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Oh How the Mighty Fall-Gail Williams 2013-11 King Jackson, a high school phenom turned NBA basketball superstar is on a downward spiral. The only son of Donald and Naomi Jackson, who perfectly planned every step of his life from his junior year in high school, now, finds himself in situations he can't buy himself out of. With the help of his conniving mother, together they have alienated everyone in their path, even each other at some point, but now he is forced to decide if he should trust her and let her back into his life during his darkest hour. His two sisters, Dana and Lena, have lived in the shadow of his success throughout his career and now decide that they have had enough of him and go their own way even if it is in his time of need. King's family is turned completely upside down when he falls in love with a young Spanish girl named Neila Cruz, and marries her way to quickly for their taste. All the while never telling his high school sweetheart Danielle that their relationship was over. They voice their outrage every chance they get until King reaches his breaking point and disowns his family to protect his new wife, while Danielle tries every way she knows how to contact King and get closure. King's mother, who never thought her husband Donald could ever take care of her the way her wealthy son could, sets her plan in motion to win back King and his money that she had become so accustomed to, not knowing that at the same time someone close to her is plotting her destruction to finally rid their self of Naomi and her greedy and conniving ways. One night of cheating, King's ego and a family secret will set in motion a chain of events that will change his life forever. He will quickly learn that all the people he disowned on the way up he will have to face on his path to destruction and realize that they are not to quick to give him a second chance...

Good to Great-Jim Collins 2011-07-19 *The Challenge Built to Last*, the defining management study of the nineties, showed how great companies triumph over time and how long-term sustained performance can be engineered into the DNA of an enterprise from the very beginning. But what about the company that is not born with great DNA? How can good companies, mediocre companies, even bad companies achieve enduring greatness? The Study For years, this question preyed on the mind of Jim Collins. Are there companies that defy gravity and convert long-term mediocrity or worse into long-term superiority? And if so, what are the universal distinguishing characteristics that cause a company to go from good to great? The Standards Using tough benchmarks, Collins and his research team identified a set of elite companies that made the leap to great results and sustained those results for at least fifteen years. How great? After the leap, the good-to-great companies generated cumulative stock returns that beat the general stock market by an average of seven times in fifteen years, better than twice the results delivered by a composite index of the world's greatest companies, including Coca-Cola, Intel, General Electric, and Merck. The Comparisons The research team contrasted the good-to-great companies with a carefully selected set of comparison companies that failed to make the leap from good to great. What was different? Why did one set of companies become truly great performers while the other set remained only good? Over five years, the team analyzed the histories of all twenty-eight companies in the study. After sifting through mountains of data and thousands of pages of interviews, Collins and his crew discovered the key determinants of greatness -- why some companies make the leap and others don't. The Findings The findings of the Good to Great study will surprise many readers and shed light on virtually every area of management strategy and practice. The findings include: Level 5 Leaders: The research team was shocked to discover the type of leadership required to achieve greatness. The Hedgehog Concept (Simplicity within the Three Circles): To go from good to great requires transcending the curse of competence. A Culture of Discipline: When you combine a culture of discipline with an ethic of entrepreneurship, you get the magical alchemy of great results. Technology Accelerators: Good-to-great companies think differently about the role of technology. The Flywheel and the Doom Loop: Those who launch radical change programs and wrenching restructurings will almost certainly fail to make the leap. "Some of the key concepts discerned in the study," comments Jim Collins, "fly in the face of our modern business culture and will, quite frankly, upset some people." Perhaps, but who can afford to ignore these findings?

Great by Choice-Jim Collins 2011-10-11 Ten years after the worldwide bestseller *Good to Great*, Jim Collins returns with another groundbreaking work, this time to ask: why do some companies thrive in uncertainty, even chaos, and others do not? Based on nine years of research, buttressed by rigorous analysis and infused with engaging stories, Collins and his colleague Morten Hansen enumerate the principles for building a truly great enterprise in unpredictable, tumultuous and fast-moving times. This book is classic Collins: contrarian, data-driven and uplifting.

Freak the Mighty-Rodman Philbrick 2015-04-01 Max is used to being called Stupid. And he is used to everyone being scared of him. On account of his size and looking like his dad. Kevin is used to being called Dwarf. On account of his size and being some cripple kid. But greatness comes in all sizes, and together Max and Kevin become *Freak The Mighty* and walk high above the world. An inspiring, heartbreaking, multi-award winning international bestseller.

Built to Last-Jim Collins 2011-08-30 "This is not a book about charismatic visionary leaders. It is not about

visionary product concepts or visionary products or visionary market insights. Nor is it about just having a corporate vision. This is a book about something far more important, enduring, and substantial. This is a book about visionary companies." So write Jim Collins and Jerry Porras in this groundbreaking book that shatters myths, provides new insights, and gives practical guidance to those who would like to build landmark companies that stand the test of time. Drawing upon a six-year research project at the Stanford University Graduate School of Business, Collins and Porras took eighteen truly exceptional and long-lasting companies -- they have an average age of nearly one hundred years and have outperformed the general stock market by a factor of fifteen since 1926 -- and studied each company in direct comparison to one of its top competitors. They examined the companies from their very beginnings to the present day -- as start-ups, as midsize companies, and as large corporations. Throughout, the authors asked: "What makes the truly exceptional companies different from other companies?" What separates General Electric, 3M, Merck, Wal-Mart, Hewlett-Packard, Walt Disney, and Philip Morris from their rivals? How, for example, did Procter & Gamble, which began life substantially behind rival Colgate, eventually prevail as the premier institution in its industry? How was Motorola able to move from a humble battery repair business into integrated circuits and cellular communications, while Zenith never became dominant in anything other than TVs? How did Boeing unseat McDonnell Douglas as the world's best commercial aircraft company -- what did Boeing have that McDonnell Douglas lacked? By answering such questions, Collins and Porras go beyond the incessant barrage of management buzzwords and fads of the day to discover timeless qualities that have consistently distinguished out-standing companies. They also provide inspiration to all executives and entrepreneurs by destroying the false but widely accepted idea that only charismatic visionary leaders can build visionary companies. Filled with hundreds of specific examples and organized into a coherent framework of practical concepts that can be applied by managers and entrepreneurs at all levels, Built to Last provides a master blueprint for building organizations that will prosper long into the twenty-first century and beyond.

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Turning the Flywheel-Jim Collins 2019-02-26 A companion guidebook to the number-one bestselling *Good to Great*, focused on implementation of the flywheel concept, one of Jim Collins' most memorable ideas that has been used across industries and the social sectors, and with startups. The key to business success is not a single innovation or one plan. It is the act of turning the flywheel, slowly gaining momentum and eventually reaching a breakthrough. Building upon the flywheel concept introduced in his groundbreaking classic *Good to Great*, Jim Collins teaches readers how to create their own flywheel, how to accelerate the flywheel's momentum, and how to stay on the flywheel in shifting markets and during times of turbulence. Combining research from his *Good to Great* labs and case studies from organizations like Amazon, Vanguard, and the Cleveland Clinic which have turned their flywheels with outstanding results, Collins demonstrates that successful organizations can disrupt the world around them—and reach unprecedented success—by employing the flywheel concept.

Six Steps to Overcoming Adversity-Jack Doueck 2020-08-06 Are you dealing with a difficult time in your life, such as the loss of a job or a devastating disappointment? If so, this book will help you overcome the adversity you face. You will be able to master these six steps easily and learn how to survive and thrive. Hundreds of people have used this program successfully and effectively. Jack Doueck tells his incredible story of losing his business and how he and many others overcame extreme adversity using the methods described in this book. If you are looking to make a comeback, this inspirational book will help change your life. This book provides valuable information on the six steps to overcoming adversity in a clear and simple style. It inspires the reader with true anecdotes of dozens of people who implemented these steps to improve their lives. This is a practical guide to turn tragedy into triumph, stress into success and enrich your life. You will learn how to apply these six simple strategies to create long-term success. If you or a loved one are feeling hopeless or depressed, this book is just what you need to turn your life around. If you have just lost your job and you need a lifeline - this book will give you the tools you need to get through it and emerge stronger, wiser, happier, and more successful. Click here for a video animation about the book: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rebkumxsijY&t=3s>

BE 2. 0 (Beyond Entrepreneurship 2. 0)-Jim Collins 2020-12 From Jim Collins, the most influential business thinker of our era, comes an ambitious upgrade of his classic, *Beyond Entrepreneurship*, that includes all-new findings and world-changing insights. What's the roadmap to create a company that not only survives its infancy but thrives, changing the world for decades to come? Nine years before the publication of his epochal bestseller *Good to Great*, Jim Collins and his mentor, Bill Lazier, answered this question in their bestselling book, *Beyond Entrepreneurship*. *Beyond Entrepreneurship* left a definitive mark on the business community, influencing the young pioneers who were, at that time, creating the technology revolution that was birthing in Silicon Valley. Decades later, successive generations of entrepreneurs still turn to the strategies outlined in *Beyond Entrepreneurship* to answer the most pressing business questions. BE 2.0 is a new and improved version of the book that Jim Collins and Bill Lazier wrote years ago. In BE 2.0, Jim Collins honors his mentor, Bill Lazier, who passed away in 2005, and reexamines the original text of *Beyond Entrepreneurship* with his 2020 perspective. The book includes the original text of *Beyond Entrepreneurship*, as well as four new chapters and fifteen new essays. BE 2.0 pulls together the key concepts across Collins' thirty years of research into one integrated framework called *The Map*. The result is a singular reading experience, which presents a unified vision of company creation that will fascinate not only Jim's millions of dedicated readers worldwide, but also introduce a new generation to his remarkable work.

Would You Kill the Fat Man?-David Edmonds 2013-10-06 A runaway train is racing toward five men who are tied to the track. Unless the train is stopped, it will inevitably kill all five men. You are standing on a footbridge looking down on the unfolding disaster. However, a fat man, a stranger, is standing next to you: if you push him off the bridge, he will topple onto the line and, although he will die, his chunky body will stop the train, saving five lives. Would you kill the fat man? The question may seem bizarre. But it's one variation of a puzzle that has baffled moral philosophers for almost half a century and that more recently has come to preoccupy neuroscientists, psychologists, and other thinkers as well. In this book, David Edmonds, coauthor of the best-selling Wittgenstein's *Poker*, tells the riveting story of why and how philosophers have struggled with this ethical dilemma, sometimes called the trolley problem. In the process, he provides an entertaining and informative tour through the history of moral philosophy. Most people feel it's wrong to kill the fat man. But why? After all, in taking one life you could save five. As Edmonds shows, answering the question is far more complex--and important--than it first appears. In fact, how we answer it tells us a great deal about right and wrong.

Corporate Management in Crisis-Joel E. Ross 1973 The crisis in management that afflicted such giants as Penn Central, Lockheed, Litton, General Dynamics, A & P, and AT & T dzrubg tge 1960's will overtake many smaller concerns during the 1970's. Here is what happened, how it happened, and why it happened - and what your company can do to avoid the same problems. Here is the inside story of how some of America's biggest and richest corporations "goofed"--And paid the price in lost business, declining sales, and even bankruptcy.

Teamwork 101-John C. Maxwell 2009-11-01 Talent wins games, but teamwork wins championships. This is true in sports, pop culture, and every other industry--including business. In this essential guidebook, *New York Times*

bestselling author John C. Maxwell explains why teamwork is the heart of great achievement in the game of business and shows readers how to prioritize teamwork and collaboration to achieve winning results. You'll learn how to: build a team that lasts; create positive energy on the team; harness a team's creativity; identify weak players who negatively impact your team; and judge if your team can accomplish the dream. You'll also discover how a winning team is self-fulfilling fuel: because everyone wants to be part of the winning team, you'll continue to attract only the best talent--and stay on top. A great team is the key to great results--for individual employees, leaders, and the company as a whole. Teamwork 101 demonstrates how to build and maintain one for yourself so you can leverage the benefits--and fun--of exceptional teamwork.

The Mighty Miss Malone-Christopher Paul Curtis 2012 A Newbery Honor-winning author ("The Watsons Go to Birmingham") delivers a heart-wrenching, suspenseful novel of one unforgettable family caught up in the turbulent days of the Great Depression.

Good To Great And The Social Sectors-James Charles Collins 2005-11-22 Proposes applying the author's business strategies for transforming companies to nonprofit and public organizations to help them increase efficiency and most benefit the clients they serve.

Supercorp-Rosabeth Moss Kanter 2010-10-01 Throughout her extraordinary career, Professor Rosabeth Moss Kanter has always pushed the boundaries through her high-level field research, and her breakthrough ideas with practical applications for a broad audience. One of the world's bestselling business thinkers, her work on leadership and change management has influenced the most enlightened and successful executives and entrepreneurs. Supercorp, based on a three-year worldwide research program, provides the answer to a question crucial to both business and society more broadly: as a company grows, how can it avoid becoming a lumbering, corrupt giant? Companies such as IBM, Procter & Gamble, Mexican-based Cemex and Japanese-based Omron provide the models that businesses small and large can use to stay on track, outstrip the competition, and attract and motivate the new generation of talent. And, Professor Kanter provides the evidence of the powerful synergy between the financial success shareholders want and social conscience - it is only these 'vanguard companies' that are big but human, efficient but innovative, global but local, that will succeed in the future.

When the Mighty Fall-Simon Chilembo 2015-12-07 Follow in this book the odyssey of a man in search of an own global domain of personal identity, strength, and reason for living. This undertaken in a hard and hostile world of segregation, discrimination based on tribalism, racism, gender relations, status, as well as religious fundamentalism, among other things. He is along the way misunderstood everywhere, and he misunderstand things everywhere himself, making many mistakes and serious errors of judgement, especially with regard to the company he would keep sometimes. The latter would subject him to varying manifestations and degrees of jealousy and awe, often non-justifiable bouts of unfairness and unjustness, dishonesty, betrayals, including subtle but potentially executable threats on his well-being and life. For his own mistakes, intentional or otherwise, our mighty hero takes responsibility, and pays the price as he should. Against extreme, unprovoked, non-justifiable destructive behavioural tendencies from others, he will protect himself in a special hard line way. Being non-vindictive by disposition and inclination, if and when he has to fight back and exercise equally, if not more destructive powers of revenge and vengeance, our hero has another special modus operandi which often leaves him stronger by far relative to previous conditions, once the enemies have been dealt with. If there is anything to learn from the mighty hero, it will be resiliency and non-indifferent detachment from joy and grief, success and failure; if it will not be the one, it will be the other. The secret is in knowing how to manage it all from the point of view of how much of external material, and or innate personal resources to apply in which direction, such that we come out, indeed, stronger, and even more resourceful, guaranteeing ourselves each our own personal optimal longevity on earth. Love is another powerful weapon on self-preservation for our main man, both in practice and conceptually. Much as evil forces shall prevail in given bad and hard times frames, love does also have its day. No panic, no stress, love will always find the way to raise and lift up deserving fallen once upon a time mighty heroes. Buy, read, and learn from the book about the joys and miracles of love in a man's hands, love in his fantasies, love inaccessible to but there within reach, forbidden love, love unknown, love of the future born yesterday. Thank you, and enjoy the read!

Peace, Love and Healing-Bernie S. Siegel 2011-09-20 A classic of patient empowerment, Peace, Love & Healing offered the revolutionary message that we have an innate ability to heal ourselves. Now proven by numerous scientific studies, the connection between our minds and our bodies has been increasingly accepted as fact throughout the mainstream medical community. In a new introduction, Dr. Bernie Siegel highlights current research on the relationships among consciousness, psychosocial factors, attitude and immune function. "Love and peace of mind do protect us," Siegel writes. "They allow us to overcome the problems that life hands us. They teach us to survive...to live now...to have the courage to confront each day."

A Mighty Wall-John Foley 2011-12-08 A lifelong climber, seventeen-year-old Jordan spends as much time as he can scaling the crags outside his Washington hometown. His friend A.J., a fellow climber and popular super-jock, keeps the gorilla football players off Jordan's back, and his girlfriend Juana likes the crags as much as he does. All in all, Jordan's got a crimp hold on happiness. But even the tightest grip is useless if a piece of the rock breaks away. For the climber, there are only two absolutes in life: gravity and death. Unfortunately, Jordan can't protect his friends from either. Praise for John Foley "Convincing and exciting-Hoops of Steel is terrific and deserves a wide audience."-Carl Deuker, author of Night Hoops "[Running With the Wind is] a powerful and honest approach to coping with life's difficulties."-School Library Journal "Fast-paced and easy to read. . . an engaging and reassuring story about friendship, love and loss, and truly living in the present moment."-Bill Sherwonit, author of To the Top of Denali and Living with Wildness: An Alaskan Odyssey A Long Way Down

Good to Great-Instaread 2015-12-07 Good to Great by Jim Collins | Key Takeaways, Analysis & Review Preview: What does it take to make something—an activity, a work of art, a company—great? What are the factors that distinguish the merely good from the truly great? In Good to Great: Why Some Companies Make the Leap...And Others Don't, Jim Collins offers insight into what makes a business truly great... PLEASE NOTE: This is key takeaways and analysis of the book and NOT the original book. Inside this Instaread of Good to Great: Overview of the book Important People Key Takeaways Analysis of Key Takeaways

Shredding Paper-Michael G. Hillard 2021-01-15 From the early twentieth century until the 1960s, Maine led the nation in paper production. The state could have earned a reputation as the Detroit of paper production, however, the industry eventually slid toward failure. What happened? Shredding Paper unwraps the changing US political economy since 1960, uncovers how the paper industry defined and interacted with labor relations, and peels away the layers of history that encompassed the rise and fall of Maine's mighty paper industry. Michael G. Hillard deconstructs the paper industry's unusual technological and economic histories. For a century, the story of the nation's most widely read glossy magazines and card stock was one of capitalism, work, accommodation, and struggle. Local paper companies in Maine dominated the political landscape, controlling economic, workplace, land use, and water use policies. Hillard examines the many contributing factors surrounding how Maine became a paper powerhouse and then shows how it lost that position to changing times and foreign interests. Through a retelling of labor relations and worker experiences from the late nineteenth century up until the late 1990s, Hillard highlights how national conglomerates began absorbing family-owned companies over time, which were subject to Wall Street demands for greater short-term profits after 1980. This new political economy impacted the economy of the entire state and destroyed Maine's once-vaunted paper industry. Shredding Paper truthfully and transparently tells the great and grim story of blue-collar workers and their families and analyzes how paper workers formulated a "folk" version of capitalism's history in their industry. Ultimately, Hillard offers a telling example of the demise of big industry in the United States.

Joan Garry's Guide to Nonprofit Leadership-Joan Garry 2017-03-06 Nonprofits leaders are optimistic by nature: they believe with time, energy, smarts, strategy and sheer will, they can change the world. But too many cooks, not enough money, an abundance of passion, can make you feel there are too many obstacles to overcome. Garry shows you how to build a powerhouse board, create an impressive and sustainable fundraising program, renew your passion for your mission and organization, and become a bigger difference in the world.

Tough Choices-Carly Fiorina 2011-02-22 By accepting the CEO job at Hewlett-Packard, an iconic company that had lost its way, Carly Fiorina confirmed her status as the most powerful businesswoman in America. But she also made herself a target for everyone who disliked her bold leadership style and resented her rapid rise. For six years, as she led HP through drastic changes and a controversial merger, Fiorina was the subject of endless analysis, debate and speculation. Yet in all that time, the public never really got to know the person behind the persona. Tough Choices finally reveals the real Carly Fiorina, who writes with brutal honesty about her triumphs and failures, her deepest fears and most painful confrontations - including her sudden and very public firing by HP's board of directors. Tough Choices shows what it's really like to lead a major corporation in a time of great change while trying to stay true to your values. It's one woman's inspiring story, along with her unique perspective on leadership, technology, globalisation, sexism and many other issues. "Superb... certain to be a hit. Ms Fiorina is at her best when recounting the travails of a woman in a male-dominated culture. She is also good in her psychological descriptions of the constant betrayals that occur in corporate bureaucracies. The woman that emerges from these pages is cultured, sensitive and vulnerable, even as she acts tough." —The Economist

After the Fall (How Humpty Dumpty Got Back Up Again)-Dan Santat 2017-10-03 After falling off the wall, Humpty Dumpty is very afraid of climbing up again, but is determined not to let fear stop him from being close to the birds.

Max the Mighty-Rod Philbrick 2013-06-25 This is the dramatic, heart-wrenching tale of Max (from Freak the Mighty) and Worm, two outsiders who turn to each other for survival.

How Iceland Changed the World-Egill Bjarnason 2021-05-11 [A] joyously peculiar book. -- The New York Times The untold story of how one tiny island in the middle of the Atlantic has shaped the world for centuries. The history of Iceland began 1,200 years ago, when a frustrated Viking captain and his useless navigator ran aground in the middle of the North Atlantic. Suddenly, the island was no longer just a layover for the Arctic tern. Instead, it became a nation whose diplomats and musicians, sailors and soldiers, volcanoes and flowers, quietly altered the globe forever. How Iceland Changed the World takes readers on a tour of history, showing them how Iceland played a pivotal role in events as diverse as the French Revolution, the Moon Landing, and the foundation of Israel. Again and again, one humble nation has found itself at the frontline of historic events, shaping the world as we know it, How Iceland Changed the World paints a lively picture of just how it all happened.

The Mighty Have Fallen-Derek Bluford 2020-10-12 The Mighty Have Fallen is the account of a multi-year federal political corruption investigation by the FBI and its sole, confidential human source for the case, Derek Bluford. Mr.Bluford's work started with former Sacramento Mayor Kevin Johnson and his corrupt elected friends, and then expanded throughout the nation as he was recruited by other FBI and law enforcement agencies. Learn how these dirty politicians used their influence, money, and power to siphon millions from taxpayers across the country through government contracts and more.Written by Derek Bluford, who worked with the FBI, this insider account provides detailed information regarding investigations in Mayor Eric Garcetti, Mayor Toni Harp, Mayor Michael Tubbs, Congressman Greg Stanton, and other politicians in cities throughout the United States.Mr.Bluford started as a young entrepreneur and was recruited into the world of dirty politics by former NBA superstar, Kevin Johnson. Little do Johnson and other corrupt politicians know that Mr.Bluford is working for the FBI and will soon bring down their crooked house of cards.This tale of corruption and greed takes the reader inside the double life of Derek Bluford, whose code name was "The Lobbyist." Discover not only how Derek Bluford assisted the government in finding corruption, but how he learned and found corruption within the FBI - the unfair targeting of 2020 Democratic presidential candidates, and more.While primarily an intriguing story of what is wrong in American politics, this is also a story of redemption for Derek Bluford, as he fights to redeem himself amid a political landscape riddled with corruption.

The Powers to Lead-Joseph S. Nye 2010-11-25 'A book that analyzes what leadership really means and how it relates to power. It will be invaluable for both political and business leaders alike. Nye developed the concept of

hard and soft power, and now he shows how best leaders use both in a smart way'. Walter Isaacson, President, The Aspen Institute

Beyond Entrepreneurship 2.0-Jim Collins 2020-12-01 _____ NEARLY THIRTY YEARS AGO, Stanford University faculty members Jim Collins and Bill Lazier showed you how to turn an entrepreneurial business into an enduring great company. Beyond Entrepreneurship became a leadership staple, particularly among small and early-stage companies. And while Collins would go on to write a series of famous bestsellers that have sold more than ten million copies worldwide, this lesser-known early work remains the favourite of many of his loyal readers. Now, with Beyond Entrepreneurship 2.0, Collins re-shares the timeless insights in Beyond Entrepreneurship alongside new perspectives gleaned after decades of additional research into what makes great companies tick. In Beyond Entrepreneurship 2.0, you'll learn how to turn your company into the 2.0 version of itself. You'll be challenged to grow your own leadership as your company grows, from 1x to 2x to 5x to 10x. You'll learn Collins's newest reflections on people decisions, insights that extend beyond his seminal "first who" principle about getting the right people on the bus. You'll learn why luck favours the persistent, and what it means to look for "who luck." You'll learn about the origins of the "BHAG" (Big Hairy Audacious Goal), and why even a small business needs a galvanising BHAG to have a complete and inspiring vision. You'll also unlock what Collins calls "The Map." The Map is a road map that pulls together the key concepts developed from thirty years of research and writing into one integrated framework for building a company that delivers superior results, makes a distinctive impact, and achieves lasting endurance. Finally, you'll learn the lessons that Jim Collins himself learned from the most influential mentor in his life, Bill Lazier. Beyond Entrepreneurship 2.0 is the ambitious upgrade to a classic. In Beyond Entrepreneurship 2.0, you'll discover that the goal to turn your business into an enduring great company is as relevant - and as within your reach - as ever.

Good to Great-James Charles Collins 2001 Can a good company become a great one and, if so, how?After a five-year research project, Collins concludes that good to great can and does happen. In this book, he uncovers the underlying variables that enable any type of organization to

Child Labor-Cathryne L. Schmitz 2004 Describes the global child labor scene, with each chapter describing child labor in a different country: the history, current conditions, political policies, social aspects, and future outlook.

Best Wishes, Warmest Regards-Daniel Levy 2021-10-26 The official tie-in book for the beloved, nine-time Emmy® Award-winning series Schitt's Creek. This beautifully produced, keepsake coffee-table book is the ultimate celebration of the series, the town, the characters, and the state of mind that is Schitt's Creek. Capturing the essence and alchemy of all six seasons of what is now considered to be one of the most groundbreaking comedy television series of the last decade, Best Wishes, Warmest Regards is a gift to fans everywhere who have made the show their own. Included are character profiles from the cast of Johnny, Moira, David, and Alexis, and all of the characters that populate the town, major moments from Moira's endorsement of Herb Ertlinger Winery, to Patrick and David's first kiss, to Cabaret and the Rose Family Christmas episode. Also included are special features, such as the complete, illustrated catalogs of David's knits and Moira's wigs, Moira's vocabulary, Alexis's adventures, and behind-the-scenes moments from Dan and Eugene Levy and the cast of Schitt's Creek.

The Edge-Michael Useem 2021-06-22 Ten vivid you-are-there accounts of chief executive officers who are reinventing leadership, providing insight and tools crucial for moving forward in a world turned upside-down. The tumultuous changes in the marketplace, the impatience of a new generation, the specter of inequality, and, most recently, the simultaneous challenges of a pandemic, economic collapse, and racial crisis all cry out for new thinking to confront a radically changed world. Michael Useem has integrated himself into the life and work of CEOs of major companies-- including Bill McNabb of Vanguard, Jeffrey Lurie of the Philadelphia Eagles, and Tricia Griffith of Progressive--and chronicles their "moments of truth," those turning points when chief executives confronted the hard realities of a new, harsher world and faced the fact that what they were doing was no longer working. He explores how they approached fateful decisions on management, retention, hiring, and the bottom line, and provides unprecedented insight into how company leaders reached their most critical decisions. Useem

provides a new roadmap for how to reach decisions in any organization as we face the decade ahead--one in which massive disruptions are likely to emerge yet again-- and how to lead when an executive needs to be a 24/7 communicator, crisis leader, and an emphatic voice inside and outside the organization, dealing with employees, customers, officials, non-profits, governing boards, Wall Street, the media, and investors.

Rise And Fall Of The Third Reich-William L. Shirer 1990 The classic history of Adolph Hitler's rise to power and his dramatic defeat

Beyond Entrepreneurship-James Charles Collins 1992 If you head a small to mid-sized enterprise or one within a larger firm, here is a remarkable book that can help you build an extraordinary organization capable of long-term health and success. Beyond Entrepreneurship shows how to turn your business into an entity that "sustains high performance, rises to the status of role model, and remains great for generations," in the words of the authors. Step by step, Collins and Lazier reveal how to lay a foundation for greatness, while a company is still small and adaptable enough to fully embody the values of its leaders. Drawing on their many years of first-hand experience working in private industry and serving as business consultants, Collins and Lazier cover all the essential aspects of attaining corporate greatness--supported by dozens of real-life examples of firms as diverse as Mrs. Fields Cookies, Continental Cablevision, and Giro Sport Design. In Beyond Entrepreneurship they provide tested ideas and methods for developing the most effective leadership style for your personality characteristics... and developing the 7 key elements of a leadership style to inspire real loyalty and dedication. Then, they move on to an often overlooked function of leadership: catalyzing a vision. Every great company has at its core a compelling vision. You'll discover a clear and useful framework for setting corporate vision--a framework that removes the confusion about this important and elusive topic, yet retains the "spark" that's an essential quality of a motivating and effective overall vision. Collins and Lazier also discuss and illustrate the four key principles of setting business strategy, and explain how to resolve critical strategic issues--like whether to lead a market or follow--faced by every small to mid-sized firm. The authors present a set of concepts and practical suggestions for stimulating creativity and keeping your company innovative as it evolves. Finally, they spell out how to translate vision and strategy into effective business tactics, the day-to-day details of producing consistent excellence. Here is a comprehensive, how-to-do-it blue print for becoming the best in your industry; crafting an entity that's highly profitable and respected by people outside its walls.

The Professor Is In-Karen Kelsky 2015-08-04 The definitive career guide for grad students, adjuncts, post-docs and anyone else eager to get tenure or turn their Ph.D. into their ideal job Each year tens of thousands of students will, after years of hard work and enormous amounts of money, earn their Ph.D. And each year only a small percentage of them will land a job that justifies and rewards their investment. For every comfortably tenured professor or well-paid former academic, there are countless underpaid and overworked adjuncts, and many more who simply give up in frustration. Those who do make it share an important asset that separates them from the pack: they have a plan. They understand exactly what they need to do to set themselves up for success. They know what really moves the needle in academic job searches, how to avoid the all-too-common mistakes that sink so many of their peers, and how to decide when to point their Ph.D. toward other, non-academic options. Karen Kelsky has made it her mission to help readers join the select few who get the most out of their Ph.D. As a former tenured professor and department head who oversaw numerous academic job searches, she knows from experience exactly what gets an academic applicant a job. And as the creator of the popular and widely respected advice site The Professor is In, she has helped countless Ph.D.'s turn themselves into stronger applicants and land their dream careers. Now, for the first time ever, Karen has poured all her best advice into a single handy guide that addresses the most important issues facing any Ph.D., including: -When, where, and what to publish -Writing a foolproof grant application -Cultivating references and crafting the perfect CV -Acing the job talk and campus interview -Avoiding the adjunct trap -Making the leap to nonacademic work, when the time is right The Professor Is In addresses all of these issues, and many more.

Vanderbilt-Anderson Cooper 2021-09-21 New York Times bestselling author and journalist Anderson Cooper teams with New York Times bestselling historian and novelist Katherine Howe to chronicle the rise and fall of a

legendary American dynasty--his mother's family, the Vanderbilts. When eleven-year-old Cornelius Vanderbilt began to work on his father's small boat ferrying supplies in New York Harbor at the beginning of the nineteenth century, no one could have imagined that one day he would, through ruthlessness, cunning, and a pathological desire for money, build two empires--one in shipping and another in railroads--that would make him the richest man in America. His staggering fortune was fought over by his heirs after his death in 1877, sowing familial discord that would never fully heal. Though his son Billy doubled the money left by "the Commodore," subsequent generations competed to find new and ever more extraordinary ways of spending it. By 2018, when the last Vanderbilt was forced out of The Breakers--the seventy-room summer estate in Newport, Rhode Island, that Cornelius's grandson and namesake had built--the family would have been unrecognizable to the tycoon who started it all. Now, the Commodore's great-great-great-grandson Anderson Cooper, joins with historian Katherine Howe to explore the story of his legendary family and their outsized influence. Cooper and Howe breathe life into the ancestors who built the family's empire, basked in the Commodore's wealth, hosted lavish galas, and became synonymous with unfettered American capitalism and high society. Moving from the hardscrabble wharves of old Manhattan to the lavish drawing rooms of Gilded Age Fifth Avenue, from the ornate summer palaces of Newport to the courts of Europe, and all the way to modern-day New York, Cooper and Howe wryly recount the triumphs and tragedies of an American dynasty unlike any other. Written with a unique insider's viewpoint, this is a rollicking, quintessentially American history as remarkable as the family it so vividly captures.

The Mighty Zodiac Vol. 1-J. Torres 2017-03-28 A new fable and fantasy adventure from J. Torres, Corin Howell, and Maarta Laiho! One dark and quiet night in Gaya, six stars fall from the sky. Master Long, the ailing leader of the Mighty Zodiac, sends his warriors out to collect the stars before the Moon Rabbit Army can get their paws on them first. If the Rabbits get the stars, the balance of nature--and the fate of all of Gaya--will be in danger. But Long's plans to use the stars to "cure" his illness may be just as dangerous--and bring an end to the Mighty Zodiac itself.

Built to Last-Jim Collins 2004-11-02 "This is not a book about charismatic visionary leaders. It is not about visionary product concepts or visionary products or visionary market insights. Nor is it about just having a corporate vision. This is a book about something far more important, enduring, and substantial. This is a book about visionary companies." So write Jim Collins and Jerry Porras in this groundbreaking book that shatters myths, provides new insights, and gives practical guidance to those who would like to build landmark companies that stand the test of time. Drawing upon a six-year research project at the Stanford University Graduate School of Business, Collins and Porras took eighteen truly exceptional and long-lasting companies -- they have an average age of nearly one hundred years and have outperformed the general stock market by a factor of fifteen since 1926 -- and studied each company in direct comparison to one of its top competitors. They examined the companies from their very beginnings to the present day -- as start-ups, as midsize companies, and as large corporations. Throughout, the authors asked: "What makes the truly exceptional companies different from other companies?" What separates General Electric, 3M, Merck, Wal-Mart, Hewlett-Packard, Walt Disney, and Philip Morris from their rivals? How, for example, did Procter & Gamble, which began life substantially behind rival Colgate, eventually prevail as the premier institution in its industry? How was Motorola able to move from a humble battery repair business into integrated circuits and cellular communications, while Zenith never became dominant in anything other than TVs? How did Boeing unseat McDonnell Douglas as the world's best commercial aircraft company -- what did Boeing have that McDonnell Douglas lacked? By answering such questions, Collins and Porras go beyond the incessant barrage of management buzzwords and fads of the day to discover timeless qualities that have consistently distinguished out-standing companies. They also provide inspiration to all executives and entrepreneurs by destroying the false but widely accepted idea that only charismatic visionary leaders can build visionary companies. Filled with hundreds of specific examples and organized into a coherent framework of practical concepts that can be applied by managers and entrepreneurs at all levels, Built to Last provides a master blueprint for building organizations that will prosper long into the twenty-first century and beyond.