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Capitalism in America Alan Greenspan 2018-10-16 From the legendary former Fed Chairman and the acclaimed Economist writer and historian, the full, epic story of America’s evolution from a small patchwork of threadbare colonies to the most powerful engine of wealth and innovation the world has ever seen. Shortlisted for the 2018
From even the start of his fabled career, Alan Greenspan was duly famous for his deep understanding of even the most arcane corners of the American economy, and his restless curiosity to know even more. To the extent possible, he has made a science of understanding how the US economy works almost as a living organism—how it grows and changes, surges and stalls. He has made a particular study of the question of productivity growth, at the heart of which is the riddle of innovation. Where does innovation come from, and how does it spread through a society? And why do some eras see the fruits of innovation spread more democratically, and others, including our own, see the opposite? In Capitalism in America, Greenspan distills a lifetime of grappling with these questions into a thrilling and profound master reckoning with the decisive drivers of the US economy over the course of its history. In partnership with the celebrated Economist journalist and historian Adrian Wooldridge, he unfolds a tale involving vast landscapes, titanic figures, triumphant breakthroughs, enlightenment ideals as well as terrible moral failings. Every crucial debate is here—from the role of slavery in the antebellum Southern economy to the real impact of FDR’s New Deal to America’s violent mood swings in its openness to global trade and its impact. But to read Capitalism in America is above all to be stirred deeply by the extraordinary productive energies unleashed by millions of ordinary Americans that have driven this country to unprecedented heights of power and prosperity. At heart, the authors argue, America’s genius has been its unique tolerance for the effects of creative destruction, the ceaseless churn of the old giving way to the new, driven by new people and new ideas. Often messy and painful, creative destruction has also lifted almost all Americans to standards of living unimaginable to even the wealthiest citizens of the world a few generations past. A sense of justice and human decency demands that those who bear the brunt of the pain of change be protected, but America has always accepted more pain for more gain, and its vaunted rise cannot otherwise be understood, or its challenges faced, without recognizing this legacy. For now, in our time, productivity growth has stalled again, stirring up the populist furies. There’s no better moment to apply the lessons of history to the most pressing question we face, that of whether the United
States will preserve its preeminence, or see its leadership pass to other, inevitably less democratic powers.

Team of Rivals Doris Kearns Goodwin 2006-12-08 Winner of the Lincoln Prize Acclaimed historian Doris Kearns Goodwin illuminates Abraham Lincoln’s political genius in this highly original work, as the one-term congressman and prairie lawyer rises from obscurity to prevail over three gifted rivals of national reputation to become president. On May 18, 1860, William H. Seward, Salmon P. Chase, Edward Bates, and Abraham Lincoln waited in their hometowns for the results from the Republican National Convention in Chicago. When Lincoln emerged as the victor, his rivals were dismayed and angry. Throughout the turbulent 1850s, each had energetically sought the presidency as the conflict over slavery was leading inexorably to secession and civil war. That Lincoln succeeded, Goodwin demonstrates, was the result of a character that had been forged by experiences that raised him above his more privileged and accomplished rivals. He won because he possessed an extraordinary ability to put himself in the place of other men, to experience what they were feeling, to understand their motives and desires. It was this capacity that enabled Lincoln as president to bring his disgruntled opponents together, create the most unusual cabinet in history, and marshal their talents to the task of preserving the Union and winning the war. We view the long, horrifying struggle from the vantage of the White House as Lincoln copes with incompetent generals, hostile congressmen, and his raucous cabinet. He overcomes these obstacles by winning the respect of his former competitors, and in the case of Seward, finds a loyal and crucial friend to see him through. This brilliant multiple biography is centered on Lincoln’s mastery of men and how it shaped the most significant presidency in the nation’s history.

Innovation Lab Excellence Richard Turrin 2019-03-13 This book goes behind the scenes of working innovation labs to distill a rigorous set of best practices. Apply these to unleash the innovation that will give your enterprise a digital competitive advantage.

Moneyball (Movie Tie-in Edition) Michael Lewis 2011-08-22 Explains how Billy Beene, the general manager of the Oakland Athletics, is using a new kind of thinking to build a successful and winning baseball team without spending enormous sums of money.
The Systems Work of Social Change Cynthia Rayner 2021-10-05 The issues of poverty, inequality, racial injustice, and climate change have never been more pressing. This book draws on stories of committed social changemakers to uncover effective principles and practices for social change, distilling a timely set of lessons on how connection, context, and power sit at the heart of the change process.

Counterinsurgency Lessons from Malaya and Vietnam John A. Nagl 2002 Examines the differences in the abilities of the British Army in Malaya and the United States Army in Vietnam to adapt their strategies when confronted with unexpected guerilla warfare.

The Fourth Industrial Revolution Klaus Schwab 2017 Between the 18th and 19th centuries, Britain experienced massive leaps in technological, scientific, and economical advancement.

Lessons from NAFTA Luis Serven 2004-11-15 Analyzing the experience of Mexico under the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), ‘Lessons from NAFTA’ aims to provide guidance to Latin American and Caribbean countries considering free trade agreements with the United States. The authors conclude that the treaty raised external trade and foreign investment inflows and had a modest effect on Mexico’s average income per person. It is likely that the treaty also helped achieve a modest reduction in poverty and an improvement in job quality. This book will be of interest to scholars and policymakers interested in international trade and development.

Digital Entrepreneurship Mariusz Soltanifar 2020-11-13 This open access book explores the global challenges and experiences related to digital entrepreneurial activities, using carefully selected examples from leading companies and economies that shape world business today and tomorrow. Digital entrepreneurship and the companies steering it have an enormous global impact; they promise to transform the business world and change the way we communicate with each other. These companies use digitalization and artificial intelligence to enhance the quality of decisions and augment their business and customer operations. This book demonstrates how cloud services are continuing to evolve; how cryptocurrencies are traded in the banking industry; how platforms are created to commercialize business, and how, taken together, these developments provide new opportunities in the digitalized era. Further, it discusses a wide range of digital factors changing the
Way businesses operate, including artificial intelligence, chatbots, voice search, augmented and virtual reality, as well as cyber threats and data privacy management. "Digitalization mirrors the Industrial Revolution’s impact. This book provides a complement of perspectives on the opportunities emanating from such a deep seated change in our economy. It is a comprehensive collection of thought leadership mapped into a very useful framework. Scholars, digital entrepreneurs and practitioners will benefit from this timely work.” Gina O’Connor, Professor of Innovation Management at Babson College, USA “This book defines and delineates the requirements for companies to enable their businesses to succeed in a post-COVID19 world. This book deftly examines how to accomplish and achieve digital entrepreneurship by leveraging cloud computing, AI, IoT and other critical technologies. This is truly a unique “must-read” book because it goes beyond theory and provides practical examples.” Charlie Isaacs, CTO of Customer Connection at Salesforce.com, USA “This book provides digital entrepreneurs useful guidance identifying, validating and building their venture. The international authors developed new perspectives on digital entrepreneurship that can support to create impact ventures.” Felix Staeritz, CEO FoundersLane, Member of the World Economic Forum Digital Leaders Board and bestselling author of FightBack, Germany

The Experience Economy B. Joseph Pine 1999 Future economic growth lies in the value of experiences and transformations--good and services are no longer enough. We are on the threshold, say authors Pine and Gilmore, of the Experience Economy, a new economic era in which all businesses must orchestrate memorable events for their customers. The Experience Economy offers a creative, highly original, and yet eminently practical strategy for companies to script and stage the experiences that will transform the value of what they produce. From America Online to Walt Disney, the authors draw from a rich and varied mix of examples that showcase businesses in the midst of creating personal experiences for both consumers and businesses. The authors urge managers to look beyond traditional pricing factors like time and cost, and consider charging for the value of the transformation that an experience offers. Goods and services, say Pine and Gilmore, are no longer enough. Experiences and
transformations are the basis for future economic growth, and The Experience Economy is the script from which managers can begin to direct their own transformations.

**Global Innovation Index 2020**
Cornell University 2020-08-13

The Global Innovation Index 2020 provides detailed metrics about the innovation performance of 131 countries and economies around the world. Its 80 indicators explore a broad vision of innovation, including political environment, education, infrastructure and business sophistication. The 2020 edition sheds light on the state of innovation financing by investigating the evolution of financing mechanisms for entrepreneurs and other innovators, and by pointing to progress and remaining challenges—including in the context of the economic slowdown induced by the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) crisis.

**Trailblazer**
Marc Benioff
2019-10-15 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • The founder and co-CEO of Salesforce delivers an inspiring vision for successful companies of the future—in which changing the world is everyone’s business. “The gold standard on how to use business as a platform for change at this urgent time.”—Ray Dalio, founder of Bridgewater Associates and author of Principles: Life and Work What’s the secret to business growth and innovation and a purpose-driven career in a world that is becoming vastly more complicated by the day? According to Marc Benioff, the answer is embracing a culture in which your values permeate everything you do. In Trailblazer, Benioff gives readers a rare behind-the-scenes look at the inner workings of one of the world’s most admired companies. He reveals how Salesforce’s core values—trust, customer success, innovation, and equality—and commitment to giving back have become the company’s greatest competitive advantage and the most powerful engine of its success. Because no matter what business you’re in, Benioff says, values are the bedrock of a resilient company culture that inspires all employees, at every level, to do the best work of their lives. Along the way, he shares insights and best practices for anyone who wants to cultivate a company culture positioned to thrive in the face of the inevitable disruption ahead. None of us in the business world can afford to sit on the sidelines and ignore what’s going on outside the walls of our workplaces. In the future, profits and progress will no longer be sustainable unless they serve the greater good. Whether you run a
company, lead a small team, or have just draped an ID badge around your neck for the first time, Trailblazer reveals how anyone can become an agent of change. Praise for Trailblazer “A guide for what every business and organization must do to thrive in this period of profound political and economic change.”—Jamie Dimon, chairman and CEO of JPMorgan Chase “In Trailblazer, Benioff explores how companies can nurture a values-based culture to become powerful platforms for change.”—Susan Wojcicki, CEO of YouTube

Year of Yes Shonda Rhimes 2015-11-10 The creator of “Grey’s Anatomy” and “Scandal” details the one-year experiment with saying “yes” that transformed her life, revealing how accepting unexpected invitations she would have otherwise declined enabled powerful benefits.

Transforming REDD+ Angelsen, A. 2018-12-12 Constructive critique. This book provides a critical, evidence-based analysis of REDD+ implementation so far, without losing sight of the urgent need to reduce forest-based emissions to prevent catastrophic climate change. REDD+ as envisioned

Surviving Supply Chain Integration National Research Council 2000-03-23 The managed flow of goods and information from raw material to final sale also known as a “supply chain” affects everything—from the U.S. gross domestic product to where you can buy your jeans. The nature of a company’s supply chain has a significant effect on its success or failure—as in the success of Dell Computer’s make-to-order system and the failure of General Motor’s vertical integration during the 1998 United Auto Workers strike. Supply Chain Integration looks at this crucial component of business at a time when product design, manufacture, and delivery are changing radically and globally. This book explores the benefits of continuously improving the relationship between the firm, its suppliers, and its customers to ensure the highest added value. This book identifies the state-of-the-art developments that contribute to the success of vertical tiers of suppliers and relates these developments to the capabilities that small and medium-sized manufacturers must have to be viable participants in this system. Strategies for attaining these capabilities through manufacturing extension centers and other technical assistance providers at the national, state, and local level are suggested. This book identifies action steps for small and medium-sized manufacturers—the “seed corn” of

THE INTELLIGENT INVESTOR - SILICON VALLEY ALISON DAVIS 2020-09-23

FROM THE BESTSELLING AUTHORS OF THE FIFTH ERA, CORPORATE INNOVATION IN THE FIFTH ERA AND BLOCKCHAIN COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE COMES A NEW BOOK FULL OF PRACTICAL WISDOM FOR INVESTORS AND ENTREPRENEURS FROM 50 LEADING SILICON VALLEY ANGELS AND VENTURE CAPITALISTS CONTRIBUTIONS FROM MORE THAN 50 OF SILICON VALLEY’S LEADING BACKERS OF EARLY STAGE COMPANIES: WHAT THEY HAVE LEARNED ABOUT EARLY STAGE INVESTING THE SECRETS THEY WISH THEY HAD KNOWN BEFORE THEY GOT STARTED THE WISDOM AND ADVICE THEY WANT TO SHARE WITH YOU.

THE STATE OF FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION IN THE WORLD 2018

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS 2018-09-14

NEW EVIDENCE THIS YEAR CORROBORATES THE RISE IN WORLD HUNGER OBSERVED IN THIS REPORT LAST YEAR, SENDING A WARNING THAT MORE ACTION IS NEEDED IF WE ASPIRE TO END WORLD HUNGER AND MALNUTRITION IN ALL ITS FORMS BY 2030. UPDATED ESTIMATES SHOW THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO SUFFER FROM HUNGER HAS BEEN GROWING OVER THE PAST THREE YEARS, RETURNING TO PREVAILING LEVELS FROM ALMOST A DECADE AGO. ALTHOUGH PROGRESS CONTINUES TO BE MADE IN REDUCING CHILD STUNTING, OVER 22 PERCENT OF CHILDREN UNDER FIVE YEARS OF AGE ARE STILL AFFECTED. OTHER FORMS OF MALNUTRITION ARE ALSO GROWING: ADULT OBESITY CONTINUES TO INCREASE IN COUNTRIES IRRESPECTIVE OF THEIR INCOME LEVELS, AND MANY COUNTRIES ARE COPING WITH MULTIPLE FORMS OF MALNUTRITION AT THE SAME TIME - OVERWEIGHT AND OBESITY, AS WELL AS ANAEMIA IN WOMEN, AND CHILD STUNTING AND WASTING.

THE WORLD IS FLAT [FURTHER UPDATED AND EXPANDED; RELEASE 3.0]

THOMAS L. FRIEDMAN 2007-08-07

THIS NEW EDITION OF FRIEDMAN’S LANDMARK BOOK EXPLAINS THE FLATTENING OF THE WORLD BETTER THAN EVER AND TAKES A NEW MEASURE OF THE EFFECTS OF THIS CHANGE ON EACH OF US.

OPEN BUSINESS MODELS

HENRY WILLIAM CHESBROUGH 2006

PROVIDES A DIAGNOSTIC TOOL FOR
READERS TO ASSESS THEIR BUSINESS MODEL AND Usher IT THROUGH A SIX-STAGE CONTINUUM TOWARD OPENNESS. This book also identifies the barriers to creating open business models (such as the not invented here syndrome and the not sold here virus) and explains how to surmount them.

**Mobile Design and Development**

Brian Fling 2009-08-14 Mobile devices outnumber desktop and laptop computers three to one worldwide, yet little information is available for designing and developing mobile applications. Mobile Design and Development fills that void with practical guidelines, standards, techniques, and best practices for building mobile products from start to finish. With this book, you’ll learn basic design and development principles for all mobile devices and platforms. You’ll also explore the more advanced capabilities of the mobile web, including markup, advanced styling techniques, and mobile Ajax. If you’re a web designer, web developer, information architect, product manager, usability professional, content publisher, or an entrepreneur new to the mobile web, Mobile Design and Development provides you with the knowledge you need to work with this rapidly developing technology. Mobile Design and Development will help you: Understand how the mobile ecosystem works, how it differs from other mediums, and how to design products for the mobile context Learn the pros and cons of building native applications sold through operators or app stores versus mobile websites or web apps Work with flows, prototypes, usability practices, and screen-size-independent visual designs Use and test cross-platform mobile web standards for older devices, as well as devices that may be available in the future Learn how to justify a mobile product by building it on a budget

**Postcapitalism**

Paul Mason 2016-02-09 We know that our world is undergoing seismic change—but how can we emerge from the crisis a fairer, more equal society? Over the past two centuries or so, capitalism has undergone profound changes—economic cycles that veer from boom to bust—from which it has always emerged transformed and strengthened. Surveying this turbulent history, Paul Mason’s Postcapitalism argues that we are on the brink of a change so big and so profound that this time capitalism itself, the immensely complex system within which entire societies function, will mutate into something wholly new. At the heart of this change is information technology, a revolution that is driven by capitalism but, with its
Tendence to push the value of much of what we make toward zero, has the potential to destroy an economy based on markets, wages, and private ownership. Almost unnoticed, in the niches and hollows of the market system, swathes of economic life are beginning to move to a different rhythm. Vast numbers of people are changing how they behave and live, in ways contrary to the current system of state-backed corporate capitalism. And as the terrain changes, new paths open. In this bold and prophetic book, Mason shows how, from the ashes of the crisis, we have the chance to create a more socially just and sustainable economy. Although the dangers ahead are profound, he argues that there is cause for hope. This is the first time in human history in which, equipped with an understanding of what is happening around us, we can predict and shape the future.

**Dilemmas of Regional and Local Development**
Jerzy Baski
2020-03-05
Dilemmas of Regional and Local Development aims to identify, diagnose and evaluate various approaches towards regional and local socio-economic development. Over the course of the book, authors from 12 countries and four continents come together to review experiences and solutions related to regional development in a range of different economic, social and political systems. The first part of the volume focuses on the fundamentals of planning regional and local development, particularly focusing on theoretical solutions and development policy concepts. The second part is more applied, looking at practical instruments and solutions for shaping the local economy, and analysing effective development policy. This book will be of interest to economists, geography, politics, and planning scholars and researchers working on regional sciences and local development.

**Yes to the Mess**
Frank J. Barrett
2012-07-24
What Duke Ellington and Miles Davis teach us about leadership
How do you cope when faced with complexity and constant change at work? Here’s what the world’s best leaders and teams do: they improvise. They invent novel responses and take calculated risks without a scripted plan or a safety net that guarantees specific outcomes. They negotiate with each other as they proceed, and they don’t dwell on mistakes or stifle each other’s ideas. In short, they say “yes to the mess” that is today’s hurried, harried, yet enormously innovative and fertile world of work. This is exactly what great jazz musicians do. In this revelatory book, accomplished jazz pianist and
management scholar Frank Barrett shows how this improvisational “jazz mind-set” and the skills that go along with it are essential for effective leadership today. With fascinating stories of the insights and innovations of jazz greats such as Miles Davis and Sonny Rollins, as well as probing accounts of the wisdom gleaned from his own experience as a jazz musician, Barrett introduces a new model for leading and collaborating in organizations. He describes how, like skilled jazz players, leaders need to master the art of unlearning, perform and experiment simultaneously, and take turns soloing and supporting each other. And with examples that range from manufacturing to the military to high-tech, he illustrates how organizations must take an inventive approach to crisis management, economic volatility, and all the rapidly evolving realities of our globally connected world. Leaders today need to be expert improvisers. Yes to the Mess vividly shows how the principles of jazz thinking and jazz performance can help anyone who leads teams or works with them to develop these critical skills, wherever they sit in the organization. Engaging and insightful, Yes to the Mess is a seminar on collaboration and complexity, against the soulful backdrop of jazz.

Building Your Fortune in the Fifth Era
Matthew C. Le Merle 2017-04-16

The Internet didn’t even exist 30 years ago, and now billions of people are connected to the web every day, and remarkable new technologies have been invented that will dramatically change the way humans exist on our planet. This emerging playing field is not well understood and not everyone who was successful in the past will be able to benefit from this momentous shift. In Build Your Fortune in the Fifth Era, Silicon Valley insiders Matthew C. Le Merle and Alison Davis provide insights, based on 30 years of leading, investing in and advising new technology companies, on the rules of this game, and outline options for how readers can participate and prosper in the coming Fifth Era. In these pages, through plain language and inspiring stories, you’ll: - Understand this Age of Unprecedented Change. A time of transition to a new age unlike anything we have experienced before - Discover the Greatest Wealth Creation Opportunity Ever. Every industry is being transformed and wealth is shifting to new disruptive players and those who back them - Explore 9 Options to Build Your Fortune. The nine options to build your fortune and prosper in an age of unprecedented innovation
Drawing from a variety of disciplines, including design, economics, public policy, organizational theory, science and technology studies, sociology, and even cognitive psychology and epistemology, The Fifth Wave is a must-read for anyone concerned with the future of higher education in our society.

As in previous editions of The Essays of Warren Buffett, this one retains the architecture and philosophy of the original edition but adds selections from Warren Buffett’s most recent annual shareholder letters. All the letters are woven together into a fabric that reads as a complete and coherent narrative of a sound business and investment philosophy. As an aid to all readers, and to enable readers of the previous editions to see what is new in this one, a disposition table at the end of the book shows the various places in this collection where selections from each year’s letter appear.

Footnotes throughout indicate the year of the annual report from which essays are taken. To avoid interrupting the narrative flow, omissions of text within excerpts are not indicated by ellipses or other punctuation. This new edition is called for not because anything has changed about the fundamentals of Buffett’s sound business and investment philosophy but because articulation of that philosophy is always delivered in the context of contemporary events and business conditions so periodic updating is warranted to maintain its currency.

The companies who have been most able to tap into new innovations have become the most highly valued companies in the world. To do so, they have created a new approach to corporate innovation. In this book, Silicon Valley insiders share the lessons they have learned from two decades of interaction with today’s most valuable companies.

The actionable guide for driving organizational innovation through better IT strategy With rare insight, expert technology strategist Peter High emphasizes the acute need for IT strategy to be developed not in a vacuum, but in concert with the broader organizational strategy. This approach focuses the development of technology tools and strategies in a way that is comprehensive in nature and designed with the concept of value in mind. The role of CIO is no longer “just” to manage IT strategy—instead, the successful
EXECUTIVE WILL BE FIRMLY IN TUNE WITH CORPORATE STRATEGY AND A DRIVER OF A TECHNOLOGY STRATEGY THAT IS WOVEN INTO OVERALL BUSINESS OBJECTIVES AT THE ENTERPRISE AND BUSINESS UNIT LEVELS. HIGH MAKES USE OF CASE EXAMPLES FROM LEADING COMPANIES TO ILLUSTRATE THE VARIOUS WAYS THAT IT INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY CAN BE DEVELOPED, NOT JUST TO FALL IN LINE WITH BUSINESS STRATEGY, BUT TO ACTUALLY DRIVE THAT STRATEGY IN A MEANINGFUL WAY. HIS IDEAS ARE DESIGNED TO PROVIDE REAL, ACTIONABLE STEPS FOR CIOs THAT BOTH INCREASE THE EXECUTIVE’S VALUE TO THE ORGANIZATION AND UNITE BUSINESS AND IT IN A MANNER THAT PRODUCES HIGHLY-SUCCESSFUL OUTCOMES. FORMULATE CLEARER AND BETTER IT STRATEGIC PLANS WEAVE IT STRATEGY INTO BUSINESS STRATEGY AT THE CORPORATE AND BUSINESS UNIT LEVELS CRAFT AN INFRASTRUCTURE THAT AlignS WITH C-SUITE STRATEGY CLOSE THE GAP THAT EXISTS BETWEEN IT LEADERS AND BUSINESS LEADERS WHILE FUNCTION, INNOVATION, AND DESIGN REMAIN KEY ELEMENTS TO THE DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF IT INFRASTRUCTURE AND OPERATIONS, CIOs MUST NOW THINK BEYOND THEIR PRIMARY PURVIEW AND RECOgnIZE THE VALUE THEIR STRATEGIES AND INITIATIVES WILL CREATE FOR THE ORGANIZATION. WITH IMPLEMENTING WORLD CLASS IT STRATEGY, THE ROADMAP TO STRATEGIC IT EXCELLENCE AWAITS.


MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED Tony Wagner 2015-08-18 “Tony Wagner and venture capitalist Ted Dintersmith call for a complete overhaul of the function and focus of American schools, sharing insights and stories from the front lines, including profiles of successful students, teachers, parents, and business leaders. [The
book proposes] a new vision of American education, one that puts wonder, creativity, and initiative at the very heart of the learning process and prepares students for today’s economy”--

The Innovation Ultimatum Steve Brown 2020-02-05 Prepares leaders for the 2020s—an accessible guide to the key technologies that will reshape business in the coming decade Most businesses identify six key digital technologies—artificial intelligence (AI), distributed ledgers and blockchain, the Internet of Things (IoT), autonomous machines, virtual and augmented reality, and 5G communication—as critical to their relevance and growth over the coming ten years. These new disruptive technologies present significant opportunity for businesses in every industry. The first businesses to understand automation and these transformative technologies will be the ones to reap the greatest rewards in the marketplace. The Innovation Ultimatum helps leaders understand the key technologies poised to reshape business in the next decade and prepare their organizations for technology-enabled change. Using straightforward, jargon-free language, this important resource provides a set of strategic questions every leader will need to ask and answer in order to prepare for the impending changes to the business landscape. Author Steve Brown shares his insights to help leaders take full advantage of the next wave of digital transformation and describes compelling examples of how businesses are already embracing new technologies to optimize operations, create new value, and serve customers in new ways.

Written for anyone that wants to understand how automation and new technology will fundamentally restructure business, this book enables readers to: Understand the implications of technology-driven change across industrial sectors Apply important insights to their own business Gain competitive advantage by implementing new technologies Prepare for the future of work and understand the skills needed to thrive in a post-automation economy Adopt critical digital technologies in any organization Providing invaluable cutting-edge content, The Innovation Ultimatum is a much-needed source of guidance and inspiration for business leaders, board members, C-suite executives, and senior managers who need to prepare their businesses for the future.

Grow from Within: Mastering Corporate Entrepreneurship and Innovation Robert Wolcott
2008-12-01 Create Business and Generate Profits in New Markets through Innovation! “The best account I have read about how companies can enable and support internal entrepreneurs to achieve innovation-led growth.” Philip Kotler, S.C. Johnson & Son Professor of International Marketing, Kellogg School of Management “An essential resource for both private and public sector leaders seeking to align new business creation with an organization’s mission and strategy . . . and achieve results.” William J. Perry, former U.S. Secretary of Defense “Wolcott and Lippitz are not only insightful, they are spot on. This is exactly the book corporate leaders—from CEOs and functional executives to corporate entrepreneurial teams—need to help them navigate the exceptional challenges of organic growth and innovation.” Betsy Holden, Senior Advisor, McKinsey & Company, and former Co-CEO, Kraft Foods, Inc. About the Book: IBM reports $15 billion of annual new revenues from 22 Emerging Business Opportunities. In 2008, $4 billion in revenues from companywide innovation efforts allowed Whirlpool to maintain its top line, despite global recession and the steep drop in housing markets. A DuPont business group leader, Ellen Kullman, backed an ambitious new business creation program and later became DuPont’s CEO. Each of these companies has learned how to create new businesses on a repeatable basis. In Grow from Within, two leading scholars from the Kellogg School of Management explain how your company can discover the right approach to corporate entrepreneurship and make it profitable. Taking innovation to the next level, CORPORATE ENTREPRENEURSHIP IS THE PROCESS OF BUILDING NEW BUSINESSES WITHIN AN ESTABLISHED ORGANIZATION—NEW BUSINESSES THAT ARE DISTINCT FROM THE CORE COMPANY BUT THAT LEVERAGE SOME OF ITS MOST POWERFUL ASSETS. Grow from Within examines: The fundamentals of designing a new business The four dominant models of corporate entrepreneurship Ways to align your innovation program with your strategy Leadership requirements for developing new businesses Innovation is critical to business success and growth, but it’s only the first step. Without strategically driven processes to turn insights into growing businesses, even the best ideas can fail. Creativity is often serendipitous; innovation management should not be. Grow from Within provides the knowledge you need to conceive and design valuable new businesses that breathe life into ideas and
Marketing Lessons from the Grateful Dead by David Meerman Scott

The Grateful Dead—rock legends, marketing pioneers—broke almost every rule in the music industry book. They encouraged their fans to record shows and trade tapes; they built a mailing list and sold concert tickets directly to fans; and they built their business model on live concerts, not album sales. By cultivating a dedicated, active community, collaborating with their audience to co-create the Deadhead lifestyle, and giving away “freemium” content, the Dead pioneered many social media and inbound marketing concepts successfully used by businesses across all industries today. Written by marketing gurus and lifelong Deadheads David Meerman Scott and Brian Halligan, Marketing Lessons from the Grateful Dead gives you key innovations from the Dead’s approach you can apply to your business. Find out how to make your fans equal partners in your journey, “lose control” to win, create passionate loyalty, and experience the kind of marketing gains that will not fade away! The Psychology of Money by Morgan Housel

Doing well with money isn’t necessarily about what you know. It’s about how you behave. And behavior is hard to teach, even to really smart people. Money—investing, personal finance, and business decisions—is typically taught as a math-based field, where data and formulas tell us exactly what to do. But in the real world people don’t make financial decisions on a spreadsheet. They make them at the dinner table, or in a meeting room, where personal history, your own unique view of the world, ego, pride, marketing, and odd incentives are scrambled together. In The Psychology of Money, award-winning author Morgan Housel shares 19 short stories exploring the strange ways people think about money and teaches you how to make better sense of one of life’s most important topics. Steve Jobs by Walter Isaacson

Draws on more than forty interviews with Steve Jobs, as well as interviews with family members, friends, competitors, and colleagues to offer a look at the co-founder and leading creative force behind the Apple computer company. Blockchain Competitive Advantage by Alison Davis

Blockchain is moving into a new competitive phase that requires a clearer future view and more focused strategies for competing. Whether you are an entrepreneur, investor, or established company, learn how
to win the battle for blockchain competitive advantage. This book provides clear advice from two experts in strategy, technology investing and blockchain. In its pages the authors: Establish a vision of the future and the big issues that need to be solved. Describe the enabling innovations and technologies that may be leveraged. Show you how to develop your strategy—making sure you have a “way to play,” that you understand the key success factors, and that you quickly secure a “right to win.” In blockchain a few of the leaders have begun to do just this, and they are preparing now for a much more competitive game—which is coming fast.

**Inside the Five-Sided Box** Ash Carter 2020-06-09

The twenty-fifth Secretary of Defense takes readers behind the scenes to reveal the inner workings of the Pentagon, its vital mission, and what it takes to lead it. The Pentagon is the headquarters of the single largest institution in America: the Department of Defense. The D.O.D. employs millions of Americans. It owns and operates more real estate, and spends more money, than any other entity. It manages the world’s largest and most complex information network and performs more R&D than Apple, Google, and Microsoft combined. Most important, the policies it carries out, in war and peace, impact the security and freedom of billions of people around the globe. Yet to most Americans, the dealings of the D.O.D. are a mystery, and the Pentagon nothing more than an opaque five-sided box that they regard with a mixture of awe and suspicion. In this new book, former Secretary of Defense Ash Carter demystifies the Pentagon and sheds light on all that happens inside one of the nation’s most iconic, and most closely guarded, buildings. Drawn from Carter’s thirty-six years of leadership experience in the D.O.D., this is the essential book for understanding the challenge of defending America in a dangerous world—and imparting a trove of incisive lessons that can guide leaders in any complex organization. In these times of great disruption and danger, the need for Ash Carter’s authoritative and pragmatic account is more urgent than ever.

**Staying Power** Michael A. Cusumano 2012-07-19

As we continue in an era of simultaneous innovation and commoditization, enabled by digital technologies, managers around the world are asking themselves “how can we both adapt to rapid changes in technology and markets, and still make enough money to survive—and thrive?” To provide answers to these important and urgent
questions, MIT Sloan School of Management Professor Michael Cusumano draws on nearly 30 years of research into the practices of global corporations that have been acknowledged leaders and benchmark setters – including Apple, Intel, Google, Microsoft, Toyota, Sony, Panasonic, and others in a range of high-technology, services, and manufacturing industries. These companies have also encountered major challenges in their businesses or disruptions to their core technologies. If we look deeply enough, he contends, we can see the ideas that underpin the management practices that make for great companies, and drive their strategic evolution and innovation capabilities. From his deep knowledge of these organizations, Cusumano distils six enduring principles that he believes have been – in various combinations – crucial to their strategy, innovation management practices, and ability to deal with change and uncertainty. The first two principles – platforms (not just products), and services (especially for product firms) – are relatively new and broader ways of thinking about strategy and business models, based on Cusumano’s latest research. The other four – capabilities (not just strategy or positioning), the “pull” concept (not just push), economies of scope (not just scale), and flexibility (not just efficiency) – all contribute to agility, which is a mix of flexibility and speed. Many practices associated with these ideas, such as dynamic capabilities, just-in-time production, iterative or prototype-driven product development, flexible design and manufacturing, modular architectures, and component reuse, are now commonly regarded as standard best practices. These six enduring principles are essential in a new world dominated by platforms and technology-enabled services.

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Technology is all around us. It is so pervasive in our daily lives that we may not even recognize when we interact with it. Despite this fact, many companies have yet to leverage information technology as a strategic weapon. What then is an information technology executive to do in order to raise the prominence of his or her department? In World Class IT, recognized expert in IT strategy Peter High reveals the essential principles IT executives must follow and the order in which they should follow them whether they are at the helm of a high-performing department or one in need of great improvement.
1: Recruit, train, and retain World Class IT people Principle 2: Build and maintain a robust IT infrastructure Principle 3: Manage projects and portfolios effectively Principle 4: Ensure partnerships within the IT department and with the business Principle 5: Develop a collaborative relationship with external partners The principles and associated subprinciples and metrics introduced in World Class IT have been used by IT and business executives alike at many Global 1000 companies to monitor and improve IT’s performance. Those principles pertain as much to the leaders of IT as they do to those striving to emulate them.

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