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Essential strategies the nonprofit community can use to take advantage of rapidly changing technologies and new communication methods in our ultra-connected society In these challenging economic times, it is more important than ever for nonprofits to focus on shaping policy, building capacity, developing talent, improving their marketing and promotion, fundraising, and developing partnerships/collaboration for organizational success. Shift & Reset: Strategies for Supporting Causes in a Connected Society teaches the nonprofit/social change/philanthropy/cause community how to take advantage of rapidly changing technologies and new communication ecosystem that exist in our connected society. Addresses the most critical challenges facing the nonprofit/social change/philanthropy/cause community Re-envisioning how we support causes and address serious issues in our connected society Outlines how organizations must operate—and what happens when they don't re-think their work Features interviews with over twenty-five leading thinkers/authors/organizational leaders Innovative and right on time, Shift & Reset equips nonprofit professionals with a set of three core principles, a five-step checklist of immediate action items, as well as a list of ten "must-read" items.

Conscious Spending, Conscious Life is a manual for anyone who wants to move from unconscious consumption to conscious spending. Why would you? In a consumer world, it's incredibly easy to make poor choices that haunt us for years. Usually, we are deep in difficulty by the time anyone stops us. The best approach is conscious spending. Presenting a timeless philosophy in the context of modern life, Conscious Spending, Conscious Life will enrich the way you look at money and at life. Packed with practical information and thought-provoking ideas, it helps you think for yourself and make satisfying decisions. Based on Laurana Rayne's long-time experience as a college instructor, Conscious Spending, Conscious Life is sprinkled with personal anecdotes, relevant stories, clearly-written examples, and useful diagrams. This is not a textbook. It is intended to inspire everyone to broaden their perspectives, ask questions, think independently, and cultivate common sense. Parents and grandparents will recognize it as a worthwhile resource for family members starting out on their own. Those with more life experience will find valuable perspectives to augment their current thinking about money and their lives. It's the kind of book that can be reread many times, in whole or in part, because what the reader derives will vary depending on his or her stage in life.

Principles of Scientific Methods focuses on the fundamental principles behind

scientific methods. The book refers to "science" in a broad sense, including natural science, physics, mathematics, statistics, social science, political science, and engineering science. A principle is often abstract and has broad applicability while a method is usually

Critical Thinking and Reasoning provides access to expert views on critical thinking. It covers (1) the theory of critical thinking, (2) the psychology of its development and learning, (3) examples of successful instruction, and (4) potent ways to assess it.

I am not a climatic scientist; I am an experienced electrical engineer, drawn to study this subject by the peculiarity of the news I was observing. And it became obvious, very quickly, that something weird was going on. So I began to collect data, news, and other factual information that gradually became available. I have now assembled a wide range of proven, factual details on global warming (which became climate change when warming stopped in 1998 and temperatures began to drop), the claims and counter claims that have been published over the years, and some of my own observations arising from an engineering point of view. My purpose is to put all of the facts I have assembled in one location, for ease of observation and analysis, and to show the absolute foolishness involved. Others who also became interested have seen much of this information before, reported as individual elements or events, and responded to one at a time. In each case, global warming enthusiasts have responded to each individual weakness reported with the comment that, "yes, that was one little problem ... but with all things considered, man-made global warming is settled science." It will be interesting to see their responses to the entire range of factual information as developed by reputable scientists and engineers, some of which are listed below, when all are presented in detail and absolutely refute the idea that, "man-made global warming is settled science." . Surface and marine temperature measurements - - totally lacking in the accuracy necessary to detect the small variations involved. We show that, absolutely. . Global temperatures have not affected the amount of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere -- they have no relationship to each other. We present data to show that absolutely. Global warming cannot possibly be causing an increase in CO2. Human's activities are exonerated, absolutely. . Satellite measurements have been shown to be highly inaccurate - all records since their installation in 2000 are exposed as highly erroneous. Reports from the Great Lakes area helped that. . The terrible environmental disasters created by global warming, as presented by UN reports, are shown to be untrue. . The glaciers haven't disappeared, as reported - failing sensors missed an area the size of California. . The "scientists" engaged in improper activities to change temperature-record data to suit their contentions have been exposed; details are shown, absolutely. Russia helped with the revelations. . The global-temperature data from the four responsible agencies do not agree. The agencies do not share expertise, and the differences in their data, one to the other, differ more than the small variations in contention. The average

yearly temperature rise from the year 1850 to that of 2008 was only 1.38 F. The existing sensor locations will not allow that degree of accuracy. . Temperatures were higher 1000 years ago, than they have been in the twentieth century. The "scientists" efforts are shown as they struggle to lower the temperatures of those early years.

A sophisticated yet non-technical introduction to microeconomics for MBA students, now in its third edition.

The New York Times–bestselling author of *Packing for Mars* presents fascinating essays by Jonathan Lethem, Jaron Lanier, Malcom Gladwell and others. Good science writing, as Mary Roach explains in her introduction, is a cure for ignorance and fallacy. But great science writing adds honey—in the form of engaging characters, stories, and wit—to make the medicine go down. This anthology reveals the essential humanity in our endless quest for knowledge and understanding. From a study of avian mating habits with unintended political implications to a sober exploration of the panic surrounding artificial intelligence,

The Best Science and Nature Writing 2011 offers food for thought in a variety of flavors. *The Best Science and Nature Writing 2011* includes entries by Deborah Blum, Burkhard Bilger, Ian Frazier, David H. Freedman, Atul Gawande, Stephen Hawking, Christopher Ketcham, Jill Sisson Quinn, Oliver Sachs, and others.

Three quarters of the U.S.'s bird and plant extinctions have occurred in Hawai'i, and one third of the country's threatened and endangered birds and plants reside within the state. Yet despite these alarming statistics, all is not lost: There are still 12,000 extant species unique to the archipelago and new species are discovered every year. In *Restoring Paradise: Rethinking and Rebuilding Nature in Hawai'i*, Robert Cabin shows why current attempts to preserve Hawai'i's native fauna and flora require embracing the emerging paradigm of ecological restoration—the science and art of assisting the recovery of degraded species and ecosystems and creating more meaningful and sustainable relationships between people and nature. Cabin's extensive experience as a research ecologist and applied practitioner enables him to provide a rare, behind-the-scenes look at successful and inspiring restoration programs. In Part 1 he recounts Hakalau Forest National Wildlife Refuge's efforts to restore thousands of acres of degraded pasture on the island of Hawai'i back to the native rain forests that once dominated the area and sheltered native birds now on the brink of extinction. Along the way, he presents an overview of Hawaiian natural and cultural history, biogeography, and evolutionary biology. Following chapters look at restoration work underway by the U.S. Park Service to reestablish native species within the vast Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park; by a charismatic scientist and dedicated volunteers to restore the native forests of Auwahi on the southern slopes of Haleakalā; and by the Limahuli branch of Kauai's National Tropical Botanical Garden to revive a thousand-year-old taro plantation. To investigate the compelling and often conflicting philosophies and strategies of those involved in restoration, Cabin opens Part 3 with interview excerpts from a

cross-section of Hawai'i's environmental community. He concludes with a provocative and insightful discussion of the contentious, evolving relationship between humans and nature and the power and limitations of science within and beyond Hawai'i.

The economic crisis of 2008–2009 was a transformational event: it demonstrated that smart people aren't as smart as they and the public think. The crisis arose because a lot of highly educated people in high-impact positions— political powerbrokers, business leaders, and large segments of the general public—made a lot of bad decisions despite unprecedented access to data, highly sophisticated decision support systems, methodological advances in the decision sciences, and guidance from highly experienced experts. How could we get things so wrong? The answer, says J. Davidson Frame in *Framing Decisions: Decision Making That Accounts for Irrationality, People, and Constraints*, is that traditional processes do not account for the three critical immeasurable elements highlighted in the book's subtitle— irrationality, people, and constraints. Frame argues that decision-makers need to move beyond their single-minded focus on rational and optimal solutions as preached by the traditional paradigm. They must accommodate a decision's social space and address the realities of dissimulation, incompetence, legacy, greed, peer pressure, and conflict. In the final analysis, when making decisions of consequence, they should focus on people – both as individuals and in groups. *Framing Decisions* offers a new approach to decision making that gets decision-makers to put people and social context at the heart of the decision process. It offers guidance on how to make decisions in a real world filled with real people seeking real solutions to their problems.

This book uses plain, easy to understand logic to answer some of life's big questions: • Does God exist? • Does He have a physical body? • Is the Godhead one or three individuals? • What is the purpose of life? • Why do bad things happen to good people? • Do we have free will, or does destiny determine our lives? The author has spent a lifetime searching for these answers in both secular and scriptural sources. Although one cannot prove, for instance, that God does or does not exist, this text will make it easier for you to formulate your own conclusions using circumstantial evidence and logical reasoning. Please set aside passions, hearsay, and assumptions to engage your mind in contemplating these questions with me. I do not believe that you will find an easier path to finding answers than this book provides.

A model for developing the leaders and delivering the leadership results the world needs *Leadership Results* explores the fall of traditional leadership thinking and the struggling multibillion dollar leadership development industry that is failing to deliver results, and explains the mindset, skills, ways of being and methods that will get results in the new context and evolving paradigm. The *Leadership Results* model is practical and predictive, providing a way forward for companies seeking to build sustainable leadership capacity, develop individual leaders, boost employee engagement and deliver breakthrough results through shared and collective leadership. Actionable steps guide you through the process of evolving leadership culture to see increased productivity, growth opportunities and ensured profitability borne on a culture of trust, collaboration, fairness and a commitment to innovation and real prosperity. Expert analysis debunks pervasive myths and assumptions surrounding leadership, employee engagement, and talent development, while demystifying the role technology plays in innovation and progress. Leaders, coaches, trainers, OD practitioners, change agents, and students will find insightful guidance, thought-provoking discussion and illustrative case studies that will help them: Rethink leadership to make a stronger impact Take bold action to change the status quo Marry strategic and innovation leadership into a force for real change Stop making the same mistakes and start forging a new path forward From the heads of state on down, all levels of leadership are experiencing a rapid loss of trust and confidence — and the

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glaring absence of results that follows. Unethical business practices are costing more than five per cent of the global GDP every year; citizens around the world have lost faith in the public and private sectors; only 13% of employees are engaged at work — clearly, there is a severe lack of effective leadership. Leadership Results provides a practical way forward through this global quagmire, with a clear, actionable model for leadership that works.

This book is a collection of short essays, each challenging a commonplace assumption about biology - playfully dubbed "Sacred Bovines." The essays aim to be both provocative and entertaining. They highlight amusing ironies and fascinating details, such as organisms that blur the distinction of male and female, tool use and language among non-humans, errors made by Charles Darwin or Nobel Prize winners, and how research on cells was enriched by a Marxist perspective. As an ensemble, the essays aim to deepen an understanding of how science works, including its cultural contexts. The 28 pieces are arranged in 7 thematic sections, focusing on such topics as error in science, "myth-conceptions" of scientists, cultural bias in scientific concepts, the challenge of expertise and "what counts as science" in society, and science and values. While all the essays focus on cases in biology, most of the lessons are more general, and valuable for any citizen who reflects on science in society. A final Epilogue profiles the value of the style of thinking exemplified throughout the book - namely, the light-hearted challenging of assumptions as a source of creative insight. An additional "Afterword for Teachers" highlights how the essays can foster learning about the nature of science and describes some practical classroom strategies.

The book consists of 25 vignettes describing industrial research projects, including successes and failures. The emphasis is not on the technology per se, but rather on the human and business side of R&D.

The primary purpose of this book is to offer a broad-based examination into the role of scientific inquiry in contemporary special education. As with the first two editions, which were published in 2001 and 2011, the goal is to provide a comprehensive overview of the philosophical, ethical, methodological, and analytical fundamentals of social science and educational research. Aspects of special education research that distinguish it from scientific inquiry in other fields of education and human services are specified. Foremost among these distinctions are the research beneficiaries—children with disabilities, their parents, the special educators; availability of federal funds for research and demonstration projects that seek to improve educational outcomes; and the historical, philosophical, and legislative bases for the profession of special education. This new edition represents a revision of more than 30 percent with over 250 new references. Each chapter is thoroughly updated with new developments in research topics, designs, and methods that have emerged over the past decade in the field of special education. This unique book is an excellent resource guide for graduate-level students, practitioners, teachers in the field of special education, disability studies, early intervention, school psychology, and child and family services.

Emotional frustration and US regime change -- The 1906 intervention in Cuba -- The 1909-1912 intervention in Nicaragua -- US dealings with the Dominican Republic, 1963-65 -- US dealings with Iran, 1979-80 -- US dealings with Iraq, 2001-03.

Hailed as "a chilling portrait" by The Boston Globe and "a crafty thriller" by Newsweek, this astonishing story of an obsessive hacker promises to change the way you look at the Internet forever. At Large chronicles the massive manhunt that united hard-nosed FBI agents, computer nerds, and uptight security bureaucrats against an elusive computer outlaw who broke into highly secured computer systems at banks, universities, federal agencies, and top-secret military weapons-research sites. Here is "a real-life tale of cops vs. hackers, by two technology writers with a flair for turning a complicated crime and investigation into a fast-moving edge-of-your-seat story" (Kirkus Reviews, starred). At Large blows the lid off the frightening vulnerability of the global online network, which leaves not only systems, but also

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individuals, exposed.

"We want to examine what the scientific evidence suggests is really going on when we eat food, and how we can eat and live in a way that best gives us the health benefits of a hunter-gatherer lifestyle while living in and enjoying the advantages of the modern world. We also hope to use the evidence to explore how we can increase our chances of avoiding chronic diseases, obesity, and other health problems -- the "Diseases of Civilization." -- page 7.

Government did not create our social problems and it can't solve them for us. This book explores in detail the who and how of real social change.

A fascinating tour behind the scenes at laboratories around the world as top researchers race to create revolutionary "thinking machines" that may one day lead to a new form of intelligence. Join David Freedman as he takes you on a fascinating tour behind the scenes at laboratories around the world as top researchers race to create revolutionary "thinking machines" that may one day lead to a new form of intelligence. The subject of fantasy and skepticism for centuries—from William James's mechanical bride to 2001's Hal to Star Wars' R2D2—artificial intelligence has been limited to number-crunching computers that are "smart" only in highly specific domains like chess—until now. Brainmakers is an eye-opening, mind-expanding, and mind-blowing journey through laboratories engaged in cutting-edge research into neuroscience and robotics. Inside, you'll discover: MIT's Attila, a 3.6-pound, six-legged robot that learns as it interacts with its surroundings. Japan's efforts to grow brain cells on chips and construct a "wiring diagram" of the human brain. UCLA's "robot farm," where robots will be "bred" for intelligence. In exciting yet accessible detail, Freedman shows how this research has moved into a new realm that transcends computer science, combining neuroscience, microbiology, evolutionary biology, and zoology. Modeled after natural rather than artificial intelligence, thinking machines may soon develop powers that rival—or exceed—those of the human brain.

What makes countries rich? What makes countries poor? Europe's Growth Champion: Insights from the Economic Rise of Poland seeks to answer these questions, and many more, through a study of one of the biggest, and least heard about, economic success stories. Over the last twenty-five years Poland has transitioned from a perennially backward, poor, and peripheral country to unexpectedly join the ranks of the world's high income countries. Europe's Growth Champion is about the lessons learned from Poland's remarkable experience, the conditions that keep countries poor, and the challenges that countries need to face in order to grow. It defines a new growth model that Poland and its Eastern European peers need to adopt to grow and catch up with their Western counterparts. Poland's economic rise emphasizes the importance of the fundamental sources of growth- institutions, culture, ideas, and leaders- in economic development. It demonstrates that a shift from an extractive society, where the few rule for the benefit of the few, to an inclusive society, where many rule for the benefit of many, can be the key to economic success. *IEurope's Growth Champion asserts that a newly emerged inclusive society will support further convergence of Poland and the rest of Central and Eastern Europe with the West, and help to sustain the region's Golden Age. It also acknowledges the future challenges that Poland faces, and that moving to the core of the European economy will require further reforms and changes in Poland's developmental character.

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This book challenges standard notions of expertise. In today's world, truly effective expertise is built on fluid collaboration between practitioners from multiple backgrounds. Such collaborative expertise must also be transformative, must be able to tackle emerging new problems and changes in its organizational framework. Engeström argues that the transition toward collaborative and transformative expertise is based on three pillars: expertise needs to be understood and cultivated as a collective activity; expertise needs to be built on flexible knot-working among diverse practitioners; and expertise needs to be fostered as the expansive learning of models and patterns of activity that are in progress. In this book, Engeström recasts expertise as fluid collaboration on complex tasks that requires envisioning the future and mastering change.

This book adopts a multidisciplinary approach to innovation, and argues that because innovation is always risky business, trust is an essential premise and outcome of successfully designing, developing and finally launching innovations. Each part of the book encompasses a different aspect of innovating for trust. It begins with the notion of trust, before covering the importance of trust in future thinking, business model innovation, service design, co-creation, the innovative organization and self-service technologies. It concludes with the importance of trust in commercializing innovations. This text engages students with the ethical decisions faced by health care professionals every day. Based on principles and applications in health care ethics and the law, this text extends beyond areas that are often included in discussions of political philosophy and the principles of justice.

Explains why experts often give wrong information, the reasons that bad advice gets the most attention, and how it has adversely affected society, and offers suggestions to eliminate this destructive cycle.

Obstacle racing is a grueling physical challenge based on elements found in some of the world's elite special forces training, where competitors test their mettle against obstacles, terrain, and conditioning similar to military boot camps, and this book provides an in-depth look at the training, gear, preparation, tactics, and logistics for making it through. After a brief overview of obstacle racing's roots and development, the guide provides detailed information on the conditioning techniques required to prepare participants for the unusual demands of these courses. The tactics section teaches specific techniques for climbing mud-covered ropes, fording swamps, mounting walls, executing an effective belly-crawl, and numerous other tips for the wild chaos that might ensue. A section on logistics gives insider tips concerning gear, lodging, building a team, and the ever-present problem of cleaning up. Whether racing for fun or in it to win it, *Mud, Guts & Glory* is the one-stop guide for enduring the race from start to finish.

Built in the centre of Copenhagen, and noted for its equestrian stairway, the Rundetaarn (Round Tower), was intended as an astronomical observatory. Part of a complex of buildings that once included a university library, it affords expansive views of the city in every direction, towering above what surrounds it. The metaphor of the towering figure, who sees what others might not, whose vantage point allows him to visualize how things fit together, and who has an earned-stature of respect and authority, fits another Danish stalwart, Hans

Vilhelm Hansen, whose contributions to the fields of informal logic and argument theory have earned the gratitude of his colleagues, and inspired this collection of essays, written to express the appreciation of its authors and of the many, many colleagues they represent.

This book offers alternatives to typical leadership, highlighting new ways of thinking about how individuals can lead effectively. Specifically, it integrates several fields, including neuroscience, behavioral economics, mindfulness, cognitive and social psychology, emotional intelligence, and management decision-making. The authors challenge the “common sense,” mainstream thinking about leadership, arguing that effective leadership depends on a more complicated understanding of the underlying dynamics. When leaders rely on the common sense that they have been taught explicitly or implicitly about leadership, the results are often not effective—for themselves personally, for their followers, for the organizations in which they lead, and for society as a whole. For example, aspiring leaders often believe that the mark of good leaders is their ability to come up with quick answers to problems. Others believe that one’s ability to minimize complexity and uncertainty indicates leadership potential. In addition, despite the literature suggesting the value of engaging in self-reflection, few leaders regularly step back and look inward. Even those who can intellectually discuss emotional intelligence often focus on their ability to influence the emotions of others rather than reflecting on and learning from their own emotions. The book calls for leaders to operate with more humility and greater awareness of the multiple contexts in which they function—approaches that improve life for all organizational members. As leaders become more effective, they will become healthier and more satisfied, less harried, more grounded, and more fulfilled in their lives.

For a variety of reasons, recent literature that focuses on the rationality of belief in God and the viability of the Christian worldview fails to stimulate critical thinking in the general population of believers. Nietzsche Was Probably Right succeeds where many of these other works miss the mark. It educates rather than coerces; it focuses on issues critically relevant to the vast majority of Christians; most importantly, it does not “preach to the choir,” but instead offers a balanced, objective, comprehensive overview of the issues. Its tone and inclusive, unbiased approach welcomes nonbelievers and believers into this important conversation, offering a perspective that will satisfy anyone seeking a critical understanding of the Christian faith and its deity.

A theme of growing importance in both the law and philosophy and socio-legal literature is how regulatory dynamics can be identified (that is, conceptualised and operationalised) and normative expectations met in an age when transnational actors operate on a global plane and in increasingly fragmented and transformative contexts. A reconsideration of established theories and axiomatic findings on regulatory phenomena is an essential part of this discourse. There is indeed an urgent need for discontinuity regarding what we (think we)

know about, among other things, law, legality, sovereignty and political legitimacy, power relations, institutional design and development, and pluralist dynamics of ordering under processes of globalisation and transnationalism. Making an important contribution to the scholarly debate on the subject, this volume features original and much-needed essays of theoretical and applied legal philosophy as well as socio-legal accounts that reflect on whether legal positivism has anything to offer to this intellectual enterprise. This is done by discussing whether global and transnational cultural, socio-political, economic, and juridical challenges as well as processes of diversification, fragmentation, and transformation (significantly, de-formalisation) reinforce or weaken legal positivists' assumptions, claims, and methods. The themes covered include, but are not limited to, absolute and limited state sovereignty; the 'new international legal positivism'; Hartian legal positivism and the 'normative positivist' account; the relationship between modern secularisation, social conventionalism, and meta-ontological issues of temporality in postnational jurisprudence; the social positivisation of human rights; the formation and content of jus cogens norms; feminist critique; the global and transnational migration of principles of justice and morality; the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties rule of interpretation; and the responsibility of transnational corporations.

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We live in a challenging, complex, inter-connected and unpredictable world beset by a range of seemingly insoluble problems. But, says Michael Fullan—an internationally acclaimed authority on organizational change—we have an increasing understanding of how to tackle complex change. This involves developing a new kind of leader: one who recognizes what is needed to bring about deep and lasting changes in living systems at all levels. These leaders need a deep understanding of what motivates us as human beings and how we tap into and influence other people's self-motivation. In his previous best-selling books *The Six Secrets of Change*, *Leading in a Culture of Change*, and *Turnaround Leadership*, Michael Fullan examined the concepts and processes of change. In *Change Leader* he turns his focus to the core practices of leadership that are so vital for leading in today's complex world. He reveals seven core practices for today's leaders, all of which appear to be deceptively simple but actually get to the essence of what differentiates a powerful leader from one who is merely competent: Practice Drives Theory Be Resolute Motivate the Masses Collaborate to Compete Learn Confidently Know Your Impact Sustain Simplicity Throughout the book Fullan argues that powerful leaders have built bedrocks of credibility, have learned how to identify the few things that matter most, and know how to leverage their skills in ways that benefit their entire organization. The author shows leaders how to avoid policies and strategies that focus on shallow and short-term goals and develop leadership skills for long-term success. With a

wealth of illustrative examples from business, education, nonprofit, and government sectors *Change Leader* provides a much-needed leadership guide for today's turbulent climate.

Wastell & Howarth's text clearly, accessibly and comprehensibly introduces the core theories of Thinking, leaving no stone unturned, students will receive an in-depth coverage of the theoretical side of this subject area before the authors delve into a more practical understanding of the topic.

America's emerging "fat war" threatens to pit a shrinking population of trim Americans against an expanding population of heavy Americans in raging policy debates over "fat taxes" and "fat bans." These "fat policies" would be designed to constrain what people eat and drink – and theoretically crimp the growth in Americans' waistlines and in the country's healthcare costs. Richard McKenzie's *HEAVY! The Surprising Reasons America Is the Land of the Free—And the Home of the Fat* offers new insight into the economic causes and consequences of America's dramatic weight gain over the past half century. It also uncovers the follies of seeking to remedy the country's weight problems with government intrusions into people's excess eating, arguing that controlling people's eating habits is fundamentally different from controlling people's smoking habits. McKenzie controversially links America's weight gain to a variety of causes: the growth in world trade freedom, the downfall of communism, the spread of free-market economics, the rise of women's liberation, the long-term fall in real minimum wage, and the rise of competitive markets on a global scale. In no small way – no, in a very BIG way – America is the "home of the fat" because it has been for so long the "land of the free." Americans' economic, if not political, freedoms, however, will come under siege as well-meaning groups of "anti-fat warriors" seek to impose their dietary, health, and healthcare values on everyone else. *HEAVY!* details the unheralded consequences of the country's weight gain, which include greater fuel consumption and emissions of greenhouse gases, reduced fuel efficiency of cars and planes, growth in health insurance costs and fewer insured Americans, reductions in the wages of heavy people, and required reinforcement of rescue equipment and hospital operating tables. McKenzie advocates a strong free-market solution to how America's weight problems should and should not be solved. For Americans to retain their cherished economic freedoms of choice, heavy people must be held fully responsible for their weight-related costs and not be allowed to shift blame for their weight to their genes or environment. Allowing heavy Americans to shift responsibility for their weight gain can only exacerbate the country's weight problems.

Written for women who want more out of their workout routine than polite, early-evening sessions of Pilates or Zumba or yoga, this go-to manual is filled with a wealth of information on high intensity training (HIT) that will help readers meet quality, high-end fitness objectives. The book begins with profiles of a diverse range of women who have blazed a trail in extreme sporting activities. It then

addresses some of the usual concerns women have about becoming overly muscled, offering facts and real-life stories that prove that femininity doesn't have to be sacrificed for fitness. The guide also discusses the importance and value of HIT, describing what it is, what is realistically achievable, and how approaches differ for men and women. Hundreds of illustrations of core exercises are also provided, from the basic building blocks to the most challenging exercises, and the exercises themselves are organized into a variety of conditioning programs that match different fitness levels and needs. Women looking to test the limits of their fitness and endurance need look no farther than this book.

Dr. Richard A. Deyo, proposes an approach to managing back pain, which most adults in the United States experience at some point, that empowers the individual and leads more directly to effective care.

"This is a book about how we invent ourselves and our cultures by how we explain things. We invent our explanations, and then they invent us. It is a book about how we create our virtual worlds – the habitat of our minds – by how we explain things. It is a book about how our explanations get embedded in the stories we tell and ingest – from gossip to advertising to the pernicious “social media.” It is a book about how everything we say or do or have is an explanation. Whatever we say or do or buy explains who we are. We multifariously explain ourselves to ourselves and to others. We talk, we daydream, we do, we feel: all evolves from how we explain things. Our explanations are the seeds from which everything human and social sprouts and evolves. They are the sources and the sinks of how we live our lives. It is a book that offers a non-biological and thus a superior theory of the human trajectory, of specifically human and social evolution. We have turned our lives over to our pundits – our “experts,” our celebrities, our advertisers and entertainers, and our fashionistas. We invite them to tell us what's what, and how to live. They are our predators. We are their prey. It is an unprecedented sea-change for civilization. As our lives go, so goes our civilization. We evolve out of our explanations of things. But to what end?"

Our investments are devastated, obesity is epidemic, blue-chip companies circle the drain, and popular medications turn out to be ineffective and even dangerous. What happened? Didn't we listen to the scientists, economists, and other experts who promised us that if we followed their advice all would be well? Actually, those experts are a big reason we're in this mess. Their expert counsel usually turns out to be wrong - often wildly so. WRONG reveals the dangerously distorted ways experts come up with their advice, and why the most heavily flawed conclusions end up getting the most attention - all the more so in the online era. But there's hope: WRONG spells out the means by which every individual and organization can do a better job of unearthing the crucial bits of right within a vast avalanche of misleading pronouncements

The statistics profession is at a unique point in history. The need for valid statistical tools is greater than ever; data sets are massive, often measuring

hundreds of thousands of measurements for a single subject. The field is ready to move towards clear objective benchmarks under which tools can be evaluated. Targeted learning allows (1) the full generalization and utilization of cross-validation as an estimator selection tool so that the subjective choices made by humans are now made by the machine, and (2) targeting the fitting of the probability distribution of the data toward the target parameter representing the scientific question of interest. This book is aimed at both statisticians and applied researchers interested in causal inference and general effect estimation for observational and experimental data. Part I is an accessible introduction to super learning and the targeted maximum likelihood estimator, including related concepts necessary to understand and apply these methods. Parts II-IX handle complex data structures and topics applied researchers will immediately recognize from their own research, including time-to-event outcomes, direct and indirect effects, positivity violations, case-control studies, censored data, longitudinal data, and genomic studies.

This publication offers a synthesis of the theoretical and empirical literature primarily on mutual funds but also discusses related investment vehicles, especially ETFs. Noted scholars and practitioners write chapters in their areas of expertise.

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