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"I figli devono avere una madre e un padre." "È contro natura." "Una lesbica non ha istinto materno." "I figli degli omosessuali diventano omosessuali." Tante le obiezioni all'omogenitorialità. Tanti i pregiudizi e le paure che scivolano sulla bocca della gente. Ma i gemelli Silvia e Andrea hanno due mamme e due papa. Violetta e Arthur tre genitori. Sono figli di una sola metà del cielo, crescono nell'ultima frontiera della famiglia, la più controversa. Nella società che cambia, qual è la condizione necessaria per l'esistenza di una famiglia? Rispetto e responsabilità, attenzione e amore non sono sufficienti? Il riconoscimento delle famiglie omosessuali non toglie valori alla società, semmai ne aggiunge. È un allargamento di diritti per alcuni cittadini, non una riduzione per la collettività. Obiezioni e resistenze si sgretolano sotto la mole di ricerche scientifiche che dimostrano come i bambini cresciuti in famiglie omosessuali siano mentalmente sani e socialmente integrati quanto quelli cresciuti in famiglie eterosessuali. Questa è la realtà che emerge dalle pagine di "Buoni genitori". Chiara Lalli disinnesca automatismi e generalizzazioni scontate lasciando la parola ai protagonisti. Gioie, problemi, difficoltà nell'immaginare un futuro: come in tutte le famiglie, ma con la frustrazione per i diritti negati.

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Anne-Katrin Schührer beschäftigt sich in diesem Buch mit der Motivation bürgerschaftlichen Engagements im Kontext von Migration und sozialer Ungleichheit. Empirische Grundlage sind 28 Interviews mit Frauen mit Zuwanderungsgeschichte, die sich in Mütter- und Familienzentren und Mehrgenerationenhäusern in Baden-Württemberg engagieren. Dabei soll insbesondere thematisiert werden, inwiefern bürgerschaftliches Engagement als Suche nach Anerkennung, Lebensbewältigung und sozialer Inklusion verstanden werden kann und welchen Beitrag Einrichtungen und Vereine leisten können, um zu anerkennungssensiblen Orten zu werden.

This book constitutes the joint refereed proceedings of the three workshops held in conjunction with the 6th International Conference on Web Information Systems Engineering, WISE 2005, in New York, NY, USA, in November 2005. A total of 47 papers were submitted to the three workshops, and 28 revised full papers were carefully selected for presentation. The workshop on Web Information Systems Quality (WISQ 2005) - discussing and disseminating research on the quality of WIS and Web services from a holistic point of view - included 7 papers out of 12 submissions. The workshop on Web-based Learning (WBL 2005) accounted for 10 papers from 14 papers submitted - organized in topical sections on tools, models, and innovative applications. The workshop on Scalable Semantic Web Knowledge Base Systems (SSWS 2005) included 11 presentations selected from 21 submissions. Topics addressed are scalable repository and reasoning services, practical Semantic Web applications, query handling and optimization techniques.

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The Business of Transportation [2 volumes]ABC-CLIO

In recent years, innovative texts in mathematics, science, foreign languages, and other fields have achieved dramatic pedagogical gains by abandoning the traditional encyclopedic approach in favor of attempting to teach a short list of core principles in depth. Two well-respected writers and researchers, Bob Frank and Ben Bernanke, have shown that the less-is-more approach affords similar gains in introductory economics. Although a few other texts have paid lip service to this new approach, Frank/Bernanke is by far the best throughout, and the best executed principles text in this mold. Avoiding excessive reliance on formal mathematical derivations, it presents concepts intuitively through examples drawn from familiar contexts. The authors introduce a coherent short list of core principles and reinforce them by illustrating and applying each in numerous contexts. Students are periodically asked to apply these principles and to answer related questions and exercises. Frank/Bernanke also encourages students to become eoeEconomic Naturalists,e by employing basic economic principles to understand and explain what they observe in the world around them. An economic naturalist understands, for example, that infant safety seats are required in cars but not in airplanes because the marginal cost of space to accommodate these seats is typically zero in cars but often hundreds of dollars in airplanes. Such examples engage student interest while teaching them to see each feature of their economic landscape as the reflection of an implicit or explicit cost-benefit calculation.

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Given the recent focus on the challenges to representative democracy, and the search for new institutions and procedures that can help to channel increasing participation, this book offers empirical insights on alternative conceptions of democracy and the actors that promote them. With a focus on the conceptions and practices of democracy within contemporary social movements in Europe, this volume contributes to the debate on the different dimensions of democracy, especially in its participative and deliberative forms. On the basis of an in-depth analysis of European Social Forums, gathering thousands of social movement organizations and tens of thousands of activists from all Europe, the book explores the transnational dimension of democracy and addresses a relevant, and little analyzed aspect of Europeanization: the Europeanization of social movements. From a methodological point of view, the research innovates by covering a group of individuals traditionally neglected in previous studies: social movement activists. Qualitative and quantitative methods are employed to research individual motivations as well as environmental dynamics. The various chapters combine analysis of the individuals' attitudes and behavior with that of the organizational characteristics, procedures and practices of democracy. Providing a cross-national comparison on the global justice movement, the theoretical challenges of the new wave of protest and offering rich empirical data on contemporary activism, this book will appeal to students and scholars of comparative politics, sociology, political sociology, social movement studies, as well as transnational relations.

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