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The book that shows how to get the job done and deliver results . . . whether you're running an entire company or in your first management job Larry Bossidy is one of the world's most acclaimed CEOs, a man with few peers who has a track record for delivering results. Ram Charan is a legendary advisor to senior executives and boards of directors, a man with unparalleled insight into why some companies are successful and others are not. Together they've pooled their knowledge and experience into the one book on how to close the gap between results promised and results delivered that people in business need today. After a long, stellar career with General Electric, Larry Bossidy transformed AlliedSignal into one of the world's most admired companies and was named CEO of the year in 1998 by Chief Executive magazine. Accomplishments such as 31 consecutive quarters of earnings-per-share growth of 13 percent or more didn't just happen; they resulted from the consistent practice of the discipline of execution: understanding how to link together people, strategy, and operations, the three core processes of every

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business. Leading these processes is the real job of running a business, not formulating a “vision” and leaving the work of carrying it out to others. Bossidy and Charan show the importance of being deeply and passionately engaged in an organization and why robust dialogues about people, strategy, and operations result in a business based on intellectual honesty and realism. The leader’s most important job—selecting and appraising people—is one that should never be delegated. As a CEO, Larry Bossidy personally makes the calls to check references for key hires. Why? With the right people in the right jobs, there’s a leadership gene pool that conceives and selects strategies that can be executed. People then work together to create a strategy building block by building block, a strategy in sync with the realities of the marketplace, the economy, and the competition. Once the right people and strategy are in place, they are then linked to an operating process that results in the implementation of specific programs and actions and that assigns accountability. This kind of effective operating process goes way beyond the typical budget exercise that looks into a rearview mirror to set its goals. It puts reality behind the numbers and is where the rubber meets the road. Putting an execution culture in place is hard, but losing it is easy. In July 2001 Larry Bossidy was asked by the board of directors of Honeywell International (it had

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merged with AlliedSignal) to return and get the company back on track. He's been putting the ideas he writes about in *Execution* to work in real time. Set your sights on High-Potential leadership and help your organization thrive In today's tumultuous and rapidly evolving business environment, High-Potential leaders are in high demand. Do you possess the relationship skills, strategic vision, innovation, and determination needed to thrive as a high-potential leader in your organization? New York Times bestselling author Ram Charan answers that question and helps you hop on the fast-track to leadership success in this insightful guide.

Traditionally, leaders have risen up through the ranks based on their cognitive abilities, analytical skills, thoroughness, and even perfectionist tendencies, but as modern businesses have moved to a more digitally-driven model, the criteria for leaders has markedly changed. The High-Potential Leader explains the modern business climate while highlighting the critical role relationship building, communication style, engagement, and ability to motivate and bring out the best performance in others play in becoming an impactful leader.

Whether you're just embarking on your leadership journey or are ready to make the leap to the next leadership level, Charan's real-world lessons and practical advice will help you discover who you are as a leader, chart your path, accelerate your growth,

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and ultimately, become the high-potential leader your organization needs to succeed.

"How do you gain an edge in the digital age? In this lively, accessible guide, Ram Charan, bestselling author and advisor to some of the world's top CEOs, dissects the changing nature of competitive advantage, illustrating what it takes for companies--old and new alike--to compete against digital giants like Amazon, Alibaba, and Google. In today's business world, good strategy isn't just about preserving market share or building moats to ward off competitors. In the digital age, the most successful companies look at everything through a single lens: How can we create a better end-to-end consumer experience? As Jeff Bezos says, "When given the choice of obsessing over competitors or obsessing over customers, we always obsess over customers." Filled with behind-the-scenes stories of companies like Netflix, Amazon, Fidelity, and Alibaba, *Rethinking Competitive Advantage* highlights the tools these behemoths have relied on to reimagine customer experience and build competitive advantage: platform, data, and ecosystem. These companies don't just develop channels of distribution, they constantly crunch numbers, use algorithms to improve products, and create an ecosystem with outside sellers and their supply chain, where a stream of new innovations reinvigorates the customer's experience and creates

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new sources of revenue. Today's companies imagine market spaces that don't yet exist, ones with the potential to grow 10x or 100x--and they are willing to spend cash now on the promise of exponential profits down the road. To execute their objectives, these companies build strong, nimble, team-centered workforces that upend traditional hierarchy, forming a "social engine" that drives innovation under visionary leaders. Whether you're in the C-Suite of a Fortune 500 company or brainstorming the next digital start-up from your garage, Rethinking Competitive Advantage is the ultimate primer on competitive advantage today, revealing the "secret sauce" behind some of the world's leading companies--and showing you what you must do to compete"--

'The most influential consultant alive.' Fortune Have you ever noticed that the best CEOs seem to have a special kind of intelligence, an ability to sense where the opportunities in their industries are and how to take advantage of them? The best have a knack for simplifying the most complex business practices down to the fundamentals - the same fundamentals of the small family business. In What the CEO Wants You To Know, Ram Charan explains in clear, simple language how to do what great CEOs do instinctively and persistently - understand the basic building blocks of a company and use them to figure out how to make it work as a total business. Being able to

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decide what to do when, despite the clutter of day-to-day to-do lists and the complexity of the real world, takes the mystery out of business and offers a clear road map of organisational success. First published in 2001 (with over 300,000 copies sold worldwide) but never before published in the UK, this business classic has been completely rewritten and updated with new stories from today's market leaders and companies, and the latest insights from the cutting edge of management research. 'One of the world's most renowned management consultants and authors.' Fast Company

The practical, hands-on guide you need to put the groundbreaking Phoenix Encounter Method leadership philosophy to work in any organization From a dream team of business leadership experts, including INSEAD professors and the world-renowned Ram Charan, The Phoenix Encounter Method provides a radical new leadership strategic thinking approach to transform business as we know it. It's about embracing a "firestorm of change" and turning upheaval into advantage—enabling the business to rise, phoenix-like, from the ashes—stronger than ever. Now, The Phoenix Encounter Method Implementation Guide, the companion to this breakthrough work, walks you through the process of creating action steps for this leadership method throughout your organization in a practical, hands-on way. It connects each task to

relevant material in the main book and to additional online resources. The authors elucidate key concepts, provide advice based on their experience, offer checklists, and answer frequently asked questions. In addition, the book's companion website will have a social function, allowing you to connect with other Phoenix acolytes and share your own experience and ideas with others. Whether you're a corporate leader, academic, consultant or executive trainer, The Phoenix Encounter Method Implementation Guide provides the advice you need to lead your organization to the head of your industry.

It is by making innovation an intimate, intentional part of the business that A. G. Lafley - the Jack Welch of the 21st century - has recently transformed Procter & Gamble from a \$39 into a \$76 billion dollar company that touches more than 3 billion people around the world. On the brink of collapse when he joined in 2000, it became a model for growth and innovation. In this inspiring and practical book Lafley explains how making innovation more than just a stand-alone activity enabled him to turn around growth, productivity and the bottom line. As this book shows, innovation can become a reliable and repeatable game-changer for any business in all areas of the organisation, from the CEO's desk to the everyday activities of each employee. By using new insights and easy-to-relate-to stories from P&G

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and other companies - describing, for example, the best way to brainstorm, and the "innovation portfolio" - this book is destined to become as influential as Good to Great and as Charan's own bestseller, Execution.

“There is no better person than Ram Charan to provide advice on managing in a downturn.” –Larry Bossidy, former Chairman & CEO Honeywell International Inc. "This is all classic guru writing, stressing the extremity of the situation. But from Charan - who has already brought us bestsellers such as Execution and What the CEO Wants You to Know - it seems plausible. His forte is bold advice, delivered with convincing rhetoric. And he has completed his new text just at the right time." --Financial Times As a business leader today, you face an unprecedented challenge: the worldwide economic downturn. Cash and credit are dwindling, sales forecasts are dismal, and morale is sinking. This is not a time to reflect. It is a time to act, decide, and energize your people—with urgency. This is your moment. Are you up to the task? In Leadership in the Era of Economic Uncertainty, Ram Charan helps you steer your business through the minefield of contracting markets, cash shortages, and ongoing uncertainty. No matter what your leadership role, Charan's insight will help ensure that your business emerges leaner, stronger, and well in front of the competition. “We will not know when we have turned the corner, and we cannot envision the shape and scope of the world that will emerge,” Charan writes. “What we can be sure of is that this is a time of tumultuous change, and with change come both danger and opportunity.” In this concise and highly accessible guide, the author provides practical actions you can execute immediately to Protect cash flow vigilantly, even daily, and use cash more efficiently Use ground intelligence to survive

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the storm and position your business to thrive in the aftermath

Develop a better understanding of your customers

Reevaluate your pricing strategy and capital expenditures

Use cost cutting strategically Using examples and case

studies, Leadership in the Era of Economic Uncertainty

illustrates how leaders at DuPont, Hanesbrands, Wipro, and

other companies used Charan's techniques to get results.

The chaos of global economic meltdown has imposed an

urgency you have never before experienced. It's a scary

thing, but it can also be exciting—if you're prepared.

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Discusses the essential skills people need to accomplish their

goals, linking eight important skills of know-how to the

psychological traits of a successful leader.

The global economic landscape is 'tilting': countries such as

China, India and Brazil are racing forward while established

American and European companies struggle to keep up. To

survive in this new climate, CEOs need to respond quickly

and effectively, and in Global Tilt, best selling coauthor of

Execution Ram Charan shows how. His advice includes: -

Unlearn Old Lessons - Get Ready for Strategic Bets - Fight

the Short-Term Beast - Change Your Psychology In this age

of rapid economic change, we all have to be on our toes. Is

your business ready to survive the Global Tilt?

"This book is a most important contribution for both new and

experienced directors, addressing contemporary corporate

governance. The 14 practical questions represent the most

vital issues that boards need to proactively address and are

particularly crucial now as boards deal with the aftermath of

the global financial tsunami." —Thomas J. Neff, chairman,

U.S., Spencer Stuart "If Corporate America's board members

had answered these questions, the crisis of '08 would have

been avoided. The book is that powerful. It should be

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is not translating into better governance— that is, governance that adds value to the business. *Boards That Deliver* gets beyond the rhetoric of corporate governance reform. It captures the tried-and-true practices used by high-performance boards. In contrast to experts who base prescriptions on number-crunching exercises, Charan identifies the real problems that drain directors' time and suppress their best judgments—and explains clearly and succinctly how boards can solve those problems. These battle-tested solutions help boards achieve what rules and regulations alone cannot—to get succession right, refine a winning strategy, and design a rational CEO compensation package. Good governance requires leadership. *Boards That Deliver* is the no-nonsense guide for directors and CEOs who are rising to the leadership challenge to make their boards a competitive advantage.

A noted business consultant introduces his nine-step program for creating profitable, sustainable, internally generated growth in a business, in a handbook with useful tools, anecdotes, and real-life business stories.

From The Bestselling Author Of *What The Ceo Wants You To Know—How To Rethink Sales From The Outside In*. More Than Ever These Days, The Sales Process Often Turns Into A War About Price—A Frustrating, Unpleasant War That Takes All The Fun Out Of Selling. But There's A Better Way To Think About Sales, Says Bestselling Author Ram Charan, Who Is Famous For Clarifying And Simplifying Difficult Business Problems. Instead Of Starting With Your Product Or Service, Start With Your Customer's Problems. Focus On Becoming Your Customer's Trusted Partner, Someone He Or She Can Turn To For Creative, Cost-Effective Solutions That Are Based On Your Deep Knowledge Of His Values, Goals, Problems, And Customers. This Powerful Book Will Teach

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You: &Bull; How To Gain A Deeper Knowledge Of Your Customer&Rsq;S Company, Including Costs, Values, And How Decisions Really Get Made &Bull; How To Help Your Customer Improve Margins And Drive Revenue Growth &Bull; How To Focus On Your Customer&Rsq;S Customers &Bull; How To Work With Other Departments In Your Own Company To Customize Better Solutions &Bull; How To Make Price Much Less Of An Issue Someday, Every Company Will Listen More Closely To The Customer, And Every Manager Will Realize That Sales Is Everyone&Rsq;S Business, Not Just The Sales Department&Rsq;S. In The Meantime, This Eye-Opening Book Will Show You How To Get Started.

&Lsquo;An Insightful Theorist&Rsq;—Jack Welch
The must-read summary of Larry Bossidy and Ram Chaean's book: "Execution: The Discipline of Getting Things Done" This complete summary of the ideas from Larry Bossidy and Ram Chaean's book "Execution" shows that the gap between what a company promises and the results it actually achieves is the biggest issue facing businesses. This summary names and explains the key building blocks needed by a company for efficient and consistent execution, thus effectively giving you the tools to improve execution in your own company. Added-value of this summary: • Save time • Understand key concepts • Expand your business knowledge To learn more, read "Excecution" and discover a corporate vision which is squarely grounded in reality.

Is your firm's board creating value—or destroying it? Change is coming. Leadership at the top is being redefined as boards take a more active role in decisions that once belonged solely to the CEO. But for all the advantages of increased board engagement, it can create debilitating questions of authority and dangerous meddling in day-to-day operations. Directors need a new road map—for when to lead, when to partner, and when to stay out of the way. Boardroom veterans Ram

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Charan, Dennis Carey, and Michael Useem advocate this new governance model—a sharp departure from what has been demanded by governance activists, raters, and regulators—and reveal the emerging practices that are defining shared leadership of directors and executives. Based on personal interviews and the authors' broad and deep experience working with executives and directors from dozens of the world's largest firms, including Apple, Boeing, Ford, Infosys, and Lenovo, *Boards That Lead* tells the inside story behind the successes and pitfalls of this new leadership model and explains how to:

- Define the central idea of the company
- Ensure that the right CEO is in place and potential successors are identified
- Recruit directors who add value
- Root out board dysfunction
- Select a board leader who deftly bridges the divide between management and the board
- Set a high bar on ethics and risk

With a total of eighteen checklists that will transform board directors from monitors to leaders, Charan, Carey, and Useem provide a smart and practical guide for businesspeople everywhere—whether they occupy the boardroom or the C-suite.

An updated and revised version of the bestselling *The Leadership Pipeline* – the critical resource for how companies can grow leaders from the inside. In business, leadership at every level is a requisite for company survival. Yet the leadership pipeline –the internal strategy to grow leaders – in many companies is dry or nonexistent. Drawing on their experiences at many Fortune 500 companies, the authors show how organizations can develop leadership at every level by identifying future leaders, assessing their corporate confidence, planning their development, and measuring their results. New to this edition is 65 pages of new material to update the model, share new stories and add new advice based on the ten more years of experience. The authors have also added a "Frequently Asked Questions" section to the

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end of each chapter.

How HR can lead. If you read nothing else on reinventing human resources, read these 10 articles. We've combed through hundreds of Harvard Business Review articles and selected the most important ones on how HR leaders can partner with the C-suite, drive change throughout the organization, and develop the workforce of the future. This book will inspire you to: Overhaul performance management practices to jump-start motivation and engagement Use agile processes to transform how you hire, develop, and manage people Establish diversity programs that increase innovation and competitiveness as well as inclusion Use people analytics to bring unprecedented insight to hiring and talent management Prepare your company for the double waves of artificial intelligence and an older workforce Close the gap between HR and strategy This collection of articles includes: "People Before Strategy: A New Role for the CHRO," by Ram Charan, Dominic Barton, and Dennis Carey; "How Netflix Reinvented HR," by Patty McCord; "HR Goes Agile," by Peter Cappelli and Anna Tavis; "Reinventing Performance Management," by Marcus Buckingham and Ashley Goodall; "Better People Analytics," by Paul Leonardi and Noshir Contractor; "21st-Century Talent Spotting," by Claudio Fernandez-Araoz; "Tours of Duty: The New Employer-Employee Contract," by Reid Hoffman, Ben Casnocha, and Chris Yeh; "Creating the Best Workplace on Earth," by Rob Goffee and Gareth Jones; "Why Diversity Programs Fail," by Frank Dobbins and Alexandra Kaley; "When No One Retires," by Paul Irving; and "Collaborative Intelligence: Humans and AI Are Joining Forces," by H. James Wilson and Paul R. Daugherty.

The must-read summary of Ram Charan's book: "What the Customer Wants You to Know: How Everybody Needs to Think About Sales Differently". This complete summary of the

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ideas from Ram Charan's book "What the Customer Wants You to Know" reveals that the traditional sales process is broken. Customers today have so many choices that if all you focus on is price, the only thing you can do is keep lowering your prices until it gets to a stage where you're not making enough money to stay in business. In this book, the author explains that a new approach to selling is needed, called "value creation selling". This summary demonstrates what this approach entails and how you can use it to develop customer relationships that deepen over time and make it difficult for customers to switch to someone else. Added-value of this summary: • Save time • Understand key concepts • Expand your knowledge To learn more, read "What the Customers Want You to Know" and discover the key to attracting and retaining customers in today's overcrowded marketplace.

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Intro: Memo to the CEO: your talent playbook -- Forge the tools of transformation -- Energize the board -- Design & redesign the work of the organization -- Reinvent HR as a source of competitive advantage -- Scale up individual talent -- Create an M & A strategy for talent -- Drive the talent playbook

Bill Conaty and Ram Charan, two superstars of the business world, use their insider knowledge at a wide range of companies to provide a system any business can use to build its most valuable asset: talented leaders who can deliver the goods.

A Wall Street Journal bestseller The forces driving today's world of structural change create sharp bends in the road that can lead to major explosions in your existing market space. But exponential change also

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offers exponential opportunities. How do you leverage change to go on the offense? The Attacker's Advantage is the game plan for winning in an era of ambiguity, volatility, and complexity, when every leader and every business is being challenged in new and unexpected ways. Ram Charan, harnessing an unequalled depth and breadth of experience working with leaders and companies around the globe, provides tested, practical tools to help you:

- Build the perceptual acuity to see around corners and detect, ahead of others, those forces—especially people, who are the catalysts of change—that could radically reshape a company or industry
- Have the mindset to see opportunity in uncertainty
- Commit to a new path forward despite the unknowns, positioning your business to make the next move ahead of competitors
- Break the blockages that can hold your company back
- Know when to accelerate and when to shift the short-term and long-term balance
- Make your organization agile and steerable by aligning people, priorities, decision-making power, budgeting and capital allocation, and key performance indicators to the new realities of the marketplace

The Attacker's Advantage provides a stark and simple challenge: stay in a legacy world of incremental gains or defensiveness, or be an attacker by creating a new world, scaling it up quickly, ahead of the traditional players.

Written by a former UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (2003-4), this book has been fully updated for a second edition and continues to provide a much needed, short and accessible introduction to the foundational human rights ideas of our times and shows that every

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government is under international obligation to respect and uphold universal human rights. Updates include: Discussion of the recent intellectual challenges to the international human rights movement Examination of the establishment and functioning of the Human Rights Council and the Universal Review Process Evaluation of the developments in the area of the Responsibility to Protect and continued efforts to implement the right to development Inclusion of issues such as the push for compensation for slavery, experiments with democracy in a number of countries and the decisions of international judicial and human rights organs on conceptual and protection issues This book will be of great interest to students and scholars of Global Institutions, International Law and Human Rights.

Learn how top companies solve the problem of leadership succession from corporate America's leading consultant. A serious crisis looms in American management today. More and more CEOs are failing; there remains an acute shortage of capable replacements. The true dilemma in leadership is the stagnant state of corporate leadership development. Because companies fail to hone their unit managers' leadership abilities, they are never able to fill their succession pipelines. With unit managers stagnating, companies have difficulty executing at every level, compounding the crisis. In *Leaders at All Levels*, bestselling author Ram Charan shows how top companies approach leadership development as a core competency, recognizing that an adaptable leadership pool is a competitive advantage, and focusing their

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attention on bringing out the best in the leaders they have. Charan reveals exactly what's wrong with corporate leadership development and tells how to make it right. He explains the concept of a leadership "gene pool" and shows how companies can discover just what "DNA" they need to succeed. He also details how to uncover the hidden leaders in a company, when and where to bring in fresh talent, how to coach, measure, and reward leadership, and much more. For CEOs, directors, and anyone involved in leadership development, *Leaders at All Levels* is an eye-opening guide on how to get succession right.

The authors bring their experience as consultants to the managers of such large companies as CocaCola, Dupont, and Ford to bear on the quest for continual, profitable growth, showing companies in any industry how to foster it. Reprint. 25,000 first printing.

Amazon's trillion-dollar success is the envy of everyone, but achievable by anyone. What has propelled their record streak of growth? Their management system, and it can do the same for you no matter what business you are in or what level. Learning it is as simple as six building blocks distilled by New York Times bestselling author and global CEO advisor Ram Charan and Julia Yang in *The Amazon Management System. The Ultimate Digital Engine that Powered Amazon's Unprecedented Growth and Shareholder Value Creation: Building Block 1: Customer-Obsessed Business Model Building Block 2: Continuous Bar-Raising Talent Pool Building Block 3: AI-Powered Data & Metrics System Building Block 4: Ground-Breaking Invention Machine Building Block 5:*

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High-Velocity & High-Quality Decision-Making Building
Block 6: A forever Day 1 culture. From their high-velocity
decision-making to their top talent hiring practices, the
insider secrets behind Amazon's success are now within
anyone's grasp, block by block. Whether you are an
established CEO or a recent college grad, this concise
and actionable book will help your business win in a new
digital era that demands nonstop innovation.

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