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The Ant and the Elephant is an entertaining parable to help you unleash the massive power of human potential. Itâ€™s goal is to demonstrate how we can unite the powerful forces of conscious and subconscious thought to reach our peak performance levels as individuals and as leaders. In this book, renowned business consultant and Olympian, Vincent Poscente, weaves a clever parable around profound concepts that can have an immediate impact on your life and the life of those around you. Using a mix of wit and wisdom, Poscente shows us how to focus on and re-direct our subconscious mind in order to accomplish the goals we strive to achieve. In order to explain the relationship between the conscious and subconscious mind in an entertaining fashion, Poscente uses the story of Adir the ant and Elgo the Elephant. The story itself is fun to read, and the wisdom he wishes to impart is woven into the story. There is a pause after each chapter, with bullet points to help you understand the principles covered within the chapter and realize how they apply to you and how

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they can transform your life. Using the lessons of Adir the ant, you will learn how to : * Clarify your vision. * Commit to cultivating positive dominant thoughts. * Consistently focus on performance. * Strengthen confidence. * Control the response to any situation. Although the story is simple and enjoyable reading, it stays on in your mind and the concepts taught in the book, when applied, will change your life forever. This book will have an immediate impact on your life.

The Ant and the Elephant Leadership for the Self : a Parable and 5-step Action Plan to Transform Workplace Performance Vince Poscente - Author A Wall Street Journal Top 10 Nonfiction Book of 2017 A Publishers Weekly Best Book of 2017 A Shelf Awareness Best Book of 2017 "Ants Among Elephants is an arresting, affecting and ultimately enlightening memoir. It is quite possibly the most striking work of non-fiction set in India since Behind the Beautiful Forevers by Katherine Boo, and heralds the arrival of a formidable new writer." —The Economist The stunning true story of an untouchable family who become teachers, and one, a poet and revolutionary Like one in six people in India, Sujatha Gidla was born an untouchable. While most untouchables are illiterate, her family was educated by Canadian missionaries in the 1930s, making it possible for Gidla to attend elite schools and move to America at the age of twenty-six. It was only then

that she saw how extraordinary—and yet how typical—her family history truly was. Her mother, Manjula, and uncles Satyam and Carey were born in the last days of British colonial rule. They grew up in a world marked by poverty and injustice, but also full of possibility. In the slums where they lived, everyone had a political side, and rallies, agitations, and arrests were commonplace. The Independence movement promised freedom. Yet for untouchables and other poor and working people, little changed. Satyam, the eldest, switched allegiance to the Communist Party. Gidla recounts his incredible transformation from student and labor organizer to famous poet and founder of a left-wing guerrilla movement. And Gidla charts her mother's battles with caste and women's oppression. Page by page, Gidla takes us into a complicated, close-knit family as they desperately strive for a decent life and a more just society. A moving portrait of love, hardship, and struggle, *Ants Among Elephants* is also that rare thing: a personal history of modern India told from the bottom up.

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The establishment of Banking Union represents a major development in European economic governance and European integration history more generally. Banking Union is also significant because

not all European Union (EU) member states have joined, which has increased the trend towards differentiated integration in the EU, posing a major challenge to the EU as a whole and to the opt-out countries. This book is informed by two main empirical questions. Why was Banking Union - presented by proponents as a crucial move to 'complete' Economic and Monetary Union (EMU) - proposed only in 2012, over twenty years after the adoption of the Maastricht Treaty? Why has a certain design for Banking Union been agreed and some elements of this design prioritized over others? A two-step explanation is articulated in this study. First, it explains why euro area member state governments moved to consider Banking Union by building on the concept of the 'financial trilemma', and examining the implications of the single currency for euro area member state banking systems. Second, it explains the design of Banking Union by examining the preferences of member state governments on the core components of Banking Union and developing a comparative political economy analysis focused on the configuration of national banking systems and varying national concern for the moral hazard facing banks and sovereigns created by euro level support mechanisms.

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“One of the seminal management books of the past seventy-five years.”—Harvard Business Review This

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revised edition of the bestselling classic is based on fifteen years of experience in putting Peter Senge's ideas into practice. As Senge makes clear, in the long run the only sustainable competitive advantage is your organization's ability to learn faster than the competition. The leadership stories demonstrate the many ways that the core ideas of the Fifth Discipline, many of which seemed radical when first published, have become deeply integrated into people's ways of seeing the world and their managerial practices. Senge describes how companies can rid themselves of the learning blocks that threaten their productivity and success by adopting the strategies of learning organizations, in which new and expansive patterns of thinking are nurtured, collective aspiration is set free, and people are continually learning how to create the results they truly desire. Mastering the disciplines Senge outlines in the book will:

- Reignite the spark of genuine learning driven by people focused on what truly matters to them
- Bridge teamwork into macrocreativity
- Free you of confining assumptions and mindsets
- Teach you to see the forest and the trees
- End the struggle between work and personal time

This updated edition contains more than one hundred pages of new material based on interviews with dozens of practitioners at companies such as BP, Unilever, Intel, Ford, HP, and Saudi Aramco and organizations such as Roca, Oxfam, and The World Bank.

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A renowned speaker, business consultant, record-setting speed skier and Olympian, Vince Poscente believes in the enormous potential of the unconscious mind. Poscente likens the dynamic between the conscious and subconscious minds to an ant and an elephant: "Our minds are separated into two distinct functions -- the conscious and subconscious elements. Our ant is the intentional part of the brain, but our elephant is the instinctual, impulsive part of the brain that houses emotions and memories and even guides the body to perform vital functions. While we tend to know our conscious minds -- our ants -- rather well, we often overlook the power of our elephantine subconscious minds. When we do, unfortunately, we squander a wellspring of human potential." Having seen too many books focused on what a problem or solution is and too few focused on how to solve the problem, Poscente, with his trademark wit, wisdom and steely resolve, created *The Ant and the Elephant -- Leadership for the Self: A Parable and Five-Step Action Plan to Transform Workplace Performance*.

As organizations grow in volume and complexity, the demands on leadership change. The same old moves won't cut it any more. In *Chess Not Checkers*, Mark Miller tells the story of Blake Brown, newly appointed CEO of a company troubled by poor performance and low morale. Nothing Blake learned from his previous roles seems to help him deal with

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the issues he now faces. The problem, his new mentor points out, is Blake is playing the wrong game. The early days of an organization are like checkers: a quickly played game with mostly interchangeable pieces. Everybody, the leader included, does a little bit of everything; the pace is frenetic. But as the organization expands, you can't just keep jumping from activity to activity. You have to think strategically, plan ahead, and leverage every employee's specific talents—that's chess. Leaders who continue to play checkers when the name of the game is chess lose. On his journey, Blake learns four essential strategies from the game of chess that transform his leadership and his organization. The result: unprecedented performance!

Harness the power of your subconscious to create a life you desire! The Power of Your Subconscious Mind teaches us how to remove the subconscious obstacles that prevent us from achieving the success we wish for. In this book, bestselling author Joseph Murphy asserts that life events are actually the result of the workings of our conscious and subconscious minds. He suggests practical techniques through which one can change one's destiny, principally by focusing and redirecting this miraculous energy. In these pages are the ways in which one can unleash the extraordinary mental powers to acquire self-confidence, attain professional success, create wealth, build harmonious relationships, overcome fears, get rid of bad habits and promote overall well-being and happiness. Covering a variety of topics from healing to academia to riches, the author cites numerous compelling examples of the power of our thoughts

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and beliefs in influencing our reality. When we change our thinking and prepare our subconscious mind, we change our destiny. Joseph Murphy was an American author and New Thought minister, ordained in Divine Science and Religious Science. A popular speaker, Murphy lectured on both American coasts and in Europe, Asia, and South Africa. Murphy is considered one of the pioneering voices of affirmative-thinking philosophy.

Paul J. Meyer and Randy Slechta introduce *The Five Pillars of Leadership* as the practical and personal foundation of good and efficient leadership, effectively connecting leaders with the people around them. Developing excellent leadership skills includes making decisions not only in the business arena but also in family, financial, mental, physical, social, and spiritual areas of life as well. The authors present the point-by-point strategy of the 5 pillars to include the qualities of a proactive mindset, crystallized thinking, plans and balance, passion and desire, confidence and trust, and commitment and responsibility, in all division of life. It is up to each individual to be an outstanding or a mediocre leader, but everyone at some point, must decide. This book offers a clear formula -- a Personal Plan of Action -- to utilize each person's options and choices to build the solid base and foundation of a successful leader.

Why is it so hard to make lasting changes in our companies, in our communities, and in our own lives? The primary obstacle is a conflict that's built into our brains, say Chip and Dan Heath, authors of the critically acclaimed bestseller *Made to Stick*. Psychologists have discovered that our minds are ruled by two different systems - the rational mind and the emotional mind—that compete for control. The rational mind wants a great beach body; the emotional mind wants that Oreo cookie. The rational mind wants to change something at work; the emotional mind loves the comfort of the existing

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routine. This tension can doom a change effort - but if it is overcome, change can come quickly. In *Switch*, the Heaths show how everyday people - employees and managers, parents and nurses - have united both minds and, as a result, achieved dramatic results:

- The lowly medical interns who managed to defeat an entrenched, decades-old medical practice that was endangering patients
- The home-organizing guru who developed a simple technique for overcoming the dread of housekeeping
- The manager who transformed a lackadaisical customer-support team into service zealots by removing a standard tool of customer service

In a compelling, story-driven narrative, the Heaths bring together decades of counterintuitive research in psychology, sociology, and other fields to shed new light on how we can effect transformative change. *Switch* shows that successful changes follow a pattern, a pattern you can use to make the changes that matter to you, whether your interest is in changing the world or changing your waistline.

Dr. Seuss's wonderfully wise *Oh, the Places You'll Go!* is the perfect gift to celebrate all of our special milestones—from graduations to birthdays and beyond! From soaring to high heights and seeing great sights to being left in a Lurch on a prickly perch, Dr. Seuss addresses life's ups and downs with his trademark humorous verse and whimsical illustrations. The inspiring and timeless message encourages readers to find the success that lies within, no matter what challenges they face. A perennial favorite and a perfect gift for anyone starting a new phase in their life!

What's the worst thing you can hear when you have a good idea at work? "That's not how we do it here!" In their iconic bestseller *Our Iceberg Is Melting*, John Kotter and Holger Rathgeber used a simple fable about penguins to explain the process of leading people through major changes. Now, ten years later, they're back with another must-read story that

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will help any team or organization cope with their biggest challenges and turn them into exciting opportunities. Once upon a time a clan of meerkats lived in the Kalahari, a region in southern Africa. After years of steady growth, a drought has sharply reduced the clan's resources, and deadly vulture attacks have increased. As things keep getting worse, the harmony of the clan is shattered. The executive team quarrels about possible solutions, and suggestions from frontline workers face a soul-crushing response: "That's not how we do it here!" So Nadia, a bright and adventurous meerkat, hits the road in search of new ideas to help her troubled clan. She discovers a much smaller group that operates very differently, with much more teamwork and agility. These meerkats have developed innovative solutions to find food and evade the vultures. But not everything in this small clan is as perfect as it seems at first. Can Nadia figure out how to combine the best of both worlds—a large, disciplined, well-managed clan and a small, informal, inspiring clan—before it's too late? This book distills Kotter's decades of experience and award-winning research to reveal why organizations rise and fall, and how they can rise again in the face of adversity.

A revolutionary look at how the armed forces need to update management policies

The New York Times bestselling, groundbreaking investigation of how the global elite's efforts to "change the world" preserve the status quo and obscure their role in causing the problems they later seek to solve. An essential read for understanding some of the egregious abuses of power that dominate today's news. Former New York Times columnist Anand Giridharadas takes us into the inner sanctums of a new gilded age, where the rich and powerful fight for equality and justice any way they can--except ways that threaten the social order and their position atop it. We see how they rebrand themselves as saviors of the poor; how

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they lavishly reward "thought leaders" who redefine "change" in winner-friendly ways; and how they constantly seek to do more good, but never less harm. We hear the limousine confessions of a celebrated foundation boss; witness an American president hem and haw about his plutocratic benefactors; and attend a cruise-ship conference where entrepreneurs celebrate their own self-interested magnanimity. Giridharadas asks hard questions: Why, for example, should our gravest problems be solved by the unelected upper crust instead of the public institutions it erodes by lobbying and dodging taxes? He also points toward an answer: Rather than rely on scraps from the winners, we must take on the grueling democratic work of building more robust, egalitarian institutions and truly changing the world. A call to action for elites and everyday citizens alike.

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

You'll get there faster if you just slow down Master Your Mind offers a bit of perspective and a lot of insight for anyone seeking long-term success.

Success in business is spelled M-O-R-E: better results, faster growth, more revenue, greater efficiency. Do more. Make more. Achieve more. And do it now. Eventually, ambition turns to stress, then to frenzy, then to emptiness as once-ambitious workers endlessly trudge the hamster wheel chasing the next promotion. While top-level performance is the holy grail of business at all levels, there is

another, much better way to achieve it: slow down.

Yes, you read that right—S-L-O-W. This is your permission to jump off of the hamster wheel. Slowing down is not a luxury, it is a necessity. A frenetic brain simply doesn't perform at optimal levels. By maintaining a snail's pace, you actually achieve better results—at rocket speed—because you're firing on all cylinders. You'll think of new things, approach old problems from new perspectives, and breathe a breath of fresh air into everything you do. This book shows you how to achieve this state of steady, sustainable fire, and how to get further by crawling than you ever did while attempting to fly. Learn how slowing down can lead to better, faster results

Achieve optimal performance thought patterns
Enhance your creativity and effectiveness Build
energy, revenue, and good health in a self-
sustaining way You know you're capable of more,
but the stress is eating away at your body, your
brain, and your soul. Relax, take a deep breath, and
buckle down. Clear your mind, and then put it to
work. Stop juggling and start doing. Master Your
Mind shows you how to supercharge your trajectory
by taking it S-L-O-W.

This completely updated and redesigned personal workbook companion to the bestselling *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens* provides engaging activities, interactives and self-evaluations to help teens understand and apply the power of the 7

Habits. Sean Covey's *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens* has sold more than 2 million copies and helped countless teens make better decisions and improve their sense of self-worth. Pairing new interactives with modern explanatory graphics, *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens* workbook reaches today's teen generation effectively.

Henry the Duck makes a humongous and hilarious mess in the kitchen in his latest merry mis-adventure in this fresh and lively picture book from beloved author Robert Quackenbush! Henry the Duck has invited his good friend Clara to his home for a delicious dinner! But as he starts the preparations, he sees an annoying ant in his kitchen. "The ant must go!" says Henry. But as he quickly learns, one tiny little ant turns into huge and hilarious trouble! Children and parents alike will love following disaster-prone Henry through his adventures in travel, cleverly written and illustrated by Robert Quackenbush.

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER · WALL STREET JOURNAL BESTSELLER · USA TODAY BESTSELLER "The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse is not only a thought-provoking, discussion-worthy story, the book itself is an object of art."- The New York Times From the revered British illustrator, a modern fable for all ages that explores life's universal lessons, featuring 100 color and black-and-white drawings. "What do you want to be when you

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grow up?" asked the mole. "Kind," said the boy. Charlie Mackesy offers inspiration and hope in uncertain times in this beautiful book based on his famous quartet of characters. The Boy, the Mole, the Fox, and the Horse explores their unlikely friendship and the poignant, universal lessons they learn together. Radiant with Mackesy's warmth and gentle wit, The Boy, the Mole, the Fox, and the Horse blends hand-written narrative with dozens of drawings, including some of his best-loved illustrations (including "Help," which has been shared over one million times) and new, never-before-seen material. A modern classic in the vein of The Tao of Pooh, The Alchemist, and The Giving Tree, this charmingly designed keepsake will be treasured for generations to come.

If you are a manager in today's business environment, demonstrating that you have leadership skills is essential to success. But what does it take to become an effective and influential business manager and leader? There are no sure-fire ways, but you can take inspiration and advice from various leaders who have been successful already. This book contains 100 great leaderships ideas, researched from companies and organisations around the world. Each idea is described in some detail. You are then shown how to apply that idea in your own company or work situation. A simple formula which could potentially

lead to rich rewards.

Mysterious attacks. Mischievous nieces. Can a clueless uncle catch a tech-savvy killer ... and be home before bedtime? When a freak accident hospitalizes Marty Golden's sister and condemns him to babysitter duty, he thinks it's just another case of hardwired bad luck in Silicon Valley. Until a suspicious murder suggests the mishap was no mere coincidence. Something must be done. Too bad this quirky, fashion-backward uncle isn't exactly hero material. Convinced his sister is in mortal danger, this amateur sleuth follows clues to an oddball array of suspects. Armed with nothing but an eye for detail and powers of self-delusion, Marty tangles with gangsters, a cantankerous school secretary, and a perplexing woman he can't help but fall for. Glitches in his investigation seem like a piece of cake compared to dinner-prep and bedtime stories with his two precocious, pre-teen nieces. Can Marty catch the culprit, save his sister, and get his life back in order before he gets unplugged? Uncle and Ants is the first novel in a refreshingly modern mystery series set in Silicon Valley. If you like clever humor, sassy side characters, and average Joes facing extraordinary circumstances, then you'll love this twisty mystery. Buy Uncle and Ants to login to a fresh, funny mystery today!

Teenage success is seven habits away with the updated and redesigned companion to the

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international bestselling classic with more than five million copies sold. Sean Covey has helped countless teens make better decisions and improve their sense of self-worth. A Self-Guided Workbook for Highly Effective Teens is a short, quick, and user-friendly companion to the bestselling *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens*. This compact workbook provides the same engaging activities, interactives, and self-evaluations, but now it's graphically more engaging to help teens understand and apply the power of the Habits. Praise for *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens* "This book is a touchdown." —Steve Young, NFL Hall of Famer and Super Bowl MVP "If you are a teen, or know someone who will be one, have them read this book. It will help them establish a pattern for dealing with change, disappointment and even success. It is truly a powerful, life changing book." —Derek Hough, Emmy Award-winning choreographer "A recipe for teenage success!" —Dominique Moceanu, 1996 US Olympic Gold Medalist and New York Times bestselling author "'Like father, like son' maybe a cliché, but Sean has proved it to be true. Sean is as effective as his father in providing directions to teens so that their lives become meaningful. Sean's 7 Habits is a book every teenager should read and emulate." —Arun Gandhi, president, Gandhi Worldwide Education Institute

Taking a brass tacks approach to communication,

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How to Have Confidence and Power in Dealing With People explains how to interact with others as they really are, not as you would like them to be. The goal is to get what you want from them successfully – be it cooperation, goodwill, love or security. Les Giblin, a recognized expert in the field of human relations, has devised a method for dealing with people that can be used when relating with anyone – parents, teachers, bosses, employees, friends, acquaintances, even strangers. Giblin shows step by step how to get what you want at any time and in ways that leave you feeling good about yourself. Moreover, the people who have given you what you want wind up feeling good about themselves, too. The result? Nobody gets shortchanged. It's a win-win situation. Each chapter includes a handy summary, so there's absolutely no chance of missing the book's key points. You can also use these recaps to refresh your memory after you've finished the book. Instead of feeling miserable about your interpersonal skills, read this best-selling guide and learn to succeed with people in every area of your life.

Follow the adventures of Quinn, the mouse, who sets out to find his own spot in the great forest. A large rainstorm creates a rushing torrent of water that sweeps him away leaving him lost and alone. Remembering advice from his dad, he tries to seek out the Great Elephant for help. Along the way he

meets other forest animals who claim to know about the Great Elephant and, out of desperation; he follows some of their advice only to find he's been led down the wrong path. In his greatest moment of need, will the Great Elephant hear his cry for help? In the time-honored and classic style of fables that teach truth, the allegory of The Great Elephant arrives to be added to the treasury of storybooks for teaching children and enriching adults. And the truth beautifully and cleverly rising out of the story is the greatest of all truths - finding the way to God.

A most provocative business parable for our troubled times, LeaderShift is the story of how David Mersher, the successful CEO of IndyTech, sets out to discover why the United States is losing its leadership edge and what he can do to turn things around and make America truly great again. In the process, Mersher and his team learn how the Five Laws of Decline are eroding the nation's economy-quietly ruining businesses and big institutions-and what American executives and citizens need to do to put a stop to this. Above all, Mersher and his colleagues discover something few business leaders or citizens of free nations have yet to realize: Our world today is on the verge of a momentous LeaderShift, one which will reframe the twenty-first century and significantly alter the way we govern, lead, and do business. When Mersher and his team get help from a surprising source, the result is stunning and unexpected-and

it's one that concerned Americans will certainly reflect upon for decades to come. The next LeaderShift is almost here. Are you ready? The definitive translation by Dick Davis of the great national epic of Iran—now newly revised and expanded to be the most complete English-language edition A Penguin Classic Dick Davis—“our pre-eminent translator from the Persian” (The Washington Post)—has revised and expanded his acclaimed translation of Ferdowsi’s masterpiece, adding more than 100 pages of newly translated text. Davis’s elegant combination of prose and verse allows the poetry of the Shahnameh to sing its own tales directly, interspersed sparingly with clearly marked explanations to ease along modern readers. Originally composed for the Samanid princes of Khorasan in the tenth century, the Shahnameh is among the greatest works of world literature. This prodigious narrative tells the story of pre-Islamic Persia, from the mythical creation of the world and the dawn of Persian civilization through the seventh-century Arab conquest. The stories of the Shahnameh are deeply embedded in Persian culture and beyond, as attested by their appearance in such works as *The Kite Runner* and the love poems of Rumi and Hafez. For more than sixty-five years, Penguin has been the leading publisher of classic literature in the English-speaking world. With more than 1,500 titles, Penguin Classics represents a

global bookshelf of the best works throughout history and across genres and disciplines. Readers trust the series to provide authoritative texts enhanced by introductions and notes by distinguished scholars and contemporary authors, as well as up-to-date translations by award-winning translators.

Many creatures are helped when two animals refuse to conform to the laws of the jungle.

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.

Identification vs profiling; state welfare vs state surveillance; privacy vs transparency—Aadhaar has bitterly polarized India since its launch in 2010. No other project has captured the imagination of the people—or inspired such awe and anxiety—in recent memory. Aadhaar began life with a singular mandate: offer an identity to those Indian residents who didn't have any. Along the way, it evolved into the welfare state's flagship technology and altered

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forever how government, business, and society interact. The Aadhaar Effect is the story of the visionaries—bureaucrats, technologists, activists—who created or challenged India’s biggest juggernaut. It is equally the story of humans conflicted about complex choices that may make the world a better place. Polestar award winners N.S. Ramnath and Charles Assisi dive deep into the 12-digit number that has touched 1.2 billion lives and counting—and in the bargain, made the world sit up and take note of India’s ambition.

From the New York Times bestselling author of *The Age of Speed* and *The Ant and the Elephant* comes an engaging parable to help you break free from feeling stuck and bounce back after a crisis in the business of life. Personal catastrophes are like an earthquake: they leave us too shaken to know what to do next, afraid that every step we take might spark another upheaval. But we can learn to resist our human instinct to hide from challenges. In this entertaining modern-day fable, Vince Poscente introduces us to the well-intentioned, conscious ant and the habitually fearful, subconscious elephant as seismic destruction changes their world and ultimately forces them to leave their oasis. What Adir the ant and Elgo the elephant learn—and what you’ll learn by journeying with them—is the linear path they used to reach the oasis in *The Ant and the Elephant* does not work in the chaos after an earthquake. How

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can they breakthrough and thrive after a life-altering setback? The answer lies in the “Solution Loop,” a tool that teaches them to use collaboration, curiosity, and creativity to:

- Reframe dark times as illuminating experiences
- Resist the impulse to go it alone
- Find fresh perspectives
- Seek a path where you can enjoy the journey

The methodology is told using the time-honored method of a parable. The book offers prescriptive advice, and is based on Poscente’s study of practices like decoding human behavior, the neuroscience of performance, and interpersonal dysfunction around fear, *The Earthquake* is a must read. It’s for anyone looking to find your way to sustained hope and away from the messy and debilitating challenges caused by devastation, for specific solutions to the setback you’re currently facing, or to help others bounce back from their personal earthquake.

Argues that the speed and stimulation characteristic of twenty-first-century business life are conditions to be sought out and encouraged, and provides examples and advice for managing rapid change.

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Of all the animals the elephant rescues, only the tiny ant returns the favor.

John C. Maxwell, an expert in leadership development, uses his decades of experience to teach readers how to reach their full potential through a commitment to personal growth. In *Self-Improvement 101*, he provides the essential tips and tools to help any leader continue striving for excellence no

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matter what industry, business, or level of leadership. You'll learn: the secret of becoming a lifelong learner, where to focus your time for maximum growth, what sacrifices are worth making to keep getting better, how to overcome obstacles to self-improvement, the key to turning experience into wisdom, and why leaders need to be learners, among many other essential lessons. People never reach their potential by accident. Often, those who achieve the greatest success have the greatest desire to learn and grow. Self-Improvement 101 guides readers on an essential journey to uncovering their own desire, commitment, and unyielding determination to improve their life--and to improve themselves.

In this award-winning novel, Tharoor has masterfully recast the two-thousand-year-old epic, The Mahabharata, with fictional but highly recognizable events and characters from twentieth-century Indian politics. Nothing is sacred in this deliciously irreverent, witty, and deeply intelligent retelling of modern Indian history and the ancient Indian epic The Mahabharata. Alternately outrageous and instructive, hilarious and moving, it is a dazzling tapestry of prose and verse that satirically, but also poignantly, chronicles the struggle for Indian freedom and independence.

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powers—before a reawakened evil threatens everything she's ever known. Now, with an unlikely group of animal friends—including a courageous bat, a scholarly tree frog, and an anxious monkey—Mez must unravel an ancient mystery and face her greatest fears, if they are to have any hope of saving their endangered rainforest home.

Alan Loy McGinnis, author of the best-selling book *The Friendship Factor*, studied the great leaders throughout history, the most effective organization, and many prominent psychologists to discover their motivational secrets. There are actually a small number of principles used by good motivators, and the best leaders were using them long before psychology had a name. Fascinating case studies and anecdotes about Lee Iacocca, Sandra Day O'Connor, and many others show how you can put 12 key principles to work in your family or organization. Whether you are a parent, executive, teacher, or friend, you can gain the satisfaction that comes from *Bringing the Best Out in People*.

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