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## BECOME AN IDEA MACHINE

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## BECAUSE IDEAS ARE THE CURRENCY OF THE 21ST CENTURY

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HOW DO I TRANSFORM MY LIFE? The answer is simple: come up with ten ideas a day. It doesn't matter if they are good or bad the key is to exercise your 'idea muscle', to keep it toned, and in great shape. People say ideas are cheap and execution is everything but that is NOT true. Execution is a consequence, a subset of good, brilliant idea. And good ideas require daily work. Ideas may be easy if we are only coming up with one or two but if you open this book to any of the pages and try to produce more than three, you will feel a burn, scratch your head, and you will be sweating, and working hard. There is a turning point when you reach idea number 6 for the day, you still have four to go, and your mind muscle is getting a workout. By the time you list those last ideas to make it to ten you will see for yourself what "sweating the idea muscle" means. As you practice the daily idea generation you become an idea machine. When we become idea machines we are flooded with lots of bad ideas but also with some that are very good. This happens by the sheer force of the number, because we are coming up with 3,650 ideas per year (at ten a day). When you are inspired by an extraordinary idea, all of your thoughts break their chains, you go beyond limitations and your capacity to act expands in every direction. Forces and abilities you did not know you had come to the surface, and you realize you are capable of doing great things. As you practice with the suggested prompts in this book your ideas will get better, you will be a source of great insight for others, people will find you magnetic, and they will want to hang out with you because you have so much to offer. When you practice every day your life will transform, in no more than 180 days, because it has no other evolutionary choice. Life changes for the better when we become the source of positive, insightful, and helpful ideas. Don't believe a word I say. Instead, challenge yourself to try it for the 180 days and see your life transform, in magical ways, in front of your very eyes.

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## SUMMARY - BECOME AN IDEA MACHINE: BECAUSE IDEAS ARE THE CURRENCY OF THE 21ST CENTURY BY CLAUDIA AZULA ALTUCHER

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Shortcut Edition \* Our summary is short, simple and pragmatic. It allows you to have the essential ideas of a big book in less than 30 minutes. As you read this summary, you will learn how to find not one, but ten different solutions to any problem. You will also learn how to: better identify your professional and personal goals; stimulate your creativity to order; help those around you solve their own problems; integrate and use the idea machine on a daily basis. Having an idea usually requires a particular state of mind of urgency or inspiration. To become an "idea machine", however, 180 days of training is enough to condition the brain to spontaneously formulate ten ideas on any subject. Claudia Azula Altucher, author of "Become An Idea Machine", proposes to work this muscle for two purposes: to give perspective to your life and to help others get out of their own sense of powerlessness. To do this, all you need to do is to practice the machine exercise daily and respond with ten ideas to the proposed thinking exercises. If you already feel that you don't have time to do this exercise, start by listing ten things that make you lose time every day. \*Buy now the summary of this book for the modest price of a cup of coffee!

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## THE POWER OF NO

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Hay House, Inc "No" is sometimes the hardest word to say. It's also the most necessary. How many times have you heard yourself saying yes to the wrong things—overwhelming requests, bad relationships, time-consuming obligations? How often have you wished you could summon the power to turn them down? This lively, practical guide helps you take back that power—and shows that a well-placed No can not only save you time and trouble, it can save your life. Drawing on their own stories as well as feedback from their readers and students, James Altucher and Claudia Azula Altucher clearly show that you have the right to say no: To anything that is hurting you. To standards that no longer serve you. To people who drain you of your creativity and expression. To beliefs that are not true to the real you. It's one thing to say no, the authors explain. It's another thing to have the Power of No. When you do, you will have a stronger sense of what is good for you and the people around you, and you will have a deeper understanding of who you are. And, ultimately, you'll be freed to say a truly powerful "Yes" in your life—one that opens the door to opportunities, abundance, and love.

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## THE CHOOSE YOURSELF GUIDE TO WEALTH

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Createspace Independent Publishing Platform This is a bold book by James Altucher because he not only gives you a new map for the new financial landscape, but he also has skin in the game. This is the first financial book in which the author REVEALS HOW HE, PERSONALLY, MAKES HIS OWN MONEY. We are living in an epic period of change, danger and opportunity. The economy is crashing and booming every few years. People are getting fired and replaced by computers and Chinese workers. The stock market crashes with regularity. Every "fix" from the government makes things worse. The Old World has been demolished... and people are desperate for answers. James Altucher's "The Choose Yourself Guide To Wealth" contains those answers. This is the field guide to the "New World" we live in. You can play by the old rules and get left behind, or you can use these new ideas and become wealthy. This is not a book for the faint of heart. Read at your own risk, because sometimes the truth is hard to take. But for those who are ready to hear, James provides an updated map of the new territory for generating wealth and freedom. This book is the eye-opener of the century, it is the guide to building, keeping, and investing your money and breaking free from the chains of rusted, old thinking.

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## CHOOSE YOURSELF!

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Createspace Independent Pub The world is changing. Markets have crashed. Jobs have disappeared. Industries have been disrupted and are being remade before our eyes. Everything we aspired to for "security," everything we thought was "safe," no longer is: College. Employment. Retirement. Government. It's all crumbling down. In every part of society, the middlemen are being pushed out of the picture. No longer is someone coming to hire you, to invest in your company, to sign you, to pick you. It's on you to make the most important decision in your life: Choose Yourself. New tools and economic forces have emerged to make it possible for individuals to create art, make millions of dollars and change the world without "help." More and more opportunities are rising out of the ashes of the broken system to generate real inward success (personal happiness and health) and outward success (fulfilling work and wealth). This book will teach you to do just that. With dozens of case studies, interviews and examples—including the author, investor and entrepreneur James Altucher's own heartbreaking and inspiring story—Choose Yourself illuminates your personal path to building a bright, new world out of the wreckage of the old.

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## THE IMAGINATION MACHINE

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## HOW TO SPARK NEW IDEAS AND CREATE YOUR COMPANY'S FUTURE

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Harvard Business Press A guide for mining the imagination to find powerful new ways to succeed. We need imagination now more than ever—to find new opportunities, rethink our businesses, and discover paths to growth. Yet too many companies have lost their ability to imagine. What is this mysterious capacity? How does imagination work? And how can organizations keep it alive and harness it in a systematic way? The Imagination Machine answers these questions and more. Drawing on the experience and insights of CEOs across several industries, as well as lessons from neuroscience, computer science, psychology, and philosophy, Martin Reeves of Boston Consulting Group's Henderson Institute and Jack Fuller, an expert in neuroscience, provide a fascinating look into the mechanics of imagination and lay out a process for creating ideas and bringing them to life: The Seduction: How

to open yourself up to surprises The Idea: How to generate new ideas The Collision: How to rethink your idea based on real-world feedback The Epidemic: How to spread an evolving idea to others The New Ordinary: How to turn your novel idea into an accepted reality The Encore: How to repeat the process—again and again. Imagination is one of the least understood but most crucial ingredients of success. It's what makes the difference between an incremental change and the kinds of pivots and paradigm shifts that are essential to transformation—especially during a crisis. The Imagination Machine is the guide you need to demystify and operationalize this powerful human capacity, to inject new life into your company, and to head into unknown territory with the right tools at your disposal.

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## BEYOND THE OBVIOUS

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### KILLER QUESTIONS THAT SPARK GAME-CHANGING INNOVATION

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Hachette Books The Killer Questions Your Company Should Be Asking Generating and executing great ideas is the key to staying ahead in a rapidly changing world. It seems so basic. Why is it so hard to actually get right? According to innovation expert Phil McKinney, the real problem is that we're teaching people to ask the wrong questions about their businesses--or none at all. There has to be a better way. In Beyond the Obvious, McKinney will help you use his proven FIRE (Focus, Ideation, Rank, Execution) Method to dig deeper and get back to asking the right questions--the ones all companies must ask to survive. Full of real-world examples, this book will change the way you operate, innovate, and create, and it all begins with battle-tested questions Phil has gathered on note cards throughout his career. Shared for the first time here, these "Killer Questions" include: What are the rules and assumptions my industry operates under? What if the opposite were true? What will be the buying criteria used by my customer in 5 years? What are my unshakable beliefs about what my customers want? Who uses my product in ways I never anticipated? These questions will reframe the way you see your products, your customers, and the way the two interact. Whether you're a company of thousands or a lean startup, Beyond the Obvious will give you the skills and easy-to-follow plan you need to make both the revolutionary changes and nuanced tweaks required for success. Praise for Beyond the Obvious "Human beings are creatures of habit, so getting ourselves and our teams to think beyond the obvious is a challenge we face all the time. Phil McKinney is an innovation expert, and his killer questions and hit-the-spot anecdotes provide a great way to get out in front of opportunities we otherwise won't see." --Geoffrey Moore, author of Crossing the Chasm and Escape Velocity "I've always believed that asking the right questions is the essence of design. Phil McKinney proves that point with this wonderful set of killer questions that will jumpstart-or greatly enhance- your innovation efforts." --B. Joseph Pine II, co-author, The Experience Economy & Infinite Possibility. "Product Innovation is a prerequisite to building great brands. Phil's questions are a prerequisite to building innovative products." --Satjiv S. Chahil, former global marketing chief, Apple

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## THE RICH EMPLOYEE

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Not everyone is cut out to be an entrepreneur. Many of us are happy to have a job, we just want a better job, one that fulfills us, makes us wealthy, and brings us satisfaction. Still, income is now permanently going down versus inflation for the average employee. Industry, knowledge, and management are all being outsourced cheaply to other countries or to technology. Many people mistakenly think that the solution is entrepreneurship. That "entrepreneurship is the pathway to riches". This is not true. Being an entrepreneur does have great upside but also it has a well-known rate of failure of 85%. There is no way to predict your way out of that 85%. 85% of ALL startups fail. The solution is to become a rich employee with the mindset and techniques described in this book. This is the first book ever to detail how one can become a The Rich Employee in our times. And there is more: companies in this new century will only succeed if they encourage their employees to develop a Rich Employee mindset. Written by the author of "The Choose Yourself Guide to Wealth" which USA Today has called "One of the 12 Best Business Books of All Time" and also the author of WSJ and USA Today bestseller "Choose Yourself" which Forbes recently called one of the "Top Five Books Every Entrepreneur Must Read", this book gives you the tools to find satisfaction, meaning, and true wealth as a rich employee.

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## THE IDEA FACTORY

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### BELL LABS AND THE GREAT AGE OF AMERICAN INNOVATION

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Penguin The definitive history of America's greatest incubator of innovation and the birthplace of some of the 20th century's most influential technologies "Filled with colorful characters and inspiring lessons . . . The Idea Factory explores one of the most critical issues of our time: What causes innovation?" —Walter Isaacson, The New York Times Book Review "Compelling . . . Gertner's book offers fascinating evidence for those seeking to understand how a society should best invest its research resources." —The Wall Street Journal From its beginnings in the 1920s until its demise in the 1980s, Bell Labs-officially, the research and development wing of AT&T-was the biggest, and arguably the best, laboratory for new ideas in the world. From the transistor to the laser, from digital communications to cellular telephony, it's hard to find an aspect of modern life that hasn't been touched by Bell Labs. In The Idea Factory, Jon Gertner traces the origins of some of the twentieth century's most important inventions and delivers a riveting and heretofore untold chapter of American history. At its heart this is a story about the life and work of a small group of brilliant and eccentric men-Mervin Kelly, Bill Shockley, Claude Shannon, John Pierce, and Bill Baker-who spent their careers at Bell Labs. Today, when the drive to invent has become a mantra, Bell Labs offers us a way to enrich our understanding of the challenges and solutions to technological innovation. Here, after all, was where the foundational ideas on the management of innovation were born.

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## REINVENT YOURSELF

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Createspace Independent Publishing Platform I've reinvented my career, my interests, my life, many times over the past twenty years. This is the book I wish I had at the beginning of that long and often volatile journey. I found when I outsourced my self-esteem to only one outcome, disaster resulted. Reinvention was the key to ensuring that the outcomes in life were positive ones. And now the entire world: technology, governments, the shifting landscapes of opportunity and success, are all turning upside down, forcing us to reinvent as individuals and as a culture. Along my own journey I have read and encountered dozens of other successful leaders, artists, entrepreneurs, and mentors who I have learned the art of reinvention from. The journey has been intense. The obstacles were hard fought. And the adventures that led to me now finally sharing it all in this book has been both painful and exhilarating. I describe specific techniques, share stories, tell the stories of others, and give the ultimate guide to not only how but why it is critical for people to master the skills of reinvention. What I've learned: change is the only constant. Companies decay, technologies disappear, governments change, relationships change and opportunity is a shifting landscape. Reading the stories and learning the critical skills taught in Reinvent Yourself is how I found my own way through the chaos of change and onto the path of new opportunity and success. Again, this is the book I wish I had in my hands twenty years ago although I am glad that I am writing it now.

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## BIG MAGIC

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### CREATIVE LIVING BEYOND FEAR

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Penguin The instant #1 NEW YORK TIMES Bestseller "A must read for anyone hoping to live a creative life... I dare you not to be inspired to be brave, to be free, and to be curious." —PopSugar From the worldwide bestselling author of Eat Pray Love and City of Girls: the path to the vibrant, fulfilling life you've dreamed of. Readers of all ages and walks of life have drawn inspiration and empowerment from Elizabeth Gilbert's books for years. Now this beloved author digs deep into her own generative process to share her wisdom and unique perspective about creativity. With profound empathy and radiant generosity, she offers potent insights into the mysterious nature of inspiration. She asks us to embrace our curiosity and let go of needless suffering. She shows us how to tackle what we most love, and how to face down what we most fear. She discusses the attitudes, approaches, and habits we need in order to live our most creative lives. Balancing between soulful spirituality and cheerful pragmatism, Gilbert encourages us to uncover the "strange jewels" that are hidden within each of us. Whether we are looking to write a book, make art, find new ways to address challenges in our work, embark on a dream long deferred, or simply infuse our everyday lives with more mindfulness and passion, Big Magic cracks open a world of wonder and joy.

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## THE GOAL

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### A PROCESS OF ONGOING IMPROVEMENT

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Routledge 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!

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## THE ART OF FAILURE

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### AN ESSAY ON THE PAIN OF PLAYING VIDEO GAMES

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MIT Press An exploration of why we play video games despite the fact that we are almost certain to feel unhappy when we fail at them. We may think of video games as being "fun," but in *The Art of Failure*, Jesper Juul claims that this is almost entirely mistaken. When we play video games, our facial expressions are rarely those of happiness or bliss. Instead, we frown, grimace, and shout in frustration as we lose, or die, or fail to advance to the next level. Humans may have a fundamental desire to succeed and feel competent, but game players choose to engage in an activity in which they are nearly certain to fail and feel incompetent. So why do we play video games even though they make us unhappy? Juul examines this paradox. In video games, as in tragic works of art, literature, theater, and cinema, it seems that we want to experience unpleasantness even if we also dislike it. Reader or audience reaction to tragedy is often explained as catharsis, as a purging of negative emotions. But, Juul points out, this doesn't seem to be the case for video game players. Games do not purge us of unpleasant emotions; they produce them in the first place. What, then, does failure in video game playing do? Juul argues that failure in a game is unique in that when you fail in a game, you (not a character) are in some way inadequate. Yet games also motivate us to play more, in order to escape that inadequacy, and the feeling of escaping failure (often by improving skills) is a central enjoyment of games. Games, writes Juul, are the art of failure: the singular art form that sets us up for failure and allows us to experience it and experiment with it. *The Art of Failure* is essential reading for anyone interested in video games, whether as entertainment, art, or education.

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## TO BE A MACHINE

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### ADVENTURES AMONG CYBORGS, UTOPIANS, HACKERS, AND THE FUTURISTS SOLVING THE MODEST PROBLEM OF DEATH

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Anchor "This gonzo-journalistic exploration of the Silicon Valley techno-utopians' pursuit of escaping mortality is a breezy romp full of colorful characters." —New York Times Book Review (Editor's Choice) Transhumanism is a movement pushing the limits of our bodies—our capabilities, intelligence, and lifespans—in the hopes that, through technology, we can become something better than ourselves. It has found support among Silicon Valley billionaires and some of the world's biggest businesses. In *To Be a Machine*, journalist Mark O'Connell explores the staggering possibilities and moral quandaries that present themselves when you think of your body as a device. He visits the world's foremost cryonics facility to witness how some have chosen to forestall death. He discovers an underground collective of biohackers, implanting electronics under their skin to enhance their senses. He meets a team of scientists urgently investigating how to protect mankind from artificial superintelligence. Where is our obsession with technology leading us? What does the rise of AI mean not just for our offices and homes, but for our humanity? Could the technologies we create to help us eventually bring us to harm? Addressing these questions, O'Connell presents a profound, provocative, often laugh-out-loud-funny look at an influential movement. In investigating what it means to be a machine, he offers a surprising meditation on what it means to be human.

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## ZERO TO ONE

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### NOTES ON STARTUPS, OR HOW TO BUILD THE FUTURE

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Currency #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • "This book delivers completely new and refreshing ideas on how to create value in the world."—Mark Zuckerberg, CEO of Meta "Peter Thiel has built multiple breakthrough companies, and *Zero to One* shows how."—Elon Musk, CEO of SpaceX and Tesla The great secret of our time is that there are still uncharted frontiers to explore and new inventions to create. In *Zero to One*, legendary entrepreneur and investor Peter Thiel shows how we can find singular ways to create those new things. Thiel begins with the contrarian premise that we live in an age of technological stagnation, even if we're too distracted by shiny mobile devices to notice. Information technology has improved rapidly, but there is no reason why progress should be limited to computers or Silicon Valley. Progress can be achieved in any industry or area of business. It comes from the most important skill that every leader must master: learning to think for yourself. Doing what someone else already knows how to do takes the world from 1 to n, adding more of something familiar. But when you do something new, you go from 0 to 1. The next Bill Gates will not build an operating system. The next Larry Page or Sergey Brin won't make a search engine. Tomorrow's champions will not win by competing ruthlessly in today's marketplace. They will escape competition altogether, because their businesses will be unique. *Zero to One* presents at once an optimistic view of the future of progress in America and a new way of thinking about innovation: it starts by learning to ask the questions that lead you to find value in unexpected places.

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## YOU CAN COACH

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Clever Fox Publishing A Book That Will Redefine the Education System The only way to fix our broken education system is to build a new breed of teachers and mentors who are implementers. *You Can Coach* is a book that will provide a tangible solution to our outdated system. Siddharth Rajsekar decodes how he was able to plan, launch, and grow one of the largest communities of coaches, trainers, and experts, starting from scratch. This book features interviews with legendary coaches, Jack Canfield, Dr. John Demartini, Blair Singer, and many more. Filled with practical strategies and principles, this information has already helped over 10,000 experts from across the world and created numerous success stories. The e-Learning industry is booming into a multi-billion dollar industry and this is just the beginning. This will be "the manual" for coaches, experts, and teachers who want to take their game to the next level! If you are keen to ride this wave of digital transformation and impact peoples' lives with your knowledge, this book is for you. *You Can Coach!*

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## THE FOURTH INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION

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Currency Between the 18th and 19th centuries, Britain experienced massive leaps in technological, scientific, and economical advancement

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## SOPHIE'S WORLD

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### A NOVEL ABOUT THE HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY

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Farrar, Straus and Giroux One day Sophie comes home from school to find two questions in her mail: "Who are you?" and "Where does the world come from?" Before she knows it she is enrolled in a correspondence course with a mysterious philosopher. Thus begins Jostein Gaarder's unique novel, which is not only a mystery, but also a complete and entertaining history of philosophy.

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## WORKING BACKWARDS

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### INSIGHTS, STORIES, AND SECRETS FROM INSIDE AMAZON

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St. Martin's Press *Working Backwards* is an insider's breakdown of Amazon's approach to culture, leadership, and best practices from two long-time Amazon executives—with lessons and techniques you can apply to your own company, and career, right now. In *Working Backwards*, two long-serving Amazon executives reveal the principles and practices that have driven the success of one of the most extraordinary companies the world has ever known. With twenty-seven years of Amazon experience between them—much of it during the period of unmatched innovation that created products and services including Kindle, Amazon Prime, Amazon Studios, and Amazon Web Services—Bryar and Carr offer unprecedented access to the Amazon way as it was developed and proven to be repeatable, scalable, and adaptable. With keen analysis and practical steps for applying it at your own company—no matter the size—the authors illuminate how Amazon's fourteen leadership principles inform decision-making at all levels of the company. With a focus on customer obsession, long-term thinking, eagerness to invent, and operational excellence, Amazon's ground-level practices ensure these characteristics are translated into action and flow through all aspects of the business. *Working Backwards* is both a practical guidebook and the story of how the company grew to become so successful. It is filled with the authors' in-the-room recollections of what "Being Amazonian" is like and how their time at the company affected their personal and professional lives. They demonstrate that success on Amazon's scale is not achieved by the genius of any single leader, but rather through commitment to and execution of a set of well-defined, rigorously-executed principles and practices—shared here for the very first time. Whatever your talent, career or organization might be, find out how you can put *Working Backwards* to work for you.

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## THE BOOK OF LIES

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Lulu.com Aleister Crowley's *The Book of Lies* is an important and complex work of occultism. Deciphering its many layers of hidden meaning requires a little patience and more than a beginner's knowledge of Thelema. For those interested in passing beyond the initiate stage, the reward offered by a

deeper understanding of this challenging text is well worth the effort. This new 2018 edition of The Book of Lies from Kismet Publishing restores all of Crowley's original text, including the important keys, sigils and diagrams often omitted from reprints.

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## THE SECOND MEDIA AGE

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John Wiley & Sons This book examines the implications of new communication technologies in the light of the most recent work in social and cultural theory and argues that new developments in electronic media, such as the Internet and Virtual Reality, justify the designation of a "second media age".

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## THE REVENUE MARKETING BOOK

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### HOW TO BUILD A PREDICTABLE AND REPEATABLE REVENUE MARKETING ENGINE THAT WORKS

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Notion Press The success of the modern B2B marketing team will be evaluated by the revenue impact it delivers to the company and Yaag has laid out a crisp and compelling model on how to transform marketing into a revenue-generating team. - Jeff Davis, Founder and Principal, JD2 Consulting and award-winning author of Create Togetherness "A must-read operating manual for marketers who want to deliver exponential revenue." - Sangram Vajre, Author, Co-founder at Terminus and the host of #FlipMyFunnel, a top-50 business podcast in the world "All your marketing channels, properties and activities are a waste of time unless they contribute to revenue. Yaag's book gives you an approach to make your marketing count." - Vinod Muthukrishnan, Chief Growth Officer at Cisco It doesn't matter how sophisticated your martech stack is, what your marketing budget is or how many people you have in your marketing organization. You must know what is contributing to revenue (directly or indirectly), what is working and what needs to be done away with. The Revenue Marketing Book provides you with ideas, direction and a framework to map your marketing activities and channels to a revenue outcome. Make an impact. Build a predictable recurring revenue engine.

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## MATHEMATICS FOR MACHINE LEARNING

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Cambridge University Press The fundamental mathematical tools needed to understand machine learning include linear algebra, analytic geometry, matrix decompositions, vector calculus, optimization, probability and statistics. These topics are traditionally taught in disparate courses, making it hard for data science or computer science students, or professionals, to efficiently learn the mathematics. This self-contained textbook bridges the gap between mathematical and machine learning texts, introducing the mathematical concepts with a minimum of prerequisites. It uses these concepts to derive four central machine learning methods: linear regression, principal component analysis, Gaussian mixture models and support vector machines. For students and others with a mathematical background, these derivations provide a starting point to machine learning texts. For those learning the mathematics for the first time, the methods help build intuition and practical experience with applying mathematical concepts. Every chapter includes worked examples and exercises to test understanding. Programming tutorials are offered on the book's web site.

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## THE INNOVATOR'S DNA

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### MASTERING THE FIVE SKILLS OF DISRUPTIVE INNOVATORS

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Harvard Business Press A new classic, cited by leaders and media around the globe as a highly recommended read for anyone interested in innovation. In The Innovator's DNA, authors Jeffrey Dyer, Hal Gregersen, and bestselling author Clayton Christensen (The Innovator's Dilemma, The Innovator's Solution, How Will You Measure Your Life?) build on what we know about disruptive innovation to show how individuals can develop the skills necessary to move progressively from idea to impact. By identifying behaviors of the world's best innovators—from leaders at Amazon and Apple to those at Google, Skype, and Virgin Group—the authors outline five discovery skills that distinguish innovative entrepreneurs and executives from ordinary managers: Associating, Questioning, Observing, Networking, and Experimenting. Once you master these competencies (the authors provide a self-assessment for rating your own innovator's DNA), the authors explain how to generate ideas, collaborate to implement them, and build innovation skills throughout the organization to result in a competitive edge. This innovation advantage will translate into a premium in your company's stock price—an innovation premium—which is possible only by building the code for innovation right into your organization's people, processes, and guiding philosophies. Practical and provocative, The Innovator's DNA is an essential resource for individuals and teams who want to strengthen their innovative prowess.

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## THE BOOK ON SMALL BUSINESS IDEAS

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### LEVEL UP YOUR MINDSET, LAUNCH HIGH-CASH-FLOW MONEY MACHINES, AND FINALLY QUIT YOUR JOB THIS YEAR WITHOUT THE FINANCIAL RISK

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Small Business Ideas for Side Hustlers and Entrepreneurs Stop chasing money-making schemes and cookie-cutter businesses. Real success is personal and is achieved by finding the path on which YOU will thrive. The Book on Small Business Ideas will turn you into an idea and cash flow factory. You'll generate simple small business and side hustle ideas that are meaningful to you. You'll learn how to stay motivated, analyze your ideas, and launch them successfully. The small businesses and side hustles you create are there to generate income, help you fulfill your goals, and increase your freedom. The Book on Small Business Ideas is Your Success Playbook The Book on Small Business Ideas will take you through: \*\* Understanding your personal drivers, allowing you to generate ideas that achieve your goals. \*\* Finding your personal motivation to actually see your ideas through to reality. \*\* Evaluating your small business ideas and side hustles against real-world criteria to determine success potential. \*\* Launching your ideas effectively in today's competitive environment. The Book on Small Business Ideas is filled with exercises to help you find your passion, generate momentum, and stand out from the crowd. The concepts in this book won't put you at risk, and they won't be complicated. This book will show you how to make much more money on your own, spend time how you want, build a simple business, and quit your day job. We'll do this without putting you at risk financially and without the complexity many people associate with running a business. Alright--before we move on, let me address the three "buts" I hear most often... BUT starting a small business takes a lot of time, money, and financial risk! America used to be the land of opportunity; now, we have a world of opportunity! Technology has given us all an incredible gift. And yes, launching a small business takes time. But if you do this properly, you'll pick something you're excited to do! When you are brimming with excitement, you'll have no problem waking up a little earlier. You'll want to chase down your dreams and create a better life for yourself. In this book, you'll learn the tools and processes to make room for greatness. And best of all, I'll show you how to do this so your effort is up front, while your fruits last for years to come. BUT running a business is complicated! Many businesses are complicated. Complex processes, custom systems, layers of human resources, and teams of accountants abound! But who said businesses need to be complex? The best small businesses are simple! This is why I love the term "money machine." It embodies simplicity. This book will help you avoid the complexities and find the simplest path possible. And finally...BUT it takes someone special to stand out, and I'm not special! If you pick up this book, I think there's a good chance you are special. You are striving for more. You're ready to take control. You're ready to level up your life. Most people won't turn their dreams into reality. But I can help. This book will help you uncover your true drive. You will want to pour your passion into this. You will want to out hustle the competition. You will have the tools to stand out. No more BUTS! I've filled this book with exercises to help you find your passion, generate momentum, and stand out from the crowd. The concepts in this book won't put you at risk, and they won't be complicated. So, the only thing you stand to lose is opportunity. People are taking action every day...now it's your turn.

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## YOU DON'T NEED THIS BOOK

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### ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN THE CONNECTED ERA

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You don't need this book. The entrepreneurial spirit is fueled by action, and we can all do more with less in the connected era. If you commit to the adventure of a lifetime and are willing to endlessly persist, we can each achieve career nirvana while inspiring the world around us. While the title of this book is true, if you're a caffeinated change maker thirsty for what's next, this synthesized narrative will provide innovative energy to help you start that new business, improve an existing company, fire up a side hustle, or evolve your own entrepreneurial ecosystem. ABOUT THE AUTHOR Ben McDougal is an experienced entrepreneur and energized entrepreneurial ecosystem builder. He is passionate about the art of connection, accelerating entrepreneurs, and evolving ideas into reality. Ben has been inspired by thousands of fellow founders nationwide and wrote this book to help you champion change on the timeline of now. Learn more at [www.BenMcDougal.com](http://www.BenMcDougal.com).

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## PRESENTATION ZEN

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### SIMPLE IDEAS ON PRESENTATION DESIGN AND DELIVERY

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Pearson Education FOREWORD BY GUY KAWASAKI Presentation designer and internationally acclaimed communications expert Garr Reynolds, creator of the most popular Web site on presentation design and delivery on the Net — [presentationzen.com](http://presentationzen.com) — shares his experience in a provocative mix of illumination, inspiration, education, and guidance that will change the way you think about making presentations with PowerPoint or Keynote. Presentation Zen challenges the conventional wisdom of making "slide presentations" in today's world and encourages you to think differently and more

creatively about the preparation, design, and delivery of your presentations. Garr shares lessons and perspectives that draw upon practical advice from the fields of communication and business. Combining solid principles of design with the tenets of Zen simplicity, this book will help you along the path to simpler, more effective presentations.

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### A TECHNIQUE FOR PRODUCING IDEAS

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This is THE classic on creative thinking, written with the clarity, knowledge, and experience of a skilled advertising man. A Technique For Producing Ideas is a step-by-step technique for sparking creativity in advertising or ANY other field...

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### THE SINGULARITY IS NEAR

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### WHEN HUMANS TRANSCEND BIOLOGY

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Penguin “Startling in scope and bravado.” —Janet Maslin, The New York Times “Artfully envisions a breathtakingly better world.” —Los Angeles Times “Elaborate, smart and persuasive.” —The Boston Globe “A pleasure to read.” —The Wall Street Journal One of CBS News’s Best Fall Books of 2005 • Among St Louis Post-Dispatch’s Best Nonfiction Books of 2005 • One of Amazon.com’s Best Science Books of 2005 A radical and optimistic view of the future course of human development from the bestselling author of How to Create a Mind and The Singularity is Nearer who Bill Gates calls “the best person I know at predicting the future of artificial intelligence” For over three decades, Ray Kurzweil has been one of the most respected and provocative advocates of the role of technology in our future. In his classic The Age of Spiritual Machines, he argued that computers would soon rival the full range of human intelligence at its best. Now he examines the next step in this inexorable evolutionary process: the union of human and machine, in which the knowledge and skills embedded in our brains will be combined with the vastly greater capacity, speed, and knowledge-sharing ability of our creations.

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### EVIL PLANS

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### HAVING FUN ON THE ROAD TO WORLD DOMINATION

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Penguin The acclaimed author of Ignore Everybody is back with more irreverent wisdom, wit, and original cartoons. "It has never been easier to make a great living doing what you love. But to make it happen, first you need an EVIL PLAN. Everybody needs to get away from lousy bosses, from boring, dead-end jobs that they hate, and ACTUALLY start doing something they love, something that matters. Life is short." -Hugh MacLeod Freud once said that in order to be truly happy people need two things: the capacity to work and the capacity to love. Evil Plans is about being able to do both at the same time. The sometimes unfortunate side effect is that others will hate you for it. MacLeod's insights are brash, wise, and often funny.

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### ASK A MANAGER

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### HOW TO NAVIGATE CLUELESS COLLEAGUES, LUNCH-STEALING BOSSES, AND THE REST OF YOUR LIFE AT WORK

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Ballantine Books From the creator of the popular website Ask a Manager and New York’s work-advice columnist comes a witty, practical guide to 200 difficult professional conversations—featuring all-new advice! There’s a reason Alison Green has been called “the Dear Abby of the work world.” Ten years as a workplace-advice columnist have taught her that people avoid awkward conversations in the office because they simply don’t know what to say. Thankfully, Green does—and in this incredibly helpful book, she tackles the tough discussions you may need to have during your career. You’ll learn what to say when • coworkers push their work on you—then take credit for it • you accidentally trash-talk someone in an email then hit “reply all” • you’re being micromanaged—or not being managed at all • you catch a colleague in a lie • your boss seems unhappy with your work • your cubemate’s loud speakerphone is making you homicidal • you got drunk at the holiday party Praise for Ask a Manager “A must-read for anyone who works . . . [Alison Green’s] advice boils down to the idea that you should be professional (even when others are not) and that communicating in a straightforward manner with candor and kindness will get you far, no matter where you work.”—Booklist (starred review) “The author’s friendly, warm, no-nonsense writing is a pleasure to read, and her advice can be widely applied to relationships in all areas of readers’ lives. Ideal for anyone new to the job market or new to management, or anyone hoping to improve their work experience.”—Library Journal (starred review) “I am a huge fan of Alison Green’s Ask a Manager column. This book is even better. It teaches us how to deal with many of the most vexing big and little problems in our workplaces—and to do so with grace, confidence, and a sense of humor.”—Robert Sutton, Stanford professor and author of The No Asshole Rule and The Asshole Survival Guide “Ask a Manager is the ultimate playbook for navigating the traditional workforce in a diplomatic but firm way.”—Erin Lowry, author of Broke Millennial: Stop Scraping By and Get Your Financial Life Together

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### ACHIEVE

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### FIND OUT WHO YOU ARE, WHAT YOU REALLY WANT, AND HOW TO MAKE IT HAPPEN

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Are you unsure of your life's purpose? Are you afraid you're living below your true potential? Do you have trouble staying motivated and focused on your goals? If you answered yes to any of the above, this book is for you. Dr. Friesen pulls from his work with high achievers, his own personal experiences, and his vast knowledge and experience in the field of psychology to build you a roadmap to elite achievement. This scientifically packed and highly practical book is going to show you, step-by-step, what you need to do to make sure you're working effectively toward the dreams and goals that are right for you. Whether you're an elite athlete, entrepreneur, executive, professional, writer, or high achiever of any type, this book is for you. ACHIEVE will help you: Learn how your unique personality is the foundation for your success. Quickly find out what's really important to you. Unleash unique strengths and passions that will be key to your success. Unveil the mission and purpose that will propel you forward. Learn how to set, and finally achieve, the right goals for you. Are you ready to take your life to the next level? If so, let's do this!"

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### GLOBAL MEDIA STUDIES

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### AN ETHNOGRAPHIC PERSPECTIVE

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Routledge Global Media Studies explores the theoretical and methodological threats that are defining global media studies as a discipline. Emphasizing the connection of globalisation to local culture, this collection considers the diversity of modes of reception, reception contexts, uses of media content, and the performative and creative relationships that audiences develop with and through the media. Through ethnographic case studies from Brazil, Denmark, the UK, Japan, Lebanon, Mexico, South Africa, Turkey and the United States, the contributors address such questions as: what links media consumption to a lived global culture; what role cultural tradition plays globally in confronting transnational power; how global elements of mediated messages acquire class; and regional and local characteristics.

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### HUG MACHINE

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### MASTERY

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## SKIP THE LINE

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### THE 10,000 EXPERIMENTS RULE AND OTHER SURPRISING ADVICE FOR REACHING YOUR GOALS

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HarperCollins The entrepreneur, angel investor, and bestselling author of Choose Yourself busts the 10,000-hour rule of achieving mastery, offering a new mindset and dozens of techniques that will inspire any professional—no matter their age or managerial level—to pursue their passions and quickly acquire the skills they need to succeed and achieve their dreams. We live in a hierarchical world where experience has traditionally been the key to promotion. But that period is over! Straight, clear-cut career trajectories no longer exist. Industries disappear, job descriptions change, and people's interests and passions evolve. The key to riding this wave, entrepreneur James Altucher advises, is to constantly be curious about what's next, to be comfortable with uncertainty so you can keep navigating the rough waters ahead, and most important, to pursue the things that interest you. In Skip the Line, he reveals how he went from struggling and depressed to making his personal, financial, and creative dreams come true, despite—and perhaps due to—his many failures along the way. Altucher combines his personal story with concrete—and unorthodox—insights that work. But Skip the Line isn't about hacks and shortcuts—it's about transforming the way you think, work, and live, letting your interests guide your learning, time, and resources. It's about allowing yourself to do what comes naturally; the more you do what you love, the better you do it. While showing you how to approach change and crisis, Altucher gives you tools to help easily execute ideas, become an expert negotiator, attract the attention of those around you, scale promising ideas, and improve leadership—all of which will catapult you higher than you ever thought possible and at a speed that everyone will tell you is impossible.

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## MASTERY

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### THE KEYS TO SUCCESS AND LONG-TERM FULFILLMENT

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Penguin Drawing on Zen philosophy and his expertise in the martial art of aikido, bestselling author George Leonard shows how the process of mastery can help us attain a higher level of excellence and a deeper sense of satisfaction and fulfillment in our daily lives. Whether you're seeking to improve your career or your intimate relationships, increase self-esteem or create harmony within yourself, this inspiring prescriptive guide will help you master anything you choose and achieve success in all areas of your life. In Mastery, you'll discover: • The 5 Essential Keys to Mastery • Tools for Mastery • How to Master Your Athletic Potential • The 3 Personality Types That Are Obstacles to Mastery • How to Avoid Pitfalls Along the Path • and more...

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## THINK OUT OF THE BOX

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### GENERATE IDEAS ON DEMAND, IMPROVE PROBLEM SOLVING, MAKE BETTER DECISIONS, AND START THINKING YOUR WAY TO THE TOP

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Independently Published Think differently, be more creative, catch ideas in the air to solve problems quickly and skyrocket your productivity People only see what is just visible. Thinking out of the box will empower you see the alternatives that others simply miss out. Learn practical techniques to invite creativity breakthroughs and generate amazing ideas in plenty (and on demand) Som Bathla is an avid reader, and researcher of human psychology He has written multiple bestselling books about designing your mindset, how to learn and think better and faster and to take consistent actions to achieve goals. In Think Out Of The Box, he will take you on an exciting journey to understand why people self-sabotage their innovative idea generating abilities due to false beliefs and how anyone can unleash their creative potential by designing their environment and routines and implementing the effective techniques followed by smartest thinkers of the world Learn how to think out of the box, be known as "idea person" and solve problems smarter, faster, better. Learn how few people and organization unleashed their creative potential and skyrocketed their growth, while others perished staying with their limited thinking. See what neuroscience concludes about your 'logical' sequential left brain, and 'imaginative' exponential right brain and how to use them to your maximum advantage. Design a highly conducive (inner and outer) environment, challenge your mind and install rituals that trigger creativity with effortless ease Understand how setting a specific challenge prompts your mind to look for best ideas Why openness to experiences enhances your creativity significantly? Learn how to become creative just by strengthening your belief even if think you are far from being creative Find well-curated routines that will directly pump up dopamine, BDNF and other chemicals in your brain to produce innovative solutions to your problems Effective techniques to become an idea machine Find how consulting non-subject experts offers more ideas than otherwise Why chilling out is the best option to inviting ideas, instead of forcing them. Find how a different type of multi-tasking helps you incubate more ideas. Learn specific questioning techniques that activate your brain to create a storm of ideas in no time. Why there are no new ideas and how to brainstorm with existing ideas to innovate new and better solutions Learn the preparation and raw material to set the ground ready for creative thinking. Don't wait anymore! Get Out Of Your Own Head, Think Differently, Take Your First Step by Clicking the Buy Button Above

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## IDEAS AND OPINIONS

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## NAIL IT THEN SCALE IT

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### THE ENTREPRENEUR'S GUIDE TO CREATING AND MANAGING BREATHTHROUGH INNOVATION

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Nisi Institute Why do most new businesses fail, yet a few entrepreneurs have a habit of winning over and over again? The shocking discovery of years of research and trial is that most startups fail by doing the "right things," but doing them out of order. In other words, human nature combined with our entrepreneurial drive puts us on autopilot to become part of the 70% to 90% of ventures that fail. From Thomas Edison to Steve Jobs, the Nail It Then Scale It method is based on pattern recognition of the timeless principles and key practices used by successful entrepreneurs to repeatedly innovate.