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This book provides truly new insights into the seemingly elusive concept of luxury and it does so using a compact and convenient format. More precisely, it condenses the authors' groundbreaking book on *Luxury: Marketing & Management* - which has become a standard textbook on luxury and is used in Universities around the world - into easy to digest pieces of knowledge, yet maintains the essence of the full-fledged original. Thus, the Essentials provide the best format for people on the go yet provide a comprehensive entry into this fascinating world of luxury with its most unique products, ideas and challenges for consumers, managers and also scientists. Daniel A. Langer & Oliver P. Heil on why they wrote this book: "Whether we teach luxury to students or have discussions with luxury professionals or talk to luxury consumers, one common theme emerges again and again: While luxury seems to be easy to grasp at first, it quickly evolves into a most complicated endeavor. That is, its management poses most unique challenges, e.g. as price is often seemingly irrelevant. While intuitively there should be a lot of publications on luxury that really matter, there are only a few that try to meet the luxury challenge." "Luxury Essentials" has the ambition to provide what many call the "gold standard" in luxury publications "*Luxury: Marketing & Management*" to a much broader audience. It covers the key content in an

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essential, more compact, easy to digest format. To those who want to go beyond the essentials and get additional inspiration by more background and more examples, the original textbook would seem to be a natural next step to read. This is what the world's leading experts on luxury say about the authors' book "Luxury: Marketing & Management" "The book Luxury: Marketing & Management will be of considerable interest to both managers and academics seeking to understand and manage luxury goods in the 21st Century." Prof. Dr. David B. Montgomery, Stanford University & former Dean, Singapore Management University "This new and interesting research provides insight into the unique world of luxury and I have no doubt will prove a fascinating read for consumers and managers. Rolls-Royce Motor Cars has been at the pinnacle of automotive luxury for over 100 years and it is enlightening to see scientific research on the industry." Torsten Muller-Otvos, CEO Rolls-Royce Motor Cars Ltd "This book provides a large coverage of research on luxury, combined with new practical approaches, such how to analyze the luxury potential of a category on the basis of the price differentials. Very enlightening reading for managers and consumers alike." Prof. Dr. Gilles Laurent, HEC Paris "Many asked me in the course of the year what is the essence of luxury, and there is in my opinion a one world answer to this: luxury is pure emotion. In their book the authors provide an elaborated overview on luxury both from a researcher's and a manager's perspective. It's a must-read for those interested in luxury." Pietro Beccari, Chairman & CEO

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Fendi "As a maker of high-end mechanical watches, we are impressed by the precision of this analysis on the meaning of luxury today and the practical and valuable conclusions for a successful management of luxury products. Most interesting work!" Philippe Merk, CEO Audemars Piguet "This book's development of luxury signals provides a new and creative perspective of luxury. Reading it will amount to a very good investment for managers and be enlightening for consumers of luxury items around the globe. Fun to read!" Prof. Dr. Kris Helsen, Hong Kong University of Science & Technology (HKUST)

Examines the critical art of rethinking: learning to question your beliefs and to know what you don't know, which can position you for success at work and happiness at home. It is a book about the benefit of doubt, and about how we can get better at embracing the unknown and the joy of being wrong

In an age when the business world is dominated by technology and data analysis, award-winning financial journalist and anthropology PhD Gillian Tett presents a radically different strategy for success: businesses can revolutionize their understanding of behavior by studying consumers, markets, and organizations through an anthropological lens. Amid severe digital disruption, economic upheaval, and political flux, how can we make sense of the world? Leaders today typically look for answers in economic models, Big Data, or artificial intelligence platforms. Gillian Tett points to anthropology—the study of human culture.

Anthropologists train to get inside the minds of other

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people, helping them not only to understand other cultures but also to appraise their own environment with fresh perspective as an insider-outsider, gaining lateral vision. Today, anthropologists are more likely to study Amazon warehouses than remote Amazon tribes; they have done research into institutions and companies such as General Motors, Nestlé, Intel, and more, shedding light on practical questions such as how internet users really define themselves; why corporate projects fail; why bank traders miscalculate losses; how companies sell products like pet food and pensions; why pandemic policies succeed (or not). Anthropology makes the familiar seem unfamiliar and vice versa, giving us badly needed three-dimensional perspective in a world where many executives are plagued by tunnel vision, especially in fields like finance and technology. Lively, lucid, and practical, Anthro-Vision offers a revolutionary new way for understanding the behavior of organizations, individuals, and markets in today's ever-evolving world. This intermediate book on financial capital markets requires no prior background, but goes beyond basic investment tools. -Affordable 300-page textbook by Columbia University professor and industry practitioner. -Adopted by major university and finance firms. -Endorsed by top faculty and industry professionals

How to close the gap between strategy and execution
Two-thirds of executives say their organizations don't have the capabilities to support their strategy. In *Strategy That Works*, Paul Leinwand and Cesare Mainardi explain why. They identify conventional business practices that unintentionally create a gap between strategy and

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execution. And they show how some of the best companies in the world consistently leap ahead of their competitors. Based on new research, the authors reveal five practices for connecting strategy and execution used by highly successful enterprises such as IKEA, Natura, Danaher, Haier, and Lego. These companies:

- Commit to what they do best instead of chasing multiple opportunities
- Build their own unique winning capabilities instead of copying others
- Put their culture to work instead of struggling to change it
- Invest where it matters instead of going lean across the board
- Shape the future instead of reacting to it

Packed with tools you can use for building these five practices into your organization and supported by in-depth profiles of companies that are known for making their strategy work, this is your guide for reconnecting strategy to execution.

Conventional wisdom on strategy is no longer a reliable guide. In *Essential Advantage*, Booz & Company's Cesare Mainardi and Paul Leinwand maintain that success in any market accrues to firms with coherence: a tight match between their strategic direction and the capabilities that make them unique. Achieving this clarity takes a sharpness of focus that only exceptional companies have mastered. This book helps you identify your firm's blend of strategic direction and distinctive capabilities that give it the "right to win" in its chosen markets. Based on extensive research and filled with company examples--including Amazon.com, Johnson & Johnson, Tata Sons, and Procter & Gamble--*Essential Advantage* helps you construct a coherent company in

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which the pieces reinforce each other instead of working at cross-purposes. The authors reveal: Why you should focus on a system of a few aligned capabilities How to identify the "way to play" in your market How to design a strategy for well-modulated growth How to align a portfolio of businesses behind your capability system How your strategy clarifies growth, costs, and people decisions Few companies achieve a capability-driven "right to win" in their market. This book helps you position your firm to be among them.

Deftly weaving finance, politics, business, and the global human experience into one tight narrative, a tour-de-force account of 2020, the year that changed everything--from the acclaimed author of *Crashed*. The shocks of 2020 have been great and small, disrupting the world economy, international relations and the daily lives of virtually everyone on the planet. Never before has the entire world economy contracted by 20 percent in a matter of weeks nor in the historic record of modern capitalism has there been a moment in which 95 percent of the world's economies were suffering all at the same time. Across the world hundreds of millions have lost their jobs. And over it all looms the specter of pandemic, and death. Adam Tooze, whose last book was universally lauded for guiding us coherently through the chaos of the 2008 crash, now brings his bravura analytical and narrative skills to a panoramic and synthetic overview of our current crisis. By focusing on finance and business, he sets the pandemic story in a frame that casts a sobering new light on how unprepared the world was to fight the crisis, and how deep the

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ruptures in our way of living and doing business are. The virus has attacked the economy with as much ferocity as it has our health, and there is no vaccine arriving to address that. Tooze's special gift is to show how social organization, political interests, and economic policy interact with devastating human consequences, from your local hospital to the World Bank. He moves fluidly from the impact of currency fluctuations to the decimation of institutions--such as health-care systems, schools, and social services--in the name of efficiency. He starkly analyzes what happened when the pandemic collided with domestic politics (China's party conferences; the American elections), what the unintended consequences of the vaccine race might be, and the role climate change played in the pandemic. Finally, he proves how no unilateral declaration of "independence" or isolation can extricate any modern country from the global web of travel, goods, services, and finance.

The definitive introduction to the behavioral insights approach, which applies evidence about human behavior to practical problems. Our behavior is strongly influenced by factors that lie outside our conscious awareness, although we tend to underestimate the power of this "automatic" side of our behavior. As a result, governments make ineffective policies, businesses create bad products, and individuals make unrealistic plans. In contrast, the behavioral insights approach applies evidence about actual human behavior—rather than assumptions about it—to practical problems. This volume in the MIT Press Essential Knowledge series,

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written by two leading experts in the field, offers an accessible introduction to behavioral insights, describing core features, origins, and practical examples. Since 2010, these insights have opened up new ways of addressing some of the biggest challenges faced by societies, changing the way that governments, businesses, and nonprofits work in the process. This book shows how the approach is grounded in a concern with practical problems, the use of evidence about human behavior to address those problems, and experimentation to evaluate the impact of the solutions. It gives an overview of the approach's origins in psychology and behavioral economics, its early adoption by the UK's pioneering “nudge unit,” and its recent expansion into new areas. The book also provides examples from across different policy areas and guidance on how to run a behavioral insights project. Finally, the book outlines the limitations and ethical implications of the approach, and what the future holds for this fast-moving area.

Some people get sober but stay stuck. Even after the addictive substances or behaviors recede into our pasts, many of us still suffer. Renowned recovery expert Dr. Allen Berger helps us learn to experience, respect, and modulate our emotional reactions to achieve true serenity and peace of mind. Sobriety can be the foundation for growth, but only if we are willing to explore what lies beyond the basics of physical sobriety. The quality of our ongoing recovery will be determined by how we learn to respond to the problems or challenges in our lives—even the basic emotional discomforts and dislocations that arise day-to-day. Developed to help those in recovery find continuing success, 12 Essential

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Insights for Emotional Sobriety gives us a framework for understanding successive stages of recovery, as well as a guide toward emotional maturity, authentic humility, and deep joy in living. Rooted in the insights and vision of the founders of Alcoholics Anonymous, this book is also informed by the author's scientific wisdom, personal experience, and decades of clinical treatment of addiction. 12 Essential Insights gives us a fresh take on mature sobriety.

This is a clear, compact introduction to the principles of experimental and non-experimental design. It covers designs including: single group designs; pre-test/post-test designs; factorial designs, hierarchical designs; multivariate designs; the Solomon four group design; panel designs; and designs with concomitant variables.

Some companies are great for customers – not only do they care but they change whole markets to work better for the customers they serve. Think of Amazon, easyJet and Sky. They make things easier and improve what really matters – obvious, surely? They have also enjoyed huge business success, growing and making plenty of money. The Customer Copernicus answers the question that follows – if it's obvious and attractive why is it so rare? And then it answers a second question, because Tesco, O2 and Wells Fargo were like this once. Why, having mastered it, would you ever stop? Because all three did, and two ended up in court. The Customer Copernicus explains how to become and how to stay customer-led. Essential reading for leaders and teams who want their organisations to stay competitive by developing a more purposeful and innovative culture. This “fascinating” (Malcolm Gladwell, New York Times bestselling author of Outliers) examination of literary inventions through the ages, from ancient Mesopotamia to Elena Ferrante, shows how writers have created technical breakthroughs—rivaling scientific inventions—and engineering

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enhancements to the human heart and mind. Literature is a technology like any other. And the writers we revere—from Homer, Shakespeare, Austen, and others—each made a unique technical breakthrough that can be viewed as both a narrative and neuroscientific advancement. Literature’s great invention was to address problems we could not solve: not how to start a fire or build a boat, but how to live and love; how to maintain courage in the face of death; how to account for the fact that we exist at all. *Wonderworks* reviews the blueprints for twenty-five of the most significant developments in the history of literature. These inventions can be scientifically shown to alleviate grief, trauma, loneliness, anxiety, numbness, depression, pessimism, and ennui, while sparking creativity, courage, love, empathy, hope, joy, and positive change. They can be found throughout literature—from ancient Chinese lyrics to Shakespeare’s plays, poetry to nursery rhymes and fairy tales, and crime novels to slave narratives. A “refreshing and remarkable” (Jay Parini, author of *Borges and Me: An Encounter*) exploration of the new literary field of story science, *Wonderworks* teaches you everything you wish you learned in your English class, and “contains many instances of critical insight....What’s most interesting about this compendium is its understanding of imaginative representation as a technology” (The New York Times).

How to unlock the hidden 95 per cent of the customer's mind that traditional marketing methods have never reached. This title provides practical synthesis of the cognitive sciences. Drawing heavily on psychology, neuroscience, sociology, and linguistics, Zaltman combines academic rigor with real-world results to offer highly accessible insights, based on his years of research and consulting work with large clients like Coca-Cola and Procter & Gamble. An all-new tool kit: Zaltman provides research tools - metaphor elicitation, response

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latency, and implicit association techniques, to name a few - that will be all-new to marketers and demonstrates how innovators can use these tools to get clues from the subconscious when developing new products and finding new solutions, long before competitors do.

Draws on real-life stories and figures, including Martin Luther King, Jr. and Steve Jobs, to examine the qualities a good leader requires in order to inspire and motivate people.

Agile has the power to transform work--but only if it's implemented the right way. For decades business leaders have been painfully aware of a huge chasm: They aspire to create nimble, flexible enterprises. But their day-to-day reality is silos, sluggish processes, and stalled innovation. Today, agile is hailed as the essential bridge across this chasm, with the potential to transform a company and catapult it to the head of the pack. Not so fast. In this clear-eyed,

indispensable book, Bain & Company thought leader Darrell Rigby and his colleagues Sarah Elk and Steve Berez provide a much-needed reality check. They dispel the myths and misconceptions that have accompanied agile's rise to prominence--the idea that it can reshape an organization all at once, for instance, or that it should be used in every function and for all types of work. They illustrate that agile teams can indeed be powerful, making people's jobs more rewarding and turbocharging innovation, but such results are possible only if the method is fully understood and implemented the right way. The key, they argue, is balance.

Every organization must optimize and tightly control some of its operations, and at the same time innovate. Agile, done well, enables vigorous innovation without sacrificing the efficiency and reliability essential to traditional operations.

The authors break down how agile really works, show what not to do, and explain the crucial importance of scaling agile properly in order to reap its full benefit. They then lay out a

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road map for leading the transition to a truly agile enterprise. Agile isn't a goal in itself; it's a means to becoming a high-performance operation. *Doing Agile Right* is a must-have guide for any company trying to make the transition--or trying to sustain high agility.

Working Backwards is an insider's breakdown of Amazon's approach to culture, leadership, and best practices from two long-time Amazon executives. Colin started at Amazon in 1998; Bill joined in 1999. In *Working Backwards*, these two long-serving Amazon executives reveal and codify the principles and practices that drive the success of one of the most extraordinary companies the world has ever known. With twenty-seven years of Amazon experience between them, much of it in the early aughts—a period of unmatched innovation that brought products and services including Kindle, Amazon Prime, Amazon Studios, and Amazon Web Services to life—Bryar and Carr offer unprecedented access to the Amazon way as it was refined, articulated, and proven to be repeatable, scalable, and adaptable. With keen analysis and practical steps for applying it at your own company—no matter the size—the authors illuminate how Amazon's fourteen leadership principles inform decision-making at all levels and reveal how the company's culture has been defined by four characteristics: customer obsession, long-term thinking, eagerness to invent, and operational excellence. Bryar and Carr explain the set of ground-level practices that ensure these are translated into action and flow through all aspects of the business. *Working Backwards* is a practical guidebook and a corporate narrative, filled with the authors' in-the-room recollections of what "Being Amazonian" is like and how it has affected their personal and professional lives. They demonstrate that success on Amazon's scale is not achieved by the genius of any single leader, but rather through commitment to and execution of a

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set of well-defined, rigorously-executed principles and practices—shared here for the very first time.

Meet the seven samurai of metaphor in this provocative follow-up to *How Customers Think*. Jerry and Lindsay Zaltman explain how and why we use deep metaphors, which the authors define as any form of non-literal representation so deeply embedded in a person's thought processes that the person is unconscious of using it. Focusing on the seven metaphors - balance, connection, container, control, journey, resource, and transformation--the Zaltmans show how deep metaphors unconsciously pervade and shape our lives. If we recognise them and understand their power over us, we can use them more purposefully to improve the quality of customer relationships and market research and to challenge such pervasive business practices as market segmentation. Most important, deep metaphors can help prompt deeper thinking about key issues in business, where much thought is usually shallow, transient, and insight-free. To demonstrate the possibilities, the Zaltmans use an array of everyday stories from their research. The authors also share images collected through, or created by consumers during, their research to reveal insights better expressed through pictures than words.

The ultimate playbook for using artificial intelligence to communicate effectively, build teams, and win customers Not long ago, we imagined a hyper-connected world full of trust and openness—a world where effortless communication would bring about a new understanding between people everywhere. Judging from our current environment, this vision of the future may have been overly optimistic. With infinite channels and countless voices flooding them with messages, most people have become highly skeptical and guarded by necessity. As a result, communication is much harder than ever before. Despite the unprecedented connectivity enabled

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by modern technology, we are far less likely to trust and to invest the time needed to build strong relationships. How can we use technology to reverse this trend? A groundbreaking new branch of artificial intelligence—Personality AI—may be the answer. Combining traditional machine learning, data analytics, and behavioral psychology, Personality AI helps professional communicators tear down walls, establish trust with their audiences, and utilize data to build meaningful relationships, strengthen empathy, and win more customers. Predicting Personality is a practical, real-world playbook for any individual or business whose success hinges on the ability to communicate effectively and build teams. Authors Drew D'Agostino and Greg Skloot—CEO and President, respectively, of Crystal, the app that tells you anyone's personality—show you how businesses can leverage Personality AI and machine learning to grow faster and communicate more effectively than was previously possible. This reader-friendly guide teaches you what Personality AI is, how it works, and demonstrates its practical applications in both life and business. This book: ? Explains how to understand personality types in various contexts, including sales, recruiting, coaching ? Provides guidelines for using personality data to learn and execute ? Explores ethics and compliance considerations surrounding the use of Personality AI ? Offers valuable insights from a leader in the business applications of Personality AI Predicting Personality: Using AI to Understand People and Win More Business is a must-have guide for C-suite executives, sales and marketing professionals, coaches, recruiters, and business owners. Collect data and build trust. With the rise of data science and machine learning, companies are awash in customer data and powerful new ways to gain insight from that data. But in the absence of regulation and clear guidelines from most federal or state governments, it's difficult for companies to

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understand what qualifies as reasonable use and then determine how to act in the best interest of their customers. How do they build, not erode, trust? *Customer Data and Privacy: The Insights You Need from Harvard Business Review* brings you today's most essential thinking on customer data and privacy to help you understand the tangled interdependencies and complexities of this evolving issue. The lessons in this book will help you develop strategies that allow your company to be a good steward, collecting, using, and storing customer data responsibly. Business is changing. Will you adapt or be left behind? Get up to speed and deepen your understanding of the topics that are shaping your company's future with the *Insights You Need from Harvard Business Review* series. Featuring HBR's smartest thinking on fast-moving issues—blockchain, cybersecurity, AI, and more—each book provides the foundational introduction and practical case studies your organization needs to compete today and collects the best research, interviews, and analysis to get it ready for tomorrow. You can't afford to ignore how these issues will transform the landscape of business and society. The *Insights You Need* series will help you grasp these critical ideas—and prepare you and your company for the future. Who do you want your customers to become? According to MIT innovation expert and thought leader Michael Schrage, if you aren't asking this question, your strategic marketing and innovation efforts will fail. In this latest HBR Single, Schrage provides a powerful new lens for getting more value out of innovation investment. He argues that asking customers to do something different doesn't go far enough—serious marketers and innovators must ask them to become something different instead. Even more, you must invest in their capabilities and competencies to help them become better customers. Schrage's primary insight is that innovation is an investment

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in your client, not just a transaction with them. To truly innovate today, designing new products or features or services won't get you there. Only by designing new customers—thinking of their future state, being the conduit to their evolution—will you transform your business. Schrage explains how the above question (what he calls “The Ask”) will incite you and your team to imagine and design ideal customer outcomes as the way to drive your business's future. The Single is organized around six key insights and includes practical exercises to help you apply the question to your current situation. Schrage also includes examples from well-known companies—Google, Facebook, Disney, Starbucks, Apple, IKEA, Dyson, Ryanair, and others—to illustrate just what is possible when you apply “The Ask.” Marketing executives, brand managers, strategic innovators, and entrepreneurs alike should understand how successful innovation rebrands the client and not the product. A requisite question for its time, Who Do You Want Your Customers To Become will liberate you and your team from ‘innovation myopia’—and turn your innovation efforts on their head. HBR Singles provide brief yet potent business ideas, in digital form, for today's thinking professional.

In this new twist on a topic of perennial interest, Joe MacInnis shows how the leadership traits forged in extraordinary circumstances are transferrable to our everyday lives. Simply put, this is a handbook for building character. Some people are born leaders. The rest of us find ourselves in positions where leadership is required. Self-described “accidental leader” Dr. Joe MacInnis found himself in such a situation: deep beneath the ice of the Arctic Ocean. Starting with his undersea explorations, this physician, scientist, author and motivational speaker shares an accessible--and obtainable--list of leadership traits inspired by his own journey and the icons he's learned from over the years. Deep

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Leadership is an eminently digestible book with short lessons and anecdotes. Think Rework meets Iacocca. Its centre is the author's 12 "Essential Traits of Leadership": Cool Competence, Powerful Presentations, Physical Toughness, Hot-Zone Humour, Mental Resilience, Strategic Imagination, High-Empathy Communication, Enduring Trust, Fierce Ingenuity, Team Genius, Resolute Courage and Warrior's Honour. Each trait is communicated with an anecdote from MacInnis's experience, making it totally memorable. MacInnis also gives the reader a primer to navigate his or her own path toward leadership, including such practices as keeping a journal, building a library, and finding mentors.

Many analysts are too concerned with tools and techniques for cleansing, modeling, and visualizing datasets and not concerned enough with asking the right questions. In this practical guide, data strategy consultant Max Shron shows you how to put the why before the how, through an often-overlooked set of analytical skills. Thinking with Data helps you learn techniques for turning data into knowledge you can use. You'll learn a framework for defining your project, including the data you want to collect, and how you intend to approach, organize, and analyze the results. You'll also learn patterns of reasoning that will help you unveil the real problem that needs to be solved. Learn a framework for scoping data projects Understand how to pin down the details of an idea, receive feedback, and begin prototyping Use the tools of arguments to ask good questions, build projects in stages, and communicate results Explore data-specific patterns of reasoning and learn how to build more useful arguments Delve into causal reasoning and learn how it permeates data work Put everything together, using extended examples to see the method of full problem thinking in action Use the Science of Behavioral Economics to Understand Why People Buy "The most important business book to come out

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in years.” –Michael F. Schein, author and columnist for Forbes, Inc, and Psychology Today #1 New Release in Business Encyclopedias, Marketing Research, and Customer Relations What Your Customer Wants (And Can’t Tell You) explains the neuroscience of consumer behavior. Learn exactly why people buy?and how to use that knowledge to improve pricing, increase sales, create better “brain-friendly” brand messaging, and be a more effective leader. Behavioral economics is the marketing research future of brands and business. What Your Customer Wants (And Can’t Tell You) goes beyond an academic understanding of behavioral economics and into practical applications. Learn how real businesses and business professionals can use science to make their companies better. In this book, business owner, consultant, and behavioral economics expert Melina Palmer helps leaders like you use the psychology of the consumer, innovation, and truly impactful branding to achieve real, bottom-line benefits. Discover information and tools you can actually use to influence consumers. Go beyond data science for business and apply behavioral economics. Learn how the consumer brain works. Become a better leader and creatively and effectively market your brand by understanding the true needs of your customers. Dramatically improve your effectiveness as a leader and marketer with the practical tools in this book, including:

- Real-world examples that bring a concept to life and make it stick
- Ideas to help you with problem solving for your business
- Ways to hack your brain into coming up with innovative programs, products, and initiatives

If you liked marketing and business books like Nudge by Richard Thaler and Cass Sunstein, Predictably Irrational by Dan Ariely, or This is Marketing by Seth Godin, you’ll love What Your Customer Wants (And Can’t Tell You). Collects lectures of the noted author on death, dying, life after death, spirituality, and love

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This is an engaging introduction to the beliefs, work, and life of psychiatrist Elisabeth Kubler-Ross, who "declared war on the denial of death in America" (New York Times). Based on her more than 30 years experience with the dying, this book offers both challenge and hope. Explains how companies must pinpoint business strategies to a few critically important choices, identifying common blunders while outlining simple exercises and questions that can guide day-to-day and long-term decisions.

A renowned cognitive psychologist reveals the science behind achieving breakthrough discoveries, allowing readers to confidently solve problems, improve decision-making, and achieve success. Insights-like Darwin's understanding of the way evolution actually works, and Watson and Crick's breakthrough discoveries about the structure of DNA-can change the world. Yet we know very little about when, why, or how insights are formed-or what blocks them. In *Seeing What Others Don't*, Gary Klein unravels the mystery. Klein is a keen observer of people in their natural settings-scientists, businesspeople, firefighters, police officers, soldiers, family members, friends, himself-and uses a marvelous variety of stories to illuminate his research into what insights are and how they happen. What, for example, enabled Harry Markopolos to put the finger on Bernie Madoff? How did Dr. Michael Gottlieb make the connections between different patients that allowed him to publish the first announcement of the AIDS epidemic? How did Martin Chalfie come up with a million-dollar idea (and a Nobel Prize) for a natural flashlight that enabled

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researchers to look inside living organisms to watch biological processes in action? Klein also dissects impediments to insight, such as when organizations claim to value employee creativity and to encourage breakthroughs but in reality block disruptive ideas and prioritize avoidance of mistakes. Or when information technology systems are "dumb by design" and block potential discoveries. Both scientifically sophisticated and fun to read, *Seeing What Others Don't* shows that insight is not just a "eureka!" moment but a whole new way of understanding.

Every business knows that the best customer is a happy customer. They return again and again, bring their friends and family, and deliver tons of free advertising via word of mouth and social media. But in order to grow that loyal base, you must be keenly aware of your customers' needs and preferences. Drawing on the latest research in the exploding field of positive psychology, Columbia Business School professor Bernd Schmitt offers three unique approaches any business can use to turning a casual customer into a committed fan:

- **The Feel-Good Method:** Use the experience of pleasure and positive emotion to hook new customers, and watch those feel-good moments transform an impulsive buyer into a committed loyalist.
- **The Values-and-Meaning Method:** Attract passionate customers by appealing to their core values, like being socially responsible, protecting the environment, or living a simple life
- **The Engagement Method:** Get customers to notice a unique or limited offer, immerse them in the experience, and have them share it with friends and family.

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shows marketers, brand managers, and entrepreneurs how to design an authentic and successful campaign that will reach, grow, and sustain a devoted base of customers.

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The proven, effective strategy for reinventing your business in the age of ever-present disruption Disruption by digital technologies? That's not a new story. But what is new is the "wise pivot," a replicable strategy for harnessing disruption to survive, grow, and be relevant to the future. It's a strategy for perpetual reinvention across the old, now, and new elements of any business. Rapid recent advances in technology are forcing leaders in every business to rethink long-held beliefs about how to adapt to emerging technologies and new markets. What has become abundantly clear: in the digital age, conventional wisdom about business transformation no longer works, if it ever did. Based on Accenture's own experience of reinventing itself in the face of disruption, the company's real world client work, and a rigorous two-year study of thousands of businesses across 30 industries, Pivot to the Future reveals methodical and bold moves for finding and releasing new sources of trapped value-unlocked by bridging the gap between what is technologically possible and how technologies are being used. The freed value enables companies to simultaneously reinvent their legacy, and current and new businesses. Pivot to the Future is for leaders who seek to turn the existential threats of today and tomorrow into sustainable growth, with the courage to understand

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that a wise pivot strategy is not a one-time event, but a commitment to a future of perpetual reinvention, where one pivot is followed by the next and the next.

A ground-breaking exploration of the changing nature of trust and how to bridge the gap from where you are to where you need to be. Trust is the most powerful force underlying the success of every business. Yet it can be shattered in an instant, with a devastating impact on a company's market cap and reputation. How to build and sustain trust requires fresh insight into why customers, employees, community members, and investors decide whether an organization can be trusted. Based on two decades of research and illustrated through vivid storytelling, Sandra J. Sucher and Shalene Gupta examine the economic impact of trust and the science behind it, and conclusively prove that trust is built from the inside out. Trust emerges from a company being the "real deal": creating products and services that work, having good intentions, treating people fairly, and taking responsibility for all the impacts an organization creates, whether intended or not. When trust is in the room, great things can happen. Sucher and Gupta's innovative foundation for executing the elements of trust—competence, motives, means, impact—explains how trust can be woven into the day-to-day and the long term. Most importantly, even when lost, trust can be regained, as illustrated through their accounts of companies across the globe that pull themselves out of scandal and corruption by rebuilding the vital elements of trust. Private equity firms are snapping up brand-name companies and assembling portfolios that make them

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immense global conglomerates. They're often able to maximize investor value far more successfully than traditional public companies. How do PE firms become such powerhouses? Learn how, in *Lessons from Private Equity Any Company Can Use*. Bain chairman Orit Gadiesh and partner Hugh MacArthur use the concise, actionable format of a memo to lay out the five disciplines that PE firms use to attain their edge:

- Invest with a thesis using a specific, appropriate 3-5-year goal
- Create a blueprint for change--a road map for initiatives that will generate the most value for your company within that time frame
- Measure only what matters--such as cash, key market intelligence, and critical operating data
- Hire, motivate, and retain hungry managers--people who think like owners
- Make equity sweat--by making cash scarce, and forcing managers to redeploy underperforming capital in productive directions

This is the PE formula for unleashing a company's true potential.

Between smartphones, social media, mobile connectivity, and a plethora of other technological innovations changing the way we do almost everything these days, your customers are expecting you to be taking advantage of it all in order to enhance their customer service experience far beyond the meeting-the-minimum experiences of days past. Unfortunately, many companies are failing to take advantage of and properly manage these service-enhancing tools that now exist, and in return they deliver a series of frustrating, disjointed

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transactions that end up driving people away and into the pockets of businesses getting it right. Don't let that happen to you! Customer Experience 3.0 provides firsthand guidance on what works, what doesn't--and the revenue and word-of-mouth payoff of getting it right. Having managed more than 1,000 separate customer service studies, author John A. Goodman has created an innovative customer-experience framework and step-by-step roadmap that shows readers how to:

- Design and deliver flawless services and products while setting honest customer expectations
- Create and implement an effective customer access strategy
- Capture and leverage the voice of the customer to set priorities and improve products, services and marketing
- Use CRM systems, cutting-edge metrics, and other tools to deliver customer satisfaction

Companies who get customer service right can regularly provide seamless experiences, seeming to know what customers want even before they know it themselves . . . while others end up staying generic, take stabs in the dark to try and fix the problem, and end up dropping the ball. This groundbreaking, must-have guide reveals how to delight customers using all the technological tools at their disposal.

"Have you ever found yourself stretched too thin? Do you simultaneously feel overworked and underutilized? Are you often busy but not productive? Do you feel your time is constantly being

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hijacked by other people's agendas? If you answered yes to any of these questions, the way out is the way of the Essentialist. Essentialism isn't about getting more done in less time. It's about getting only the right things done. Only once we discern what is absolutely essential and eliminate everything else can we make our highest possible contribution toward things that truly matter. By forcing us to apply more selective criteria for where to spend our precious time and energy, the disciplined pursuit of less empowers us to reclaim control of our own choices, instead of giving others the implicit permission to choose for us. Essentialism is not one more thing to do. It's a whole new way of doing less, but better, in every area of our lives"--Back cover.

Acknowledged as an important travel industry resource by the Destination Marketing Association International, Destination Marketing Insights is the new groundbreaking book by leading tourism marketing expert and consultant Marshall Murdaugh. It features proven processes and procedures for increasing destination business performance for both CEOs (of convention & visitor bureaus and state & local tourism offices) and the numerous industry stakeholders they serve. Thirty-two chapter sections cover best business practices, case studies, and the author's special insights, for performance marketing, strategic planning, sales and service, management

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and operations, and flash point opportunities for destination success. Readers will be rewarded, engaged, challenged, enlightened and entertained by Murdaugh's Insights, said Michael Gehrisch, DMAI President and CEO."

Interviewing is a foundational user research tool that people assume they already possess. Everyone can ask questions, right? Unfortunately, that's not the case. Interviewing Users provides invaluable interviewing techniques and tools that enable you to conduct informative interviews with anyone. You'll move from simply gathering data to uncovering powerful insights about people.

Describes how many companies erroneously believe that customer loyalty is won by dazzling them, but that research and surveys show that loyalty is based on delivering on basic promises and offers insights for companies to use to improve brand loyalty.

In this fascinating best seller, Cherry Hill explores the way horses think and how it affects their behavior. Explaining why certain smells and sounds appeal to your horse's sensibility and what sets off his sudden movements, Hill stresses how recognizing the thought processes behind your horse's actions can help you communicate effectively and develop a trusting relationship based on mutual respect.

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