

## Differentiate Or Die Survival In Our Era Of Killer Competition

Easily accessible, real-world and practical, Dalrymple's Sales Management 10e by Cron and DeCarlo introduces the reader to the issues, strategies and relationships that relate to the job of managing an effective sales force. With a lively and engaging style, this book places emphasis on developing a sales force program and managing strategic account relationships. With additional information on team development, diversity in the work force, problem-solving skills, and financial issues, this title provides a complete guide for taking student past the classroom and into a future career in sales management.

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Understand how ancient biblical prophecies are coming to pass in our day, how coming prophetic events will impact you, and how there is hope for all followers of Christ. Today there is a tremendous interest in Bible prophecy, particularly because end-time events prophesied long ago are coming to pass in an extraordinary manner. Hope in the Last Days reveals, based on prophecy fulfilled and yet to be fulfilled, that very shortly the world will reel into its deepest hour of torment and agony. Dave Williams encourages you with the truth of how coming events will affect you and your loved ones and what God has planned as a way of escape for followers of Jesus Christ.

NEW YORK TIMES, USA TODAY, and PUBLISHERS WEEKLY BESTSELLER "Full of valuable insights to guide you."—WILL SMITH "Thoughtful and life-affirming . . . a must-read."—TONY ROBBINS "This book will put you back in charge of your own life."—TOM BRADY A new perspective on the overused and misunderstood concept of "karma" that offers the key to happiness and enlightenment, from the world-renowned spiritual master Sadhguru. What is karma? Most people understand karma as a balance sheet of good and bad deeds, virtues and sins. The mechanism that decrees that we cannot evade the consequences of our own actions. In reality, karma has nothing to do with reward and punishment. Karma simply means action: your action, your responsibility. It isn't some external system of crime and punishment, but an internal cycle generated by you. Accumulation of karma is determined only by your intention and the way you respond to what is happening to you. Over time, it's possible to become ensnared by your own unconscious patterns of behavior. In Karma, Sadhguru seeks to put you back in the driver's seat, turning you from a terror-struck passenger to a confident driver navigating the course of your own destiny. By living consciously and fully inhabiting each moment, you can free yourself from the cycle. Karma is an exploration and a manual, restoring our understanding of karma to its original potential for freedom and empowerment instead of a source of entanglement.

Through Sadhguru's teachings, you will learn how to live intelligently and joyfully in a challenging world.

A guide to succeeding in business teaches readers how to fix what is wrong without ignoring what works; the five steps to identifying personal and organizational strengths; the four methods to managing weaknesses; and more. National ad/promo.

The must-read summary of Jack Trout and Steve Rivkin's book: "Differentiate or Die: Survival in Our Era of Killer Competition". This complete summary of the ideas from Jack Trout and Steve Rivkin's book "Differentiate or Die" shows that in order to succeed, you have to stand out from the crowd. The authors explain how you can differentiate your brand and stand out from competitors by following the best practices of some of the most successful companies. By learning and applying their differentiation techniques, you can use them to reinforce your brand and give yourself a competitive advantage. Added-value of this summary: • Save time • Understand the key concepts • Expand your business knowledge To learn more, read "Differentiate or Die" and find out how you can differentiate your brand and stand out from the competition!

When faced with the choice between cutting costs or improving customer service, most companies focus on tangible assets. But in our service economy, the most important asset is intangible: a company's relationship with its customers. The Satisfied Customer is a blueprint for understanding this fact of modern business and reveals the unheralded value of customer satisfaction. Drawing on the results of a massive survey of American consumer satisfaction and including examples from companies like Home Depot and UPS, Fornell presents some surprising conclusions about outreach strategy (exceeding a customer's expectations is risky, and increasing customer complaints can actually be a good thing). He also explains how to quantify and increase the value of a firm's customer relationships--what he calls the Customer Asset.

A compelling fable that distills the essence of genius marketing strategies The "King of Positioning" Jack Trout presents the story of PJ Bigdome, a newly appointed CEO looking for a new way to successfully learn about marketing. Luckily, within his PC lurks a genie with vast experience in the particulars of marketing (having helped out with some of the biggest marketing successes ever). As Bigdome finds answers to his most important questions, the reader learns the secrets of successful marketing, such as: the essence of marketing; how much stock to put into research; how to evaluate advertising; how to allocate budgets; and much more. A Genie's Wisdom allows Trout, a famed business visionary, to distill his years of management and marketing experience into an entertaining and educational yarn that reveals today's essential practices.

SELLING THE INVISIBLE is a succinct and often entertaining look at the unique characteristics of services and their prospects, and how any service, from a home-based consultancy to a multinational brokerage, can turn more prospects into clients and keep them. SELLING THE INVISIBLE covers service marketing from start to finish. Filled with wonderful insights and written in a roll-up-your-sleeves, jargon-free, accessible style, such as: Greatness May Get You Nowhere Focus Groups Don'ts The More You Say, the Less People Hear & Seeing the Forest Around the Falling Trees.

Presents guidelines that show managers how to cope with complexities by focusing on essentials in areas such as management, leadership, marketing, long-term planning, and motivation.

In an anticipated book on business management for our time, Jack Welch surveys the landscape of his career running General Electric, one of the world's largest and most successful corporations. Here he reveals his philosophy and management style.

A newly revised and expanded edition of the revolutionary business classic, Differentiate or Die, Second Edition shows you how to differentiate your products, services, and business in order to dominate the competition. Veteran marketing guru Jack Trout uses real-world examples and his own unique insight to show you how to bind customers to your products for long-term success and loyalty. This edition includes new case studies, new research, and updated examples from around the world.

In today's highly competitive realm of professional service firms, the quest for individual stardom is at an all-time high. The temptation to rack up the most billable hours and out-perform one's fellow advisers is

often irresistible. But it is also shortsighted and terribly counterproductive, according to world-renowned authority and acclaimed author David Maister. In this groundbreaking book, Maister issues a much-needed wake-up call to today's professional service firms. Arguing that a far greater contribution to a firm's success can come from those who find fulfilment in seeing other's succeed rather than those who assume the role of "most valuable player". The author outlines and discusses in detail the nine key "people" issues upon which successfully managed and profitable organisations rely. Supporting his findings with a range of compelling data, Maister demonstrates how and why firms that emphasise the highest standards of employee professionalism are invariably more financially successful than those that don't. In *Horse Sense*, the authors convert their marketing principles into personal principles and pitch their book at a wide range of general readers who want to succeed - whether in their careers or in their personal lives.

**#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** If you want to build a better future, you must believe in secrets. The great secret of our time is that there are still uncharted frontiers to explore and new inventions to create. In *Zero to One*, legendary entrepreneur and investor Peter Thiel shows how we can find singular ways to create those new things. Thiel begins with the contrarian premise that we live in an age of technological stagnation, even if we're too distracted by shiny mobile devices to notice. Information technology has improved rapidly, but there is no reason why progress should be limited to computers or Silicon Valley. Progress can be achieved in any industry or area of business. It comes from the most important skill that every leader must master: learning to think for yourself. Doing what someone else already knows how to do takes the world from 1 to n, adding more of something familiar. But when you do something new, you go from 0 to 1. The next Bill Gates will not build an operating system. The next Larry Page or Sergey Brin won't make a search engine. Tomorrow's champions will not win by competing ruthlessly in today's marketplace. They will escape competition altogether, because their businesses will be unique. *Zero to One* presents at once an optimistic view of the future of progress in America and a new way of thinking about innovation: it starts by learning to ask the questions that lead you to find value in unexpected places.

The minutes and hours following 11th September terror attacks on the World Trade Center posed the greatest challenge to governance in New York City's history. Mayor Rudolph Giuliani had barely escaped with his life in the collapse of the first tower. Fires burned furiously near the site as the other buildings verged on collapse. Air Force fighter jets criss-crossed the sky to ward off other attacks. And yet in those moments after the calamity, and in the following days and months, Mayor Giuliani not only steered the city through the crisis, but did so with an assurance and authority that was hailed around the world as a model of courageous leadership. In *LEADERSHIP*, Giuliani describes vividly the chaos and horror of the twin-towers catastrophe, and explains how the rules of management he enforced as Mayor enabled him to gain control of the emergency. These are also the rules, Giuliani makes clear, that anyone in a leadership position - from the head of a large corporation to the owner of a corner shop - can use to inspire others and achieve concrete results.

The author of *Positioning and Marketing Warfare* summarizes his key ideas about marketing strategy in an accessible format, discussing the ways in which "positioning" is an essential concept in marketing.

"A highly original, moving, and ultimately life-affirming book." – *Sunday Mirror* (London) Twenty-four-year-old Veronika seems to have everything – youth and beauty, boyfriends and a loving family, a fulfilling job. But something is missing in her life. So, one cold November morning. She takes a handful of sleeping pills expecting to never wake up. But she does—at a mental hospital where she is told that she has only days to live. Inspired by events in Coelho's own life, *Veronika Decides to Die* questions the meaning of madness and celebrates individuals who do not fit into patterns society considers to be normal. Bold and illuminating, it is a dazzling portrait of a young woman at the crossroads of despair and liberation, and a poetic, exuberant appreciation of each day as a renewed opportunity.

**INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** The only definitive book authored by Wim Hof on his powerful method for realizing our physical and spiritual potential. "This method is very simple, very accessible, and endorsed by science. Anybody can do it, and there is no dogma, only acceptance. Only freedom." —Wim Hof Wim Hof has a message for each of us: "You can literally do the impossible. You can overcome disease, improve your mental health and physical performance, and even control your physiology so you can thrive in any stressful situation." With *The Wim Hof Method*, this trailblazer of human potential shares a method that anyone can use—young or old, sick or healthy—to supercharge their capacity for strength, vitality, and happiness. Wim has become known as "The Iceman" for his astounding physical feats, such as spending hours in freezing water and running barefoot marathons over deserts and ice fields. Yet his most remarkable achievement is not any record-breaking performance—it is the creation of a method that thousands of people have used to transform their lives. In his gripping and passionate style, Wim shares his method and his story, including:

- **Breath**—Wim's unique practices to change your body chemistry, infuse yourself with energy, and focus your mind
- **Cold**—Safe, controlled, shock-free practices for using cold exposure to enhance your cardiovascular system and awaken your body's untapped strength
- **Mindset**—Build your willpower, inner clarity, sensory awareness, and innate joyfulness in the miracle of living
- **Science**—How users of this method have redefined what is medically possible in study after study
- **Health**—True stories and testimonials from people using the method to overcome disease and chronic illness
- **Performance**—Increase your endurance, improve recovery time, up your mental game, and more
- **Wim's Story**—Follow Wim's inspiring personal journey of discovery, tragedy, and triumph
- **Spiritual Awakening**—How breath, cold, and mindset can reveal the beauty of your soul

Wim Hof is a man on a mission: to transform the way we live by reminding us of our true power and purpose. "This is how we will change the world, one soul at a time," Wim says. "We alter the collective consciousness by awakening to our own boundless potential. We are limited only by the depth of our imagination and the strength of our conviction." If you're ready to explore and exceed the limits of your own potential, *The Wim Hof Method* is waiting for you.

Presents a new approach to selling that emphasizes not competing on the basis of the best price, but the highest value--i.e. demonstrating to current and prospective customers that using your products or services will either cut their costs or improve their revenues. Distributed by Gale. Annotation copyrighted by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR

Nowadays references to the afterlife-angels strumming harps, demons brandishing pitchforks, God enthroned on heavenly clouds-are more often encountered in New Yorker cartoons than in serious Christian theological reflection. Speculation about death and its sequel seems to embarrass many theologians; however, as Greg Garrett shows in *Entertaining Judgment*, popular culture in the U.S. has found rich ground for creative expression in the search for answers to the question: What lies in store for us after we die? The lyrics of Madonna, Los Lonely Boys, and Sean Combs; the plotlines of TV's *Lost*, *South Park*, and *The Walking Dead*; the implied theology in films such as *The Dark Knight*, *Ghost*, and *Field of Dreams*; the heavenly half-light of Thomas Kinkadee's popular paintings; the ghosts, shades, and after-life way-stations in *Harry Potter*; and the characters, situations, and locations in the *Hunger Games* saga all speak to our

hopes and fears about what comes next. In a rich survey of literature and popular media, Garrett compares cultural accounts of death and the afterlife with those found in scripture. Denizens of the imagined afterlife, whether in heaven, hell, on earth, or in purgatory, speak to what awaits us, at once shaping and reflecting our deeply held—if often somewhat nebulous—beliefs. They show us what rewards and punishments we might expect, offer us divine assistance, and even diabolically attack us. Ultimately, we are drawn to these stories of heaven, hell, and purgatory—and to stories about death and the undead—not only because they entertain us, but because they help us to create meaning and to learn about ourselves, our world, and, perhaps, the next world. Garrett's deft analysis sheds new light on what popular culture can tell us about the startlingly sharp divide between what modern people profess to believe and what they truly hope and expect to find after death—and how they use those stories to help them understand this life.

- For beginners who are new to developing products and selling them- For experienced product developers looking to remove risks and fill in knowledge gaps- For inventors with new products seeking information on validation, manufacturing and sales channels- For Amazon Sellers looking to take the next step, to introduce unique products, grow into retailers, and expand their business. Complete step-by-step instructions on how to identify unique winning products, validate customer demand, ensure profitability, design and engineer your product, identify factories, negotiate effectively, manage shipping & logistics, and generate sales across all channels from independent retailers to chains and big box stores.

Survival is the name of the game as the line blurs between reality TV and reality itself in Alexandra Oliva's fast-paced novel of suspense. She wanted an adventure. She never imagined it would go this far. It begins with a reality TV show. Twelve contestants are sent into the woods to face challenges that will test the limits of their endurance. While they are out there, something terrible happens—but how widespread is the destruction, and has it occurred naturally or is it man-made? Cut off from society, the contestants know nothing of it. When one of them—a young woman the show's producers call Zoo—stumbles across the devastation, she can imagine only that it is part of the game. Alone and disoriented, Zoo is heavy with doubt regarding the life—and husband—she left behind, but she refuses to quit. Staggering countless miles across unfamiliar territory, Zoo must summon all her survival skills—and learn new ones as she goes. But as her emotional and physical reserves dwindle, she grasps that the real world might have been altered in terrifying ways—and her ability to parse the charade will be either her triumph or her undoing. Sophisticated and provocative, *The Last One* is a novel that forces us to confront the role that media plays in our perception of what is real: how readily we cast our judgments, how easily we are manipulated. Praise for *The Last One* “[Alexandra] Oliva brilliantly scrutinizes the recorded (and heavily revised) narratives we believe, and the last one hundred pages will have the reader constantly guessing just what Zoo is capable of doing to find her way back home.”—Washington Post “A high-concept, high-octane affair . . . The conceit is undoubtedly clever and . . . well executed, but what makes *The Last One* such a page-turner is Zoo herself: practical, tough-minded and appealing.”—The Guardian “Oliva takes this (possibly) post-apocalyptic setting, grafts on a knowledgeable skewering of the inner workings of reality television and gives us a gripping story of survival. . . . This is the genius of Oliva's storytelling. . . . [She] makes a stunning debut with this page turner, and becomes a writer to watch.”—Seattle Times “Oliva delivers a pulse-pounding psychological tale of survival. . . . [She] masterfully manipulates her characters and the setting, creating a mash-up of popular TV genres: *Survivor* meets *The Walking Dead*.”—Bookpage

*The Undiscovered Consumer* . . . and the Mistake of Universal Excellence What do customers really want? And how can companies best serve them? Fred Crawford and Ryan Mathews set off on what they describe as an "expedition into the commercial wilderness" to find the answers. What they discovered was a new consumer -- one whom very few companies understand, much less manufacture products for or sell products or services to. These consumers are desperately searching for values, a scarce resource in our rapidly changing and challenging world. And increasingly they are turning to business to reaffirm these values. As one consumer put it: "I can find value everywhere but can't find values anywhere." Crawford and Mathews's initial inquiries eventually grew into a major research study involving more than 10,000 consumers, interviews with executives from scores of leading companies around the world, and dozens of international client engagements. Their conclusion: Most companies priding themselves on how well they "know" their customers aren't really listening to them at all. Consumers are fed up with all the fuss about "world-class performance" and "excellence." What they are aggressively demanding is recognition, respect, trust, fairness, and honesty. Believing that they are still in a position to dictate the terms of commercial engagement, businesses have bought into the myth of excellence -- the clearly false and destructive theory that a company ought to be great at everything it does, that is, all the components of every commercial transaction: price, product, access, experience, and service. This is always a mistake because "the predictable outcome [is] that the company ends up world-class at nothing; not well-differentiated and therefore not thought of by consumers at the moment of need." Instead, Crawford and Mathews suggest that companies engage in Consumer Relevancy, a strategy of dominating in one element of a transaction, differentiating on a second, and being at industry par (i.e., average) on the remaining three. It's not necessary for businesses to equally invest time and money on all five attributes, and their customers don't want them to. Imagine the confusion if Tiffany & Co. started offering deep discounts on diamonds and McDonald's began selling free-range chicken and tofu. *The Myth of Excellence* provides a blueprint for companies seeking to offer values-based products and services and shows how to realize the commercial opportunities that exist just beyond their current grasp -- opportunities to reduce operating costs, boost bottom-line profitability, and, most important, begin to engage in a meaningful dialogue with customers.

Today in business you want to be more than "good enough", and a brand strategy that identifies and highlights your points of difference is like having a secret weapon. For many firms it's the missing link. This book teaches SMEs and entrepreneurs the seven foundational steps that the world's greatest brands leverage to leap ahead of their competitors. Learn how to think strategically, how to find your point of difference and how to build the brand foundations that will help you to dominate in your market. Learn how to differentiate to dominate so you can: 1) Grow your brand rapidly. With solid and strategic foundations in place, your focused efforts will enable you to grow your brand faster than if you take the throw the mud on the wall and see what sticks approach. 2) Attract more loyal customers. By understanding the problems your clients are experiencing, and demonstrating that you have the solutions to overcome them, you build loyalty and create advocates for your brand. 3) Beat your competitors. By creating a distinct and sustainable competitive advantage your brand will cut through the "noise" and be remembered for its uniqueness. 4) Build a great website. Clarity and focus on your point of

difference, your target market and your brand personality translates into bulletproof briefs your web developers and copywriters.5) Create great marketing messages. Understanding of what your brand stands for will ensure that everything you write, post and comment on will reinforce your brand's positioning and touch the hearts and minds of your prospects.6) Attract a great team. With a clear purpose, vision and pillars guiding you, you'll attract team members who believe what you believe and who will feel empowered to make decisions autonomously to support you.7) Get a higher ROI on your marketing investment. A clear understanding of your target market will help you focus your resources and messages and get the most out of every dollar and hour you invest in promoting your brand. Discover the keys to differentiating your business and building the brand foundations that successful companies use to dominate the market. "...this guy understands consumers, the science behind what builds great brands, and can systematically help people find their purpose and bring it to the forefront of their business through the medium we call 'brand'." - Jack Delosa, founder of The Entourage and BRW Young Rich List member.

Adapt or Die is a survival guide for the modern marketer. If you run marketing and branding for a service or product-based company, this will equip you with the adaptation tools to run faster than your competition and succeed in the new era of digital brand engagement. It's all here in a simple and informative book, that lays out seven easy-to-follow principles that will guarantee your success in today's product and service parodied marketplace.

This is the first book that states the obvious: Marketing is a mess. Marketing guru Jack Trout intends to make a lot of people, who made the mess, very uncomfortable: Advertisers are criticized as people who look for the creative and edgy, not the obvious. They will not be happy. Marketing people are criticized for getting hopelessly entangled in corporate egos and complicated projects. They will not be happy. Research people are criticized for generating more confusion than clarity. They will not be happy. Some big companies are criticized for their ill-fated marketing programs or lack of proper strategy. They will not be happy. Wall Street is criticized for putting too much emphasis on growth that is unnecessary and can be destructive to a brand. They will just ignore this criticism and continue trying to make as much money as they can. But this is a book not written to make people happy but to explain to marketers what their real problem is. Only then will they begin to look for the obvious solutions that will separate their products from their competitors -- in a way that is equally obvious to customers. All this comes with no jargon, no numbers, no complexity, and a great deal of common sense.

The brain ... There is no other part of the human anatomy that is so intriguing. How does it develop and function and why does it sometimes, tragically, degenerate? The answers are complex. In *Discovering the Brain*, science writer Sandra Ackerman cuts through the complexity to bring this vital topic to the public. The 1990s were declared the "Decade of the Brain" by former President Bush, and the neuroscience community responded with a host of new investigations and conferences. *Discovering the Brain* is based on the Institute of Medicine conference, *Decade of the Brain: Frontiers in Neuroscience and Brain Research*. *Discovering the Brain* is a "field guide" to the brain--an easy-to-read discussion of the brain's physical structure and where functions such as language and music appreciation lie. Ackerman examines How electrical and chemical signals are conveyed in the brain. The mechanisms by which we see, hear, think, and pay attention--and how a "gut feeling" actually originates in the brain. Learning and memory retention, including parallels to computer memory and what they might tell us about our own mental capacity. Development of the brain throughout the life span, with a look at the aging brain. Ackerman provides an enlightening chapter on the connection between the brain's physical condition and various mental disorders and notes what progress can realistically be made toward the prevention and treatment of stroke and other ailments. Finally, she explores the potential for major advances during the "Decade of the Brain," with a look at medical imaging techniques--what various technologies can and cannot tell us--and how the public and private sectors can contribute to continued advances in neuroscience. This highly readable volume will provide the public and policymakers--and many scientists as well--with a helpful guide to understanding the many discoveries that are sure to be announced throughout the "Decade of the Brain."

It shook up the world of marketing with all the force of a 20-megaton bomb, and now, two decades later, *Positioning* is still as fresh and, perhaps, even more relevant, for advertisers in the New Economy. To commemorate the 20th anniversary of the classic book that changed an industry, McGraw-Hill has reunited mavens of marketing Al Ries and Jack Trout to make available to another generation of advertisers the book that forever changed the way advertising is done. The 20th Anniversary Edition features commentary from the authors that offers fresh insight into why positioning a product in a prospective customer's mind is still the most important strategy in business. Ries and Trout look back over two decades of campaigns, offering penetrating analyses of some of the most phenomenal successes and unbelievable failures in advertising history. The first book to deal with the problems of communicating to a skeptical, over-communicated public, *Positioning* describes a revolutionary approach to creating a position in a prospective customer's mind that reflects a company's own strengths and weaknesses as well as those of its competitors. Writing in their trademark witty, fast-paced style, Ries and Trout explain how to position an industry leader so that it gets into people's minds and stays there, how to position a follower so that it can occupy a space not claimed by the leader, and how to avoid letting a second product ride on the coattails of an established one.

*Who Says Elephants Can't Dance?* sums up Lou Gerstner's historic business achievement, bringing IBM back from the brink of insolvency to lead the computer business once again. Offering a unique case study drawn from decades of experience at some of America's top companies -- McKinsey, American Express, RJR Nabisco -- Gerstner's insights into management and leadership are applicable to any business, at any level. Ranging from strategy to public relations, from finance to organization, Gerstner reveals the lessons of a lifetime running highly successful companies.

The definitive, bestselling book on the origins and development of nationalism...

Reframe "wealth management" to achieve sustainable success in financial services You've Been Framed™ is a step-by-step guide for achieving ultimate profitability and sustainability for your financial advisory firm. Whether you're a savvy entrepreneur ready to dominate your competitors, or a more experienced advisor moving toward selling your practice, this guide will help you proactively reframe your business. You'll learn how to grow your pipeline of prospects, win the next generation of clients, and deepen your business so it can thrive without you—leaving you free to pursue what matters to you. Build your business on a holistic foundation of wealth management and assemble the team that will take you to the top as you develop a whole new perspective from which to offer your services. Transform your role from "directive advisor" to "trusted advocate."

Completely shift the paradigm, and make yourself the de facto solution to your clients' wealth management issues. Whether it's the firm with which you're affiliated or the types of products and services you offer, you've been "framed." As a wealth management advisor, your clients have little understanding of what you do or why you do it. Even your team may have the wrong idea. This book helps you clarify and demonstrate the value of your knowledge and skills, so you can frame your work on your own terms. Build and showcase your enterprise value Renew client relationships and attract new demographics Become a leader with proven team-building tools Shift your role from advisor to advocate If you haven't effectively led discussions to co-create what your business stands for—and what differentiates it from competitors—you're losing talent, prospects, and business. You've Been Framed™ gives you the perspective you need to thrive in the new financial environment, and achieve sustainable success.

Bestselling authors and world-renowned marketing strategists Al and Laura Ries usher in the new era of public relations. Today's major brands are born with publicity, not advertising. A closer look at the history of the most successful modern brands shows this to be true. In fact, an astonishing number of brands, including Palm, Starbucks, the Body Shop, Wal-Mart, Red Bull and Zara have been built with virtually no advertising. Using in-depth case histories of successful PR campaigns coupled with those of unsuccessful advertising campaigns, *The Fall of Advertising* provides valuable ideas for marketers -- all the while demonstrating why advertising lacks credibility, the crucial ingredient in brand building, and how only PR can supply that credibility; the big bang approach advocated by advertising people should be abandoned in favor of a slow build-up by PR; advertising should only be used to maintain brands once they have been established through publicity. Bold and accessible, *The Fall of Advertising* is bound to turn the world of marketing upside down.

If you sell physical products, warehousing and shipping costs can make or break your business. But most companies treat order fulfillment like an afterthought, running headlong toward a future in which they won't be able to compete with marketplace giants. In *Adapt or Die*, Jeremy Bodenhamer paints a compelling picture of waste and lost profits, including case studies in which one wrong move in something as simple as packaging can send a company into the red. Fortunately, there's a better way. By embracing end-to-end automation, companies can ensure that every item sold is shipped quickly and efficiently, in the smallest possible package, through the best-priced carrier, restoring critical savings to your bottom line. And you don't have to be Amazon to do it. ? Whether you're an e-commerce executive, retailer, manufacturer, or distributor, pick up *Adapt or Die* to learn how small to mid-sized businesses are taking on the five giants of the shipping industry-and winning.

"Customers are the heart of any business. But we can't succeed if we develop only one talk addressed to the 'average customer.' Instead we must know each customer and build our individual engagements with that knowledge. If Customer Relationship Management (CRM) is going to work, it calls for skills in Customer Data Integration (CDI). This is the best book that I have seen on the subject. Jill Dyché is to be complimented for her thoroughness in interviewing executives and presenting CDI." -Philip Kotler, S. C. Johnson Distinguished Professor of International Marketing Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University "In this world of killer competition, hanging on to existing customers is critical to survival. Jill Dyché's new book makes that job a lot easier than it has been." -Jack Trout, author, *Differentiate or Die* "Jill and Evan have not only written the definitive work on Customer Data Integration, they've made the business case for it. This book offers sound advice to business people in search of innovative ways to bring data together about customers-their most important asset-while at the same time giving IT some practical tips for implementing CDI and MDM the right way." -Wayne Eckerson, The Data Warehousing Institute author of *Performance Dashboards: Measuring, Monitoring, and Managing Your Business* Whatever business you're in, you're ultimately in the customer business. No matter what your product, customers pay the bills. But the strategic importance of customer relationships hasn't brought companies much closer to a single, authoritative view of their customers. Written from both business and technical perspectives, *Customer Data Integration* shows companies how to deliver an accurate, holistic, and long-term understanding of their customers through CDI.

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