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The Passion Paradox - Brad Stulberg 2019-03-19

The coauthors of the bestselling Peak Performance dive into the fascinating science behind passion, showing how it can lead to a rich and meaningful life while also illuminating the ways in which it is a double-edged sword. Here's how to cultivate a passion that will take you to great heights—while

minimizing the risk of an equally great fall. Common advice is to find and follow your passion. A life of passion is a good life, or so we are told. But it's not that simple. Rarely is passion something that you just stumble upon, and the same drive that fuels breakthroughs—whether they're athletic, scientific, entrepreneurial, or artistic—can be every bit as

destructive as it is productive. Yes, passion can be a wonderful gift, but only if you know how to channel it. If you're not careful, passion can become an awful curse, leading to endless seeking, suffering, and burnout. Brad Stulberg and Steve Magness once again team up, this time to demystify passion, showing readers how they can find and cultivate their passion, sustainably harness its power, and avoid its dangers. They ultimately argue that passion and balance--that other virtue touted by our culture--are incompatible, and that to find your passion, you must lose balance. And that's not always a bad thing. They show readers how to develop the right kind of passion, the kind that lets you achieve great things without ruining your life. Swift, compact, and powerful, this thought-provoking book combines captivating stories of extraordinarily passionate individuals with the latest science on the biological and psychological factors that give rise to—and every bit as

important, sustain—passion.
Peak Learning - Ronald Gross
1991

Defending Under Pressure -
Steve Hrop 2022-01-07
The seconds tick down relentlessly toward zero just as your game approaches the critical stage. Your higher-rated opponent is putting your game under severe pressure, so extreme accuracy is needed to hang tough and avoid falling into a losing position. What do you do now - should you exchange pieces to relieve the pressure, lash out with a sacrifice, probe for weaknesses in the opponent's camp, or maybe just give up and get a lesson on how to bring the point home?The answer is... none of these! At such do-or-die moments, says Steve Hrop, the first thing to do is to sit on your hands and take a few deep breaths. In *Defending Under Pressure* and *Managing Your Emotions at the Chessboard*, the author uses critical moments from his own tournament games (most of them against players rated

above 2200) to describe the difficulties of thinking straight when the enemy is at the gates, and then outlines methods and techniques to clear your head, evaluate the position, and find your way to the best move. Techniques include how to avoid redundant pieces that critically limit your mobility; when visualization is more important than calculation: and "freeze-framing" positions to eliminate blunders. Save the draw - or turn a looming defeat into an astonishing victory - with the tips in this practical training manual!

The Leading Brain -

Friederike Fabritius

2018-02-20

A cutting-edge guide to applying the latest research in brain science to leadership - to sharpen performance, encourage innovation, and enhance job satisfaction.

Featured on NPR, Success, Investor Business Daily, Thrive Global, MindBodyGreen, The Chicago Tribune, and more

There's a revolution taking place that most businesses are still unaware of. The

understanding of how our brains work has radically shifted, exploding long-held myths about our everyday cognitive performance and fundamentally changing the way we engage and succeed in the workplace. Combining their expertise in both neuropsychology and management consulting, neuropsychologist Friederike Fabritius and leadership expert Dr. Hans W. Hagemann present simple yet powerful strategies for: - Sharpening focus - Achieving the highest performance - Learning and retaining information more efficiently - Improving complex decision-making - Cultivating trust and building strong teams Based on the authors' popular leadership programs, which have been delivered to tens of thousands of leaders all over the world, this clear, insightful, and engaging book will help both individuals and teams perform at their maximum potential, delivering extraordinary results. **Named a Best Business Book of 2017 by Strategy+Business**

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Peak Performance Under Pressure - Stephen Hearn
2019-10-04

How can we maintain optimal levels of pressure so we perform at our best? What systems and tools can we use to own the pressure? What techniques can we apply to regain composure and situational control when under pressure? All of us experience moments when we are under pressure and need to perform to a high standard. While the right level of pressure enhances our performance, excessive pressure leads to cognitive overload, stress and compromises our ability to perform. How can we own the pressure to achieve peak performance? Medical, military and emergency services personnel deal with high-pressure situations on a regular basis. Drawing on 20 years of leadership experience in emergency medical and rescue situations, the author describes the consequences of pressure, both positive and negative, and explains the strategies we can use to attain

states of peak performance. Using first-hand accounts of high-pressure situations within emergency medicine, the book covers relevant aspects such as cognitive aids, teamwork, organisational culture and tactical leadership. It also describes how we can use different training and simulation techniques to prepare teams to deal with excessive pressure in practice. It will appeal to all those working within an emergency environment, including ambulance clinicians, doctors, firefighters, military personnel, rescue teams and business leaders, as well as anyone hoping to improve their own performance during high-pressure situations. Contents include: Flow, frazzle and owning the pressure Thinking under pressure Back pressure - barriers to high performance Cultures of excellence Strategic leadership of high-performing organisations Selecting high performers Guidelines and accessing information under pressure A checklist for checklists The

high-performing team Frontline leadership Tools of the trade Training for high performance Simulation and competency assessment Personal preparation for high performance Reducing the pressure from frazzle to flow Pressure management case studies

The TB12 Method - Tom

Brady 2020-07-28

The #1 New York Times bestseller by the 6-time Super Bowl champion The first book by Tampa Bay Buccaneers and former New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady—the 6-time Super Bowl champion who is still reaching unimaginable heights of excellence at 42 years old—a gorgeously illustrated and deeply practical “athlete’s bible” that reveals Brady’s revolutionary approach to sustained peak performance for athletes of all kinds and all ages. In this new edition of The TB12 Method, Tom Brady further explains and details the revolutionary training, conditioning, and wellness system that has kept him atop the NFL at an age when most

players are deep into retirement. Brady—along with the expert Body Coaches at TB12, the performance lifestyle brand he cofounded in 2013 with Alex Guerrero—explain the principles and philosophies of pliability, a paradigm-shifting fitness concept that focuses on a more natural, healthier way of exercising, training, and living. Filled with lessons from Brady’s own training regimen, The TB12 Method provides step-by-step guidance on how develop and maintain one’s own peak performance while dramatically decreasing injury risks. This illustrated, highly visual manual also offers more effective approaches to functional strength & conditioning, proper hydration, supplementation, cognitive fitness, restorative sleep, and nutritious, easy-to-execute recipes to help readers fuel-up and recover. Brady steadfastly believes that the TB12 approach has kept him competitive while extending his career, and that it can make any athlete, male or female, in

any sport and at any level achieve his or her own peak performance and do what they love, better and for longer. With instructions, drills, photos, in-depth case studies that Brady himself has used, along with personal anecdotes and experiences from his legendary career, The TB12 Method gives you a better way to train and get results with Tom Brady himself as living proof.

[The White Game - Achieving Peak Performance With The Power Of Presence](#) - Chris Corbett 2021-11

THE STATE OF MINDFUL INNER BALANCE... that top skiers reach during a breakthrough performance comes from being fully present in a natural flow of actions. This ecstatic, harmonious experience isn't limited to sports professionals but reflects a possibility that anyone can learn to bring fulfillment and joy in their life. The White Game will help you discover how to overcome your fears while developing awareness through feeling your

actions. With total clarity you can achieve a peak experience while flying down a mountainside. You will also discover practical ways to remedy the ever-increasing stress and noise that is constantly bombarding us, cultivate a deep connection to the world around you and discover the happiness waiting behind every breath. This unique approach uses simple methods to reach these objectives and will show you how to increase your sense of presence while developing confidence to face life's challenges. This isn't only about achieving a top result in a ski race, but also making every moment meaningful and fulfilling.

Atomic Habits - James Clear 2018-10-16

The #1 New York Times bestseller. Over 4 million copies sold! Tiny Changes, Remarkable Results No matter your goals, Atomic Habits offers a proven framework for improving--every day. James Clear, one of the world's leading experts on habit

formation, reveals practical strategies that will teach you exactly how to form good habits, break bad ones, and master the tiny behaviors that lead to remarkable results. If you're having trouble changing your habits, the problem isn't you. The problem is your system. Bad habits repeat themselves again and again not because you don't want to change, but because you have the wrong system for change. You do not rise to the level of your goals. You fall to the level of your systems. Here, you'll get a proven system that can take you to new heights. Clear is known for his ability to distill complex topics into simple behaviors that can be easily applied to daily life and work. Here, he draws on the most proven ideas from biology, psychology, and neuroscience to create an easy-to-understand guide for making good habits inevitable and bad habits impossible. Along the way, readers will be inspired and entertained with true stories from Olympic gold medalists, award-winning artists, business

leaders, life-saving physicians, and star comedians who have used the science of small habits to master their craft and vault to the top of their field. Learn how to: make time for new habits (even when life gets crazy); overcome a lack of motivation and willpower; design your environment to make success easier; get back on track when you fall off course; ...and much more. Atomic Habits will reshape the way you think about progress and success, and give you the tools and strategies you need to transform your habits-- whether you are a team looking to win a championship, an organization hoping to redefine an industry, or simply an individual who wishes to quit smoking, lose weight, reduce stress, or achieve any other goal.

Peak - Chip Conley 2007-09-21
After fifteen years of rising to the pinnacle of the hospitality industry, Chip Conley's company was suddenly undercapitalized and overexposed in the post-dot.com, post-9/11 economy.

For relief and inspiration, Conley, the CEO and founder of Joie de Vivre Hospitality, turned to psychologist Abraham Maslow's iconic Hierarchy of Needs. This book explores how Conley's company "the second largest boutique hotelier in the world" overcame the storm that hit the travel industry by applying Maslow's theory to what Conley identifies as the key Relationship Truths in business with Employees, Customers and Investors. Part memoir, part theory, and part application, the book tells of Joie de Vivre's remarkable transformation while providing real world examples from other companies and showing how readers can bring about similar changes in their work and personal lives. Conley explains how to understand the motivations of employees, customers, bosses, and investors, and use that understanding to foster better relationships and build an enduring and profitable corporate culture.

Summary of "The 7 Habits of

Highly Effective People" by Stephen R. Covey - Free book by QuickRead.com - QuickRead
Want more free books like this? Download our app for free at <https://www.QuickRead.com/App> and get access to hundreds of free book and audiobook summaries. The perfect guide to adopting seven habits of effective people that can improve your life and the lives of those around you. A self-improvement guide written by Stephen Covey, *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People* details how you can change your life through changing your mindset. The way you view the world is based entirely on your own perceptions, and by adopting a perception that leads to action, you can change your life and the lives of those around you. In other words, if you want to change your current situation then you must learn to change yourself and learn to change your perceptions. The way you see the problem is the problem, so you must allow yourself to fundamentally change the way you think in order to see a true

change in yourself. Covey will not only teach you how to adopt a new mindset, but he will also teach you how to become proactive and focus on the important tasks at hand. At the end of the day, by adopting the 7 habits of highly effective people, you can learn how to change your mindset and then change your life.

You Vs. You - Anas Alaoui

2017-03-14

Do you feel that you could have achieved more with your life?

Does it seem that other people are happier, more content, and more productive than you? Do you find yourself 'stuck' in life because you can't seem to get the best life has to offer? If any of the above applies to you, you are hardly alone. Most people live their lives way below their maximum capacity for happiness, satisfaction, and achievement. In fact, most people simply settle for existing instead of LIVING. You don't have to be like everyone else. You CAN be happier, more productive, more successful, and live a truly fulfilled life complete with

opportunity and victory. The best part is that you don't have to do something DRAMATIC or DRASTIC. Anas Alaoui's self-improvement classic *You versus You: Unlocking Your Ideal Self To Achieve Peak Performance, Productivity, and Success* gives you practical, easily achievable, doable, and accessible guidance you can take action on TODAY. Not tomorrow. Not the day after... TODAY! Based on Anas' direct personal experiences, *You versus You* helps you change your day-to-day waking reality to match your highest ideals and expectations using techniques that are easy to grasp and put into action. Best of all Anas' techniques use a 'ladder' system. If your busy schedule or limited resources lead you to dwell at one stage for a longer time, Anas' system still produces solid results. Other self-improvement systems require you to complete the whole system. *You versus You* gives you the means to achieve tremendous improvements in personal success, happiness, and well-

being at your own pace and on your own terms! You Versus You teaches you how to: - Unlock the power of your inner reality - Select and harness the potency of the right mindset - Become aware of and counteract negative personal narratives that may be setting you back - Get your motivation from sources under your power instead of people and circumstances you can't control - Understand and unleash the power of personal ideas ... and many more simple, easy, practical personal development techniques that have helped so many other people succeed! If you are ready to finally start living the kind of life you know you're capable of living, get

Anas Alaoui's *You versus You: Unlocking Your Ideal Self To Achieve Peak Performance, Productivity, and Success*. See for yourself why so many people are living life at peak performance levels without breaking a sweat!

The Art of Impossible - Steven Kotler 2021-01-19
New York Times Bestseller
Bestselling author and peak

performance expert Steven Kotler decodes the secrets of those elite performers—athletes, artists, scientists, CEOs and more—who have changed our definition of the possible, teaching us how we too can stretch far beyond our capabilities, making impossible dreams much more attainable for all of us. What does it take to accomplish the impossible? What does it take to shatter our limitations, exceed our expectations, and turn our biggest dreams into our most recent achievements? We are capable of so much more than we know—that's the message at the core of *The Art of Impossible*. Building upon cutting-edge neuroscience and over twenty years of research, bestselling author, peak performance expert and Executive Director of the Flow Research Collective, Steven Kotler lays out a blueprint for extreme performance improvement. If you want to aim high, here is the playbook to make it happen!

Inspirational and aspirational,

pragmatic and accessible, *The Art of Impossible* is a life-changing experience disguised as a how-to manual for peak performance that anyone can use to shoot for the stars . . . space-suit, not included.

Drive - Daniel H. Pink

2011-04-05

The New York Times bestseller that gives readers a paradigm-shattering new way to think about motivation from the author of *When: The Scientific Secrets of Perfect Timing* Most people believe that the best way to motivate is with

rewards like money—the carrot-and-stick approach.

That's a mistake, says Daniel H. Pink (author of *To Sell Is Human: The Surprising Truth About Motivating Others*). In this provocative and persuasive new book, he asserts that the secret to high performance and satisfaction—at work, at school, and at home—is the deeply human need to direct our own lives, to learn and create new things, and to do better by ourselves and our world.

Drawing on four decades of scientific research on human

motivation, Pink exposes the mismatch between what science knows and what business does—and how that affects every aspect of life. He examines the three elements of true motivation—autonomy, mastery, and purpose—and offers smart and surprising techniques for putting these into action in a unique book that will change how we think and transform how we live.

Development of Professional Expertise - K. Anders Ericsson
2009-06-22

Professionals such as medical doctors, aeroplane pilots, lawyers, and technical specialists find that some of their peers have reached high levels of achievement that are difficult to measure objectively. In order to understand to what extent it is possible to learn from these expert performers for the purpose of helping others improve their performance, we first need to reproduce and measure this performance. This book is designed to provide the first comprehensive overview of research on the acquisition and

training of professional performance as measured by objective methods rather than by subjective ratings by supervisors. In this collection of articles, the world's foremost experts discuss methods for assessing the experts' knowledge and review our knowledge on how we can measure professional performance and design training environments that permit beginning and experienced professionals to develop and maintain their high levels of performance, using examples from a wide range of professional domains.

Peak - K. Anders Ericsson

2017-10-03

The expert on expertise and inventor of the 10,000-hour rule offers his insights and techniques on how to master any skill. We live in a world full of people with extraordinary abilities. Consider what Roger Federer can do with a tennis ball, or Connor McDavid with a puck. There are chess grandmasters who can play several dozen different games simultaneously--while

blindfolded--and a seemingly unending supply of young musical prodigies who would have astonished aficionados a century ago. We are dramatically better at just about everything than we were just a generation ago. We assume, though, that these peak performers are the lucky ones, the ones with a gift.

That's only partly true. The fact is we are all lucky. We all have that gift. As Ericsson's whole career has shown, with the proper practice, we are all capable of extraordinary feats. The techniques that chess players use to develop their skills seem quite different from the methods pianists use to improve their playing. But at a deeper level, they are all variations on a single fundamental approach to learning, what Ericsson has named "deliberate practice": a simple, yet powerful system for enhancing learning. This approach to expertise has the potential to revolutionize how we think about every sort of education and training. We can define the limits of our talents.

Whether you want to step up your game at work or help your kid achieve athletic or academic goals, Ericsson's revolutionary methods will show you how to master almost anything.

Peak Everything - Richard Heinberg 2010-10-12

Transitioning gracefully from the Age of Excess to the Era of Modesty.

Master Expert - Alistair Gordon 2021-08

A new comprehensive career planner and training guide for individual contributors and technical specialists. 740 pages of tools, checklists, models and ideas to resolve every business challenge you face in a complex technical role.

Beyond Engineering - Robert Pool 1997-07-17

We have long recognized technology as a driving force behind much historical and cultural change. The invention of the printing press initiated the Reformation. The development of the compass ushered in the Age of Exploration and the discovery of the New World. The cotton

gin created the conditions that led to the Civil War. Now, in *Beyond Engineering*, science writer Robert Pool turns the question around to examine how society shapes technology. Drawing on such disparate fields as history, economics, risk analysis, management science, sociology, and psychology, Pool illuminates the complex, often fascinating interplay between machines and society, in a book that will revolutionize how we think about technology. We tend to think that reason guides technological development, that engineering expertise alone determines the final form an invention takes. But if you look closely enough at the history of any invention, says Pool, you will find that factors unrelated to engineering seem to have an almost equal impact. In his wide-ranging volume, he traces developments in nuclear energy, automobiles, light bulbs, commercial electricity, and personal computers, to reveal that the ultimate shape of a technology often has as

much to do with outside and unforeseen forces. For instance, Pool explores the reasons why steam-powered cars lost out to internal combustion engines. He shows that the Stanley Steamer was in many ways superior to the Model T--it set a land speed record in 1906 of more than 127 miles per hour, it had no transmission (and no transmission headaches), and it was simpler (one Stanley engine had only twenty-two moving parts) and quieter than a gas engine--but the steamers were killed off by factors that had little or nothing to do with their engineering merits, including the Stanley twins' lack of business acumen and an outbreak of hoof-and-mouth disease. Pool illuminates other aspects of technology as well. He traces how seemingly minor decisions made early along the path of development can have profound consequences further down the road, and perhaps most important, he argues that with the increasing complexity of our technological advances--from nuclear reactors to

genetic engineering--the number of things that can go wrong multiplies, making it increasingly difficult to engineer risk out of the equation. Citing such catastrophes as Bhopal, Three Mile Island, the Exxon Valdez, the Challenger, and Chernobyl, he argues that it is time to rethink our approach to technology. The days are gone when machines were solely a product of larger-than-life inventors and hard-working engineers. Increasingly, technology will be a joint effort, with its design shaped not only by engineers and executives but also psychologists, political scientists, management theorists, risk specialists, regulators and courts, and the general public. Whether discussing bovine growth hormone, molten-salt reactors, or baboon-to-human transplants, Beyond Engineering is an engaging look at modern technology and an illuminating account of how technology and the modern world shape each other.

Achieving Peak Performance in Music - Sarah Sinnamon 2020

Music performance -- What flow feels like -- 10 steps to Peak Performance : How musicians prepare for peak performance -- Managing your emotions -- Managing your thoughts -- Motivation -- Concentration & focus -- Mental Practice, Imagery & Visualisation -- Calming the body and mind -- Pre-performance plans -- Putting it all together.

Secrets of Peak Performers - Bill Glazer 2009-04-01

Secrets of Peak Performers Are you an entrepreneur working hard to grow your business, income, and influence? Or, are you like most entrepreneurs who are working hard, but not necessarily working smart? Secrets of Peak Performers shares critical WORK SMART strategies from successful entrepreneurs in over 25 industries. Included inside are personal and professional wealth creating insights that tackle important topics like sales & marketing, time

management, innovation & change, managing and leading people, and much more. If you are truly committed to success, you will find yourself referencing this book time and time again.

Grit - Angela Duckworth 2016-05-03

In this instant New York Times bestseller, Angela Duckworth shows anyone striving to succeed that the secret to outstanding achievement is not talent, but a special blend of passion and persistence she calls "grit." "Inspiration for non-genius everywhere" (People). The daughter of a scientist who frequently noted her lack of "genius," Angela Duckworth is now a celebrated researcher and professor. It was her early eye-opening stints in teaching, business consulting, and neuroscience that led to her hypothesis about what really drives success: not genius, but a unique combination of passion and long-term perseverance. In Grit, she takes us into the field to visit cadets struggling through their first days at West

Point, teachers working in some of the toughest schools, and young finalists in the National Spelling Bee. She also mines fascinating insights from history and shows what can be gleaned from modern experiments in peak performance. Finally, she shares what she's learned from interviewing dozens of high achievers—from JP Morgan CEO Jamie Dimon to New Yorker cartoon editor Bob Mankoff to Seattle Seahawks Coach Pete Carroll.

"Duckworth's ideas about the cultivation of tenacity have clearly changed some lives for the better" (The New York Times Book Review). Among Grit's most valuable insights: any effort you make ultimately counts twice toward your goal; grit can be learned, regardless of IQ or circumstances; when it comes to child-rearing, neither a warm embrace nor high standards will work by themselves; how to trigger lifelong interest; the magic of the Hard Thing Rule; and so much more. Winningly personal, insightful, and even

life-changing, Grit is a book about what goes through your head when you fall down, and how that—not talent or luck—makes all the difference. This is "a fascinating tour of the psychological research on success" (The Wall Street Journal).

Peak Performance - Brad Stulberg 2017-06-06

"A transfixing book on how to sustain peak performance and avoid burnout" —Adam Grant, New York Times bestselling author of Option B, Originals, and Give and Take "An essential playbook for success, happiness, and getting the most out of ourselves." Arianna Huffington, author of Thrive and The Sleep Revolution "I doubt anyone can read Peak Performance without itching to apply something to their own lives." —David Epstein, New York Times bestselling author of The Sports Gene A few common principles drive performance, regardless of the field or the task at hand. Whether someone is trying to qualify for the Olympics, break ground in mathematical theory

or craft an artistic masterpiece, many of the practices that lead to great success are the same. In *Peak Performance*, Brad Stulberg, a former McKinsey and Company consultant and writer who covers health and the science of human performance, and Steve Magness, a performance scientist and coach of Olympic athletes, team up to demystify these practices and demonstrate how you can achieve your best. The first book of its kind, *Peak Performance* combines the inspiring stories of top performers across a range of capabilities—from athletic to intellectual and artistic—with the latest scientific insights into the cognitive and neurochemical factors that drive performance in all domains. In doing so, *Peak Performance* uncovers new linkages that hold promise as performance enhancers but have been overlooked in our traditionally-siloed ways of thinking. The result is a life-changing book in which you can learn how to enhance your

performance via myriad ways including: optimally alternating between periods of intense work and rest; priming the body and mind for enhanced productivity; and developing and harnessing the power of a self-transcending purpose. In revealing the science of great performance and the stories of great performers across a wide range of capabilities, *Peak Performance* uncovers the secrets of success, and coaches you on how to use them. If you want to take your game to the next level, whatever "your game" may be, *Peak Performance* will teach you how.

Peak Self-Control - Said Hasyim 2021-03-14

Peak Self-Control employs willpower science to help you create your desired habits, and fulfill your wildly important goals.

Mastery - George Leonard 1992-02-01

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...

[When Breath Becomes Air](#) -

Paul Kalanithi 2016-01-12

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • PULITZER PRIZE FINALIST • This

inspiring, exquisitely observed memoir finds hope and beauty in the face of insurmountable odds as an idealistic young neurosurgeon attempts to answer the question What makes a life worth living?

NAMED ONE OF PASTE'S BEST MEMOIRS OF THE

DECADE • NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY The New York Times Book Review • People • NPR • The Washington Post • Slate • Harper's Bazaar • Time Out New York • Publishers Weekly • BookPage Finalist for the PEN Center USA Literary Award in Creative Nonfiction and the Books for a Better Life Award in Inspirational Memoir At the age of thirty-six, on the verge of completing a decade's worth of training as a neurosurgeon, Paul Kalanithi was diagnosed with stage IV lung cancer. One day he was a doctor treating the dying, and the next he was a patient struggling to live. And just like that, the future he and his wife had imagined evaporated. *When Breath Becomes Air* chronicles Kalanithi's transformation from a naïve medical student "possessed," as he wrote, "by the question of what, given that all organisms die, makes a virtuous and meaningful life" into a neurosurgeon at Stanford working in the brain, the most critical place for human

identity, and finally into a patient and new father confronting his own mortality. What makes life worth living in the face of death? What do you do when the future, no longer a ladder toward your goals in life, flattens out into a perpetual present? What does it mean to have a child, to nurture a new life as another fades away? These are some of the questions Kalanithi wrestles with in this profoundly moving, exquisitely observed memoir. Paul Kalanithi died in March 2015, while working on this book, yet his words live on as a guide and a gift to us all. "I began to realize that coming face to face with my own mortality, in a sense, had changed nothing and everything," he wrote. "Seven words from Samuel Beckett began to repeat in my head: 'I can't go on. I'll go on.'" When *Breath Becomes Air* is an unforgettable, life-affirming reflection on the challenge of facing death and on the relationship between doctor and patient, from a brilliant writer who became both.

Meb For Mortals - Meb Keflezighi 2015-04-07
Train like Olympic marathoner and 2014 Boston Marathon winner Meb Keflezighi With his historic win at the 2014 Boston Marathon, Meb Keflezighi cemented his legacy as one of the great champions of long-distance running. Runners everywhere wanted to know how someone two weeks away from his 39th birthday, who had only the 15th best time going into the race, could defeat the best field in Boston Marathon history and become the first American man to win the race in 31 years. *Meb For Mortals* describes in unprecedented detail how three-time Olympian Keflezighi prepares to take on the best runners in the world. More importantly, the book shows everyday runners how to implement the training, nutritional, and mental principles that have guided him throughout his long career, which in addition to the 2014 Boston win includes an Olympic silver medal and the 2009 New York City Marathon

title.

Peak Performance - Patricia Melton Allen 2019-05-03

The key to success and reaching peak performance is integrating three processes to optimize business through the use of human performance improvement tools, lean thinking, operational excellence, along with a strong organizational culture as the underpinning. These components form the basis of the Peak Performance Model. The tools presented in this book, along with the case studies, demonstrate how the model is applied and integrated into company practices.

Companies and organizations want to improve their performance, but many have not integrated the right tools and processes. Through the application of the Peak Performance Model, every company can achieve and sustain Peak Performance.

Peak - Marc Bubbs 2019

"There is a new revolution happening in sports as more and more athletes are basing their success on this game-

changing combination: health, nutrition, training, recovery, and mindset. Unfortunately, the evidence-based techniques that the expert PhDs, academic institutions, and professional performance staffs follow can be in stark contrast to what many athletes actually practice. When combined with the noise of social media, old-school traditions, and bro-science, it can be difficult to separate fact from fiction. *Peak* is a groundbreaking book exploring the fundamentals of high performance (not the fads), the importance of consistency (not extreme effort), and the value of patience (not rapid transformation). Dr. Marc Bubbs makes deep science easy to understand, and with information from leading experts who are influencing the top performers in sports on how to achieve world-class success, he lays out the record-breaking feats of athleticism and strategies that are rooted in this personalized approach. Dr. Bubbs expertly brings together the worlds of

health, nutrition, and exercise and synthesizes the salient science into actionable guidance.

Next-Level Coaching - Ben Loeb 2018-07-10

Play your sport, not mind games Ben Loeb has created an actionable guide to implementing sport psychology in team sports, including extensive exercises and self-assessment activities. With seventy-five exercises for coaches and athletes to use upping their game, Next-Level Coaching will give you the competitive edge. This book will help you learn about:

- Mental Toughness
- Confidence
- Focus
- Motivation and Motivational Obstacles
- Entering “The Zone”
- Developing Mental and Emotional Skills
- Leadership and Team Building
- Character and Values

Next-Level Coaching will help any athlete, coach, or parent working with a young athlete become more successful in athletics—and life.

Peak - Anders Ericsson 2016-04-05

“This book is a breakthrough, a lyrical, powerful, science-based narrative that actually shows us how to get better (much better) at the things we care about.”—Seth Godin, author of *Linchpin* “Anyone who wants to get better at anything should read [Peak]. Rest assured that the book is not mere theory. Ericsson’s research focuses on the real world, and he explains in detail, with examples, how all of us can apply the principles of great performance in our work or in any other part of our lives.”—Fortune Anders Ericsson has made a career studying chess champions, violin virtuosos, star athletes, and memory mavens. *Peak* distills three decades of myth-shattering research into a powerful learning strategy that is fundamentally different from the way people traditionally think about acquiring new abilities. Whether you want to stand out at work, improve your athletic or musical performance, or help your child achieve academic goals, Ericsson’s revolutionary methods will show you how to

improve at almost any skill that matters to you. "The science of excellence can be divided into two eras: before Ericsson and after Ericsson. His groundbreaking work, captured in this brilliantly useful book, provides us with a blueprint for achieving the most important and life-changing work possible: to become a little bit better each day."—Dan Coyle, author of *The Talent Code* "Ericsson's research has revolutionized how we think about human achievement. If everyone would take the lessons of this book to heart, it could truly change the world."—Joshua Foer, author of *Moonwalking with Einstein*
Discovering the Brain - National Academy of Sciences 1992-01-01

The brain ... There is no other part of the human anatomy that is so intriguing. How does it develop and function and why does it sometimes, tragically, degenerate? The answers are complex. In *Discovering the Brain*, science writer Sandra Ackerman cuts through the complexity to

bring this vital topic to the public. The 1990s were declared the "Decade of the Brain" by former President Bush, and the neuroscience community responded with a host of new investigations and conferences. *Discovering the Brain* is based on the Institute of Medicine conference, Decade of the Brain: Frontiers in Neuroscience and Brain Research. *Discovering the Brain* is a "field guide" to the brain—an easy-to-read discussion of the brain's physical structure and where functions such as language and music appreciation lie. Ackerman examines: How electrical and chemical signals are conveyed in the brain. The mechanisms by which we see, hear, think, and pay attention—and how a "gut feeling" actually originates in the brain. Learning and memory retention, including parallels to computer memory and what they might tell us about our own mental capacity. Development of the brain throughout the life span, with a look at the aging brain.

Ackerman provides an enlightening chapter on the connection between the brain's physical condition and various mental disorders and notes what progress can realistically be made toward the prevention and treatment of stroke and other ailments. Finally, she explores the potential for major advances during the "Decade of the Brain," with a look at medical imaging techniques—what various technologies can and cannot tell us—and how the public and private sectors can contribute to continued advances in neuroscience. This highly readable volume will provide the public and policymakers—and many scientists as well—with a helpful guide to understanding the many discoveries that are sure to be announced throughout the "Decade of the Brain."

Thinking Better - David Lewis
1983

Peak 40 - Marc Bubbs
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Work smarter, not harder. The

first guide to truly holistic health and fitness for those in their 40s From Tom Brady to Serena Williams, Tiger Woods and Roger Federer athletes are increasingly peaking later in their careers. Let Dr Marc Bubbs be your personal trainer in this accessible guide—aimed exclusively at those in their 40s. Create a customized program that works for YOU—from diet, to sleep, type of training and mindset, this book has all the tools you need. Peak 40 is for anyone wanting to rediscover the best version of themselves coming into their 40s. Author Dr Marc Bubbs is a performance nutritionist with a portfolio of professional and Olympic athletes - but he is also the dad of three girls, all under 7! Dr. Bubbs is here with you, in the eye of the mid-life storm, and he has created the ultimate book to help you through it. For fans of Joe Wicks and Michael Mosley, Dr. Bubbs offers simple, evidence-based and time-efficient strategies to help you reignite your energy and passion. His realistic, grown-up and non-

judgemental approach is to explain the effect some food groups and lack of exercise and sleep have on our body. The information presented is easy to digest and he offers advice that can be tailored to your body and personality type. In his expert opinion, small changes such as 'not eating after 8pm for five out of seven days' can have a big impact on weight loss and positive mood. Rather than eliminating certain food groups like fats and carbohydrates, he looks at 'turning the dial' on them depending on individual needs. If life has become too sedentary, he provides ways to increase suppleness so that you can start to reintroduce movement into your life without causing pain. Guiding us through the myriad of confusion lifestyle messages, Dr. Bubbs teaches us: How to increase flexibility How to train with achy joints, knees, back, shoulders... Whether a plant-based diet is right How to maintain bone health Whether to lift weights Who should do HIIT (and who shouldn't) The

importance of glucose control in your diet Advice on dealing with anxiety and low mood How to set realistic expectations "[Bubbs] dives into the nutrition and science—where it's been and where it's heading."—Zack Bitter, world record-holding ultra marathoner, as heard on "The Joe Rogan Experience" "Dr. Bubbs's advice on nutrition, health, and recovery for peak performance has been a game changer!"—Kevin Pangos, point guard, Barcelona FC Basketball *The Inner Game of Tennis* - W. Timothy Gallwey 2010-06-30 Master your game from the inside out! With more than 800,000 copies sold since it was first published thirty years ago, this phenomenally successful guide has become a touchstone for hundreds of thousands of people. Not just for tennis players, or even just for athletes in general, this handbook works for anybody who wants to improve his or her performance in any activity, from playing music to getting ahead at work. W.

Timothy Gallwey, a leading innovator in sports psychology, reveals how to • focus your mind to overcome nervousness, self-doubt, and distractions • find the state of “relaxed concentration” that allows you to play at your best • build skills by smart practice, then put it all together in match play Whether you're a beginner or a pro, Gallwey's engaging voice, clear examples, and illuminating anecdotes will give you the tools you need to succeed. “Introduced to The Inner Game of Tennis as a graduate student years ago, I recognized the obvious benefits of [W. Timothy] Gallwey's teachings. . . . Whether we are preparing for an inter-squad scrimmage or the National Championship Game, these principles lie at the foundation of our program.”—from the Foreword by Pete Carroll

The Power of Moments - Chip Heath 2017-10-03
The New York Times bestselling authors of *Switch* and *Made to Stick* explore why certain brief experiences can jolt us and elevate us and

change us—and how we can learn to create such extraordinary moments in our life and work. While human lives are endlessly variable, our most memorable positive moments are dominated by four elements: elevation, insight, pride, and connection. If we embrace these elements, we can conjure more moments that matter. What if a teacher could design a lesson that he knew his students would remember twenty years later? What if a manager knew how to create an experience that would delight customers? What if you had a better sense of how to create memories that matter for your children? This book delves into some fascinating mysteries of experience: Why we tend to remember the best or worst moment of an experience, as well as the last moment, and forget the rest. Why “we feel most comfortable when things are certain, but we feel most alive when they’re not.” And why our most cherished memories are clustered into a brief period during our youth.

Readers discover how brief experiences can change lives, such as the experiment in which two strangers meet in a room, and forty-five minutes later, they leave as best friends. (What happens in that time?) Or the tale of the world's youngest female billionaire, who credits her resilience to something her father asked the family at the dinner table. (What was that simple question?) Many of the defining moments in our lives are the result of accident or luck—but why would we leave our most meaningful, memorable moments to chance when we can create them? The Power of Moments shows us how to be the author of richer experiences.

Deep Work - Cal Newport
2016-01-05

Read the Wall Street Journal Bestseller for "cultivating intense focus" for fast, powerful performance results for achieving success and true meaning in one's professional life (Adam Grant, author of Give and Take). Deep work is the ability to focus without

distraction on a cognitively demanding task. It's a skill that allows you to quickly master complicated information and produce better results in less time. Deep Work will make you better at what you do and provide the sense of true fulfillment that comes from craftsmanship. In short, deep work is like a super power in our increasingly competitive twenty-first century economy. And yet, most people have lost the ability to go deep—spending their days instead in a frantic blur of e-mail and social media, not even realizing there's a better way. In Deep Work, author and professor Cal Newport flips the narrative on impact in a connected age. Instead of arguing distraction is bad, he instead celebrates the power of its opposite. Dividing this book into two parts, he first makes the case that in almost any profession, cultivating a deep work ethic will produce massive benefits. He then presents a rigorous training regimen, presented as a series of four "rules," for transforming your mind and

habits to support this skill. 1. Work Deeply 2. Embrace Boredom 3. Quit Social Media 4. Drain the Shallows A mix of cultural criticism and actionable advice, *Deep Work* takes the reader on a journey through memorable stories- from Carl Jung building a stone tower in the woods to focus his mind, to a social media pioneer buying a round-trip business class ticket to Tokyo to write a book free from distraction in the air- and no-nonsense advice, such as the claim that most serious professionals should quit social media and that you should practice being bored. *Deep Work* is an indispensable guide to anyone seeking focused success in a distracted world. An Amazon Best Book of 2016 Pick in Business & Leadership Wall Street Journal Business Bestseller A Business Book of the Week at 800-CEO-READ

[Can't Hurt Me](#) - David Goggins
2021-04-01

New York Times Bestseller
Over 2.5 million copies sold
For David Goggins, childhood was a nightmare - poverty,

prejudice, and physical abuse colored his days and haunted his nights. But through self-discipline, mental toughness, and hard work, Goggins transformed himself from a depressed, overweight young man with no future into a U.S. Armed Forces icon and one of the world's top endurance athletes. The only man in history to complete elite training as a Navy SEAL, Army Ranger, and Air Force Tactical Air Controller, he went on to set records in numerous endurance events, inspiring *Outside* magazine to name him The Fittest (Real) Man in America. In this curse-word-free edition of *Can't Hurt Me*, he shares his astonishing life story and reveals that most of us tap into only 40% of our capabilities. Goggins calls this The 40% Rule, and his story illuminates a path that anyone can follow to push past pain, demolish fear, and reach their full potential.

The Peak Performance Formula - Bob Lesser
2021-08-24

"We all need tools and tactics

to achieve at the highest levels—both at work and in life. This book gives you the framework.” —Eric Schmidt, cofounder, Schmidt Futures, and former CEO, Google Do you believe you could change your business, your industry, and the lives of those around you if you just got the chance? It’s time to make your own chances with The Peak Performance Formula. As a longtime Silicon Valley executive coach, Bob Lesser knows the stresses of career development firsthand. His advice, research, and 30 Day Peak Performance Challenge draw from his own experiences and research, yet can be applied far beyond the workplace. Whether you are a struggling athlete or a high-powered executive, this actionable guide—incorporating case studies from real-life peak performers—shows you how to become your best and not settle for mediocrity. What exactly is purpose and how can you pinpoint yours? How can values improve your fulfillment

and performance? How can you utilize vision to ensure you're getting where you want to go? Taking into account neurological, psychological, and religious research, this book helps you find the relentless courage to succeed, and shares stories of peak performers from Iron Man Dick Hoyt to musician G Love to former governor Michael Dukakis and activist Suraya Sadeed. “Readers looking to level-up will enjoy this quick mix of ideas and guidance.” —Publishers Weekly “Purpose and values guide everything we do as an organization. This book shows you how to use these powerful tools in your own work.”—Charles Best, Founder and CEO, DonorsChoose
Wings of Fire - Avul Pakir Jainulabdeen Abdul Kalam 1999
Avul Pakir Jainulabdeen Abdul Kalam, The Son Of A Little-Educated Boat-Owner In Rameswaram, Tamil Nadu, Had An Unparalleled Career As A Defence Scientist, Culminating In The Highest Civilian Award

Of India, The Bharat Ratna. As Chief Of The Country`S Defence Research And Development Programme, Kalam Demonstrated The Great Potential For Dynamism And Innovation That Existed In Seemingly Moribund Research Establishments. This Is The Story Of Kalam`S Rise From Obscurity And His Personal And Professional Struggles, As Well As The Story Of Agni, Prithvi, Akash, Trishul And Nag--Missiles That Have Become Household Names In India And That Have Raised The Nation To The Level Of A Missile Power Of International Reckoning.

Peak - Anders Ericsson
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You don't have to be a genius to achieve extraordinary things. In this fascinating book, Anders Ericsson and Robert Pool explain that learning new skills doesn't need to be

daunting. Musical prodigies, sports stars and leading scientists acquire their special abilities through training - and all of us can do the same. Based on thirty years of pioneering research, *Peak* shows that success simply requires the right kind of practice and offers essential advice on setting goals, receiving guidance and motivating ourselves. The astonishing stories prove that whether we're at work or at school, in the music room or on the sports field, we can master almost anything. 'Remarkable...who among us doesn't want to learn how to get better at life?' Stephen J. Dubner, co-author of *Freakonomics* 'This book...could truly change the world' Joshua Foer, author of *Moonwalking with Einstein* 'Groundbreaking...brilliantly useful' Daniel Coyle, author of *The Talent Code*