

## Selling The Invisible Harry Beckwith

Describes how individuals can become successful leaders through passion and connection with an interested group, and provides real-life case studies that illustrate this method.

As some of today's major and complex companies are worth more than the GDPs of some countries, traditional marketing approaches, such as glossy corporate campaigns, will have limited returns. Account-based marketing, also known as client-centric marketing, treats important individual accounts as markets in their own right, to help strengthen relationships, build reputation, and increase revenues in important accounts. A Practitioner's Guide to Account-Based Marketing outlines a clear, step-by-step process for readers to harness ABM tools and techniques and set up ABM programmes. Featuring insights from practising professionals and case studies from organizations including Microsoft, Accenture, O2 and Fujitsu, it also contains guidance on developing the competencies needed for account-based marketing and managing your ABM career. This updated second edition contains further discussion on how ABM initiatives can go from a pilot to being embedded in a business, new material on quantified value propositions and updated wider research. Meticulously researched and highly practical, A Practitioner's Guide to Account-Based Marketing will help all marketers to deliver successful B2B marketing.

Learn how Roger Newton, the co-discoverer of Lipitor, made an internal sale against all odds that championed the world's all-time best-selling drug. Meet Mark Roesler, CEO of CMG Worldwide, a firm that represents Elvis Presley, James Dean, Marilyn Monroe and hundreds of other departed celebrities. Gain valuable advice from storytellers Martin Shafiroff, America's number-one financial advisor; Bob LaMonte, a super sports agent who specializes in representing NFL head coaches; Dave Liniger, CEO of RE/MAX... It doesn't matter if you're a novice, a seasoned professional, or a high-powered CEO—your success depends on how well you sell your product, your service, your idea, yourself. Seasoned salesmen Robert L. Shook and Barry Farber interviewed top salespersons across a variety of industries and have written a collection of fascinating stories, each offering a lesson, valuable insight, or nugget of wisdom that will enhance your selling skills and boost your sales production. As you read these first-person narratives, you will feel as if they are talking directly to you, revealing valuable details behind their greatest sales moves, and imparting priceless lessons on how to sell your way to success. Most important, you can put their valuable insights to immediate use to boost your career.

What happens when the bottlenecks that stand between supply and demand in our culture go away and everything becomes available to everyone? "The Long Tail" is a powerful new force in our economy: the rise of the niche. As the cost of reaching consumers drops dramatically, our markets are shifting from a one-size-fits-all model of mass appeal to one of unlimited variety for unique tastes. From supermarket shelves to advertising agencies, the ability to offer vast choice is changing everything, and causing us to rethink where our markets lie and how to get to them. Unlimited selection is revealing truths about what consumers want and how they want to get it, from DVDs at Netflix to songs on iTunes to advertising on Google. However, this is not just a

virtue of online marketplaces; it is an example of an entirely new economic model for business, one that is just beginning to show its power. After a century of obsessing over the few products at the head of the demand curve, the new economics of distribution allow us to turn our focus to the many more products in the tail, which collectively can create a new market as big as the one we already know. The Long Tail is really about the economics of abundance. New efficiencies in distribution, manufacturing, and marketing are essentially resetting the definition of what's commercially viable across the board. If the 20th century was about hits, the 21st will be equally about niches.

Buyers have changed the way they buy. But sellers have been slow to change the way they sell. This disconnect is proving to be frustrating for both sellers and buyers. Sellers aren't getting the sales they need, and buyers aren't getting the information they need to make a buying decision. In this one-of-a-kind revenue-growth how-to book, Revenue Coach Kristin Zhivago lays out the method that she has used to help hundreds of business owners and managers reverse-engineer their successful sales so they can manufacture new sales in quantity. Armed with these methods, managers can map out their customers' buying process and take the right steps to support every stage of that buying process. They can position their products and services in a way that will make them more attractive and valuable to prospective customers. They can focus their efforts on marketing and selling methods that will work (and stop wasting money on those that won't); produce content that satisfies buyer concerns; and use social media channels in a way that appeals to customers - and leads to more sales.

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.

Are you an activist who is always scrambling for time--and maybe leaving some projects undone or poorly done? Do you procrastinate? Are you tired of being broke and always having to scramble for money? Does instability in your personal life affect your ability to do your work? Does your work interfere with your ability to have a healthy, stable personal life, including good personal relationships? Do you feel like you might be burning out, or already have? Or are you the parent, partner or friend of an activist who worries about these things on behalf of your loved one? If you are, then *The Lifelong Activist* will help. It teaches activists how to avoid burnout by integrating activism consciously and joyfully into a well-balanced life. Its five sections--"Managing Your Mission"; "Managing Your Time"; "Managing Your Fears (a.k.a. Beating Procrastination)"; "Managing Your Relationship with Self" and "Managing Your Relationship with Others"--Offer easy and effective techniques to help vactivists make realistic choices that ensure their long-term happiness and productivity, and those on the verge of burnout reclaim their enthusiasm, passion, and joy. Written by a coach who has helped more than a thousand activists and others realize their dreams, *The Lifelong Activist* will help you take your activism to the next level, while at the same time helping you live a balanced, happy, and healthy life. -

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An innovative approach to winning more profitable sales in the growing professional services industry In recent years, professional services providers have had to rethink their sales methods and adapt to profound changes in the way clients buy services. In response, *Winning the Professional Services Sale* argues for fundamental changes in the seller's mindset and sales strategies. Rather than pressing the sale, salespeople must help clients buy--the way that works best for each client. This new approach gives buyers what they now want in a services seller: a consultative problem solver, change agent, and solution integrator, all rolled into one. Author Michael McLaughlin presents a strategy for winning new business with a holistic approach to each client relationship. Only by fully understanding a sale from every angle, including its impact on the client's business and career, can salespeople thrive in the new era of the service economy.

"Lays out the reasons for the recent shift in customer mindset and expectation, illustrates the many ways that companies inadvertently drive customers and prospects to competitors, and offers creative strategies and tactics to attract and retain new prospects"--

Attract, engage, and inspire your customers with an "Optimize and Socialize" content marketing strategy Optimize is designed to give readers a practical approach to integrating search and social media optimization with content marketing to boost relevance, visibility, and customer engagement. Companies, large and small, will benefit from the practical planning and creative content marketing tactics in this book that have been proven to increase online performance across marketing, public relations, and customer service. Learn to incorporate essential content optimization and social media engagement principles thereby increasing their ability to acquire and engage relevant customers online. Optimize provides insights from Lee Odden, one of the leading authorities on Content and Online Marketing. This book explains how to: Create a blueprint for integrated search, social media and content marketing strategy Determine which creative tactics will provide the best results for your company Implement search and social optimization holistically in the organization Measure the business value of optimized and socialized content marketing Develop guidelines, processes and training to scale online marketing success Optimize offers a tested approach for a customer-centric and adaptive online marketing strategy that incorporates the best of content, social media marketing, and search engine optimization tactics.

Don't consider yourself deviant? Well, that just may be a career breaker. Odds are the idea or product that will transform your business or industry tomorrow is out there right now, hiding in the shadows of the Fringe, raw, messy, untamed, and just waiting to be exploited. Trapping, taming, and marketing it is the key to burying your competition and staying ahead of your market. Deviance is nothing more than a marked separation from the norm and is the source of innovation, the

kind of breakthrough thinking that creates new markets and tumbles traditional ones. Positive deviation is an inexhaustible font of new ideas, products, and services. It's the source of all creative thinking and dynamic new market development and ultimately the basis of all incremental profit. The Deviant's Advantage describes how deviance proceeds along a traceable trajectory from the Fringe, where it originates but has zero commercial potential; to the Edge, where word of mouth creates a limited audience; to the Realm of the Cool, where the buzz and market momentum really start to build; to the Next Big Thing, where demand is honed and intensifies; finally landing at Social Convention, the heart of the mass market. Ryan Mathews and Watts Wacker, two of America's most respected futurists, trace the "Path of the Devox" (the voice, spirit, or incarnation of deviant ideas, products, and individuals), using it as a way to explain how and why: \* Christian fundamentalism morphed from college Bible studies to Republican party king-making \* Reebok cares more about what's on the feet of kids in Detroit and Philadelphia than what the so-hip-it-hurts set is wearing in New York or on Rodeo Drive \* Napster exploded from an idea germinating inside a sixteen-year-old to a movement with 60 million subscribers that very nearly destroyed the music industry \* Hugh Hefner went from America's most public pornographer to a cultural icon with decidedly Puritan sensibilities Mathews and Wacker also look at what happens to formerly deviant products and ideas after they are replaced by the next wave from the Fringe—how they morph into Cliché (where their commercial potential may actually increase), become Icons or even Archetypes, or fade into Oblivion, and how you can profitably manage even a fading concept. Looking for the next big idea for your business? Then it's past time to quit staring at the Social Convention for inspiration and start scouring the Fringes of society. Tomorrow's breakthrough concept is lurking out there right now, in the mind of a deviant individual. Your choice is simple: find it and exploit it, or be buried by those who do. From the Hardcover edition.

Harry Beckwith is the author of *Selling the Invisible* and *The Invisible Touch*, both marketing classics. Now he applies his unparalleled clarity, insight, humor, and expertise to a new age of mass communication and mass confusion. *What Clients Love* will help you stand out from the crowd-and sell anything to anyone. From making a pitch to building a brand, from designing a logo to closing a sale, this is a field guide to take with you to the front lines of today's business battles. Filled with real tales of success and failure, it shows you how to: \* Fly a Jefferson Airplane. Everyone knows there's a Jefferson Monument, but a Jefferson Airplane? A brilliant, attention-grabbing name often includes the unexpected and the absurd. \* Strike with a Velvet Sledgehammer. It's not a hard sell. It's not exactly soft. Selling well means finding the fine line between modesty and bragging, and driving the message home. \* Speak to the Frenchman on the Street. A French mathematician believed that no theory was complete until you could explain it to the first person you meet on the street. Marketers, *écoutez!* \* Dress Julia Roberts. Why one scene from *Pretty Woman* can enlighten you more than a full

year of study at a top business school. *What Clients Love* will help you get focused, stay focused, and follow the essential rules to success-by doing the little things right and the big things even better.

*Winning in Service Markets: Success through People, Technology, and Strategy* is the first practitioner book in the market to cover the key aspects of services marketing and management based on sound academic evidence and knowledge. Derived from the globally leading textbook for Services Marketing by the same author, this book offers a comprehensive overview of extant knowledge on the topic. Accessible and practical, *Winning in Service Markets* bridges the gap between cutting-edge academic research and industry practitioners, and features best practices and latest trends on services marketing and management from around the world.

This guide shows how markets work and how prospective clients think. It delivers business wisdom aimed at keeping clients by utilising the keys to modern marketing - price, brand, packaging and relationships.

Expert guidance for CPAs who want to become marketing savvy, improve profits, and gain satisfaction This updated Second Edition demonstrates how combining the power of trust with the power of persuasion can help CPAs sell their services more effectively. Each chapter develops a key concept of marketing or selling that's easy to follow and shows how to apply the concepts to any CPA practice. Through a step-by-step approach to developing and mastering a stronger marketing and sales presence, this book focuses on how to dramatically enhance the reader's growth potential. It presents real-world examples from top CPA rainmakers and other marketing and management gurus, including Tom Peters. This updated second edition offers interviews covering Sarbanes-Oxley and the new accounting rules. Troy Waugh, CPA (Nashville, TN), is founder, President, and CEO of The Rainmaker Academy, a comprehensive three-year leadership, client service, and practice development training program for CPAs.

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.

An ambitious, intelligent, and very readable guide to understanding our present and our future."-Harry Beckwith, author of *Selling the Invisible* No one can foretell the future. Or can they? There are many who purport to-and they are making a fortune. From meteorologists to investment advisers, prognosticating professionals are part of a multibillion-dollar industry. No longer merely fortunetellers, they are fortune sellers, offering us a commodity we're more than eager to buy: the future. In this piercing and provocative expose, business consultant and forecasting expert William Sherden casts an unblinking eye on the booming business of predicting the future, separating fact from fallacy to show us not only how best to use the forecasts we're given, but how to "select the nuggets of valuable future advice from amongst the \$200 billion worth of mostly erroneous future predictions put forth each year.

"The world's greatest salesman" reveals the spectacular selling principles that have brought him to the top of his profession as he offers helpful advice on how to develop customer profiles, how to turn a prospect into a buyer, how to close the deal, and how to establish a long-term relationship with one's customers. Reprint. 25,000 first printing.

Harry Beckwith, the bestselling author of the classic "Selling the Invisible," reveals how the secret to selling is to sell oneself first. No matter what field one may be in, there is a need to market oneself, and Girard, bestselling author of "How to Sell Anything to Anybody," reveals important sales secrets for everyday life.

*Selling the Invisible* Biz Books to Go - A Field Guide to Modern Marketing Business Plus

You can't touch, hear, or see your company's most important products... So how do you sell, develop, make them grow? That's the problem with services. This "phenomenal" book, as one reviewer called it, answers that question with insights on how markets work and how prospects think. A treasury of hundreds of quick, practical, and easy-to-read strategies-few are more than a page long-Selling the Invisible will open your eyes to new ideas in this crucial branch of marketing, including: \* Why focus groups, value-price positioning, discount pricing, and being the best usually fail \* The critical emotion that most influences your prospects-and how to deal with it \* The vital role of vividness, focus, "anchors," and stereotypes \* The importance of Halo, Cocktail Party, and Lake Wobegon Effects \* Marketing lessons from black holes, grocery lists, the Hearsay Rule, and the fame of the Matterhorn \* Dozens of proven yet consistently over-looked ideas for research, presentations, publicity, advertising, and client retention ...and much more. Based on the author's twenty-five years of experience with thousands of business professionals, this book delivers its wisdom with unforgettable and often surprising examples-from Federal Express, Citicorp, and a growing Greek travel agency...to an ingenious baby-sitter, Fran Lebowitz, and the colors of oranges and lemons. The first guide of its kind and a book already causing a sensation in the business community, *Selling the Invisible* will help anyone marketing a service, a product, or a career. Read it, and you almost certainly will understand why two advance reviewers call it the best book on business ever written.

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Put into practice today's winning strategy for achieving success in high-end sales! The SPIN Selling Fieldbook is your guide to the method that has revolutionized big-ticket sales in the United States and globally. It's the method being used by one-half of all Fortune 500 companies to train their sales forces, and here's the interactive, hands-on field book that provides the practical tools you need to put this revolutionary method into action immediately. The SPIN Selling Fieldbook includes: Individual diagnostic exercises Illustrative case studies from leading companies Practical planning suggestions Provocative questionnaires Practice sessions to prepare you for dealing with challenging selling situations Written by the pioneering author of the original bestseller, SPIN Selling, this book is aimed at making implementation easy for companies that have not yet established SPIN techniques. It will also enable companies that are already using the method to reinforce SPIN methods in the field and in coaching sessions. What do Howard Hughes and 50 Cent have in common, and what do they tell us about Americans and our desires? Why did Sean Connery stop wearing a toupee, and what does this tell us about American customers for any product? What one thing did the Beatles, Malcolm Gladwell and Nike all notice about Americans that helped them win us over? Which uniquely American traits may explain the plights of Krispy Kreme, Ford, and GM, and the risks faced by Starbuck's? Why, after every other plea failed, did "Click It or Ticket" get people to buy the idea of fastening their seat belts? To paraphrase Don Draper's character on the hit show Mad Men, "What do people want?" What is the new American psyche, and how do America's shrewdest marketers tap it? Drawing from dozens of disciplines, the internationally acclaimed marketing expert Harry Beckwith answers these questions with some surprising, even startling, truths and discoveries about what motivates us.

Now that product differences are rapidly and easily copied, or are perceived to be minimal, differentiating a company's products and services from the competition has become key to corporate survival. Marketing guru Jack Trout delivers a practical guide for businesses on developing powerful differentiation strategies.

In *You, Inc.* Beckwith provides practical tips, anecdotes and insights based on his 30 years of marketing and selling his advertising services. Beckwith learned early on in his career that no matter what product you're selling, the most important component of the product is you. In *You, Inc.: A Field Guide to Selling Yourself*, Beckwith relates tantalizing tidbits and real stories of how to harness your enthusiasm with an ability to impress your key accounts. Written in his traditional homespun style, Beckwith offers doses of humour and pithy knowledge to anyone who wants to seal the deal and thrive in business.

If you are involved in field marketing, this is the book for you. Whether you are working within a company and seeking to employ a field marketing agency, or whether you work for such an agency and want to ensure best practice, *The Handbook of Field Marketing* is the essential handbook for success. *The Handbook of Field Marketing* reveals the best techniques to ensure profitable brand maximization for your company's products (or those of the client company), whether measured by brand visibility, product availability, positioning, performance against competitors or overall sales performance. Crammed with self study questions, case studies, and proven advice for success, the book offers a blueprint for best practice, enabling you to undertake robust, rigorous and meaningful brand research.

Problems! Jack Huber has his share. But when he is introduced to the creative problem solving process from an unexpected source, life soon changes . . . drastically. Jack Huber dreams of being a professional photographer and starting his own business. He has a few ideas but

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doesn't know how to process them to make his dream a reality. That is until an unlikely mentor stumbles upon Jack's path and shares a whole new way of thinking through problems. In Jack's Notebook, Gregg Fraley, an innovation consultant to Fortune 500 companies, illustrates a well-kept secret of corporate America: the Creative Problem Solving process. "If you are struggling to move ahead in your career, if you're an executive with a thorny corporate challenge, someone trying to solve a messy community issue, a family trying to sort through an emotional conflict, or an entrepreneur looking for ways to make the most of limited resources-this book is for you. If you have a 'mess' on your hands, you have found a useful tool." -from the Introduction

Addressing the needs of all professional service providers, from accountants to doctors to consultants, Marketing a Service for Profit will provide the reader with the confidence to market a service to the right audience with the right approach.

#1 Wall Street Journal Bestseller Instant New York Times Bestseller A game-changing approach to marketing, sales, and advertising. Seth Godin has taught and inspired millions of entrepreneurs, marketers, leaders, and fans from all walks of life, via his blog, online courses, lectures, and bestselling books. He is the inventor of countless ideas that have made their way into mainstream business language, from Permission Marketing to Purple Cow to Tribes to The Dip. Now, for the first time, Godin offers the core of his marketing wisdom in one compact, accessible, timeless package. This is Marketing shows you how to do work you're proud of, whether you're a tech startup founder, a small business owner, or part of a large corporation. Great marketers don't use consumers to solve their company's problem; they use marketing to solve other people's problems. Their tactics rely on empathy, connection, and emotional labor instead of attention-stealing ads and spammy email funnels. No matter what your product or service, this book will help you reframe how it's presented to the world, in order to meaningfully connect with people who want it. Seth employs his signature blend of insight, observation, and memorable examples to teach you: \* How to build trust and permission with your target market. \* The art of positioning--deciding not only who it's for, but who it's not for. \* Why the best way to achieve your goals is to help others become who they want to be. \* Why the old approaches to advertising and branding no longer work. \* The surprising role of tension in any decision to buy (or not). \* How marketing is at its core about the stories we tell ourselves about our social status. You can do work that matters for people who care. This book shows you the way.

Looking for a marketing book that ...Tells it like it is?... Can help you keep up in an ever changing world?... Is the right fit no matter your business type or size? Mommy, Where Do Customers Come From? covers all aspects of marketing and selling products and services to a new breed of customer. Customers have become less loyal, more demanding and have more choices. With the proliferation of vehicles such as the Internet, Email, BLOGs, Podcasts and others, reaching the right customer with the right message is harder than ever before. Mommy, Where Do Customers Come From? deals with these issues and breaks down barriers like no other marketing book. Helping businesses decipher and deal with this changing online landscape and its effects on the ever changing customer is the purpose of this book. Allowing a business of any size, location or type to not only understand when something needs to be done, but what that something is and what the outcome should be. Mommy, Where Do Customers Come From? puts the business back in control of the message that is in front of its customers. Empowering readers to take action by taking an active role in the understanding and execution of their visible details. In this book, we strip away the nonsense from the common sense to uncover connective marketing messages that allow businesses to create what they really need the most sales.

Most anti-smoking campaigns inadvertently encourage people to smoke. The scent of melons helps sell electronic products. Subliminal advertising may have been banned, but it's being used all the time. Product placement in films rarely works. Many multi-million pound



advertising campaigns are a complete waste of time. These are just a few of the findings of Martin Lindstrom's groundbreaking study of what really makes consumers tick. Convinced that there is a gulf between what we believe influences us and what actually does, he set up a highly ambitious research project that employed the very latest in brain-scanning technology and called on the services of some 2000 volunteers. Buyology shares the fruits of this research, revealing for the first time what actually goes on inside our heads when we see an advertisement, hear a marketing slogan, taste two rival brands of drink, or watch a programme sponsored by a major company. The conclusions are both startling and groundbreaking, showing the extent to which we deceive ourselves when we think we are making considered decisions, and revealing factors as varied as childhood memories and religious belief that come together to influence our decisions and shape our tastes. Successful businesses recognize that the development of strong customer relationships through quality service (and services) as well as implementing service strategies for competitive advantage are key to their success. In its fourth European edition, *Services Marketing: Integrating Customer Focus across the Firm* provides full coverage of the foundations of services marketing, placing the distinctive Gaps model at the center of this approach. The new edition draws on the most recent research, and using up-to-date and topical examples, the book focuses on the development of customer relationships through service, outlining the core concepts and theories in services marketing today. New and updated material in this new edition includes:

- New content related to human resource strategies, including coverage of the role of robots and chatbots for delivering customer-focused services.
- New coverage on listening to customers through research, big data, netnography and monitoring user-generated content.
- Increased technology, social media and digital coverage throughout the text, including the delivery of services using mobile and digital platforms, as well as through the Internet of Things.
- Brand new examples and case studies added from global and innovative companies including Turkish Airlines, Volvo, EasyJet and McDonalds.

Available with McGraw-Hill's Connect®, the well-established online learning platform, which features our award-winning adaptive reading experience as well as resources to help faculty and institutions improve student outcomes and course delivery efficiency.

While there are many books on selling, most of them focus on the same sales concepts and methods and completely disregard the most important element of the sales process – what the Sales Person or Entrepreneur is saying to themselves. It doesn't matter how well a Sales Person knows and implements the concepts and methods if they haven't addressed the negative beliefs and behaviors that continue to sabotage their efforts. *Selling With Intention* provides the thousands of men and women in sales today with a new way of thinking and behaving that will change the way they approach the sales process and ultimately help them double or triple their sales results.

Unearths the essence of new consumer behavior, explores the drive for authenticity over commodity and looks at why this is The first in a series of books by Zingerman's co-founding partner Ari Weinzweig examines the basic building blocks of the culture and structure we know now as Zingerman's. These approaches are applicable whether you're running a law office, a library, a restaurant, a record label, a software firm, or an organic farm. They are the behind-the-scenes "secret" stuff that goes into making a very special, sustainable business of any kind. Inc. Magazine calls it one of the Best Books for Business Owners.

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