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## **Management Unknown Binding Tom Demarco** what you taking into consideration to read!

*Team Roles at Work* - R Meredith Belbin  
2012-05-23

Belbin's renowned Team Role theory is a familiar concept for managers and management trainers across the world. Following on from the best-selling *Management Teams: Why they succeed or fail*, this second edition of *Team Roles at Work* provides useful insights into how to apply the theory in everyday work situations. This book explores the impact of Team Roles from interpersonal chemistry and managing difficult relationships, to cultivating effective leaders and shaping organizations. Now fully updated, this second edition has new practical examples and summaries bringing this book up to date 17 years after its original publication. Drawing from Belbin's own practical experience it answers the queries that have arisen during those years. Further information accompanies

the book on the Belbin website, [www.belbin.com/books/books.htm](http://www.belbin.com/books/books.htm) including a free, downloadable, full-page summary of Team Roles with their icons, descriptions, strengths and allowable weaknesses. *Team Roles at Work* is the best-selling, second book written by Meredith Belbin, designed for any manager who wants to understand the practical application of Team Role theory. R. Meredith Belbin was formerly Chairman of the Industrial Training Research Unit. A founder Member of Belbin Associates, he is also Visiting Professor and Honorary Fellow of Henley Management College. RELATED TITLES Belbin, *Management Teams: Why they succeed or fail*, 3e, ISBN: 978-1-85617-8075

**Dark Harbor House** - Tom DeMarco  
2000-11-25

Bring together a wonderfully varied mix of

characters in a once-grand Maine island summer cottage, leave them to their own devices over the course of a long, idyllic summer in the late 1940s, and you have all the ingredients for a fine comedy of manners. Author Tom DeMarco starts with a simple little love story, weaves in tantalizing details of the old mansion's not totally respectable history, and adds a hint of gentle satire to create a novel that is touching, memorable, and deliciously entertaining.

*The Phoenix Project* - Gene Kim 2018-02-06

\*\*\*Over a half-million sold! The sequel, *The Unicorn Project*, is coming Nov 26\*\*\* "Every person involved in a failed IT project should be forced to read this book."—TIM O'REILLY, Founder & CEO of O'Reilly Media "The Phoenix Project is a must read for business and IT executives who are struggling with the growing complexity of IT."—JIM WHITEHURST, President and CEO, Red Hat, Inc. Five years after this sleeper hit took on the world of IT and flipped it on its head, the 5th Anniversary

Edition of *The Phoenix Project* continues to guide IT in the DevOps revolution. In this newly updated and expanded edition of the bestselling *The Phoenix Project*, co-author Gene Kim includes a new afterword and a deeper delve into the Three Ways as described in *The DevOps Handbook*. Bill, an IT manager at Parts Unlimited, has been tasked with taking on a project critical to the future of the business, code named Phoenix Project. But the project is massively over budget and behind schedule. The CEO demands Bill must fix the mess in ninety days or else Bill's entire department will be outsourced. With the help of a prospective board member and his mysterious philosophy of The Three Ways, Bill starts to see that IT work has more in common with a manufacturing plant work than he ever imagined. With the clock ticking, Bill must organize work flow streamline interdepartmental communications, and effectively serve the other business functions at Parts Unlimited. In a fast-paced and entertaining

style, three luminaries of the DevOps movement deliver a story that anyone who works in IT will recognize. Readers will not only learn how to improve their own IT organizations, they'll never view IT the same way again. "This book is a gripping read that captures brilliantly the dilemmas that face companies which depend on IT, and offers real-world solutions."—JEZ HUMBLE, Co-author of Continuous Delivery, Lean Enterprise, Accelerate, and The DevOps Handbook ——— "I'm delighted at how The Phoenix Project has reshaped so many conversations in technology. My goal in writing The Unicorn Project was to explore and reveal the necessary but invisible structures required to make developers (and all engineers) productive, and reveal the devastating effects of technical debt and complexity. I hope this book can create common ground for technology and business leaders to leave the past behind, and co-create a better future together."—Gene Kim, November 2019

## **Fundamentals of Project Management -**

James P. Lewis 2002

Updated concepts and tools to set up project plans, schedule work, monitor progress-and consistently achieve desired project results.In today's time-based and cost-conscious global business environment, tight project deadlines and stringent expectations are the norm. This classic book provides businesspeople with an excellent introduction to project management, supplying sound, basic information (along with updated tools and techniques) to understand and master the complexities and nuances of project management. Clear and down-to-earth, this step-by-step guide explains how to effectively spearhead every stage of a project-from developing the goals and objectives to managing the project team-and make project management work in any company. This updated second edition includes: \* New material on the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK) \* Do's and don'ts of implementing scheduling

software\* Coverage of the PMP certification offered by the Project Management Institute\* Updated information on developing problem statements and mission statements\* Techniques for implementing today's project management technologies in any organization-in any industry.

### **The Care and Feeding of Ravenously Hungry Girls** - Anissa Gray 2020-01-14

“If you enjoyed *An American Marriage* by Tayari Jones, read *The Care and Feeding of Ravenously Hungry Girls*...an absorbing commentary on love, family and forgiveness.”—The Washington Post “A fast-paced, intriguing story...the novel’s real achievement is its uncommon perceptiveness on the origins and variations of addiction.”—The New York Times Book Review One of the most anticipated reads of 2019 from *Vogue*, *Vanity Fair*, *Washington Post*, *Buzzfeed*, *Essence*, *Bustle*, *HelloGiggles* and *Cosmo!* “The Mothers meets *An American Marriage*” (*HelloGiggles*) in this dazzling debut novel about mothers and daughters, identity and family, and

how the relationships that sustain you can also be the ones that consume you. The Butler family has had their share of trials—as sisters Althea, Viola, and Lillian can attest—but nothing prepared them for the literal trial that will upend their lives. Althea, the eldest sister and substitute matriarch, is a force to be reckoned with and her younger sisters have alternately appreciated and chafed at her strong will. They are as stunned as the rest of the small community when she and her husband, Proctor, are arrested, and in a heartbeat the family goes from one of the most respected in town to utter disgrace. The worst part is, not even her sisters are sure exactly what happened. As Althea awaits her fate, Lillian and Viola must come together in the house they grew up in to care for their sister’s teenage daughters. What unfolds is a stunning portrait of the heart and core of an American family in a story that is as page-turning as it is important.

*Avogadro Corp* - William Hertling 2014-04-09

David Ryan is the designer of ELOPe, an email language optimization program, that if successful, will make his career. But when the project is suddenly in danger of being canceled, David embeds a hidden directive in the software accidentally creating a runaway artificial intelligence. David and his team are initially thrilled when the project is allocated extra servers and programmers. But excitement turns to fear as the team realizes that they are being manipulated by an A.I. who is redirecting corporate funds, reassigning personnel and arming itself in pursuit of its own agenda. WINNER SCIENCE FICTION DIY BOOK FESTIVAL 2011-2012 "Avogadro Corp is a tremendous book that every single person needs to read. In the vein of Daniel Suarez's Daemon and Freedom(TM), William's book shows that science fiction is becoming science fact. Avogadro Corp describes issues, in solid technical detail, that we are dealing with today that will impact us by 2015, if not sooner. Not

enough people have read these books. It's a problem for them, but not for the [emergent] machines." -- Brad Feld, managing directory Foundry Group, co-founder Techstars "Highly entertaining, gripping, thought inspiring book. Don't start without the time to finish — it won't let you go." -- Gifford Pinchot III, founder Bainbridge Graduate Institute, author THE INTELLIGENT ORGANIZATION "An alarming and jaw-dropping tale about how something as innocuous as email can subvert an entire organization. I found myself reading with a sense of awe, and read it way too late into the night." -- Gene Kim, author of VISIBLE OPS "A fictional world where Portland is the hub for the most exciting advancements in technology... [I]am packed with great references to deep Portland culture...and Portlandia-type references" -- SILICON FLORIST  
**The Unraveling of Cassidy Holmes** - Elissa R. Sloan 2020-09-01  
"The Unraveling of Cassidy Holmes is a page-

turning peek inside the glamour and brutality of life as a pop star. Sloan takes us on a wild ride through the world of music video shoots, expensive hotels, and arena tours—showing us the darkness that threatens just below the surface.” —Taylor Jenkins Reid, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Daisy Jones and The Six* “I didn't know I was waiting for a smart, literary writer to craft a novel about the rise and fall of a teen star akin to Britney Spears until I discovered *The Unraveling of Cassidy Holmes*. A witty, bright, hilarious—and at times devastating—read. I loved it.” —Amanda Eyre Ward, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Jetsetters* Cassidy Holmes isn't just a celebrity. She is “Sassy Gloss,” the fourth member of the hottest pop group America has ever seen. Hotter than Britney dancing with a snake, hotter than Christina getting dirty, Gloss was the pop act that everyone idolized. Fans couldn't get enough of them, their music, and the drama that followed them like moths to a flame—until the

group's sudden implosion in 2002. And at the center of it all was Sassy Cassy, the Texan with a signature smirk that had everyone falling for her. But now she's dead. Suicide. The world is reeling from this unexpected news, but no one is more shocked than the three remaining Glossies. Fifteen years ago, Rose, Merry, and Yumi had been the closest to Cassidy, and this loss is hitting them hard. Before the group split, they each had a special bond with Cassidy—truths they told, secrets they shared. But after years apart, each of them is wondering: what could they have done? Told in multiple perspectives—including Cassidy herself—and different timelines, this is a behind-the-scenes look into the rise and fall of a pop icon, and a penetrating examination of the dark side of celebrity and the industry that profits from it. [The Goal](#) - Eliyahu M. Goldratt 2016-08-12 Alex Rogo is a harried plant manager working ever more desperately to try and improve performance. His factory is rapidly heading for

disaster. So is his marriage. He has ninety days to save his plant - or it will be closed by corporate HQ, with hundreds of job losses. It takes a chance meeting with a colleague from student days - Jonah - to help him break out of conventional ways of thinking to see what needs to be done. Described by Fortune as a 'guru to industry' and by Businessweek as a 'genius', Eliyahu M. Goldratt was an internationally recognized leader in the development of new business management concepts and systems. This 20th anniversary edition includes a series of detailed case study interviews by David Whitford, Editor at Large, Fortune Small Business, which explore how organizations around the world have been transformed by Eli Goldratt's ideas. The story of Alex's fight to save his plant contains a serious message for all managers in industry and explains the ideas which underline the Theory of Constraints (TOC) developed by Eli Goldratt. Written in a fast-paced thriller style, The Goal is the gripping

novel which is transforming management thinking throughout the Western world. It is a book to recommend to your friends in industry - even to your bosses - but not to your competitors!

**Waltzing with Bears** - Tom DeMarco  
2013-07-15

This is the digital version of the printed book (Copyright © 2003). If There's No Risk On Your Next Project, Don't Do It. Greater risk brings greater reward, especially in software development. A company that runs away from risk will soon find itself lagging behind its more adventurous competition. By ignoring the threat of negative outcomes-in the name of positive thinking or a can-do attitude-software managers drive their organizations into the ground. In Waltzing with Bears, Tom DeMarco and Timothy Lister-the best-selling authors of Peopleware-show readers how to identify and embrace worthwhile risks. Developers are then set free to push the limits. The authors present

the benefits of risk management, including that it makes aggressive risk-taking possible, protects management from getting blindsided, provides minimum-cost downside protection, reveals invisible transfers of responsibility, isolates the failure of a subproject. Readers are armed with strategies for confronting the most common risks that software projects face: schedule flaws, requirements inflation, turnover, specification breakdown, and under-performance. *Waltzing with Bears* will help you mitigate the risks—before they turn into project-killing problems. Risks are out there—and they should be there—but there is a way to manage them.

Why Does Software Cost So Much? - Tom DeMarco 1995

Known for his ability to find provocative answers to the most puzzling questions, Tom DeMarco explores a wide range of issues in twenty-four masterful essays. The offerings range from the wise to the kooky -- in fact, many of them defy

categorization. But all are marked by the author's eye-opening perspectives on topics that demand your professional attention. Drawing together several essays published in such journals as *IEEE Software* and *American Programmer*, plus ten all-new papers never seen beyond his circle of colleagues, Tom DeMarco tackles a multitude of tough subjects and wrestles fresh insight out of them. Here's a compact, compelling edition of this acclaimed consultant's views on software engineering. Subjects include management-aided engineering, documentation, desktop video, productivity, software factories, teams, measurement, icons, and more! Essays Include\* *Why Does Software Cost So Much?*\* *Mad About Measurement*\* *Software Productivity: The Covert Agenda*\* *The Choir and the Team*\* *Management-Aided Software Engineering* (with Sheila Brady of Apple Computer)\* *Lean and Mean*\* *Software Development: State of the Art vs. State of the Practice* (with Tim Lister)\*

Twenty Years of Software Engineering: Looking Forward, Looking Back\* "If We Did Only One Thing to Improve . . ."-- plus fifteen more!  
*10 Steps to Successful Project Management* - Lou Russell 2007

Project management is not easy—it is a complicated, multilayered matter, whether you manage projects for your entire company, for a department or just your own projects. And using a management software program isn't enough, as many project managers painfully learn. This book takes you through 10 steps that, if you follow them correctly, will lead to successful project management.

**The Turnout** - Megan Abbott 2022-05-03  
Best Book of the Year NPR • Wall Street Journal • Boston Globe • Library Journal • CrimeReads • LitReactor • Air Mail Longlisted for the Joyce Carol Oates Prize A TODAY Show  
#ReadWithJenna Book Club Pick An Instant New York Times Bestseller New York Times bestselling and award-winning author Megan

Abbott's exquisite new novel, “dark and juicy and tinged with horror” (The New York Times Books Review), set against the hothouse of a family-run ballet studio. With their long necks, sheer tights, and taut buns, Dara and Marie Durant have only known the course of a well-bred dancer. Not much changes when their parents face death in a tragic accident. As Dara and Marie take over their mother's duty of running the Durant School of Dance, along with Charlie, Dara's husband and once their mother's prized student, the sisters perfect a fine dance, circling around one another, six days a week, keeping the studio thriving. But when another eerily suspicious accident occurs, just at the onset of the school's annual performance of *The Nutcracker*—a season of tense competition, provoked anxiety, and wild exhilaration—an interloper arrives and threatens the sisters' delicate balance. With its uncanny insight and writing that haunts, *The Turnout* is Megan Abbott at the height of her game—a sharp and

strange dissection of family ties and sexuality, femininity, and power, and a sinister tale that is both alarming and irresistible.

**Slack** - Tom DeMarco 2002-04-09

If your company's goal is to become fast, responsive, and agile, more efficiency is not the answer—you need more slack. Why is it that today's superefficient organizations are ailing? Tom DeMarco, a leading management consultant to both Fortune 500 and up-and-coming companies, reveals a counterintuitive principle that explains why efficiency efforts can slow a company down. That principle is the value of slack, the degree of freedom in a company that allows it to change. Implementing slack could be as simple as adding an assistant to a department and letting high-priced talent spend less time at the photocopier and more time making key decisions, or it could mean designing workloads that allow people room to think, innovate, and reinvent themselves. It means embracing risk, eliminating fear, and knowing when to go slow.

Slack allows for change, fosters creativity, promotes quality, and, above all, produces growth. With an approach that works for new- and old-economy companies alike, this revolutionary handbook debunks commonly held assumptions about real-world management, and gives you and your company a brand-new model for achieving and maintaining true effectiveness.

**Scarcity** - Sendhil Mullainathan 2013-09-03

A surprising and intriguing examination of how scarcity—and our flawed responses to it—shapes our lives, our society, and our culture  
*The Project Manifesto* - Rob Newbold  
2014-03-10

How can your bureaucratic organization achieve world-class speed and productivity? How can you better balance your time at home and at work? How can you spend time on the things you love, while at the same time keeping what you need? Roger Wilson must answer these questions when he goes from a dead-end job at Malloy Enterprises to managing Malloy's most

urgent and important project, a secret development effort code-named "Aurora." As Aurora's deadline looms ever closer, Roger has to figure out how to lead his team to success in the face of Malloy's inertia. At the same time, he struggles to keep his family together and to manage a revolutionary technology that seems to have ideas of its own. The Aurora team discovers that success is only possible when they challenge the basic values that underlie their day-to-day work. Their new values, the "Project Manifesto," coupled with their new critical chain scheduling approach, lead to dramatic improvements in speed and productivity.

Sideways - Rex Pickett 2010-04-01

Sideways is the story of two friends-Miles and Jack-going away together for the last time to steep themselves in everything that makes it good to be young and single: pinot, putting, and prowling bars. In the week before Jack plans to marry, the pair heads out from Los Angeles to the Santa Ynez wine country. For Jack, the

tasting tour is Seven Days to D-Day, his final stretch of freedom. For Miles--who has divorced his wife, is facing an uncertain career and has lost his passion for living--the trip is a weeklong opportunity to evaluate his past, his future and himself. A raucous and surprising novel filled with wonderful details about wine, Sideways is also a thought-provoking and funny book about men, women, and human relationships.

**Red Widow** - Alma Katsu 2021-03-23

"A wicked sharp spy novel...Equal parts Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy and Killing Eve." -S. A. Cosby, author of Blacktop Wasteland and Razorblade Tears An exhilarating spy thriller written by an intelligence veteran about two women CIA agents whose paths become intertwined around a threat to the Russia Division--one that's coming from inside the agency. Lyndsey Duncan worries her career with the CIA might be over. After lines are crossed with another intelligence agent during an assignment, she is sent home to Washington on administrative leave. So when a

former colleague--now Chief of the Russia Division--recruits her for an internal investigation, she jumps at the chance to prove herself. Lyndsey was once a top handler in the Moscow Field Station, where she was known as the "human lie detector" and praised for recruiting some of the most senior Russian officials. But now, three Russian assets have been exposed--including one of her own--and the CIA is convinced there's a mole in the department. With years of work in question and lives on the line, Lyndsey is thrown back into life at the agency, this time tracing the steps of those closest to her. Meanwhile, fellow agent Theresa Warner can't avoid the spotlight. She is the infamous "Red Widow," the wife of a former director killed in the field under mysterious circumstances. With her husband's legacy shadowing her every move, Theresa is a fixture of the Russia Division, and as she and Lyndsey strike up an unusual friendship, her knowledge proves invaluable. But as Lyndsey uncovers a

surprising connection to Theresa that could answer all of her questions, she unearths a terrifying web of secrets within the department, if only she is willing to unravel it....

**The Deadline** - Tom DeMarco 1997

From prolific and influential consultant and author Tom DeMarco comes a project management novel that vividly illustrates the principles--and the outright absurdities--that affect the productivity of a software development team. With his trademark wit set free in the novel format, DeMarco centers the plot around the development of six software products. Mr. Tompkins, a manager downsized from a giant telecommunications company, divides the huge staff of developers at his disposal into eighteen teams--three for each of the software products. The teams are different sizes and use different methods, and they compete against each other and against an impossible deadline. With these teams--and with the help of numerous "fictionalized" consultants

who come to his aid--Tompkins tests the project management principles he has gathered over a lifetime. Each chapter closes with journal entries that form the core of the eye-opening approaches to management illustrated in this entertaining novel.

### Project Management Absolute Beginner's Guide

- Greg Horine 2017-02-09

This is the eBook of the printed book and may not include any media, website access codes, or print supplements that may come packaged with the bound book. Succeed as a project manager, even if you've never run a project before! This book is the fastest way to master every project management task, from upfront budgeting and scheduling through execution, managing teams through closing projects, and learning from experience. Updated with more insights from the front lines, including agile approaches, dealing with security and privacy priorities, and leading remote/virtual teams, along with the latest on Microsoft Project and PMI standards and

certifications and a special bonus chapter on preparing for the PMP certification. This book will show you exactly how to get the job done, one incredibly clear and easy step at a time. Project management has never, ever been this simple! Who knew how simple project management could be? This is today's best beginner's guide to modern project management... simple, practical instructions for succeeding with every task you'll need to perform! Here's a small sample of what you'll learn:

- Master the key skills and qualities every project manager needs
- Lead projects, don't just "manage" them
- Avoid 15 most common mistakes new project managers make
- Learn from troubled, successful, and "recovered" projects
- Set the stage for success by effectively defining your project
- Build a usable project plan and an accurate work breakdown structure (WBS)
- Create budgets and schedules that help you manage risk
- Use powerful control and reporting techniques, including

earned value management • Smoothly manage project changes, issues, risks, deliverables, and quality • Manage project communications and stakeholder expectations • Organize and lead high-performance project teams • Manage cross-functional, cross-cultural, and virtual projects • Work successfully with vendors and Project Management Offices • Make the most of Microsoft Project and new web-based alternatives • Get started with agile and “critical chain” project management • Gain key insights that will accelerate your learning curve • Know how to respond to real-life situations, not just what they teach you in school

**Agile Estimating and Planning** - Mike Cohn  
2005-11-01

Agile Estimating and Planning is the definitive, practical guide to estimating and planning agile projects. In this book, Agile Alliance cofounder Mike Cohn discusses the philosophy of agile estimating and planning and shows you exactly how to get the job done, with real-world

examples and case studies. Concepts are clearly illustrated and readers are guided, step by step, toward how to answer the following questions: What will we build? How big will it be? When must it be done? How much can I really complete by then? You will first learn what makes a good plan-and then what makes it agile. Using the techniques in Agile Estimating and Planning , you can stay agile from start to finish, saving time, conserving resources, and accomplishing more. Highlights include: Why conventional prescriptive planning fails and why agile planning works How to estimate feature size using story points and ideal days-and when to use each How and when to re-estimate How to prioritize features using both financial and nonfinancial approaches How to split large features into smaller, more manageable ones How to plan iterations and predict your team's initial rate of progress How to schedule projects that have unusually high uncertainty or schedule-related risk How to estimate projects

that will be worked on by multiple teams Agile Estimating and Planning supports any agile, semiagile, or iterative process, including Scrum, XP, Feature-Driven Development, Crystal, Adaptive Software Development, DSDM, Unified Process, and many more. It will be an indispensable resource for every development manager, team leader, and team member.

**The Southern Book Club's Guide to Slaying Vampires** - Grady Hendrix 2020-04-07

“This funny and fresh take on a classic tale manages to comment on gender roles, racial disparities, and white privilege all while creeping me all the way out. So good.”—Zakiya Dalila Harris, author of *The Other Black Girl* *Steel Magnolias* meets *Dracula* in this New York Times best-selling horror novel about a women's book club that must do battle with a mysterious newcomer to their small Southern town. Bonus features: • Reading group guide for book clubs • Hand-drawn map of Mt. Pleasant • Annotated true-crime reading list by Grady Hendrix • And

more! Patricia Campbell's life has never felt smaller. Her husband is a workaholic, her teenage kids have their own lives, her senile mother-in-law needs constant care, and she's always a step behind on her endless to-do list. The only thing keeping her sane is her book club, a close-knit group of Charleston women united by their love of true crime. At these meetings they're as likely to talk about the Manson family as they are about their own families. One evening after book club, Patricia is viciously attacked by an elderly neighbor, bringing the neighbor's handsome nephew, James Harris, into her life. James is well traveled and well read, and he makes Patricia feel things she hasn't felt in years. But when children on the other side of town go missing, their deaths written off by local police, Patricia has reason to believe James Harris is more of a Bundy than a Brad Pitt. The real problem? James is a monster of a different kind—and Patricia has already invited him in. Little by little, James will

insinuate himself into Patricia's life and try to take everything she took for granted—including the book club—but she won't surrender without a fight in this blood-soaked tale of neighborly kindness gone wrong.

**Rules for Vanishing** - Kate Alice Marshall  
2021-02-16

In the faux-documentary style of The Blair Witch Project comes the campfire story of a missing girl, a vengeful ghost, and the girl who is determined to find her sister--at all costs. Once a year, a road appears in the forest. And at the end of it, the ghost of Lucy Gallows beckons. Lucy's game isn't for the faint of heart. If you win, you escape with your life. But if you lose.... Sara's sister disappeared one year ago--and only Sara knows where she is. Becca went to find the ghost of Lucy Gallows and is trapped on the road that leads to her. In the sleepy town of Briar Glen, Lucy's road is nothing more than local lore. But Sara knows it's real, and she's going to find it. When Sara and her skeptical friends meet

in the forest to search for Becca, the mysterious road unfurls before them. All they have to do is walk down it. But the path to Lucy is not of this world, and it has its own rules. Every mistake summons new horrors. Vengeful spirits and broken, angry creatures are waiting for them to slip, and no one is guaranteed safe passage. The only certainty is this: the road has a toll and it will be paid. Sara knows that if she steps onto the road, she might not come back. But Becca needs her. And Lucy is waiting.

**Truly Like Lightning** - David Duchovny  
2021-02-02

From the New York Times--bestselling author David Duchovny, an epic adventure that asks how we make sense of right and wrong in a world of extremes For the past twenty years, Bronson Powers, former Hollywood stuntman and converted Mormon, has been homesteading deep in the uninhabited desert outside Joshua Tree with his three wives and ten children. Bronson and his wives, Yalulah, Mary, and

Jackie, have been raising their family away from the corruption and evil of the modern world. Their insular existence—controversial, difficult, but Edenic—is upended when the ambitious young developer Maya Abbadessa stumbles upon their land. Hoping to make a profit, she crafts a wager with the family that sets in motion a deadly chain of events. Maya, threatening to report the family to social services, convinces them to enter three of their children into a nearby public school. Bronson and his wives agree that if Maya can prove that the kids do better in town than in their desert oasis, they will sell her a chunk of their priceless plot of land. Suddenly confronted with all the complications of the twenty-first century that they tried to keep out of their lives, the Powerses must reckon with their lifestyle as they try to save it. Truly Like Lightning, David Duchovny's fourth novel, is a heartbreaking meditation on family, religion, sex, greed, human nature, and the vanishing environment of an ancient desert.

**Making Things Happen** - Scott Berkun  
2008-03-25

Offers a collection of essays on philosophies and strategies for defining, leading, and managing projects. This book explains to technical and non-technical readers alike what it takes to get through a large software or web development project. It does not cite specific methods, but focuses on philosophy and strategy.

**Devastation Class** - Glen Zipper 2020-09-08  
An annihilation force of invading aliens. Human civilization on the brink of extinction. Earth's only hope—seven cadets and the legendary starship they were never meant to command. No matter the cost, they will stop at nothing to survive. No matter the odds, they will fight to save their future. The distant future. Earth's Alliance forces have emerged victorious from a brutal nine-year war with the mysterious Kastazi—a vicious, highly advanced alien race. In the dawn of a new peace, the Alliance Devastation Class starship California embarks on

a mission of science and learning with a skeleton crew of seasoned officers, civilian students, and inexperienced military cadets in tow. For JD Marshall and Viv Nixon, gifted cadets and best friends, the mission holds special meaning: It offers an opportunity to prove themselves and begin to escape the long shadows of their legendary war hero parents. Suddenly ambushed by a second wave of invading Kastazi forces, JD and Viv make the impossible decision to spearhead a mutiny to save the California and everyone on it. In command and quickly out of options, they are forced to activate the ship's prototype Blink Reactor—an experimental technology they expect to send them to the safe, distant reaches of space. When their escape transports them to a reality they don't recognize and reveals unimaginably terrifying secrets, they must fight their way home to save not just everyone they love but also humanity itself. Standing in their way are an insurmountable enemy, saboteurs from within, a mystery eons in

the making, and the fabric of time and space itself.

*Identifying and Managing Project Risk* - Tom Kendrick 2009-02-27

Winner of the Project Management Institute's David I. Cleland Project Management Literature Award 2010 It's no wonder that project managers spend so much time focusing their attention on risk identification. Important projects tend to be time constrained, pose huge technical challenges, and suffer from a lack of adequate resources. *Identifying and Managing Project Risk*, now updated and consistent with the very latest Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK)® Guide, takes readers through every phase of a project, showing them how to consider the possible risks involved at every point in the process. Drawing on real-world situations and hundreds of examples, the book outlines proven methods, demonstrating key ideas for project risk planning and showing how to use high-level risk assessment tools.

Analyzing aspects such as available resources, project scope, and scheduling, this new edition also explores the growing area of Enterprise Risk Management. Comprehensive and completely up-to-date, this book helps readers determine risk factors thoroughly and decisively...before a project gets derailed.

*Start with No* - Jim Camp 2011-12-07

*Start with No* offers a contrarian, counterintuitive system for negotiating any kind of deal in any kind of situation—the purchase of a new house, a multimillion-dollar business deal, or where to take the kids for dinner. Think a win-win solution is the best way to make the deal? Think again. For years now, win-win has been the paradigm for business negotiation. But today, win-win is just the seductive mantra used by the toughest negotiators to get the other side to compromise unnecessarily, early, and often. Win-win negotiations play to your emotions and take advantage of your instinct and desire to make the deal. *Start with No* introduces a

system of decision-based negotiation that teaches you how to understand and control these emotions. It teaches you how to ignore the siren call of the final result, which you can't really control, and how to focus instead on the activities and behavior that you can and must control in order to successfully negotiate with the pros. The best negotiators: \* aren't interested in "yes"—they prefer "no" \* never, ever rush to close, but always let the other side feel comfortable and secure \* are never needy; they take advantage of the other party's neediness \* create a "blank slate" to ensure they ask questions and listen to the answers, to make sure they have no assumptions and expectations \* always have a mission and purpose that guides their decisions \* don't send so much as an e-mail without an agenda for what they want to accomplish \* know the four "budgets" for themselves and for the other side: time, energy, money, and emotion \* never waste time with people who don't really make the decision *Start*

with No is full of dozens of business as well as personal stories illustrating each point of the system. It will change your life as a negotiator. If you put to good use the principles and practices revealed here, you will become an immeasurably better negotiator.

Willa's Grove - Laura Munson 2020-03-03

You are invited to the rest of your life. Three women, from coast to coast and in between, open their mailboxes to the same intriguing invitation. Although leading entirely different lives, each has found herself at a similar, jarring crossroads. Right when these women thought they'd be comfortably settling into middle age, their carefully curated futures have turned out to be dead ends. The sender of the invitation is Willa Silvester, who is reeling from the untimely death of her beloved husband and the reality that she must say goodbye to the small mountain town they founded together. Yet as Willa mourns her losses, an impossible question keeps staring her in the face: So now what? Struggling to find

the answer alone, fiercely independent Willa eventually calls a childhood friend who happens to be in her own world of hurt—and that's where the idea sparks. They decide to host a weeklong interlude from life, and invite two other friends facing their own quandaries. Soon the four women converge at Willa's Montana homestead, a place where they can learn from nature and one another as they contemplate their second acts together in the rugged wilderness of big sky country.

**The Best of Adam Sharp** - Graeme Simsion  
2017-05-02

From the bestselling author of *The Rosie Project* comes a romantic novel about true love, second chances, and decades of great music. Two decades ago, Adam Sharp's piano playing led him into a passionate relationship with Angelina Brown, an intelligent and strong-willed actress. They had a chance at something more—but Adam didn't take it. Now, on the cusp of turning fifty, Adam likes his life. He's happy with his

partner Claire, he excels in music trivia at quiz night at the local pub, he looks after his mother, and he does the occasional consulting job in IT. But he can never quite shake off his nostalgia for what might have been. And then, out of nowhere, from the other side of the world, Angelina gets in touch. What does she want? Does Adam dare to live dangerously? Set to the soundtrack of our lives, *The Best of Adam Sharp* by Graeme Simsion follows along with emotion and humor as one man looks back on his past and decides if having a second chance is worth the risk. One of *Glamour Magazine's* "Most Anticipated Books of 2017" • "20 Must-Read Books for Spring 2017" from Redbook Praise for *The Best of Adam Sharp*: "This dazzling story about a former pianist who has a second chance in midlife with his former actress flame will do some major heart-warming this Spring — and readers will never foresee the incredible ending." —POPSUGAR "It's a fun sweet ride." —The Washington Post "Readers are already

clamoring." —Library Journal "An extraordinary literary treat that reminds readers the best things in life have nothing to do with plans."

—Redbook

### **Adrenaline Junkies and Template Zombies -**

Tom DeMarco 2013-07-15

This is the digital version of the printed book (Copyright © 2008). *Adrenaline junkies, dead fish, project sluts, true believers, Lewis and Clark, template zombies . . .* Most developers, testers, and managers on IT projects are pretty good at recognizing patterns of behavior and gut-level hunches, as in, "I sense that this project is headed for disaster." But it has always been more difficult to transform these patterns and hunches into a usable form, something a team can debate, refine, and use. Until now. In *Adrenaline Junkies and Template Zombies*, the six principal consultants of The Atlantic Systems Guild present the patterns of behavior they most often observe at the dozens of IT firms they transform each year, around the world. The

result is a quick-read guide to identifying nearly ninety typical scenarios, drawing on a combined one-hundred-and-fifty years of project management experience. Project by project, you'll improve the accuracy of your hunches and your ability to act on them. The patterns are presented in an easy-reference format, with names designed to ease communication with your teammates. In just a few words, you can describe what's happening on your project. Citing the patterns of behavior can help you quickly move those above and below you to the next step on your project. You'll find classic patterns such as these: News Improvement Management by Mood Ring Piling On Rattle Yer Dags Natural Authority Food++ Fridge Door and more than eighty more! Not every pattern will be evident in your organization, and not every pattern is necessarily good or bad. However, you'll find many patterns that will apply to your current and future assignments, even in the most ambiguous circumstances.

When you assess your situation and follow your next hunch, you'll have the collective wisdom of six world-class consultants at your side.

*Peopleware* - Tom DeMarco 2013

Most software project problems are sociological, not technological. *Peopleware* is a book on managing software projects.

[Natchez Burning](#) - Greg Iles 2014-04-29

#1 New York Times bestselling author Greg Iles returns with his most eagerly anticipated novel yet and his first in five years—*Natchez Burning*—the first installment in an epic trilogy that interweaves crimes, lies, and secrets past and present in a mesmerizing thriller featuring Southern lawyer and former prosecutor Penn Cage. Growing up in the rural Southern hamlet of Natchez, Mississippi, Penn Cage learned everything he knows about honor and duty from his father, Tom Cage. But now the beloved family doctor and pillar of the community is accused of murdering Violet Turner, the beautiful nurse with whom he worked in the

dark days of the early 1960s. A fighter who has always stood for justice, Penn is determined to save his father, even though Tom, stubbornly evoking doctor-patient privilege, refuses to speak up in his own defense. The quest for answers sends Penn deep into the past—into the heart of a conspiracy of greed and murder involving the Double Eagles, a vicious KKK crew headed by one of the wealthiest and most powerful men in the state. With the aid of a local friend and reporter privy to some of Natchez's oldest and deadliest secrets, Penn follows a bloody trail that stretches back forty years, to one undeniable fact: no one—black or white, young or old, brave or not—is ever truly safe. With everything on the line, including his own life, Penn must decide how far he will go to protect those he loves . . . and see justice done, once and for all. Rich in Southern atmosphere and electrifying plot turns, Natchez Burning marks the brilliant return of a genuine American master of suspense. Tense and disturbing, it is

the most explosive, exciting, sexy, and ambitious story Greg Iles has written yet.

**The Deadline Effect** - Christopher Cox  
2021-07-06

In the tradition of Charles Duhigg's *The Power of Habit*, a wise and fascinating book that shows us how "we can make deadlines work for us instead of the other way around" (*The Wall Street Journal*). Perfectionists and procrastinators alike agree—it's natural to dread a deadline. Whether you are completing a masterpiece or just checking off an overwhelming to-do list, the ticking clock signals despair. Christopher Cox knows the panic of the looming deadline all too well—as a magazine editor, he has spent years overseeing writers and journalists who couldn't meet a deadline to save their lives. After putting in a few too many late nights in the newsroom, he became determined to learn the secret of managing deadlines. He set off to observe nine different organizations as they approached a high-

pressure deadline. Along the way, Cox made an even greater discovery: these experts didn't just meet their big deadlines—they became more focused, productive, and creative in the process. An entertaining blend of “behavioral science, psychological theory, and academic studies with compelling storytelling and descriptive case studies” (Financial Times), *The Deadline Effect* reveals the time-management strategies these teams used to guarantee success while staying on schedule: a restaurant opening for the first time, a ski resort covering an entire mountain in snow, a farm growing enough lilies in time for Easter, and more. Cox explains how to use deadlines to our advantage, the dynamics of teams and customers, and techniques for using deadlines to make better, more effective decisions.

[What You Need to Know about Project Management](#) - Fergus O'Connell 2012-02-24  
What You Need to Know About Project Management Project Management is all about

getting things done without spending too much or taking too long. But when you start hearing things like man-days, PSOs and stakeholders, it just makes it difficult to understand. So what do you really need to know about project management? Find out: Why setting clear goals matters How to estimate absolutely everything. How to get things back on track after they've gone wrong How to track big projects Why work/life balance matters when you're running a big project This clear and simple approach will mean you'll never panic when faced with a big project again. Read More in the Want You Need to Know Series and Get to Speed on the Essentials... Fast.

**Lock Every Door** - Riley Sager 2019-07-02  
THE INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER  
“Looking for a suspense novel that will keep you up until way past midnight? Look no further than *Lock Every Door*, by Riley Sager.”—Stephen King No visitors. No nights spent elsewhere. No disturbing the rich and famous residents. These

are the rules for Jules Larsen's new job apartment sitting at the Bartholomew, one of Manhattan's most high-profile buildings. Recently heartbroken—and just plain broke—Jules is taken in by the splendor and accepts the terms, ready to leave her past life behind. As she gets to know the occupants and staff, Jules is drawn to fellow apartment sitter Ingrid, who reminds her so much of the sister she lost eight years ago. When Ingrid confides that the Bartholomew has a dark history hidden beneath its gleaming façade, Jules brushes it off as a harmless ghost story—until the next day when Ingrid seemingly vanishes. Searching for the truth, Jules digs deeper into the Bartholomew's sordid past. But by uncovering the secrets within its walls, Jules exposes herself to untold terrors. Because once you're in, the Bartholomew doesn't want you to leave....

*The Organised Writer* - Antony Johnston

2020-10-01

The Organised Writer is a practical, no-nonsense

system that allows you as an author to write without worrying about administration, business affairs, or scheduling, because you know those non-writing tasks will be dealt with at the right time. This straight-talking guide will help you become more productive, cope with multiple projects, and make time within your life to write - while also dealing with non-writing tasks more efficiently. It includes advice on how to:

- Manage your schedule
- Prioritise your writing time
- Take notes effectively
- Work with a 'clean mind'
- Get more written every day
- Deal effectively with non-writing tasks
- Set up a foolproof filing system
- Organise your working space

Read the book, then spend a weekend setting up the system described, and you'll make the time back with interest. You'll get more written every day and complete more of your non-writing tasks without being overwhelmed by all the things you have to do, forgot to do, or don't want to do.

**Project Management, Planning and Control**

- Albert Lester 2007

A comprehensive book on project management, covering all principles and methods with fully worked examples, this book includes both hard and soft skills for the engineering, manufacturing and construction industries. Ideal for engineering project managers considering obtaining a Project Management Professional (PMP) qualification, this book covers in theory and practice, the complete body of knowledge for both the Project Management Institute (PMI) and the Association of Project Management (APM). Fully aligned with the latest 2005 updates to the exam syllabi, complete with online sample Q&A, and updated to include the latest revision of BS 6079 (British Standards Institute Guide to Project Management in the Construction Industry), this book is a complete and valuable reference for anyone serious about project management. The complete body of knowledge for project management professionals in the engineering, manufacturing

and construction sectors. Covers all hard and soft topics in both theory and practice for the newly revised PMP and APMP qualification exams, along with the latest revision of BS 6079 standard on project management in the construction industry. Written by a qualified PMP exam accreditor and accompanied by online Q&A resources for self-testing  
Jake the Fake Keeps It Real - Craig Robinson 2017

Having faked his way into the Music and Art Academy, a performing arts school for gifted students where his talented older sister rules, sixth-grader Jake, a jokester who can barely play an instrument, will have to think of something quick before the last laugh is on him.

Writers & Lovers - Lily King 2020-03-03

"I loved this book not just from the first chapter or the first page but from the first paragraph... The voice is just so honest and riveting and insightful about creativity and life." —Curtis Sittenfeld #ReadWithJenna Book Club Pick as

Featured on Today Emma Roberts Belletrist Book Club Pick A New York Times Book Review's Group Text Selection An extraordinary new novel of art, love, and ambition from Lily King, the New York Times bestselling author of Euphoria Following the breakout success of her critically acclaimed and award-winning novel Euphoria, Lily King returns with another instant New York Times bestseller: an unforgettable portrait of an artist as a young woman. Blindsided by her mother's sudden death, and wrecked by a recent love affair, Casey Peabody has arrived in Massachusetts in the summer of 1997 without a plan. Her mail consists of wedding invitations and final notices from debt collectors. A former child golf prodigy, she now waits tables in Harvard Square and rents a tiny, moldy room at the side of a garage where she works on the novel she's been writing for six years. At thirty-one, Casey is still clutching onto something nearly all her old friends have let go of: the determination to live a creative life. When

she falls for two very different men at the same time, her world fractures even more. Casey's fight to fulfill her creative ambitions and balance the conflicting demands of art and life is challenged in ways that push her to the brink. *Writers & Lovers* follows Casey—a smart and achingly vulnerable protagonist—in the last days of a long youth, a time when every element of her life comes to a crisis. Written with King's trademark humor, heart, and intelligence, *Writers & Lovers* is a transfixing novel that explores the terrifying and exhilarating leap between the end of one phase of life and the beginning of another.

[Human Capital and Competences in Project Management](#) - Manuel Otero-Mateo 2018-02-07  
People's competence has a strong influence on the strategy of human resource management, affecting daily aspects, thought patterns, and behavioral modes of executive management and employees. From a business perspective, there is a strong relationship between human capital and

success and also an integral development of the human factor in all its dimensions, both personal and professional, and social competences must be a key factor to reach it. To help achieve this business excellence, it is necessary to transfer the demands of the labor market into education,

and one of the ways is through methodological framework for Project Management and Management, specifically the IPMA Individual Competence Baseline, which is an essential tool for achieving economic growth, corporate development, and competitiveness.