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UNTITLED ON DEMOCRACY Condoleezza Rice

*Examining Democracy—
at Home and Abroad*

U.S. Publisher: Henry Holt

Manuscript Due: September 2014

Publication Date: 2015

Territory: World

Rights sold for NO HIGHER HONOR:

UK: Simon & Schuster

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Following up her acclaimed political memoir *No Higher Honor*, former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice turns her eye to the issue of democracy throughout the world. Rice discusses the never-ending process of building democracy, a process in which citizens—and their governments—together strive to attain and secure the ideals of self-rule.

Drawing upon stories from her career and personal life, Rice sheds light on the essential questions of contemporary democracy, including the centrality of education, immigration, free enterprise, and civic responsibility.

Rice's concerns arise from her experiences both domestic and foreign. As she explains, "my travels both at home and abroad have underscored the promise and challenges of democracy. The task of building it is never done."

CONDOLEEZZA RICE was the sixty-sixth U.S. Secretary of State and the first black woman to hold that office. Prior to that, she was the first woman to serve as National Security Advisor. She is the author of a memoir chronicling her time in office, *No Higher Honor*, as well as the *New York Times* bestselling *Extraordinary, Ordinary People: A Memoir of Family*.

UNITED STATES NAVY SPECIAL WARFARE U.S. Navy Seals

**Greg E. Mathieson, Sr. and
David Gately**

U.S. Publisher: NSW Publications

Publication Date: 2013

Territory: World



Rights Sold:

China: Beijing Booky

The Navy SEALs are perhaps the most elite fighting unit in military history. They have risen to prominence in the landscape of post 9/11 warfare, and their profile in the culture has become ever larger. Two feature films are scheduled for release in the near future, one featuring actor Mark Wahlberg. And of course, the SEALs played a major role in last year's Oscar contender ZERO DARK THIRTY.

This book is a comprehensive history, a behind-the-scenes look at the U.S. Navy SEALs. Photographers were allowed unparalleled access into the training and operations of the elite corps.; the result is a stunning, authoritative compendium and an enthralling first-hand depiction of the SEALs themselves.

The photographers were able to access never-before-seen aspects of the highly secretive group, but the photography is not only impressive for the world it reveals, but also for its stunning visual impact. This book is a solid object, as monumental as the group it documents.

GREG E. MATHIESON, SR. has worked as a photographer in places as far flung as Vietnam and Nicaragua and as distinguished as the White House and Pentagon.

DAVID GATLEY is the former chief photographer of the *Los Angeles Times*. His work has appeared in *Newsweek* and *The New York Times*, among many others.

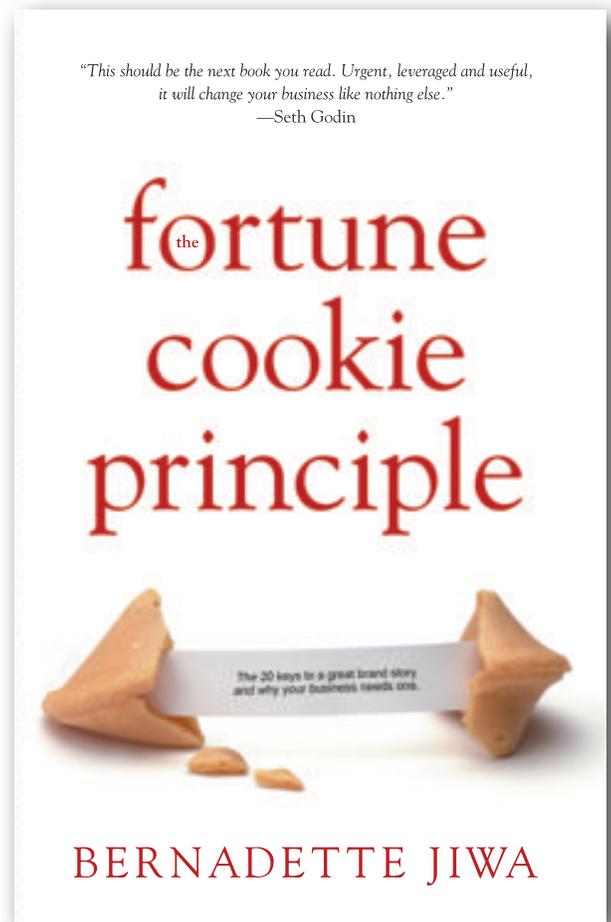
THE FORTUNE COOKIE PRINCIPLE

Bernadette Jiwa

U.S. Publisher: TOST
Publication: June 2013
Territory: World

“This should be the next book you read. Urgent, leveraged and useful, it will change your business like nothing else.”

– Seth Godin



It's not how good you are. It's how well you tell your story.

Big corporations might have huge marketing and advertising budgets but you've got a story. Your brand story isn't just what you tell people. It's what they believe about you based on the signals your brand sends. *The Fortune Cookie Principle* is a brand building framework and communication strategy consisting of 20 keys that enable you to begin telling your brand's story from the inside out. It's the foundation upon which you can differentiate your brand and make emotional connections with the kind of clients and customers you want to serve.

The most successful brands in the world don't behave like commodities and neither should you. A great brand story will make you stand out, increase brand awareness, create customer loyalty and power profits. Isn't it time to give your customers a story to tell? *The Fortune Cookie Principle* will show you how.

BERNADETTE JIWA is the #1 Bestselling author of *Make Your Idea Matter* and was voted Australia's Best Business Blogger in 2012. She works as a brand strategist with entrepreneurs from around the world, showing them how to differentiate and add value to their businesses by telling a better brand story. You can find her at www.TheStoryofTelling.com.

STYLE BIBLE

Lauren A. Rothman

What to Wear to Work

U.S. Publisher: Bibliomotion

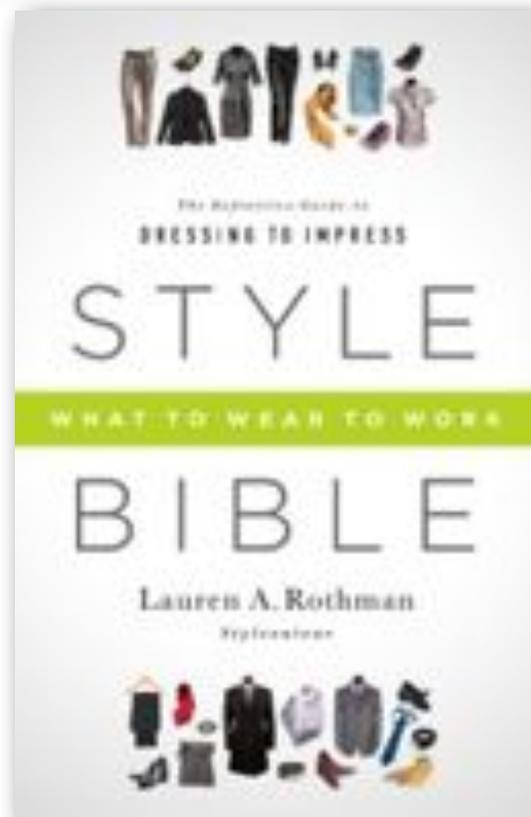
Publication: October 2013

Length: 208 pages

Territory: World

Rights Sold:

Brazil: Verus



The Definitive Guide to Dressing to Impress

First impressions (and second ones!) count, whether you are an intern or a CEO. Lauren A. Rothman addresses an age-old dilemma: how to be appropriate and stylish in the workplace. Based on a decade of experience in the fashion industry, she addresses the basics of fashion and executive presence by offering advice, anecdotes, and style alerts that help readers avoid major fashion faux pas at the office. ***Style Bible: What to Wear to Work*** is the must-have resource for the modern professional, male or female, climbing the ladder of success. Lauren identifies the ultimate wardrobe essentials, and reveals shopping strategies and destinations for the everyday person.

Style Bible, complete with helpful illustrations, is the go-to manual on how to dress for every professional occasion and a valuable resource for understanding dress codes by industry, city, and gender so that your visual cues will make a strong impact. Make a commitment to being better dressed at work with ***Style Bible***.

LAUREN A. ROTHMAN, also known as “the Styleauteur,” is a fashion, style, and trend expert. Her tips on wardrobe management have been featured in *Glamour*, *Real Simple*, *People StyleWatch*, and *Washingtonian* magazines, as well as in *Politico*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Washington Post*, *The Huffington Post*, and on NPR. She has discussed politics and style on Entertainment Tonight, The Insider, CNN, and in her in column – The Fashion Whip – on *The Huffington Post*.

MOGUL, MOM, & MAID

Liz O'Donnell

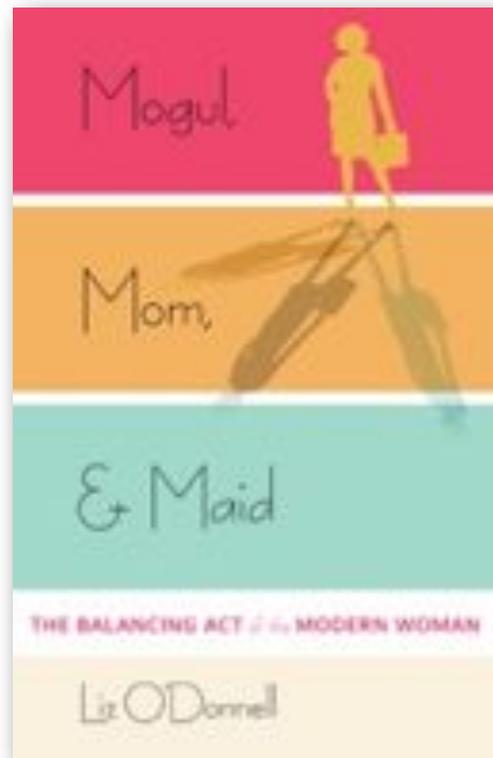
The Balancing Act of the Modern Woman

U.S. Publisher: Bibliomotion

Publication: November 2013

Length: 224 pages

Territory: World



The state of working women has been declared, debunked and debated for decades. But the headlines, and the statistics behind them don't tell the whole story. The truth is, many women today are breadwinners, and these breadwinners are struggling. They are caught in a perfect storm of male-dominated culture at work, traditional social norms at home, and outdated schedules in the schools. ***Mogul, Mom, & Maid*** takes an honest look at how women are balancing home life and career. The pressures of child rearing, coupled with an unfulfilling corporate culture, are too great to be ignored.

Author Liz O'Donnell goes beyond statistics and tells the stories of women all across America who are juggling careers, motherhood, marriage, and households. ***Mogul, Mom, & Maid*** looks at the choices women are making, the options they have, and the impact these decisions have on themselves, their families, and the businesses that employ them.

LIZ O'DONNELL is a want-to-be mogul, busy working mother and sometimes maid. A public relations executive by day, Liz counsels clients ranging from large financial institutions to early-stage technology startups on traditional and social media communications strategies.

Liz is also the founder of *Hello Ladies*, an award winning website for smart, busy women which was named one of the top 100 websites for women by Forbes magazine. She is a regular contributor to *The Huffington Post* and *Momsrising.org* and her commentary on women's issues has appeared in *The Atlanta Journal Constitution*.

THE JOY OF STRATEGY

Allison Rimm

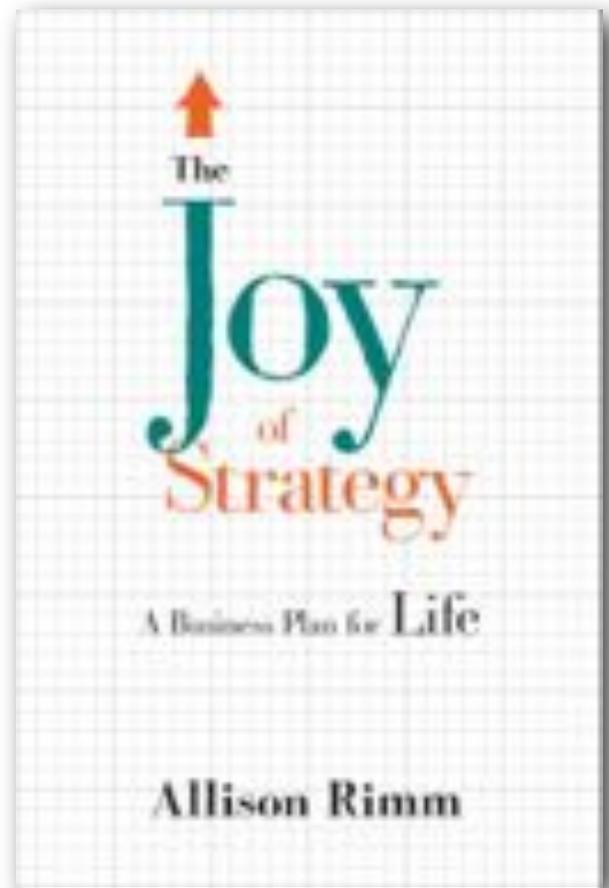
A Business Plan for Life

U.S. Publisher: Bibliomotion

Publication: September 2013

Length: 256 pages

Territory: World



Your life is serious business, but who says you can't find joy along the way? As a person with unique gifts to offer, it is your responsibility to use your talents wisely and it is your right to enjoy yourself while doing so. But that doesn't just happen. Finding fulfillment and satisfaction requires that we have the tools and know-how needed to set priorities, manage our time, and cope with our own habits that stand in the way of us achieving our goals and enjoying the process. In *The Joy of Strategy*, Allison Rimm shares her novel approach to thinking about one's life and career strategically. Through conventional business techniques and unconventional wisdom, *The Joy of Strategy* is the go-to guide for achieving satisfaction both in and out of work.

You don't need to leave your life to chance. It requires a strategy. To create a meaningful plan, you need a structured approach that guides you, step by step, through the process of defining what is most important to you and what you must do to get it.

ALLISON RIMM is a strategic planning and management consultant, coach, and award-winning educator who inspires individuals and organizational leaders to create breathtaking visions and plans to make them come to life. She has merged her passion for teaching and mentoring with her strong executive skills to create her professional development programs and the popular Business of Life™ workshops. She blogs for *Harvard Business Review*.

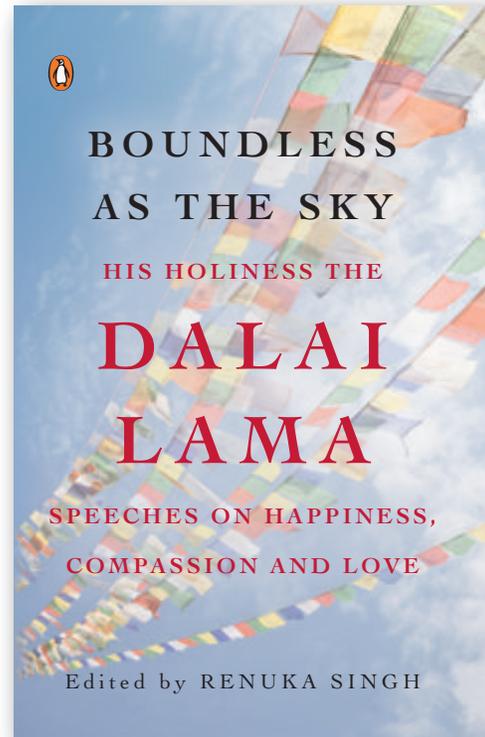
BOUNDLESS AS THE SKY His Holiness the Dalai Lama on Happiness, Compassion and Love

Edited by Renuka Singh

Publisher: Penguin India

Publication: September 2013

Territory: World



Answers to life's questions from one of our most important spiritual leaders

His Holiness the Dalai Lama imparts even the most complex lessons in his trademark humorous, simple, and friendly manner, making him one of the world's most loved and respected spiritual leaders. These very characteristics make this collection of his speeches a must-have weapon against life's daily battles. Whether you want to understand how to overcome obstacles or forgive those who have hurt you or just want to learn to appreciate life's little pleasures, every question is answered by him. *Boundless as the Sky* is a comforting, wise, gentle and funny companion for anyone who wishes to lead the fullest life they can.

RENUKA SINGH is a student and friend of His Holiness the Dalai Lama.

MINIMALIST PARENTING

Christine Koh
and Asha Dornfest

Enjoy Modern Family Life by Doing Less

U.S. Publisher: Bibliomotion

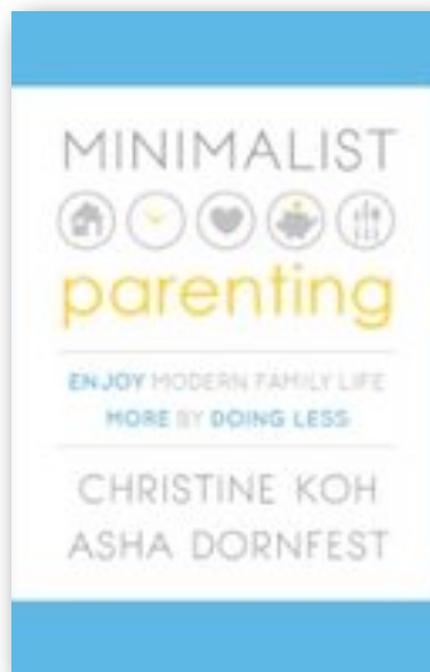
Publication: March 2013

Length: 272 pages

Territory: World

Rights Sold:

World Spanish: Alba Editorial
China: Jieli Publishing House
Czech Republic: Noxi
Korea: Bookhouse
Taiwan: Heliopolis
Turkey: Versus Kitap



“For any parents who feel overwhelmed with clutter in their homes, their schedules, or their brains (that is, just about every parent!), *Minimalist Parenting* is an invaluable guide to making family life more serene—and more fun!” - Gretchen Rubin, bestselling author of *The Happiness Project*

We’re in the midst of a parenting climate that feeds on “more”: more expert advice, more gear, more fear about competition and safety, and more choices to make about education, nutrition, even entertainment. The result? Overwhelmed, confused parents and over-scheduled, over-parented kids. In *Minimalist Parenting*, Christine Koh and Asha Dornfest offer a fresh approach to navigating all of this conflicting background noise. They show you how to tune into your family’s unique values and priorities and confidently identify the activities, stuff, information, and people that truly merit space in your life.

Minimalist Parenting leads parents through practical strategies for managing time, de-cluttering the home space, simplifying mealtimes, and streamlining recreation. Filled with parents’ personal stories, readers will come away with a unique plan for a simpler life!

CHRISTINE KOH is the founder and editor of the stylish parenting resource portal [Boston Mamas](#) and co-founder of [The Mission List](#) and [Pivot Boston](#).

ASHA DORNFEST is the founder of [Parent Hacks](#), a blog devoted to sharing parents’ “forehead-smackingly smart” tips and practical wisdom.

THE NEW SOFT WAR ON WOMEN

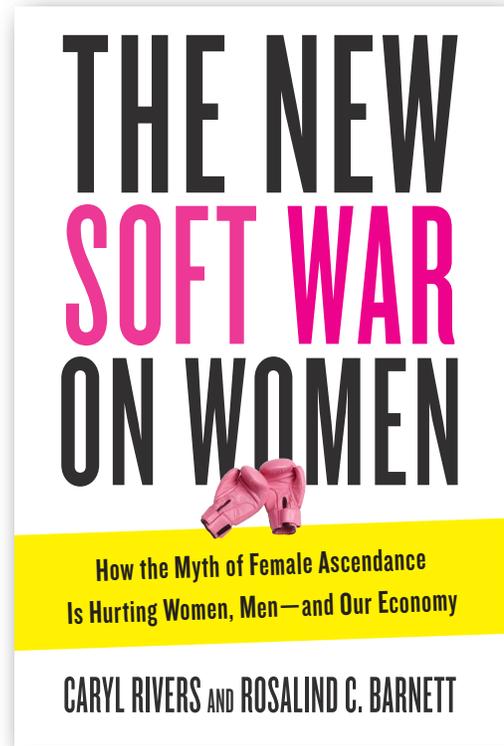
Rosalind C. Barnett and
Caryl Rivers

*How the Myth of Female Ascendance
is Hurting Women, Men—
and Our Economy*

U.S. Publisher: Tarcher/Penguin

Publication Date: Fall 2013

Territories Available: Japan, Mainland
China, Taiwan, Korea, Malaysia, Indonesia,
Thailand, Vietnam



*Revealing discrimination against women across the world—especially in Asia—
and empowering women to fight back.*

Many women have bought into the narrative, shaped by the media, that they are no longer discriminated against at home, in the classroom, or in the boardroom. It is said that women and men share responsibilities at home much more equally now, while at work, women have made significant gains. But the facts tell another story. Women continue to make significantly less than men and are much less well represented in leadership positions in business. Although more women receive a high level of education than ever before, they are still making less than men in equivalent positions, and carrying much more of the workload in their households.

The problem is particularly pronounced in Asia. In China, 1 in 4 women say they were denied a job because they are female, and 28% report dealing with employers who set different requirements based on gender for the same job. In Japan, Korea and Thailand, the dominant role of women is still held to be within the family and household, as is clearly reflected from the low numbers of women in high positions in business and politics.

The New Soft War On Women details the subtle forms of discrimination that women face worldwide. It deals with issues that should be of great interest to all women seeking empowerment.

ROSALIND C. BARNETT is a Senior Scientist at the Women's Studies Research Center at Brandeis University.

CARYL RIVERS is an award-winning journalist and professor at the College of Communication at Boston University.

THE INNOVATOR'S PATH

Madge Mao Meyer

*How Individuals, Teams,
and Organizations Can Make
Innovation Part of Business-As-Usual*

U.S. Publisher: John Wiley & Sons

Pub. Date: Fall 2013

Territory: Mainland China, Taiwan, Korea,
Japan, Indonesia, Malaysia, Vietnam



The Innovator's Path introduces business readers around the world to Madge Mao Meyer's unique approach to creating and sustaining a results-focused culture of innovation.

Meyer shares her distinctive insights and proven practices to help individuals, teams, and corporations advance innovative thinking, achieve results, and improve overall performance. Toward that end she draws on her Eastern heritage as well as her Western life experiences, leveraging both to highlight the importance of Listening, Leading, Connecting, Committing, Executing, and Evolving.

Through the use of real-world examples and interviews with internationally recognized innovators, Ms. Meyer demonstrates the usefulness and power of these essential skills. Readers interested in advancing their own careers, assuring their team's success, or strengthening their organization's future will find a wealth of insights, strategies, and inspiration inside *The Innovator's Path*.

Born Mao Tseng Heng in Shanghai, China, **MADGE MAO MEYER** moved to Hong Kong and then to the United States to complete her education. Her passion for technology and innovation fueled a rewarding and successful career with IBM, Merrill Lynch, and State Street Corporation, and led to numerous awards and industry recognition for her leadership in innovation. From her earliest days as a scientific programmer in the US Space Program to her most recent position as State Street Corporation Executive Vice President and Chief Innovation Officer, Ms. Meyer built teams capable of overcoming barriers to change and creating strategic business value through innovation.

MOBILE INFLUENCE

Chuck Martin

The New Power of the Consumer

U.S. Publisher: Palgrave-Macmillan

Pub. Date: June 2013

Territory: World (excl. World English)

Rights Sold for *Mobile Influence*:

China: Cheers

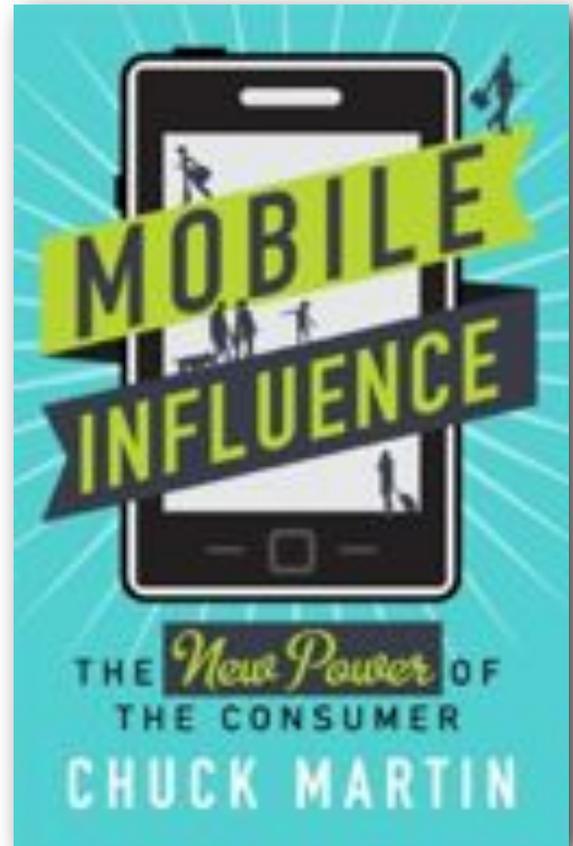
Taiwan: Business Weekly

Rights Sold for *The Third Screen*:

Brazil: MBooks

China: Publishing House of Electronics Industry

Korea: Korea Copyright Center



A Practical Guide to Marketing in a Mobile Age

Marketers today face an increasingly complex range of digital options for reaching always-connected consumers as they move through the shifting shopping landscape. Driven by the mass adoption of Smartphones and tablets, the purchase cycle is dramatically changing, revolutionizing how everyone everywhere buys everything.

The traditional sales funnel is dead. As readers will learn for the first time in *Mobile Influence*, it has been replaced by the new Mobile Shopping Life Cycle, comprised of 6 specific moments or influence points where marketers have the opportunity to impact mobile consumers. Chuck Martin reviews the latest mobile research and speaks with executives from big name companies like Google, Coca-Cola, Citibank, and MasterCard on his way to discovering the shift in marketing strategies in the age of the Smartphone.

CHUCK MARTIN is a sought-after public speaker and the bestselling author of, most recently, *The Third Screen*. He is CEO of The Mobile Future Institute and Director of the Center of Media Research at MediaPost Communications Inc. Martin has been a digital pioneer in the interactive marketplace for more than a decade.

SUCCESS IN AFRICA

Jonathan E. Berman

CEO Insights from a Continent on the Rise

U.S. Publisher: Bibliomotion

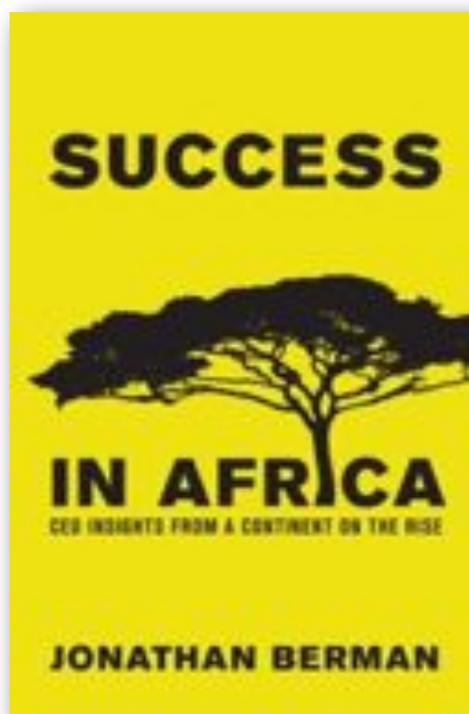
Publication: September 2013

Length: 224 pages

Territory: World

Rights Sold:

Thailand: Success Media



Africa is the new frontier.

In an era of slowing growth, Africa is home to a trillion-dollar, resource-rich economy, and six of the ten fastest growing markets in the world.

Success in Africa introduces the ambitious CEOs who are building the continent. These personal stories of growth, technology, and tradition illustrate one of the most important stories of the global economy: a successful Africa. Based on twenty years of experience in frontier markets, including eight years working in Africa, author Jonathan E. Berman presents interviews with the CEOs who are building Africa today.

Success in Africa provides an understanding of how the powerful human needs in Africa, such as health, education, infrastructure and security, are driving a business opportunity. The book is designed to inspire and equip the reader, including investors from the West, with the insights needed to succeed across the diverse nations that comprise the continent.

JONATHAN E. BERMAN writes, speaks, and consults on global business and is a partner at Dalberg, a global consultancy with ten offices in Africa, South Asia, and Latin America. Jonathan's views have appeared in the *New York Times*, *Foreign Direct Investment Magazine*, *FT.com*, and the *Wall Street Journal's CFO ledger*.

CONVERSATIONAL INTELLIGENCE

Judith E. Glaser

How Great Leaders Build Trust and Get Extraordinary Results

U.S. Publisher: Bibliomotion

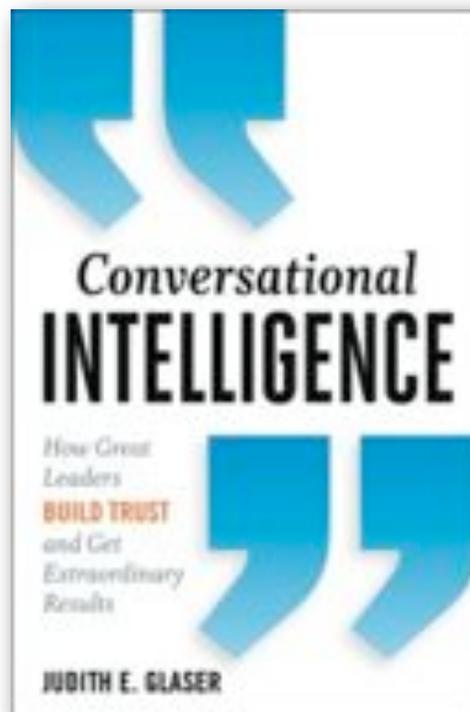
Publication: October 2013

Length: 256 pages

Territory: World

Rights Sold:

China: PHEI



The key to success in life and business is to become a master at *Conversational Intelligence*. It's not about how smart you are, but how open you are to learning new and effective powerful conversational rituals that prime the brain for trust, partnership, and mutual success. *Conversational Intelligence* translates the wealth of new insights coming out of neuroscience from across the globe, and brings the science down to earth so people can understand and apply it in their everyday lives. Author Judith Glaser presents a framework for knowing what kind of conversations trigger the lower, more primitive brain; and what activates higher-level intelligences such as trust, integrity, empathy, and good judgment.

Conversational Intelligence makes complex scientific material simple to understand and apply with easy to use tools, examples, conversational rituals, and practices for all levels of an organization.

JUDITH E. GLASER is the CEO of Benchmark Communications, Inc., and the Chairman of The Creating WE Institute, whose clients include American Airlines, American Express, Cisco, Coach, Exxon, and IBM. She has appeared on *NBC's Today Show*, *ABC World News*, *The Fox News Channel*, and *CBS Morning News*, and has been quoted in *The New York Times* and *The Wall Street Journal* and blogs for *Harvard Business Review*.

EGO VS. EQ

Jennifer Shirkani

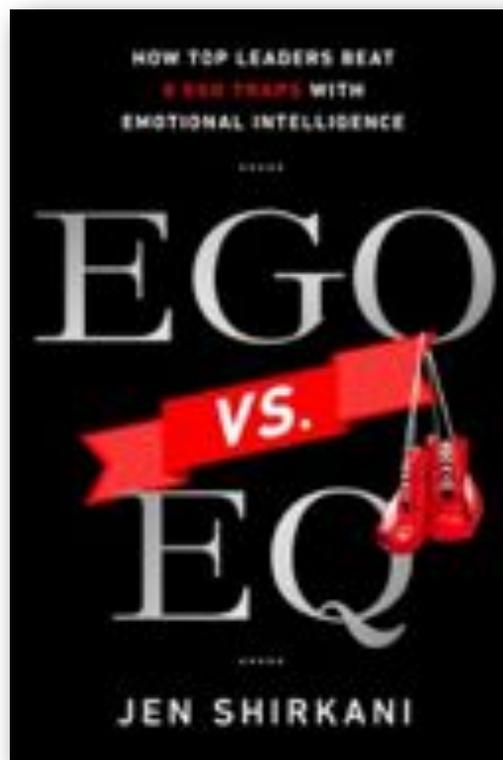
How Top Leaders Beat 8 Ego Traps with Emotional Intelligence

U.S. Publisher: Bibliomotion

Publication: October 2013

Length: 224 pages

Territory: World



As leaders climb the corporate ladder of success, the risk of falling into “ego traps” increases, which in turn can hurt business and threaten hard-won success. In *EGO vs. EQ*, author Jennifer Shirkani presents ways of honing Emotional Intelligence (EQ) to eliminate business blind spots. Drawing on real-life anecdotes from the author’s 20 years of coaching and consulting — including stories of success and failure from the leaders of vanguard companies in energy, investment, and health care industries — the book provides documented research on the value of Emotional Intelligence for leaders.

EGO vs. EQ explores 8 Ego Traps that leaders too often fall into and the critical role Emotional Intelligence plays in business performance, providing readers with practical tools for raising their own EQ — possibly the most important exercise a senior executive can do to ensure a prolonged and successful career.

JENNIFER SHIRKANI, founder and CEO of the Penumbra Group, has more than 20 years of experience as a learning and development specialist and executive coach. As a sought-after speaker, she provides insight into human dynamics in a humorous and engaging way. Jen has worked with organizations from the Fortune 50 (\$40B) to family-owned entities, and specializes in the application of emotional intelligence.

KIDNAPPED: From Paradise to Alcatraz

Joseph Urschel

*The Capture and Prosecution of “Machine Gun” Kelly
— A Tale of Legends and Liars*

U.S. Publisher: St. Martin’s Press

MS Available: May 2013

Publication: Spring 2014

Territory: World



“Americans are certainly great hero-worshipers, and always take their heroes from the criminal classes.” – Oscar Wilde

The United States in 1933 was a land on the cusp of transformation. After Franklin Delano Roosevelt repealed Prohibition, when thousands of bootleggers saw their chief source of income run dry, they were forced to find a new racket—kidnapping. “Snatch” cash was easy money in those days, and the government was powerless to stop the crime—that is until one man in Washington by the name of J. Edgar Hoover decided to do something about it.

Kidnapped: From Paradise to Alcatraz tells the story of the country through the lives of one of its outlaws, the hapless bootlegger turned kidnapper George Barnes, otherwise known as “Machine Gun” Kelly. “Machine Gun” Kelly picked the wrong victim and the wrong time. J. Edgar Hoover and the press hunted Kelly down, gave him his infamous name, and presented him as a vicious criminal to citizens across the country.

Kidnapped tells the story of an unlikely thief, an unlikelier lawman, and a very different kind of America.

JOSEPH URSCHEL is a former managing editor of *USA Today*, where he also served as a senior correspondent and columnist. As a spokesman on media issues and press freedom, he has appeared on *NBC Nightly News*, *Al-Jazeera*, and *CBS Sunday Morning*.

PREPARING THE GHOST: An Essay Concerning the Giant Squid and Its First Photographer

Matthew Gavin Frank

U.S. Publisher: Norton
Publication: July 2014
Territory: World

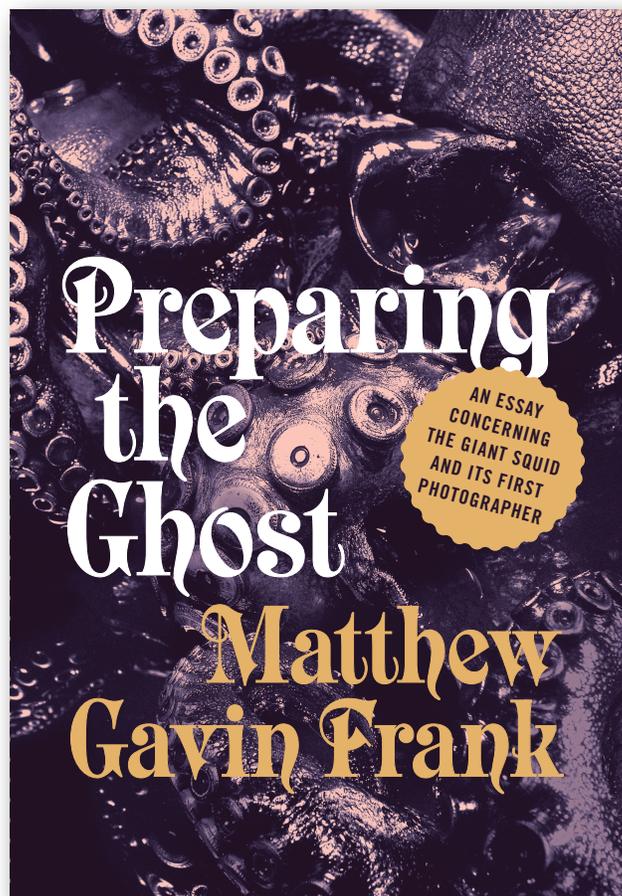
Memory, mythology, and obsession collide in this strikingly original and enigmatic account of the first man to photograph a giant squid.

Harvey Moses was the eccentric Newfoundland reverend and amateur naturalist who first photographed the near-mythic giant squid in 1874, draping it over this shower curtain rod to display its magnitude. In *Preparing the Ghost*, what begins as Moses's story becomes much more, as fellow squid-enthusiast Matthew Gavin Frank boldly winds his narrative tentacles around history, creative non-fiction, science, memoir, and meditations about the interrelated nature of them all.

In a full-hearted, lyrical style reminiscent of Geoff Dyer, Frank weaves in playful forays about his research trip to Moses's Newfoundland home, Frank's own childhood and family history, as well as a catalog of bizarre facts and lists that recall Melville's story of obsession with another deep-sea dwelling leviathan. Though Frank is armed with impressive research, what he can't know about Harvey he fictionalizes, quite explicitly, as a way of both illuminating the scene and exploring his central theme: the big, beautiful human impulse to obsess.

*Like the giant squid at the center of this enchanting inquiry, Matthew Gavin Frank's **Preparing the Ghost** is a multi-tentacled and entirely captivating saga of profound mystery and relentless pursuit.* —Dinty W. Moore, author of *Between Panic & Desire*

MATTHEW GAVIN FRANK has previously written about everything from learning wine-making from a tent in Italy to the social hierarchies of a pot farm in California. He teaches creative writing and lives in Marquette, Michigan.



GOD IS AN ASTRONAUT

A Novel

Alyson Foster

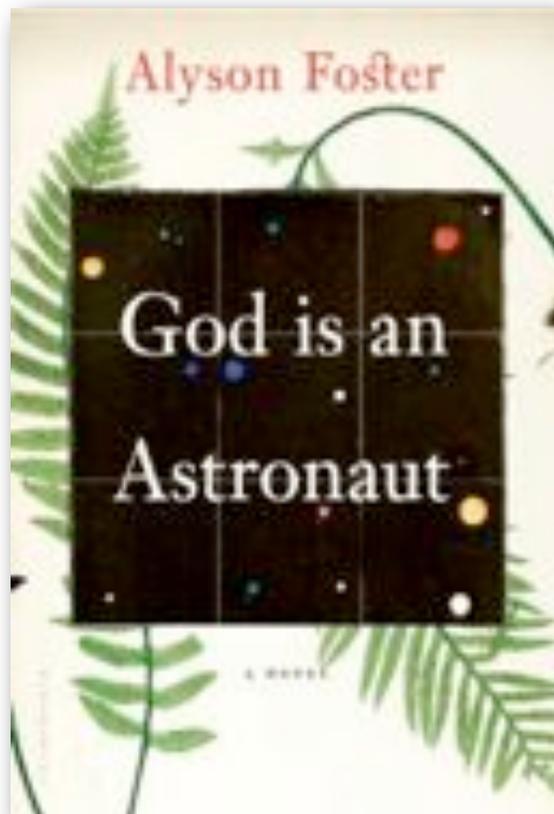
U.S. Publisher: Bloomsbury

Publication: June 2014

Territory: World

Rights Sold:

UK: Bloomsbury



God Is an Astronaut begins one March afternoon, when a shuttle owned by a space tourism company called Spaceco explodes shortly after liftoff, killing everyone on board. What happens next is chronicled in a series of e-mails by Jessica Frobisher, botany professor and wife of Spaceco's chief engineer. Over the following months, she details the fallout from the accident – including being thrust into the national spotlight, her unsettling questions about her husband's role in the accident, and her unraveling marriage – to her colleague and former lover, Arthur Danielson.

When an eccentric documentary filmmaker shows up and offers to make a film about Spaceco, Jess is given a once-in-a-lifetime chance to go into space, and the opportunity to save her husband's company along with her marriage. The question is whether she'll take it.

ALYSON FOSTER's short stories have appeared in *The Iowa Review*, *Glimmer Train*, and *The Kenyon Review*.

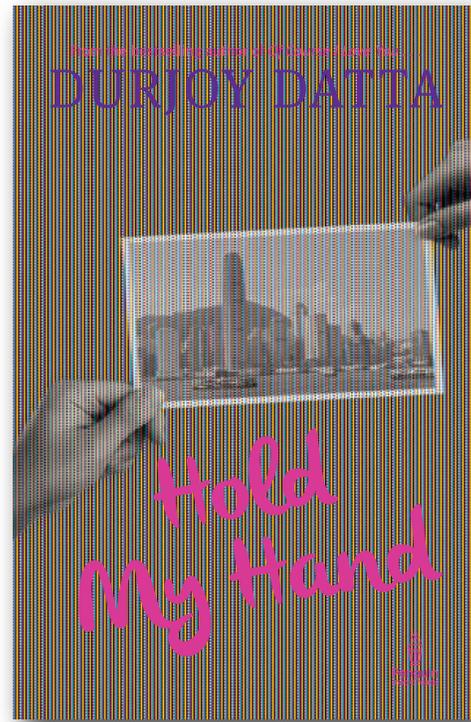
HOLD MY HAND

Durjoy Datta

Publisher: Penguin Metro Books

Publication: August 2013

Territory: World



From India's bestselling romance writer comes another delicious love story!

An awkward young man, Deep, obsessed with libraries and books, has his dream come true when he is sent to Hong Kong by ATS Technologies to study and test the library cataloguing software at its head office.

There he sees her—the most beautiful girl he's ever laid eyes on. But there is a twist to this love story: Ahana is not just stunningly beautiful; she also has a rare congenital disease leaving her blind. Together they explore Hong Kong: Ahana guiding with the smells and sounds of the wondrous city and Deep bringing to life the sights he sees.

They're living a dream, but will it continue or will distance force them apart? *Hold My Hand* is a delightful young romance with a surprise ending.

DURJOY DATTA is one of the hottest-selling romance writers in India and is the author of eight bestselling novels.

THE RIYRIA CHRONICLES

by Michael J. Sullivan

U.S. Publisher: Orbit

Publication: August and September 2013

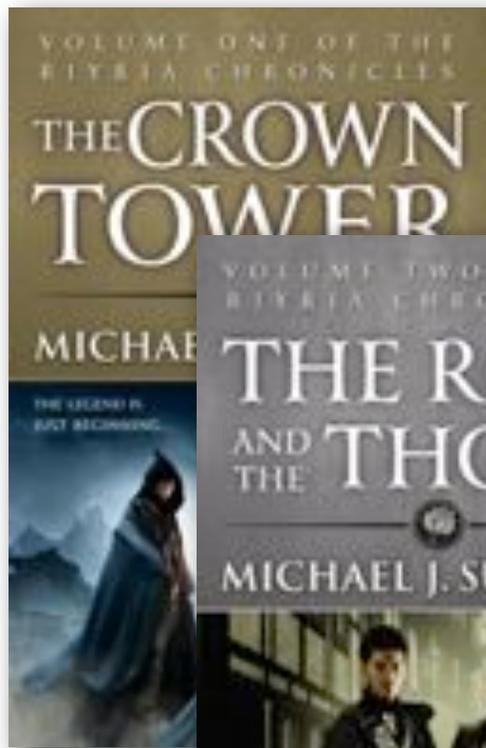
Territory: World in translation

The prequels to the internationally-acclaimed bestselling RIYRIA REVELATIONS Trilogy

Acclaim for THE RIYRIA CHRONICLES:

"I'd say Sullivan has discovered a gold mine of potential stories that will continue to prove popular for as long as he can keep to this winning mix of the familiar formulas, new perspectives, and untold adventures."

~52 Book Reviews



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Two men who hate each other. One impossible mission. A legend in the making.

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