying to move others. Like it or not, we're all in sales now. To Sell Is Human offers a fresh look at the art and science of selling. As he did in Drive and A Whole New Mind, Daniel H. Pink draws on a rich trove of social science for his counterintuitive insights. He reveals the new ABCs of moving others (it's no longer "Always Be Closing"), explains why extraverts don't make the best salespeople, and shows how giving people an "off-ramp" for their actions can matter more than actually changing their minds. Along the way, Pink describes the six successors to the elevator pitch, the three rules for understanding another's perspective, the five frames that can make your message clearer and more persuasive, and much more. The result is a perceptive and practical book--one that will change how you see the world and transform what you do at work, at school, and at home.

The accompanying workbook for the DISCVOER Questions(tm) Workshop for selling professionals.

Brian Tracy, one of the top professional speakers and sales trainers in the world today, found that his most important breakthrough in selling was the discovery that it is the "Psychology of Selling" that is more important than the techniques and methods of selling. Tracy's classic audio program, The Psychology of Selling, is the best-selling sales training program in history and is now available in expanded and updated book format for the first time. Salespeople will learn: "the inner game of selling" how to eliminate the fear of rejection how to build unshakeable self-confidence Salespeople, says Tracy, must learn to control their thoughts, feelings, and actions to make themselves more effective.

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