

## Cool Tools A Catalog Of Possibilities

Includes "Silver Cord volume 1," originally published in 2012.

Daniel Suarez's New York Times bestselling debut high-tech thriller is "so frightening even the government has taken note" (Entertainment Weekly). *Daemons*: computer programs that silently run in the background, waiting for a specific event or time to execute. They power almost every service. They make our networked world possible. But they also make it vulnerable... When the obituary of legendary computer game architect Matthew Sobol appears online, a previously dormant daemon activates, initiating a chain of events that begins to unravel our interconnected world. This daemon reads news headlines, recruits human followers, and orders assassinations. With Sobol's secrets buried with him, and as new layers of his daemon are unleashed, it's up to Detective Peter Sebeck to stop a self-replicating virtual killer before it achieves its ultimate purpose—one that goes far beyond anything Sebeck could have imagined...

A stunning array of edge and boring tools from Britain, continental Europe and North America provides a survey of hand tool-making from prehistory to today.

A collection of profiles, essays, source listings, and photographs provide an in-depth review of the expressions, iconology, and ethic of the "cool," presenting a panoramic overview of American pop culture from the fifties to the present

Relaxation while coloring. 30 impressive motifs. No annoying page inscriptions. With dividing lines for easy cutting. Empty backs. Suitable for fiber pens. [www.practice-drawing.com](http://www.practice-drawing.com)

(Color Edition). Creative people tend to accrue a nifty set of tools. Great tools enable efficiency and further creativity, and sometimes inspire whole new ways of working. For the past five years, we have interviewed notable creators in a 25-minute podcast for Cool Tools, asking them to rave about four of their favorite tools. These tools range from classic handtools, to state-of-the-art laser cutters, to perfect pencils. Each pick is a surprise and a lesson. The 150 best past responses from the Cool Tools podcast are presented in this book. The result is 300 pages of concentrated goodness and tool fandom. Coloring is a widely recommended activity for young children because of the many benefits that it brings. It is a method for effective self-expression because not all kids have mastered the power of words just yet. So pay close attention to how your child colors. Look at the hues he/she selects and the intensity of each stroke. What is your child trying to tell you? Lists useful books, magazines, and products related

to science, land use, architecture, health care, economics, travel, crafts, parenting, communication, and education

"Set in 1970, a watershed moment in American history, *A Catalog of Birds* tells the story of the Flynn family and the devastating impact of the Vietnam War. At the heart of the novel is the relationship between siblings Nell and Billy Flynn. Nell excels academically and is headed to college and a career in science. Billy, a passionate artist, enlists as a pilot to fulfill his lifelong dream of flying. He is the only survivor when his helicopter is shot down. When he returns home his wounds limit his ability to sketch or even hold a pencil. As Billy struggles to regain the life he once had, Nell and their family will have to do all that's possible to save him." --

An instructional art book in narrative graphic novel form that uses the tale of one aspiring young artist and his reluctant mentor to impart easy-to-follow lessons on the fundamentals of drawing. With over 10 million views and growing, Mark Crilley's YouTube drawing instruction videos have an enormous worldwide legion of fans and have been featured on sites such as Yahoo News and Reddit. In addition, Crilley is an accomplished graphic novelist. Now for the first time, he pairs both strengths resulting in a one-of-a-kind art instruction experience. Through the story of aspiring, overeager young artist-in-the-making David and his helpful, but often flustered mentor, Becky, readers gain a grounding in the basics of drawing and rendering, along with a helping of laughs and poignant entertainment. Each lesson builds off the previous, with sidebars at the end of each chapter that

direct readers to tackle some of the very same drawing exercises that David has just completed. The sequential art format provides the perfect vehicle for these step-by-step lessons, and the Pixar-esque approach to the surrounding characters and story ensures an enjoyable experience that readers will want to revisit again and again.

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Recommends books and products dealing with computers, language, networking, video, communication, music, art, math, business and creativity

Every week for the past two years we briefly recommend 6 things to our friends in free email newsletter called *Recomendo*. This book features the "best of" those recommendations. Sometimes we suggest tools, but most items aren't tools. Rather we recommend stuff such as our favorite places to visit, things to watch or listen to, favorite stuff to eat, as well as tips for work or home, and techniques we've learned, quotes we like to remember, and so on. This autumn we collected, filtered and organized 550 of the best recommendations and put them into a book, called naturally enough, *Recomendo*. The book is 95 jam-packed pages. We've categorized the recommendations, grouping like with like. Having all the workflow tips, or household suggestions, or workshop tools, or travel recommendations all in one place is super handy. There's an index and subject guide. Many of the items have an illustration. To make up for the fact that a book can't have links, we've added QR codes, so you can instantly get a link with your phone. Everyone who has picked the book up has found

something cool for them on the first page and they keep turning the pages for more.

Discusses the use of leveled texts in kindergarten through eighth-grade classrooms, examines the "text base" needed for effective language literacy instruction, provides guidelines for creating a high-quality leveled book collection and matching books to readers, and explains how to analyze and level books.

The purpose of this book is to showcase the amazing expertise of our guest speakers at the North American MVPDays Community Roadshow. They have so much passion, expertise, and expert knowledge that it only seemed fitting to write it down in a book. MVPDays was founded by Cristal and Dave Kawula back in 2013. It started as a simple idea; "There's got to be a good way for Microsoft MVPs to reach the IT community and share their vast knowledge and experience in a fun and engaging way" I mean, what is the point in recognizing these bright and inspiring individuals, and not leveraging them to inspire the community that they are a part of. We often get asked the question "Who should attend MVPDays"? Anyone that has an interest in technology, is eager to learn, and wants to meet other like-minded individuals. This Roadshow is not just for Microsoft MVP's it is for anyone in the IT Community. Make sure you check out the MVPDays website at: [www.mvpdays.com](http://www.mvpdays.com). You never know maybe the roadshow will be coming to a city near you. The goal of this particular book is to give you some amazing Master PowerShell tips from the experts you come to see in person at the MVPDays Roadshow. Each chapter is

broken down into a unique tip and we really hope you find some immense value in what we have written. Profiles technology as an evolving international system with predictable trends, counseling readers on how to prepare themselves and future generations by anticipating and steering their choices toward developing needs.

(Black & White Edition) This book features our best 1,000 recommendations, selected from all the brief suggestions we've sent out over the past four years. Each Sunday morning we email 6 brief suggestions in a free email newsletter called *Recomendo*; we've rounded up the best thousand items here. This edition is improved and expanded from a first edition of this book we did two years ago.

After writing two best-selling travel books, *Adirondack 102 Club* and *Connecticut 169 Club*, CT author Martin Podskoch turned to his neighboring state and published *RHODE ISLAND 39 CLUB Your Passport and Guide to Exploring Rhode Island*. He again encourages readers to veer off the beaten path and discover Rhode Islands secret and lovely places that main roads do not reveal. With 39 invites to scenic vistas, picnic sites, fresh-water swimming holes, salt-water beaches, museums, amazing architecture, 400+ years of history, and local eateries of every description for fun in The Ocean States 39 towns and cities. The book is laid out in a crisp, inviting format. Locals in each town wrote a short

history and interesting places to visit. Podskoch encourages readers to meet locals and businesses etc. and get their passport book signed or stamped. Visit all towns and earn Rhody Red patch award at annual dinner where all are invited to attend.

The classic book on business strategy in the new networked economy— from the author of the New York Times bestseller *The Inevitable* Forget supply and demand. Forget computers. The old rules are broken. Today, communication, not computation, drives change. We are rushing into a world where connectivity is everything, and where old business know-how means nothing. In this new economic order, success flows primarily from understanding networks, and networks have their own rules. In *New Rules for the New Economy*, Kelly presents ten fundamental principles of the connected economy that invert the traditional wisdom of the industrial world. Succinct and memorable, *New Rules* explains why these powerful laws are already hardwired into the new economy, and how they play out in all kinds of business—both low and high tech— all over the world. More than an overview of new economic principles, it prescribes clear and specific strategies for success in the network economy. For any worker, CEO, or middle manager, *New Rules* is the survival kit for the new economy.

"A 22-volume, highly illustrated, A-Z general encyclopedia for all ages, featuring sections on how

to use World Book, other research aids, pronunciation key, a student guide to better writing, speaking, and research skills, and comprehensive index"--

Surveys the online social habits of American teens and analyzes the role technology and social media plays in their lives, examining common misconceptions about such topics as identity, privacy, danger, and bullying.

The latest title in the Cool... series introduces the creative and inventive world of technology with fun facts, timelines, experiments to try at home, and more! Technology is all about inventing new devices and tools--things that we use every single day! From Stone Age tech, such as hand axes and sewing needles, to microcomputers and nanotechnology, get stuck into the intriguing, exciting, and ingenious world of Cool Technology. From biographies of figures such as Bill Gates, Annie Easley, and Josephine Cochrane, to landmark technological advances such as the Iron Age, the Industrial Revolution, and personal computers, this book is sure to be the perfect gift for any budding inventor and tech-head. The book covers digital tech, electronics, robotics, biotechnology, nanotechnology, medical technology, virtual reality, and inclusive tech. Other titles in the series include: Cool Architecture; Cool Nature; Cool Coding; Cool Philosophy, Cool Art, Cool Mythology, Cool

Engineering; Cool Astronomy; Cool Physics; Cool Science; Cool Math

Have you been naughty or nice? Get set for Christmas with our brand new magical Annual! Enjoy Elf-themed activities, stories and makes in this charming new Annual and help make it the best Christmas holiday ever! Includes recipes, craft ideas, quizzes, puzzles, jokes, fun facts, etc.

When Violet Eden loses the key to the gates of Hell she is forced to make a choice that carries apocalyptic consequences When you're hanging off the edge of a volcano, how do you make the most important decision of your life? For Violet Eden the decisions between right and wrong are getting harder and harder. Because apparently being a half-angel Grigori doesn't always make you right. Where is the good in having to choose between the life of her best friend and saving humanity? How does she balance a soul-crushing need for her Grigori partner, Lincoln, and the desire to keep him safe at all costs? And what if the darkest exiled angel of all, Phoenix, isn't as bad as she thought? Both sides-Angels vs. Exiles-are racing to decipher an ancient scripture that would allow anyone banished to the Underworld to return. And at the very center: Violet. She only has one chance to make the right choice... The Embrace Series: Embrace (Book 1) Entice (Book 2) Emblaze (Book 3) Endless (Book 4) Empower (Book 5) Praise for the Embrace Series: "A delicious romantic

triangle." -USA Today "One of the best YA novels we've seen in a while. Get ready for a confident, kick-butt, well-defined heroine." -RT Book Reviews

"Strong, compelling and wonderfully flawed, Violet is the kind of heroine that will keep readers enthralled and rooting for her until the final page is turned."

-Kirkus Reviews

Out of Control chronicles the dawn of a new era in which the machines and systems that drive our economy are so complex and autonomous as to be indistinguishable from living things.

A selection of the best tools available for individuals and small groups. Tools include hand tools, maps, how-to books, vehicles, software, specialized devices, gizmos, websites -- and anything useful.

Challenging conventional wisdom on grief, a pioneering therapist offers a new resource for those experiencing loss. When a painful loss or life-shattering event upends your world, here is the first thing to know: there is nothing wrong with grief. "Grief is simply love in its most wild and painful form," says Megan Devine. "It is a natural and sane response to loss." So, why does our culture treat grief like a disease to be cured as quickly as possible? In *It's OK That You're Not OK*, Megan Devine offers a profound new approach to both the experience of grief and the way we try to help others who have endured tragedy. Having experienced grief from both sides—as both a therapist and as a woman who witnessed the accidental drowning of her beloved partner—Megan writes with deep insight about the unspoken truths of loss, love, and healing. She debunks the culturally prescribed goal of returning to a normal, "happy" life, replacing it with a far healthier middle path, one that

invites us to build a life alongside grief rather than seeking to overcome it. In this compelling and heartfelt book, you'll learn:

- Why well-meaning advice, therapy, and spiritual wisdom so often end up making it harder for people in grief
- How challenging the myths of grief—doing away with stages, timetables, and unrealistic ideals about how grief should unfold—allows us to accept grief as a mystery to be honored instead of a problem to solve
- Practical guidance for managing stress, improving sleep, and decreasing anxiety without trying to “fix” your pain
- How to help the people you love—with essays to teach us the best skills, checklists, and suggestions for supporting and comforting others through the grieving process

Many people who have suffered a loss feel judged, dismissed, and misunderstood by a culture that wants to “solve” grief. Megan writes, “Grief no more needs a solution than love needs a solution.” Through stories, research, life tips, and creative and mindfulness-based practices, she offers a unique guide through an experience we all must face—in our personal lives, in the lives of those we love, and in the wider world. *It's OK That You're Not OK* is a book for grieving people, those who love them, and all those seeking to love themselves—and each other—better.

This impeccably researched and “adventure-packed” (The Washington Post) account of the obsessive quest by Christopher Columbus’s son to create the greatest library in the world is “the stuff of Hollywood blockbusters” (NPR) and offers a vivid picture of Europe on the verge of becoming modern. At the peak of the Age of Exploration, Hernando Colón sailed with his father Christopher Columbus on his final voyage to the New World, a journey that ended in disaster, bloody mutiny, and shipwreck. After Columbus’s death in 1506, eighteen-year-old Hernando sought to continue—and surpass—his father’s campaign to explore the boundaries of the known world by building a library that would collect

everything ever printed: a vast holding organized by summaries and catalogues; really, the first ever database for the exploding diversity of written matter as the printing press proliferated across Europe. Hernando traveled extensively and obsessively amassed his collection based on the groundbreaking conviction that a library of universal knowledge should include “all books, in all languages and on all subjects,” even material often dismissed: ballads, erotica, news pamphlets, almanacs, popular images, romances, fables. The loss of part of his collection to another maritime disaster in 1522, set off the final scramble to complete this sublime project, a race against time to realize a vision of near-impossible perfection. “Magnificent...a thrill on almost every page” (The New York Times Book Review), *The Catalogue of Shipwrecked Books* is a window into sixteenth-century Europe’s information revolution, and a reflection of the passion and intrigues that lie beneath our own insatiable desires to bring order to the world today.

Discover how graph algorithms can help you leverage the relationships within your data to develop more intelligent solutions and enhance your machine learning models. You’ll learn how graph analytics are uniquely suited to unfold complex structures and reveal difficult-to-find patterns lurking in your data. Whether you are trying to build dynamic network models or forecast real-world behavior, this book illustrates how graph algorithms deliver value—from finding vulnerabilities and bottlenecks to detecting communities and improving machine learning predictions. This practical book walks you through hands-on examples of how to use graph algorithms in Apache Spark and Neo4j—two of the most common choices for graph analytics. Also included: sample code and tips for over 20 practical graph algorithms that cover optimal pathfinding, importance through centrality, and community detection. Learn how graph analytics vary from

conventional statistical analysis Understand how classic graph algorithms work, and how they are applied Get guidance on which algorithms to use for different types of questions Explore algorithm examples with working code and sample datasets from Spark and Neo4j See how connected feature extraction can increase machine learning accuracy and precision Walk through creating an ML workflow for link prediction combining Neo4j and Spark

Presenting Japanese cooking utensils that are functional and artistic, this book treats them as both works of art and items of practical interest. The text, by a long-time columnist on Tokyo dining and entertaining, presents the history, the usage, and the people behind these tools, in brief entries. Japanese cuisine is flourishing among the food-conscious all over the world, as are the cookbooks featuring recipes from a wide variety of styles. Now, *Cool Tools'* goes deep inside the kitchen, into the cupboards and the drawers, to the stove tops and wall hangers where a variety of'

Here is the greatest assembly of hand tools ever assembled. It is a fascinating chronicle of nearly every tool ever used in North America, including ancient tools used by Native Americans; trade tools used to create coaches, pianos, ships, and saddles; tools for harvesting farm goods, turpentine, and ice; and tools for fine trades such as bookbinding and watch repair. The tools are organized according to profession, from Beekeeper to Wheelwright, and will fascinate today's practitioners of these trades and hobbies. This comprehensive volume includes more than 4,500 images from catalog illustrations, trade literature, and hand drawings. Descriptions provide dimensions and applications. This is a must have for the tool collector and antique dealer, as well as anyone fascinated by the means of production.

An expert tech writer discusses the forces and trends that will revolutionize daily life through the upcoming technological

advances of the next thirty years. -- Provided by publisher.

A youth movement is reenergizing global environmental activism. The “climate generation”—late millennials and iGen, or Generation Z—is demanding that policy makers and government leaders take immediate action to address the dire outcomes predicted by climate science. Those inheriting our planet’s environmental problems expect to encounter challenges, but they may not have the skills to grapple with the feelings of powerlessness and despair that may arise when they confront this seemingly intractable situation. Drawing on a decade of experience leading and teaching in college environmental studies programs, Sarah Jaquette Ray has created an “existential tool kit” for the climate generation. Combining insights from psychology, sociology, social movements, mindfulness, and the environmental humanities, Ray explains why and how we need to let go of eco-guilt, resist burnout, and cultivate resilience while advocating for climate justice. *A Field Guide to Climate Anxiety* is the essential guidebook for the climate generation—and perhaps the rest of us—as we confront the greatest environmental threat of our time.

Sean Connolly’s bestselling “genius at work” series gets it’s “T!” STEM, standing for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics, refers to the core non-humanities subjects that are so critical

to contemporary education. And now, after covering everything but the technology, this master of fun, messy, possibly risky and compelling interactive science experiments explores twenty-seven key areas in current and near-future tech. Author of *The Book of Totally Irresponsible Science*, *The Book of Massively Epic Engineering Disasters*, and, most recently, *The Book of Ingeniously Daring Chemistry* Sean Connolly delves into the fascinating and potentially scary world of driverless cars, artificial intelligence, robots and androids, smart clothing, the “internet of things,” test-tube meat, the space elevator, and more. Through cool illustrations, quick definitions, illustrated panels, and Connolly's clear and always-lively writing, readers learn what each breakthrough means; how it has or will improve our lives; what other technologies are related to it; and what the terrifyingly awesome potential risks are. (3D printing? What happens when someone bad “prints” a weapon?) And to make the learning hands-on, each chapter includes an experiment to help understand the underlying principles of these incredibly complicated developments: Use milk jugs and balloons to test solar power. Food dye and water to understand genome technology. A paper airplane to gain insight into drones. Two boards and two friends to replicate the force of a powered exoskeleton. It's science, down to a T.

The old saying goes, "To the man with a hammer,

everything looks like a nail." But anyone who has done any kind of project knows a hammer often isn't enough. The more tools you have at your disposal, the more likely you'll use the right tool for the job - and get it done right. The same is true when it comes to your thinking. The quality of your outcomes depends on the mental models in your head. And most people are going through life with little more than a hammer. Until now. The Great Mental Models: General Thinking Concepts is the first book in The Great Mental Models series designed to upgrade your thinking with the best, most useful and powerful tools so you always have the right one on hand. This volume details nine of the most versatile, all-purpose mental models you can use right away to improve your decision making, productivity, and how clearly you see the world. You will discover what forces govern the universe and how to focus your efforts so you can harness them to your advantage, rather than fight with them or worse yet- ignore them. Upgrade your mental toolbox and get the first volume today. AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY Farnam Street (FS) is one of the world's fastest growing websites, dedicated to helping our readers master the best of what other people have already figured out. We curate, examine and explore the timeless ideas and mental models that history's brightest minds have used to live lives of purpose. Our readers include students, teachers, CEOs, coaches,

athletes, artists, leaders, followers, politicians and more. They're not defined by gender, age, income, or politics but rather by a shared passion for avoiding problems, making better decisions, and lifelong learning. AUTHOR HOME Ottawa, Ontario, Canada Documents the innovations of a group of eccentric geniuses who developed computer code in the mid-20th century as part of mathematician Alan Turin's theoretical universal machine idea, exploring how their ideas led to such developments as digital television, modern genetics and the hydrogen bomb. In this New York Times bestselling "imperative how-to for creativity" (Nick Offerman), Adam Savage—star of Discovery Channel's Mythbusters—shares his golden rules of creativity, from finding inspiration to following through and successfully making your idea a reality. Every Tool's a Hammer is a chronicle of my life as a maker. It's an exploration of making, but it's also a permission slip of sorts from me to you. Permission to grab hold of the things you're interested in, that fascinate you, and to dive deeper into them to see where they lead you. Through stories from forty-plus years of making and molding, building and breaking, along with the lessons I learned along the way, this book is meant to be a toolbox of problem solving, complete with a shop's worth of notes on the tools, techniques, and materials that I use most often. Things like: In Every Tool There Is a Hammer—don't wait until everything

is perfect to begin a project, and if you don't have the exact right tool for a task, just use whatever's handy; Increase Your Loose Tolerance—making is messy and filled with screwups, but that's okay, as creativity is a path with twists and turns and not a straight line to be found; Use More Cooling Fluid—it prolongs the life of blades and bits, and it prevents tool failure, but beyond that it's a reminder to slow down and reduce the friction in your work and relationships; Screw Before You Glue—mechanical fasteners allow you to change and modify a project while glue is forever but sometimes you just need the right glue, so I dig into which ones will do the job with the least harm and best effects. This toolbox also includes lessons from many other incredible makers and creators, including: Jamie Hyneman, Nick Offerman, Pixar director Andrew Stanton, Oscar-winner Guillermo del Toro, artist Tom Sachs, and chef Traci Des Jardins. And if everything goes well, we will hopefully save you a few mistakes (and maybe fingers) as well as help you turn your curiosities into creations. I hope this book serves as “creative rocket fuel” (Ed Helms) to build, make, invent, explore, and—most of all—enjoy the thrills of being a creator.

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NEW YORK TIMES NOTABLE BOOK OF 2018  
ONE OF THE ECONOMIST'S BOOKS OF THE  
YEAR AND A PERFECT HOLIDAY GIFT "My new

favorite book of all time." --Bill Gates If you think the world is coming to an end, think again: people are living longer, healthier, freer, and happier lives, and while our problems are formidable, the solutions lie in the Enlightenment ideal of using reason and science. Is the world really falling apart? Is the ideal of progress obsolete? In this elegant assessment of the human condition in the third millennium, cognitive scientist and public intellectual Steven Pinker urges us to step back from the gory headlines and prophecies of doom, which play to our psychological biases. Instead, follow the data: In seventy-five jaw-dropping graphs, Pinker shows that life, health, prosperity, safety, peace, knowledge, and happiness are on the rise, not just in the West, but worldwide. This progress is not the result of some cosmic force. It is a gift of the Enlightenment: the conviction that reason and science can enhance human flourishing. Far from being a naïve hope, the Enlightenment, we now know, has worked. But more than ever, it needs a vigorous defense. The Enlightenment project swims against currents of human nature--tribalism, authoritarianism, demonization, magical thinking--which demagogues are all too willing to exploit. Many commentators, committed to political, religious, or romantic ideologies, fight a rearguard action against it. The result is a corrosive fatalism and a willingness to wreck the precious institutions of liberal democracy

and global cooperation. With intellectual depth and literary flair, Enlightenment Now makes the case for reason, science, and humanism: the ideals we need to confront our problems and continue our progress.

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