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We are in an unprecedented transition in human history. The way societies and organizations have developed over the past two millennia has run its course. With the advent of the digital age, we have the tools, knowledge, and resources to act upon our desires to create, innovate, and collaborate in ways not available to anyone—before

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now. Transformation has everything to do with how we give of ourselves to one another and the difference that makes. It is about how we live together, work together, change together, and lead together. Part of this transition is the transformation of human purpose. Do we define ourselves by the roles that we serve in institutions? Or, do we define ourselves by the impact we seek to create? Your personal circle of impact is not about what you want to have, but what we can create—together. Pork dorks. Craftsters. American Girl fans.

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Despite their different tastes, these eclectic diehards have a lot in common: they're obsessed about a specific brand, product, or category. They pursue their passions with fervor, and they're extremely knowledgeable about the things they love. They aren't average consumers—they're superconsumers. Although small in number, superconsumers can have an outsized impact on a company's bottom line. Representing 10% of total consumers, they can drive between 30% to 70% of sales, and they're usually willing to spend

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considerably more than the average consumer. And because they're so engaged and passionate, they can offer invaluable advice to managers looking to improve their products, change their business models, energize their cultures, and attract new customers. In Superconsumers, growth strategy expert Eddie Yoon lays out a simple but extremely effective framework that has helped companies of all types and sizes achieve more sustainable growth: he'll show you how to find, listen to, and engage with your most passionate and profitable

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consumers, and then tailor your decisions to meet their wants and needs. Along the way, he'll let you into the minds and homes of superconsumers of all kinds, revealing what makes them tick and why they're willing to spend so much more than other consumers. Rich with data and case studies of companies that have implemented superconsumer strategies with great success, Superconsumers is a fun, practical, and inspiring guide for anyone interested in making their best customers even better. In the sink or swim world of planners,

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strategists and their clients, now more than ever, there is a need for a practical handbook to guide us through all the main parts of the process. And thanks to Les Binet and Sarah Carter at Adam&eveDDB we now have just that.

What does a football firm do outside football? In the case of Mark Chester and his infamous Naughty Forty, the answer was: live off their wits and their mettle. Chester left his native Stoke in the mid-Eighties in search of something more than the buzz of terrace violence. After a stint abroad, he

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**returned to London as a down-and-out.
Soon the Stoke boys had teamed up with
the 6.57 Crew from Portsmouth to run
Ecstasy rackets. From robberies in Germany
to jail terms in Peru, deadly fights in Belize
to smoking spliffs in Barbados, Chester's
account is part road trip, part confessional.**

Circle of Impact

The Category Design Toolkit

**Why the Future of Business Is Sharing
Build a Business for a Lifetime Playing the
Long Game in Direct Response Marketing
How to Build a Product That Sells Itself**

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The Messy Middle **Disrupting Digital Business** **The Enduring Value of Values**

We are no longer an economy of products and services. The digital transformation demands that we focus our attention on experiences and outcomes. Business leaders and their organizations must shift to keeping promises—no matter how their customers interact with them. But organizations no longer control the conversation. In this era of social and mobile technology, customers, employees,

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suppliers, and partners are in direct communication with one another. Those personal networks and the brands they're passionate about influence their decision making and their spending. The workforce has changed too. Employees expect to be able to determine when and how they will work, the technology they'll use, and the values their company will espouse.

Organizations can take part in this conversation only if they recognize how and where it's happening. Resisting these changes will leave executives, managers,

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and their companies powerless.

Organizations must pivot with and ahead of these social, organizational, and technological shifts or risk being left behind. Technology guru Ray Wang shows how organizations can surf the waves of change—how they can keep their promises.

Current trends, when taken seriously, require a new way of thinking about business that includes five key areas: 1.

Consumerization of technology and the new C-suite 2. Data's influence in driving decisions 3. Digital marketing

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transformation 4. The future of work 5.

Matrix commerce Digital disruption has changed how we do our work. But by mastering these trends you'll delight your customers with every interaction.

From the marketing strategist who helped Steve Jobs launch the original Apple Macintosh comes a groundbreaking guide to positioning any company for industry dominance Andy Cunningham has been at the forefront of tech and innovation since day one, and she's been helping companies create new product categories ever since.

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Now she reveals the winning framework she uses to transform markets and industries.

Get to Aha! shows how to establish the kind of foundation world-class brands are built on. Too many business leaders fail to ask the most basic questions about their company—Who are we? And why do we matter?—before they leap right into branding. Big mistake. A company must first know itself (establish its position) before it can express its identity (execute its branding). There are three types of companies in the world, each with

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its own DNA: Mothers are customer-oriented, Mechanics are product-oriented, and Missionaries are concept-oriented?and it's absolutely critical for business leaders to know which type their company is to create an authentic and ultimately "sticky" position in the market. A company's DNA is the key to achieving this and with it, a competitive advantage. Why? Because if a Mechanic creates a marketing campaign based on its belief that it is a Missionary, the underlying positioning will not ring true and the company won't

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gain a foothold in the market. But if a company positions itself in alignment with its DNA, it will resonate authentically and establish its role and relevance even in the face of a major competitor. Get to Aha! presents a clear step-by-step framework that will help you determine your company's precise position in the marketing landscape, using Andy's DNA-based methodology. It takes you through the process of performing "genetic testing" on your company, examining the market through the six Cs of positioning,

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and developing your positioning statement—a rational, factual statement about your company's role and relevance. Then and only then can you create a branding and marketing strategy that will build market momentum and crush the competition. Trust Andy. Steve Jobs did.

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INSPIRING BOOKS OF 2018 BY INC. NAMED ONE
OF THE BEST STARTUP BOOKS OF ALL TIME BY
BOOKAUTHORITY The Messy Middle is the
indispensable guide to navigating the
volatility of new ventures and leading

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bold creative projects by Scott Branson, bestselling author, entrepreneur, Chief Product Officer at Adobe, and product advisor to many of today's top start-ups. Creating something from nothing is an unpredictable journey. The first mile births a new idea into existence, and the final mile is all about letting go. We love talking about starts and finishes, even though the middle stretch is the most important and often the most ignored and misunderstood. Broken into three sections with 100+ lessons, this no-nonsense book

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will help you:

- Endure the roller coaster of successes and failures by strengthening your resolve, embracing the long-game, and short-circuiting your reward system to get to the finish line.
- Optimize what's working so you can improve the way you hire, better manage your team, and meet your customers' needs.
- Finish strong and avoid the pitfalls many entrepreneurs make, so you can overcome resistance, exit gracefully, and continue onto your next creative endeavor with ease.

With insightful interviews from today's leading

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entrepreneurs, artists, writers, and executives, as well as Belsky's own experience working with companies like Airbnb, Pinterest, Uber, and sweetgreen, The Messy Middle will outfit you to find your way through the hardest parts of any bold project or new venture.

Felix Dennis is an expert at proving people wrong. Starting as a college dropout with no family money, he created a publishing empire, founded Maxim magazine, made himself one of the richest people in the UK, and had a blast in the process.

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How to Get Rich is different from any other book on the subject because Dennis isn't selling snake oil, investment tips, or motivational claptrap. He merely wants to help people embrace entrepreneurship, and to share lessons he learned the hard way. He reveals, for example, why a regular paycheck is like crack cocaine; why great ideas are vastly overrated; and why "ownership isn't the important thing, it's the only thing."

One of the World's Greatest Entrepreneurs Shares His Secrets

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How to Build a Brand that Customers,
Employees, and Investors Will Love

The Lean Entrepreneur

Superconsumers

How Rebels and Innovators Create New
Categories and Dominate Markets

Finding Your Way Through the Hardest and
Most Crucial Part of Any Bold Venture

7 Essentials to Achieve Exponential Growth

The Eventual Millionaire

Praise for BLUEPRINT TO A BILLION "A wonderful,
well thought out analysis of entrepreneurship and

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leadership of a growth company." —Howard Lester, Chairman, Williams-Sonoma, Inc. "If you dream about growing your business to a billion, this is a fascinating down-to-earth study that you must read. Apply the seven essential principles to your business and you are off and running. Learn about strategy, growth, leadership, team building, and a whole lot more." —Joe Scarlett, Chairman of the Board, Tractor Supply Company "Blueprint to a Billion is a well-researched and thoughtfully written book that quantifies the growth pattern of America's highest growth companies." —Professor John Quelch, Senior Associate Dean, Harvard Business School "Eighty percent

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of the top-performing stocks in the last twenty years were small entrepreneurial companies that had an IPO in the prior eight years. Blueprint to a Billion tells you the seven key things these innovators did in common to become America's greatest growth companies." —William J. O'Neil, Chairman and Founder Investor's Business Daily, www.investors.com "Thomson has written a masterful work that will catalyze, empower, inspire, motivate, and illuminate entrepreneurs, investors, and policymakers. The world needs this book and will profit from it in manifold ways." —David M. Darst, Managing Director, Individual Investor Group Chief Investment Strategist, Morgan

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Stanley

Traction. Startups Need It. Learn How To Get It. Vision, groundbreaking ideas, total commitment, and boundless enthusiasm characterize most startups, but they require capital to go from promising product to scalable business. More than 80 percent of all early-stage startups fail. Most of them can build a product, but the vast majority stumble when it comes time to take those products to market due to poor “market engineering” skills. Traversing the Traction Gap exposes the reasons behind that scary failure rate and provides a prescriptive how-to guide, focused specifically on market engineering techniques, so startups can succeed.

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The go-to-market hurdle is insurmountable to many startups. Just when they most need to establish a foothold in the market, they run short on time and money. This is the Traction Gap, that period of time introducing a new product into the marketplace and being able to scale it during a rapidly closing window of opportunity. Traversing the Traction Gap is a practical guidebook for navigating the tumultuous early life of a startup. Based on real-life examples, the advice from Cleveland and the members of the Wildcat Venture Partners team provides a roadmap and metrics for succeeding where others have failed. Can your software sell itself? Convention and the trillion-

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dollar sales industry claim that it's impossible for your product to sell itself. Yet successful software businesses like Slack, Dropbox, Atlassian, and HubSpot make millions selling to customers who never once reached out to a sales rep. In *Product-Led Growth: How to Build a Product That Sells Itself*, growth consultant Wes Bush challenges the traditional SaaS marketing and sales playbook and introduces a completely new way to sell products. Bush reveals how your product--not expensive sales teams--can be the main vehicle to acquire, convert, and retain customers. In this step-by-step guide to Product-Led Growth, Bush explains: Why you should flip the

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traditional sales process on its head and turn your product into a sales machine; How to decide whether your business should use a free trial, freemium, or hybrid model; How to turn free users into happy, paying customers. History tells us that "how" you sell is just as important as "what" you sell. Blockbuster couldn't compete with Netflix by selling the same digital content, and you need to decide "when" not "if" you'll innovate on the way you sell. Are you going to be product-led? Or will you be disrupted, too?

The definitive playbook by the pioneers of Growth Hacking, one of the hottest business methodologies in Silicon Valley and beyond. It seems hard to believe today,

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but there was a time when Airbnb was the best-kept secret of travel hackers and couch surfers, Pinterest was a niche web site frequented only by bakers and crafters, LinkedIn was an exclusive network for C-suite executives and top-level recruiters, Facebook was MySpace's sorry step-brother, and Uber was a scrappy upstart that didn't stand a chance against the Goliath that was New York City Yellow Cabs. So how did these companies grow from these humble beginnings into the powerhouses they are today? Contrary to popular belief, they didn't explode to massive worldwide popularity simply by building a great product then crossing their fingers and hoping it would catch on.

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There was a studied, carefully implemented methodology behind these companies' extraordinary rise. That methodology is called Growth Hacking, and its practitioners include not just today's hottest start-ups, but also companies like IBM, Walmart, and Microsoft as well as the millions of entrepreneurs, marketers, managers and executives who make up the community of Growth Hackers. Think of the Growth Hacking methodology as doing for market-share growth what Lean Start-Up did for product development, and Scrum did for productivity. It involves cross-functional teams and rapid-tempo testing and iteration that focuses customers: attaining them,

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retaining them, engaging them, and motivating them to come back and buy more. An accessible and practical toolkit that teams and companies in all industries can use to increase their customer base and market share, this book walks readers through the process of creating and executing their own custom-made growth hacking strategy. It is a must read for any marketer, entrepreneur, innovator or manager looking to replace wasteful big bets and "spaghetti-on-the-wall" approaches with more consistent, replicable, cost-effective, and data-driven results.

Product-Led Growth

Beyond Marketing: 15 Frameworks for Creating &

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Dominating Your Niche

Winning with Data

Create an Authentic Experience in the Peer-to-Peer
Economy

And 39 Other Winning Strategies from Successful
Entrepreneurs

Restoring Common Sense in an Age of Experts and
Artificial Intelligence

ROAR

**Women are not small men. Stop eating and training
like one. Because most nutrition products and**

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training plans are designed for men, it's no wonder that so many female athletes struggle to reach their full potential. ROAR is a comprehensive, physiology-based nutrition and training guide specifically designed for active women. This book teaches you everything you need to know to adapt your nutrition, hydration, and training to your unique physiology so you can work with, rather than against, your female physiology. Exercise physiologist and nutrition scientist Stacy T. Sims, PhD, shows you how to be your own biohacker to achieve optimum athletic performance. Complete with goal-specific meal plans and nutrient-packed recipes to optimize body

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composition, ROAR contains personalized nutrition advice for all stages of training and recovery. Customizable meal plans and strengthening exercises come together in a comprehensive plan to build a rock-solid fitness foundation as you build lean muscle where you need it most, strengthen bone, and boost power and endurance. Because women's physiology changes over time, entire chapters are devoted to staying strong and active through pregnancy and menopause. No matter what your sport is—running, cycling, field sports, triathlons—this book will empower you with the nutrition and fitness knowledge you need to be in

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the healthiest, fittest, strongest shape of your life.

Lessons from HubSpot, Salesforce, Gainsight and Other Iconic Brands "The Uber of this" "The

Salesforce of that" "It's like Instagram, but for..."

There is no such thing as an original idea anymore – right? Actually, it turns out that the world's most innovative companies have created so much more than just brand new products and technology.

They've created entirely new market categories. The challenge is that successfully building new categories requires a perfect storm of luck and timing. Or does it? Category Creation is the first and only book on the topic written by executives and

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marketers actively building new categories. It explains how category creation has become the Holy Grail of marketing, and more importantly, how it can be planned and orchestrated. It's not about luck. You can use the same tactics that other category-defining companies have used to delight customers, employees, and investors. There's no better strategy that results in faster growth and higher valuations for the company on top. Author Anthony Kennada, former Chief Marketing Officer at Gainsight, explains how he led Gainsight in creating the "customer success" category, and shares success stories from fellow category-creators like

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Salesforce, HubSpot and others. It requires much more than just having the best product. You have to start and grow a conversation that doesn't yet exist, positioning a newly discovered problem in addition to your company and product offerings. The book explains the 7 key principles of category creation, including the importance of creating a community of early adopters who will rally around the problem they all share—especially if someone will lead them.

- Identify the “go” and “no go” signals for category creation in your business**
- Activate customers and influencers as brand ambassadors**
- Grow a community by investing in live events and**

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experiences · Prove the impact of category creation investments on growth, customer success, and company culture Written for entrepreneurs, marketers, and executives from startups to large enterprises, **Category Creation is the exclusive playbook for building a category defining brand in the modern economy.**

"This book shares how to instrument a company and most importantly, build an internal culture that values and uses data to maximum effect"--

What do Alexander the Great of Macedonia, Cardinal Richelieu, defender of Quebec, and Napoleon III of the Second French Empire have in common?

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Besides wielding political power and securing their own survival, all three played a leading role in real estate development. "Placemakers" examines their contributions to place along with those of other, sometimes unlikely candidates. From Augustus, emperor of ancient Rome, responsible for shaping the world's largest city into an imperial capital, to Joseph Smith of frontier America, who preached about the Promised Land while practicing land speculation, this illustrated volume focuses on the visionaries and profiteers who put their stamp on history and on the land. Meanwhile, it examines their motives, which range from slum clearing to utopian

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dreams to social engineering. What these developers built was sometimes monumental; examples include the ziggurat of Ur, a truncated pyramid, and the Pharos of Alexandria, the world's first lighthouse and tallest structure of the ancient world. At other times their vision changed societythink shopping malls and skyscrapers. "Placemakers" celebrates their legacy around the globe, from the Middle East to Europe and North America, making side trips to China and even outer space. It will appeal to architects, planners and all others who are curious about the history of real estate development."

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**Taking Personal Initiative to Ignite Change
How Smart Companies Design the Product Around
the Price**

**Transform Your Culture, Empower Your People, and
Shape the Future**

A Higher Standard

**Get to Aha!: Discover Your Positioning DNA and
Dominate Your Competition**

**How Pirates, Dreamers, and Innovators Create and
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**Emperors, Kings, Entrepreneurs - a Brief History of
Real Estate Development**

Placemakers

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World of Warcrafters, LARPerS, Settlers of Catan? Weird. Beliebers, Swifties, Directioners? Weirder. Paleos, vegans, carb loaders, ovolactovegetarians? Pretty weird. Mets fans, Yankees fans, Bears fans? Definitely weird. Face it. We're all weird. So why are companies still trying to build products for the masses? Why are we still acting like the masses even exist? Weird is the new normal. And only companies that figure that out have any chance of survival. This book shows you how. Surprising rules for successful monetization Innovation is the most important driver of

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growth. Today, more than ever, companies need to innovate to survive. But successful innovation—measured in dollars and cents—is a very hard target to hit. Companies obsess over being creative and innovative and spend significant time and expense in designing and building products, yet struggle to monetize them: 72% of innovations fail to meet their financial targets—or fail entirely. Many companies have come to accept that a high failure rate, and the billions of dollars lost annually, is just the cost of doing business. Monetizing Innovations argues that this is tragic, wasteful, and wrong.

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Radically improving the odds that your innovation will succeed is just a matter of removing the guesswork. That happens when you put customer demand and willingness to pay in the driver seat—when you design the product around the price. It's a new paradigm, and that opens the door to true game change: You can stop hoping to monetize, and start knowing that you will. The authors at Simon Kucher know what they're talking about. As the world's premier pricing and monetization consulting services company, with 800 professionals in 30 cities around the globe, they have helped clients ranging from massive

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pharmaceuticals to fast-growing startups find success. In Monetizing Innovation, they distil the lessons of thirty years and over 10,000 projects into a practical, nine-step approach. Whether you are a CEO, executive leadership, or part of the team responsible for innovation and new product development, this book is for you, with special sections and checklist-driven summaries to make monetizing innovation part of your company's DNA. Illustrative case studies show how some of the world's best innovative companies like LinkedIn, Uber, Porsche, Optimizely, Draeger, Swarovski and big pharmaceutical companies

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have used principles outlined in this book. A direct challenge to the status quo “spray and pray” style of innovation, Monetizing Innovation presents a practical approach that can be adopted by any organization, in any industry. Most monetizing innovation failure point home. Now more than ever, companies must rethink the practices that have lost countless billions of dollars. Monetizing Innovation presents a new way forward, and a clear promise: Go from hope to certainty. Ahoy, mateys! Set sail for fun and adventure on a pirate ship full of puppies. SOS! Wally and the Puppy Pirates know the legends and

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mysteries about the Grr-muda Triangle, but could all those strange stories be true? There's only one way to find out: the Salty Bone is going to sail straight through the Grr-muda Triangle! Will the crew make it out alive? Or will they be lost at sea forever . . . ?

Named by The Washington Post as one of the 11 Leadership Books to Read in 2018 When it comes to recruiting, motivating, and creating great teams, Patty McCord says most companies have it all wrong. McCord helped create the unique and high-performing culture at Netflix, where she was chief talent officer.

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In her new book, Powerful: Building a Culture of Freedom and Responsibility, she shares what she learned there and elsewhere in Silicon Valley. McCord advocates practicing radical honesty in the workplace, saying good-bye to employees who don't fit the company's emerging needs, and motivating with challenging work, not promises, perks, and bonus plans. McCord argues that the old standbys of corporate HR—annual performance reviews, retention plans, employee empowerment and engagement programs—often end up being a colossal waste of time and resources. Her road-tested advice, offered

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with humor and irreverence, provides readers a different path for creating a culture of high performance and profitability. Powerful will change how you think about work and the way a business should be run.

66 ways to screw it up

How SaaS and Other Hyper-Growth Companies Create Predictable Revenue

Finding Clarity, Camaraderie, and Progress in and Out of the Office

Berkshire Beyond Buffett

The Rise of Tribes and the End of Normal

Puppy Pirates #7: Lost at Sea

Monetizing Innovation

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On the Road with the Naughty Forty

We've outsourced too much of our thinking. How do we get it back? Have you ever followed your GPS device to a deserted parking lot? Or unquestioningly followed the advice of an expert—perhaps a doctor or financial adviser—only to learn later that your own thoughts and doubts were correct? And what about the stories we've all heard over the years about sick patients—whether infected with Ebola or COVID-19—who were sent home or allowed to travel because busy staff people were

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following a protocol to the letter rather than using common sense? Why and how do these kinds of things happen? As Harvard lecturer and global trend watcher Vikram Mansharamani shows in this eye-opening and perspective-shifting book, our complex, data-flooded world has made us ever more reliant on experts, protocols, and technology. Too often, we've stopped thinking for ourselves. With stark and compelling examples drawn from business, sports, and everyday life, Mansharamani illustrates how in a very real sense we

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have outsourced our thinking to a troubling degree, relinquishing our autonomy. Of course, experts, protocols, and computer-based systems are essential to helping us make informed decisions. What we need is a new approach for integrating these information sources more effectively, harnessing the value they provide without undermining our ability to think for ourselves. The author provides principles and techniques for doing just that, empowering readers with a more critical and nuanced approach to making

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decisions. Think for Yourself is an indispensable guide for those looking to restore self-reliant thinking in a data-driven and technology-dependent yet overwhelmingly uncertain world.

"The Lean Entrepreneur" banishes the "Myth of the Visionary" and shows you how you can implement proven, actionable techniques to create products and disrupt existing markets on your way to entrepreneurial success. This guide combines the concepts of customer insight, rapid experimentation, and actionable data

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from the Lean Startup methodology to allow individuals, teams, or even entire companies to solve problems, create value, and ramp up their vision quickly and efficiently.

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Break your revenue records with Silicon Valley's "growth bible" "This book makes very clear how to get to hyper-growth and the work needed to actually get there" Why are you struggling to grow your business

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when everyone else seems to be crushing their goals? If you needed to triple revenue within the next three years, would you know exactly how to do it? Doubling the size of your business, tripling it, even growing ten times larger isn't about magic. It's not about privileges, luck, or working harder. There's a template that the world's fastest growing companies follow to achieve and sustain much, much faster growth. From Impossible to Inevitable details the hypergrowth playbook of companies like Hubspot,

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***Salesforce.com (the fastest growing
multibillion dollar software company), and
EchoSign—aka Adobe Document Services
(which catapulted from \$0 to \$144 million
in seven years). Whether you have a \$1
billion or a \$100,000 business, you can
use the same insights as these notable
companies to learn what it really takes to
break your own revenue records. Pinpoint
why you aren't growing faster Understand
what it takes to get to hypergrowth Nail a
niche (the #1 missing growth ingredient)
What every revenue leader needs to know***

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about building a scalable sales team

*There's no time like the present to
surpass plateaus and get off of the up-and-
down revenue rollercoaster. Find out how
now!*

*Puppy Pirates Super Special #3: Race to
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Hacking Growth

*The new truth in marketing that will
transform your brand and your sales*

Making the World Work Better

We Are All Weird

Traversing the Traction Gap

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Sex, Drugs and Football Thugs Humanizing B2B

The founders of a respected Silicon Valley advisory firm study legendary category-creating companies and reveal a groundbreaking discipline called category design. Winning today isn't about beating the competition at the old game. It's about inventing a whole new game—defining a new market category, developing it, and dominating it over time. You can't build a legendary company without building a legendary category. If you think that having the best product is all it takes to win,

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you're going to lose. In this farsighted, pioneering guide, the founders of Silicon Valley advisory firm Play Bigger rely on data analysis and interviews to understand the inner workings of "category kings"— companies such as Amazon, Salesforce, Uber, and IKEA—that give us new ways of living, thinking or doing business, often solving problems we didn't know we had. In Play Bigger, the authors assemble their findings to introduce the new discipline of category design. By applying category design, companies can create new demand where none existed, conditioning customers' brains so

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they change their expectations and buying habits. While this discipline defines the tech industry, it applies to every kind of industry and even to personal careers. Crossing the Chasm revolutionized how we think about new products in an existing market. The Innovator's Dilemma taught us about disrupting an aging market. Now, Play Bigger is transforming business once again, showing us how to create the market itself. Brian Kurtz is the bridge connecting the bedrock fundamentals of direct response marketing to the state-of-the-art strategies, tactics, and channels of

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today. Overdeliver distills his expertise from working in the trenches over almost four decades to help readers build a business that maximizes both revenue and relationships. Marketing isn't everything, according to Brian Kurtz. It's the only thing. If you have a vision or a mission in life, why not share it with millions instead of dozens? And while you are sharing it with as many people as possible and creating maximum impact, why not measure everything and make all of your marketing accountable? That's what this book is all about. In the world of direct marketing, Brian Kurtz

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*has seen it all and done it all over almost four decades. And he lives by the philosophy, "Those who did it have a responsibility to teach it." Here's a small sample of what you'll learn: * The 4 Pillars of Being Extraordinary * The 5 Principles of why "Original Source" matters * The 7 Characteristics that are present in every world class copywriter * Multiple ways to track the metrics that matter in every campaign and every medium, online and offline * Why customer service and fulfillment are marketing functions * That the most important capital you own has nothing to do with money **

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And much more Whether you're new to marketing or a seasoned pro, this book gives you a crystal-clear road map to grow your business, make more money, maximize your impact in your market, and love what you're doing while you're doing it. Kurtz takes you inside the craft to help you use all the tools at your disposal--from the intricate relationship between lists, offers, and copy, to continuity and creating lifetime value, to the critical importance of multichannel marketing and more--so you can succeed wildly, exceed all your expectations, and overdeliver every time.

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There's a new truth in B2B marketing: if you want to move products, you need to move minds. Most companies suffer from a delusion, and it's this: that buyers always make decisions in a rational, logical, and economic way. The result is a slew of features-driven B2B marketing that few people really care about. In recent years B2B customers have evolved. They don't just want to buy from businesses anymore, they want to buy into them. The problem is too few B2B companies realize this. They continue with the same product-centric marketing that increases revenue by a percentage

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point here and there. It seems safe but it's dangerously short-sighted, because it doesn't deliver the transformational and long-term growth that makes businesses category leaders. It's even more important to address this issue at such a critical and delicate moment in the world economy. Marketing leaders require strategies that have an exponential, rather than an incremental, effect on brand, marketing and sales, and to implement them they need the new super-skills this book teaches. This involves establishing a core purpose, shifting the focus from products to people, from

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features to feelings and from messaging to storytelling, acknowledging that neuro science has proved that people buy on emotion and justify with fact. In other words, it requires a completely different mindset to the one that's prevalent right now, one that we call 'Humanizing B2B'.

Frozen paws and Santa Claus! The Puppy Pirates are back with this exciting holiday special. Dashing through the snow, in a puppy pirate sleigh . . .

Captain Red Beard has always wanted to compete in the Great Ice Race at the North Pole. After all, the prize is rumored to be the biggest treasure

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ever! But can a bunch of warm-weather pirate pups really win a snowy sled race? This magical holiday special edition contains extra pirate adventure and a holiday treasure of an ending that will warm young readers' hearts!

The Evolution of New Markets

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Blueprint to a Billion

Think Bigger

Do Better Work

Think for Yourself

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Powerful

A simple, powerful idea that's reinventing the way smart, adaptive companies do business. Most businesses follow the same basic formula: create a product or service, sell it, and collect money. What Lisa Gansky calls "Mesh" businesses throw this model out the window. Instead, these companies use social media, wireless networks, and data crunched from every available source to provide people with goods and services at the exact moment they need them, without the burden and expense of owning them outright. The Mesh gives companies a better understanding of what customers really want. Already,

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hundreds of successful Mesh companies are redefining how we interact with the people, goods, and services in our lives. These businesses are easier to start and spreading like wildfire, from bike sharing and home exchanges to peer-to-peer lending, energy cooperatives, and open source design. Consider:

- ZipCar profits from streamlined car sharing
- Kickstarter connects artists with funding from enthusiastic supporters
- Music Gym makes finding a recording studio as easy as joining a gym

The Mesh reveals the next wave of information-enabled commerce, showing readers how to plug in and profit. Have a startup idea? Want to launch it fast? People often

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spend years on working on startup ideas that fail—and they could have known long before, had they asked the hard questions earlier. Five-time tech founder Dave Parker has been there, and in *Trajectory: Startup* he offers a path to get you from ideation to launch and revenue in just six months. With a track record of starting companies from scratch, raising both angel and venture capital, and participating in eight exits as founder, operator, and board member, Parker's experience is practical and actionable. Having sold three of his own startups and closed two, Parker learned just as much from his failures as from his successes, and he brings this wit and wisdom into his

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writing in a transparent way. Parker shares advice on:

- What makes a good idea that makes money
- Recruiting and working with cofounders
- Asking customers what product they want (customer development)
- How to build a tech product even as a non-tech founder
- How to get out of your head, ship a product, and make your first sale

Trajectory: Startup removes the mystery from the startup process and outlines a roadmap of tasks and timeframes, with monthly milestones and resources. This pre-accelerator program will help you get the momentum you need. Skip the Executive MBA and go make money! This guide makes starting a company accessible to a broad

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range of founders, investors, and employees who have the spark of innovation and drive to follow their dreams.

Thomas J Watson Sr ' s motto for IBM was THINK, and for more than a century, that one little word worked overtime. In Making the World Work Better: The Ideas That Shaped a Century and a Company , journalists Kevin Maney, Steve Hamm, and Jeffrey M. O ' Brien mark the Centennial of IBM ' s founding by examining how IBM has distinctly contributed to the evolution of technology and the modern corporation over the past 100 years. The authors offer a fresh analysis through interviews of many key figures, chronicling the Nobel

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Prize-winning work of the company ' s research laboratories and uncovering rich archival material, including hundreds of vintage photographs and drawings. The book recounts the company ' s missteps, as well as its successes. It captures moments of high drama – from the bet-the-business gamble on the legendary System / 360 in the 1960s to the turnaround from the company ' s near-death experience in the early 1990s. The authors have shaped a narrative of discoveries, struggles, individual insights and lasting impact on technology, business and society. Taken together, their essays reveal a distinctive mindset and organizational culture, animated by a deeply

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held commitment to the hard work of progress. IBM engineers and scientists invented many of the building blocks of modern information technology, including the memory chip, the disk drive, the scanning tunneling microscope (essential to nanotechnology) and even new fields of mathematics. IBM brought the punch-card tabulator, the mainframe and the personal computer into the mainstream of business and modern life. IBM was the first large American company to pay all employees salaries rather than hourly wages, an early champion of hiring women and minorities and a pioneer of new approaches to doing business--with its model of the globally integrated

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enterprise. And it has had a lasting impact on the course of society from enabling the US Social Security System, to the space program, to airline reservations, modern banking and retail, to many of the ways our world today works. The lessons for all businesses – indeed, all institutions – are powerful: To survive and succeed over a long period, you have to anticipate change and to be willing and able to continually transform. But while change happens, progress is deliberate. IBM – deliberately led by a pioneering culture and grounded in a set of core ideas – came into being, grew, thrived, nearly died, transformed itself... and is now charting a new path

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forward for its second century toward a perhaps surprising future on a planetary scale.

In UnHealthcare, Silicon Valley entrepreneur and investor Hemant Taneja and Jefferson Health CEO Stephen Klasko, along with writer Kevin Maney, make a provocative case for a new data-driven, cloud-based category of healthcare called "health assurance." The authors show how health assurance can be built using today's technology, how it will help us all stay healthier at less cost, and how data from health assurance services can help individuals and officials contain and manage deadly virus outbreaks such as Covid-19. More than just a thesis,

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UnHealthcare is a guide to how entrepreneurs, healthcare professionals, and policymakers can bring health assurance to the mainstream and finally develop a solution to America's healthcare debacle.

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Building a Culture of Freedom and Responsibility

From Impossible to Inevitable

Ideation to Product/Market Fit

The Ideas That Shaped a Century and a Company

How to Get Rich

How Visionaries Create Products, Innovate with New

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Ventures, and Disrupt Markets

In today's world, it's no longer enough to create great new products; rather companies now must create whole new categories that destroy old ones. Uber created a new personal transportation category and destroyed taxis and limos. Salesforce.com created a new category of cloud-base sales automation, dethroning the old CRM industry. Airbnb, Workday, Tesla and Netflix are all winning by creating entirely new business categories that destabilise old ones. The category is the new strategy. The conclusion: If you want to build a legendary company, you need to design and build a legendary category at the same time, and

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dominate it over time. Your company needs to be a Category King. And if you don't design a Category King, you're creating a failure. Drawing on examples from within and beyond our own practice, CATEGORY KINGS shows both entrepreneurs and established enterprises how to define, develop and rule a category over time.

Become a millionaire by learning from millionaires An Eventual Millionaire is someone who knows they will be a millionaire, eventually. But they want to do it on their own terms—with an enjoyable life and an enjoyable business. Eventual Millionaires are everywhere, from the airplane pilot looking to start his

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own business for more freedom and money to a student looking to start her life on the right foot to a successful business owner needing inspiration and wondering how to take her business to the next level. There are many ways to become a millionaire, but research has often shown that creating your own business is one of the best ways to build wealth. The Eventual Millionaire will lay the foundation for those looking to start their own business and work their way toward financial independence and a fulfilled life. Contains the insights of more than 100 millionaires and their various experiences Written by Jaime Tardy, founder of eventualmillionaire.com and a business

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coach for entrepreneurs A companion website includes an "Eventual Millionaire Starter Kit" with worksheets, business plan documents, and much more We all want to be successful and enjoy financial security, but we might not know how or don't think we can do it. The Eventual Millionaire will show you what it takes. Berkshire Hathaway, the \$300 billion conglomerate that Warren Buffett built, is among the world's largest and most famous corporations. Yet, for all its power and celebrity, few people understand Berkshire, and many assume it cannot survive without Buffett. This book proves that assumption wrong. In a comprehensive portrait of the distinct corporate

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culture that unites and sustains Berkshire's fifty direct subsidiaries, Lawrence A. Cunningham unearths the traits that assure the conglomerate's perpetual prosperity. Riveting stories recount each subsidiary's origins, triumphs, and journey to Berkshire and reveal the strategies managers use to generate economic value from intangible values, such as thrift, integrity, entrepreneurship, autonomy, and a sense of permanence. Rich with lessons for those wishing to profit from the Berkshire model, this engaging book is a valuable read for entrepreneurs, business owners, managers, and investors, and it makes an important resource for scholars of corporate stewardship.

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General readers will enjoy learning how an iconoclastic businessman transformed a struggling shirt company into a corporate fortress destined to be his lasting legacy.

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How to Match Your Food and Fitness to Your Unique Female Physiology for Optimum Performance, Great Health, and a Strong, Lean Body for Life

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*Leadership Strategies from America's First Female
Four-Star General*

*UnHealthcare: A Manifesto for Health Assurance
Category Creation*

*A Simple, Speedy, and Sustainable Path to Superior
Growth*

*How Today's Fastest-Growing Companies Drive
Breakout Success*

How not to Plan

*How Anyone Can Be an Entrepreneur and Successfully
Grow Their Startup*

What does it take to succeed today both
personally and professionally? In looking

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for answers, one obvious place to start would be to talk to self-made men and women who themselves are successful. That's exactly what Michael W. Sonnenfeldt—an accomplished entrepreneur—has done here in this groundbreaking book. Drawing on the wisdom, insight and experience of members of TIGER 21 (The Investment Group for Enhanced Results in the 21st Century), and supplementing that with additional research and interviews, Sonnenfeldt offers real-world guidance and often

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counter-intuitive advice and conclusions. Among the things you'll learn are: Why grit and focus trump intelligence just about every time. Why having—and listening to— a wise mentor will create shortcuts to getting more done. What you need to do to avoid getting in your own way. And why. 'Shirtsleeves to shirtsleeves in three generations' can be avoided by taking some simple, commonsense steps. Think BIGGER will inspire you, no matter where you are in your business career. It will also show you that the skills you use to grow wealth

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can be applied to making the world a better place. Your success can benefit others. Michael W. Sonnenfeldt is the founder and chairman of TIGER 21, the premier peer-to-peer learning network for high-net-worth first generation wealth creators in North America and London. He is an accomplished serial entrepreneur, philanthropist and most excited that all of his proceeds from this book will support the TIGER 21 Foundation for young entrepreneurs.

On June 23, 2008, President George W. Bush

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nominated Ann Dunwoody as a four-star general in the US Army—the first time a woman had ever achieved that rank. The news generated excitement around the world. Now retired after nearly four decades in the Army, Dunwoody shares what she learned along the way, from her first command leading 100 soldiers to her final assignment, in which she led a 60 billion enterprise of over 69,000 employees, including the Army's global supply chain in support of Iraq and Afghanistan. What was the driving force behind Dunwoody's

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success? While her talent as a logistician and her empathy in dealing with fellow soldiers helped her rise through the ranks, Dunwoody also realized that true leaders never stop learning, refining, growing, and adapting. In *A Higher Standard*, Dunwoody details her evolution as a soldier and reveals the core leadership principles that helped her achieve her historic appointment. Dunwoody's strategies are applicable to any leader, no matter the size or scope of the organization. They include lessons

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such as "Never Walk by a Mistake," a mandate to recognize when something is wrong, big or small, and to hold people accountable. Not only can this save billions for industry, it can sometimes save the lives of soldiers and citizens. She also advises that "Leaders Aren't Invincible-Don't Try to Be": to be our best, we have to acknowledge our worst. And she encourages readers to "Leverage the Power of Diversity" by creating teams of people from different backgrounds to provide a broad range of ideas and devise

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the best-informed decisions. With these and other guiding principles, A Higher Standard offers practical, tactical advice that everyone can use to lead and achieve with maximum success.

How do markets evolve? Why are some innovations picked up straightaway whilst others take years to be commercialized? Are there first-mover advantages? Why do we behave with 'irrational exuberance' in the early evolution of markets as was the case with the dot.com boom? Paul Geroski is a leading economist who has taught

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economics to business school students, managers, and executives at the London Business School. In this book he explains in a refreshingly clear style how markets develop. In particular he stresses how the early evolution of markets can significantly shape their later development and structure. His purpose is to show how a good grasp of economics can improve managers' business and investment decisions. Whilst using the development of the Internet as a case in point, Geroski also refers to other sectors and products,

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for example cars, television, mobile phones, and personal computers. This short book is an ideal introduction for managers, MBA students, and the general reader wanting to understand how markets evolve.