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Girls mean business in a brand-new series about friendship and entrepreneurship that Katherine Applegate, Newbery Medal-winning author of The One and Only Ivan, calls “A great read!” All the great leaders had to start somewhere. And Teresa (“Resa” for short) is starting with the lemonade stand competition her teacher assigned to the class—but making it a success is going to

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be a lot harder than Resa thinks. The prize: line-skipping tickets to Adventure Central. The competition: Val, Resa's middle school nemesis. And the biggest obstacle to success: Resa's own teammates. Harriet is the class clown, Amelia is the new girl who thinks she knows best, and Didi is Resa's steadfast friend—who doesn't know the first thing about making or selling lemonade. The four of them quickly realize that the recipe for success is tough to perfect—but listening to each other is the first step. And making new friends might be

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the most important one... The back of each book in this middle-grade series features tips from the Startup Squad and an inspirational profile of a girl entrepreneur! An Imprint Book "An inspiring story about entrepreneurial girls. I loved this story of girls finding their way in the world of entrepreneurship." —Ann M. Martin, author of the Baby-Sitters Club series and Newbery Honor winner A Corner of the Universe "The Startup Squad encourages girls to dream big, work hard, and rely on each other to make good things happen. It teaches them how to succeed—and

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reminds all of us that girls mean business!”—Sheryl Sandberg, COO of Facebook and founder of LeanIn.Org and OptionB.Org “A great read that is fast-paced, fun, and empowering. The Startup Squad comes complete with a treasure trove of tips for starting a business.”

—Katherine Applegate, Newbery Medal-winning author of The One and Only Ivan This title has common core connections. Simply put, most entrepreneurial start-ups fail. Those fortunate enough to succeed then face a second, major challenge: how to grow.

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This book focuses on the key questions an entrepreneur must answer in order to grow a business. Based on extensive research of more than fifty successful growth companies, Grow to Greatness discusses the top ten growth challenges and how to overcome them. Author Edward D. Hess dispels the myth that businesses must grow or die. Growth can create value. But, too much growth too fast outstrips effective processes, controls, or management capacity. Viewing growth as "recurring change," Grow to Greatness lays out a framework for how to approach business

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development—and how to manage its risks and pace. The book then takes readers through chapters that explore whether the time is right to grow, how to do it, and how to manage the vital reality that growth requires the right leadership, culture, and people. Uniquely, this book aims to prepare readers for the day-to-day reality of growth, offering up the lived experiences of eleven entrepreneurs. Six workshops to assess where readers stand now and a suite of templates that will prove to be useful over time help bring the book's teachings to life. After

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reading this book, entrepreneurs will have a real understanding of their readiness to grow and place in the growth cycle, as well as a concrete action plan for where to take their businesses next. Many books address how to start a business, but this is a unique, go-to resource for readers who want to learn how to thrive beyond the start-up phase.

Leverage the power of failure in your organization Nobody wants to fail, but failure is a fact of life. Most of us treat it as a regrettable, even shameful, event best overlooked. In truth, failure

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can be a game-changing strategic resource that can help you and your organization achieve the greater success you crave. The Other "F" Word shows how successful leaders and teams are putting failure to work every day - to re-engage employees, spark innovation and accelerate growth. Authors Danner and Coopersmith - with their rare blend of senior-level executive experience, global advising, teaching acumen and cross-discipline perspective - share these valuable new practices, and show how they can improve results across your organization. Based on

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exclusive interviews with prominent leaders and insightful examples from their own in-depth work, the book features a practical seven-stage framework to liberate failure as a force to advance your leadership agenda. After all, everyone creates and confronts failure on a daily basis. Why not use it to your advantage? The Other "F" Word shows you how to: Start an open, productive conversation about failure across your organization Reduce the fear of failure that stifles initiative, creativity and engagement Anticipate, prepare for and respond to

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failure, so you can leverage it when it happens Harness failure as a catalyst to drive innovation, improve performance and strengthen culture Failure's like gravity - pervasive and powerful. Whether you're a leader or team member of a startup, a growing business, or an established enterprise, failure is today's lesson for tomorrow. Let The Other "F" Word show you how to apply this lesson and take your company where it needs to go. This book presents the economic theories with regards to the entrepreneur of yesterday and those of more

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recent years, on which issue research has been developing exponentially since the last third of the 20th Century. Much of this book will be devoted to contemporary theories. This presentation of economic theories of the entrepreneur leads us to wonder about the structural development of the free enterprise system in the short and the long term. The proliferation of entrepreneurial initiatives leads in effect to a profound transformation of modes of production and work, for example under the current phenomenon of uberization

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economy.

***The 10% Entrepreneur
Bites of Marketing Wisdom for
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***133 Tough Lessons I Learned
the Hard Way***

The Knack

***Building Successful Early-
Stage Ventures***

***The Smart Entrepreneur's Path
Business Secrets from the
Ultimate Street-smart
Entrepreneur***

They don't teach these principles in business school. These lessons can only come from the entrepreneurial book of life." –Kevin Cope, author of the #1 Wall Street

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Journal bestseller Seeing the Big Picture What is the “entrepreneur’s paradox”? Curtis Morley explains that the exact qualities that aid an individual in founding a startup company—brilliance and expertise—are what prevent them from realizing expected success. What starts as freedom and financial independence turns into grueling hours, stress, bills, and ultimately failure. This is the paradox that is entrepreneurship. Morley is here to show startup

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businesspersons how to achieve the golden rule of successful entrepreneurs—5x results. That's achieving five dollars in revenue for every dollar spent on marketing, advertising, sales, and any other growth expenses—a goal he himself has achieved and exceeded. By coaching clients on the sixteen pitfalls faced by all startups, he has promoted entrepreneurship development in multiple industries, sharpened skills, and revealed the keys to superior, next-

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level growth. This guidebook contains all you need to conquer the entrepreneur's paradox and put yourself on a defined pathway to business success, while avoiding pitfalls like:

- Climbing without a map
- Building not selling
- Losing sight of culture

"Shows prospective business men and women how to reach their goals while creating a launchpad for a business." –Daily Herald

"The playbook for startup success." –Sean Covey, president of FranklinCovey and coauthor of the #1

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Wall Street Journal
bestseller The 4
Disciplines of Execution
Street Smart Disciplines
by John A. Kuhn and Mark
K. Mullins These are the
Disciplines that can
change everything! Street
Smart Disciplines gives
you access to decades of
successful real world,
street smart business
experience and best
practices mined from
successful people and
businesses encapsulated
into 7 easy to understand
and executable action
plans for Breakout
Success. The authors

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identified the 7 essential and vital disciplines that people must incorporate into their playbook to reach the pinnacle of business success. Kuhn and Mullins speak from experience. One of their first businesses was started for less than \$1,000; built it into a multimillion-dollar success and sold debt-free to a Fortune 500 company using these very same disciplines. They continue to use these disciplines to achieve ongoing success and personal fulfillment. The eye-

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opening insights and practical wisdom will inspire and guide go-getters who want to climb the corporate ladder, aspiring entrepreneurs looking to launch new businesses and established business owners who want to take their organizations to the next level. These indispensable disciplines are drawn from real people, real experiences, real successes, real problems, and real solutions. They are tried and true, time tested, and proven on the street by the authors,

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successful companies, and successful people—from Wall Street to Main Street—and include a compilation of advice, tips, tactics, techniques, and strategies that work. This is the first book that explains the how and why of Disciplines. Street Smart Disciplines captures the essence of good business practices and distills them into simple, straight-talking, and no-nonsense language. Kuhn and Mullins demystify the process of achieving Breakout Success. You can immediately start applying

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this vast storehouse of knowledge that combines the winning perspectives of successful entrepreneurial, corporate and academic experts. Learn how to:

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- **Duplicate Winning Strategies of Successful People**
- **Manage Change and Complexity**
- **Master the Mental Game of Doing Business**
- **Establish Bulletproof Financial Systems and Controls**
- **Create Powerful and Compelling Presentations**
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**Seek out Role Models,
Mentors and Smart People •
Optimize your Resources
...and much more. Integrate
the disciplines one by one
into your life and
business and achieve more
success and personal
fulfillment in your life
than you ever thought
possible! "Straight talk!
The only book that shows
what it should really take
takes to succeed in
business. One of most
honest books I've read."
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Priceline.com)
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Business series is chockfull of valuable business start-up information. Whereas most start-up books give an overview of basic legal requirements, each SmartStart guide goes a step beyond and gives its readers the state-specific laws, regulations, and fees and tells how to get in touch with the federal, state, and local agencies that govern small business. The most complete and up-to-date sourcebook of its kind. SmartStart also gives pointers on writing a successful

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business plan and setting up a winning marketing strategy. Readers will learn the most current financing programs available in their state and understand how to obtain both short-term and long-term financing, and, once they're up and running, how to manage their business' finances properly. What's more, readers are given the latest on:

Joblessness is the root cause of the global unrest threatening American security. Fostering entrepreneurship is the

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remedy. The combined weight of American diplomacy and military power cannot end unrest and extremism in the Middle East and other troubled regions of the world, Steven Koltai argues. Koltai says an alternative approach would work: investing in entrepreneurship and reaping the benefits of the jobs created through entrepreneurial startups. From 9/11 and the Arab Spring to the self-proclaimed Islamic caliphate, instability and terror breed where young

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people cannot find jobs. Koltai marshals evidence to show that joblessness—not religious or cultural conflict—is the root cause of the unrest that vexes American foreign policy and threatens international security. Drawing on Koltai's stint as senior adviser for Entrepreneurship in Secretary Hillary Clinton's State Department, and his thirty-year career as a successful entrepreneur and business executive, Peace through

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Entrepreneurship argues for the significant elevation of entrepreneurship in the service of foreign policy; not rural microfinance or mercantile trading but the scalable stuff of Silicon Valley and Sam Walton, generating the vast majority of new jobs in economies large and small. Peace through Entrepreneurship offers a nonmilitary, long-term solution at a time of disillusionment with Washington's "big development" approach to unstable and

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underdeveloped parts of the world—and when the new normal is fear of terrorist attacks against Western targets, beheadings in Syria, and jihad. Extremism will not be resolved by a war on terror. The answer, Koltai shows, is stimulating entrepreneurial economic opportunities for the virtually limitless supply of desperate, unemployed young men and women leading lives of endless economic frustration.

**Breakthrough Branding
The Economic Function of
Free Enterprise**

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Grow to Greatness
Smart Growth for
Entrepreneurial Businesses
How to Build for a
Successful Business

How Smart Entrepreneurs
Sell Their Businesses

The Art Of A Happy Exit

***Andrew Yang, the
founder of Venture for
America, offers a unique
solution to our country's
economic and social
problems—our smart
people should be building
things. Smart People
Should Build Things
offers a stark picture of
the current culture and a***

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revolutionary model that will redirect a generation of ambitious young people to the critical job of innovating and building new businesses. As the Founder and CEO of Venture for America, Andrew Yang places top college graduates in start-ups for two years in emerging U.S. cities to generate job growth and train the next generation of entrepreneurs. He knows firsthand how our current view of education is broken. Many college graduates aspire to

finance, consulting, law school, grad school, or medical school out of a vague desire for additional status and progress rather than from a genuine passion or fit. In Smart People Should Build Things, this self-described “recovering lawyer” and entrepreneur weaves together a compelling narrative of success stories (including his own), offering observations about the flow of talent in the United States and explanations of why

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current trends are leading to economic distress and cultural decline. He also presents recommendations for both policy makers and job seekers to make entrepreneurship more realistic and achievable.

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If Rajesh Srinivasan is a sought-after Marketing strategy consultant and a keynote speaker, it is because his clients value his thoughts and counsel, thanks to his professional experience and

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knowledge. This knowledge, gained over three decades, makes a difference to their business and helps them grow. It is the same knowledge that makes his talks and social media posts insightful and engaging. And now, Rajesh brings you the richness of his experience and his keen insights in the form of this book. In Growth Nuggets - Bites of Marketing Wisdom for the Smart Entrepreneur, you will find the distilled essence of his

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professional learnings, especially those relevant to entrepreneurs, start-up founders and senior corporate leaders. Spanning Sales, Marketing, Branding, Communication, Consumer Focus, Disruption and Strategy & Mindset, these nuggets of perspective will enrich you, thereby enriching your business. Designed to induce introspection, this book will make you look at your business in a new light. It will be a valuable addition to your

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library.

This revolutionary book will show you how to adopt different strategies in your networking efforts that will get you better results than ever before. Anyone can network. Anyone can meet people and collect business cards. Not everyone has learned how to network in a way that will help them create and build strategic relationships that will provide them with a regular supply of new and repeat business.

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Treasured Tribes is more than just another networking book. It should become your new networking how-to guide. By reading this book, you will learn how to find, join and thrive in a networking tribe so you can experience for yourself how your tribe will bring you far more treasures than you could ever create alone AND those same people will become your treasured friends to be cherished forever. More people than ever

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are becoming entrepreneurs, but the perils of starting your own business are well-documented. The Smart Entrepreneur teaches you how to avoid these pitfalls and make your business a success by following a series of practical and easy-to-understand steps The Smart Entrepreneur uses a combination of both mainstream business experiences and state-of-the-art academic research, distilled into an accessible reference book

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those interested in
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everyone, from business
students looking to
commercialize a business
idea to managers looking
to inspire entrepreneurial
thinking in their teams.
10 Powerful Strategies
for Becoming Successful
Entrepreneur
Work Smart, Play Hard,
Make Millions
How to Find Freedom and
Fulfillment As a Business
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**Guide to Building a 5-Star
Network of Prospects,
Clients, and Brand
Advocates**

**The Entrepreneur's Guide
to Risk and Decisions
Heart, Smarts, Guts, and
Luck**

**How to Raise Capital
Legally**

Reasons why this book is great for becoming an entrepreneur1. If you want motivation 2. If you don't know from where to start 3. If you don't know how to startIn this book, you will learn how successful entrepreneurs deal and how they do their job. How can you do it. How they think and what their strategies are. And they think the same thing as

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you. They thought they were stupid, or indifferent, or old. They do it, they reap a reward. And you can too. Only will and skills are needed. If there is one thing this book should teach you, that is the only thing that keeps you from achieving a lifelong entrepreneurship career and the joy of life is you. Entrepreneurship is always a new idea in terms of how to improve, what it takes to run a business, how to benefit a specific person etc. It is important to understand how business is defined. While some of the qualities and skills are considered successful entrepreneurs, the entrepreneur has to perform certain tasks to build the business. There are advantages and disadvantages involved in choosing a business model. There are many myths and fears that keep people

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from going about business. In this case, in this book, we will look at how entrepreneurship affects the community and your ability to make a difference in a set of ideas and a set of skills.

There has been increased emphasis on smart cities due to the economic, environmental and technological shifts that have impacted on society. This book focuses on how cities are becoming smarter, more innovative and entrepreneurial due to the increased pressures placed on them from societal changes in the global business environment. The book defines a smart city as an urban or rural development that integrates technology to enhance a city's assets, which may include community services, parkland, education, transportation and energy sources.

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The book aims to examine the role that innovation has in creating smart cities by focusing on issues such as public transport, use of energy efficiency and sustainability practices. It helps to shed understanding on how cities have become smarter in the way they handle increased migration to urban and rural areas and decrease the strain on public finances.

Named one of the best books of 2013 by the 'Financial Times', 'Huffington Post' and 'Forbes', this debate-shifting book debunks the myth of the State as a static bureaucratic organization only needed to 'fix' market failures, leaving dynamic entrepreneurship and innovation to the private sector. Case studies ranging from the innovations that make the iPhone so 'smart' to the

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current developments in clean technology reveal the reality, whereby the private sector only invests after the entrepreneurial State has made the bold, high-risk investments.

Becoming a successful entrepreneur is impossible without accepting risk - the question is which risk to take and at what time. This guide offers practical, no-nonsense advice for marketing and financing your business, bringing on partners and employees, and launching your business as inexpensively and aggressively as possible.

*The Smart Entrepreneur
Business Synergy Unmasked
The Reluctant Entrepreneur
Smart People Should Build Things
How You Already Have What It Takes
to Succeed*

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Smart Entrepreneur

Effortless Entrepreneur

The financial landscape of the business world has changed forever. As a result, it has never been harder to be a successful entrepreneur than it is today. In a world where the entrepreneur must “adapt or die, *The Entrepreneur's Guide to Achieving Financial Freedom* will guide them toward making the right financial decisions to evolve and thrive—all in a straightforward, no-nonsense manner.

The winner of the UK's Business Book of the Year

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Award for 2021, this is a groundbreaking exposé of the myths behind startup success and a blueprint for harnessing the things that really matter. What is the difference between a startup that makes it, and one that crashes and burns? Behind every story of success is an unfair advantage. But an Unfair Advantage is not just about your parents' wealth or who you know: anyone can have one. An Unfair Advantage is the element that gives you an edge over your competition. This groundbreaking book shows how to identify your own

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Unfair Advantages and apply them to any project. Drawing on over two decades of hands-on experience, Ash Ali and Hasan Kubba offer a unique framework for assessing your external circumstances in addition to your internal strengths. Hard work and grit aren't enough, so they explore the importance of money, intelligence, location, education, expertise, status, and luck in the journey to success. From starting your company, to gaining traction, raising funds, and growth hacking, The Unfair Advantage helps you look at yourself and

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find the ingredients you didn't realize you already had, to succeed in the cut-throat world of business.

Addresses the fears and misconceptions that many people have about starting a business by presenting strategies for success and avoiding the pitfalls that threaten fledgling companies. Every entrepreneur sets out to solve a problem or series of identified problems in society and then grow a profitable business. Growth is the most important aspect of a business's life cycle; without it, no business succeeds and

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every entrepreneur would just turn out a failure. Growth means many things to many entrepreneurs and businesses. It can mean making more sales, generating more revenue, creating more product lines, expanding to new locations, getting more funding in the case of startups, increasing capacity by hiring and so much more. Among the many things that make up growth for a business, generating more sales and making more money is at the forefront of it. Without more revenue, no business would become self-sustaining,

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and business death would become an eventuality. This is why marketing is the most important thing every business needs to succeed in to grow... According to the US Chamber of Commerce... 8 out of every 10 small business close within the first 5 years of establishment. Why is this shocking statistic possible? I will tell you. It's obviously because of the lack of sales and generation of revenue to power the growth of the business. And how do they generate revenues? By having a continuous inflow of customers to serve, who pay

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them... And how do they get a steady inflow of customers? By marketing continuously and driving in new prospects through brand awareness and other marketing campaign objectives. Research shows that businesses that master the art of marketing early enough in their life cycle, experience massive growth than those that do not. Apple Inc. succeeded not because they created wonderful and innovative products from the beginning but because Steve Jobs was a wonder at marketing their creations and getting them into as many

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offices and homes as possible. So, as an entrepreneur, if you want to succeed with your venture or business, you must focus on marketing to grow your business and become profitable... Business synergy is one of the often overlooked and fastest methods to implement marketing and grow exponentially. The problem is that many entrepreneurs do not necessarily pay attention to business synergy or understand it from the perspective from which they can see how powerful synergy

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is to the growth of their business. But that's about to change. In this book, I want to help as many entrepreneurs as are reading this book to lift the blindfold from their eyes and get them to see the new light of synergy in the core areas of their businesses, where they can implement it and quickly grow and become profitable. Synergy is not just for big corporations with deep pockets, large teams, and sophisticated strategies that make them able to make industry shaking synergistic moves. We are going to explore synergy at the

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microlevel... The level where it even matters more for small businesses and entrepreneurs like you. Let's begin!

Peace Through

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For the Smart Entrepreneur

Debunking Public Vs. Private

Sector Myths

Street-Smart Entrepreneur

Make Money with Books,

eBooks, and Information

Products

Becoming an Entrepreneur

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Successful People

Nick Friedman and Omar Soliman started

the multimillion-dollar franchise College

Hunks Hauling Junk when they were just

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twenty two, and they've been having the time of their lives ever since. What's their secret? That's just it--there isn't one.

There's no fancy software or complicated business schemes. No outside investors or quirky market niche. They just followed 10 common-sense commandments to building a straightforward, fun, and successful business that does a simple job well. Anyone can understand it, and anyone can do it.

Part of the award-winning What Does It Mean to Be...? series, What Does It Mean to Be an Entrepreneur? is a marvelous introduction for children of all ages to the concept of entrepreneurship and creativity. Being an entrepreneur means... Following your dream Loving to learn and being curious Taking risks Celebrated by Co-Founder of Ben & Jerry's, Jerry Greenfield, What Does It Mean to Be an Entrepreneur? is a book that "Inspires

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young dreamers to find the courage to be doers." When Rae witnesses an ice cream-and-doggie mishap, she's inspired to create a big-scale solution to wash dogs. Rae draws on her determination, resilience, and courage until she—and everyone else in her community—learns just what it means to be an entrepreneur. This fun approach to a sometimes complicated concept is sure to inspire budding entrepreneurs to follow their dreams. After all, being an entrepreneur takes courage, creativity, and a growth mindset!

Examines the traits that define most people who achieve success, heart, smarts, guts, and luck, and helps readers to determine which traits they possess.

Infopreneurs sell valuable information online in the form of books, e-books, special reports, audio and video products, seminars, and other media. This definitive guide will show how to master the tools

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and tactics of the most successful infopreneurs, so you can succeed at producing, marketing, selling, and automating delivery of information products online. This guide comes complete with interviews of successful infopreneurs.

A Personal Finance System for Freelancers, Entrepreneurs, and Side-Hustlers

7 Indispensable Disciplines for Breakout Business Success

The Unfair Advantage

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Investing in a Startup Culture for Security and Development

Growth Nuggets

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Financial Future As a solopreneur, you can reinvent the way you work with much more freedom, fun, and financial security. There's never been a better time to earn more money by starting a full- or part-time solo venture. But being your own boss can be a challenge or feel scary when you don't have a roadmap. In Money-Smart Solopreneur, Laura D. Adams answers questions every aspiring and new entrepreneur has about creating a business and building a secure financial future. It's a complete guide

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for what to do, critical mistakes to avoid, and how to start a solo business without taking too much risk. You'll get answers to these common questions: Can I get started without any filings or paperwork? Do I need a business bank account? How can I budget and reach goals with an irregular income? What business entity is best? When should I incorporate? How do I protect my intellectual property? When do I need an accountant? How can I figure out how much to charge clients? What tax deadlines am I required to

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meet? Do I need a business license? When should I leave my day job? Which tools are worth paying for? No matter if you're a freelancer, independent contractor, or side-hustler in the on-demand economy, you'll get essential knowledge, tools, and inspiration to live a successful solopreneur life. Laura D. Adams demystifies how to start and build any solo or small business. She covers legal, financial, and tax issues you must know to stay out of trouble. Her upbeat tone and approach for managing variable income, using an

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automatic money system, and creating a self-employed benefits package are just a few gems you'll discover. Laura's smart tips and chapter exercises include refreshing strategies for earning more, managing the unexpected, and reaching financial goals. You'll come away empowered to build your full- or part-time solo business and create long-lasting financial security. After reading Money-Smart Solopreneur, you'll be able to: Earn full- or part-time self-employed income with confidence. Refine your business and brand vision.

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Evaluate the pros and cons of working as a solopreneur.

Create a strategy to exit a day job by building a business on the side. Turbocharge your productivity using pro tips.

Create a financial safety net and leapfrog to the life you want. Organize and legally protect your business using simple techniques. Set higher rates, create better proposals, and negotiate wisely. Save money by operating a home-based business. Set up an automatic money system to achieve goals and build wealth.

As the American Bar

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Association warns, “Finders and those who employ them must be aware of the risks associated with their services and the requirements imposed on them by the federal securities laws. Companies or individuals who intend to use a finder—or those engaged as one—must be aware that certain activities require registration, the lack of which may bring about serious consequences.” Until there is proper regulatory reform, it is vital for entrepreneurs to know the rules of the game and how to play it.

"What if there was a way to

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combine the stability of a day job with the excitement of a startup? All of the benefits of entrepreneurship with none of the pitfalls? In the 10% Entrepreneur, Patrick McGinnis show you how, by investing just 10% of your time and resources, you can become an entrepreneur without losing a steady paycheck."-- front flap

The author has written a book for hard-working and imaginative people – entrepreneurs – who have a passion to create valuable technology, products, and companies. Whether you are

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an inventor with an idea, an aspiring entrepreneur of any age, or a highly experienced senior leader, your goal is to start with an idea and create a successfully-funded start-up company. The ability to navigate the entrepreneurial environment is enhanced by following the guidance provided by the serial entrepreneur and author of the book “The Smart Entrepreneur: The Book Investors Don't Want You to Read.” Unlike many business books that only tell the reader what to do in general terms, the focus of this book is on

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the specific actionable activities and process-oriented details of “how” to execute in a disciplined manner and achieve success. So, why wouldn't an investor want you to read this book? Perhaps they would if they believed you would perfectly execute on the idea and plan you presented. However, nothing ever works perfectly. There are a multitude of reasons why the best expectations for a business are never realized. What happens when things don't go right? In the worst of circumstances investors

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secure greater control and equity through the funding agreements they originally made with the founders. The ability of investors to secure greater control and ownership lies at the heart of the entrepreneur's relationship with an investor. Avoiding pitfalls and preserving founder equity underpins the author's approach to entrepreneurship. The author has structured the chapters of the book around eleven chronological essential topics: (1) founder vision and invention, (2) due diligence by founders on the founding

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team, (3) incorporation mechanics, (4) technology and intellectual property development, (5) marketing and sales plan, (6) financial plan, (7) valuation of the opportunity, (8) business plan, (9) preparations for investment and investors, (10) investor network, and (11) leadership and early-stage company operations. The goals of this book are to help an entrepreneur: (1) achieve his/her vision, (2) maximize her/his enterprise's value and return on investment, (3) achieve results efficiently and preserve the equity of

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founders, (4) avoid catastrophic pitfalls, (5) minimize stress and uncertainty inherent in the processes. The book provides insights and guidance to help an entrepreneur negotiate the difficult issues that often delay or thwart success. The book is intended to help entrepreneurs maximize the starting value of the enterprise, preserve equity along the way, and provide help with early-stage management issues that can cause the entrepreneur to stumble and lose traction. This book also attempts to provide

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realism to the process of entrepreneurship by outlining what is reasonable and what is not. The author states that “as a founder and leader of your company, how you respond to challenges makes a difference in the success of your endeavor. It is good to be realistic about entrepreneurship. If you are aware of how things might work, and might not work, it will make you more keenly aware of what needs to be done to best assure success. That is why I wrote this book.”

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Small firms in Chicago employ more than 1.6 million individuals—nearly 50 percent of the private work force, according to a new study released this fall by the Small Business Administration. The survey, which defines small firms as those employing less than 500 people, also shows that these businesses generate 47 percent of the area's total receipts of \$278 billion dollars. However, SBA statistics also reveal that, on average, of the small businesses starting today, 53 percent will not be in business four years from now. Of these closings, it's estimated that 15 percent will close due to business failures. Chicago businessman Jay Goltz understands what it takes for a

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small business to succeed. During the past twenty years he has owned and operated Artists' Frame Service in Chicago. Goltz started the business in 1978, and today it's the largest, custom retail picture framing facility in the world. Now, Goltz shares some his secrets of success.

A helpful guide to assessing one's personal entrepreneurial aptitude, written for anyone seriously considering starting a business of any kind, includes interviews with successful entrepreneurs, real-life anecdotes and case studies, and a look at fourteen important failure factors that hinder success.

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EVERY ENTREPRENEUR NEEDS A HAPPY EXIT STRATEGY! 'So,

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what's your exit strategy?' The question often leaves most entrepreneurs stumped as running a business leaves little time to think about anything else. While business owners recognize that they may have to exit their business at some point, few give enough thought to how they will sell it. And fewer prepare for it. Invariably, when a prospective buyer appears or an offer is made, or when an unforeseen health or financial contingency arises, they scramble to respond. Even those rare entrepreneurs who have given thought to an exit often end up with seller's remorse. The Art of a Happy Exit helps entrepreneurs get prepared for all that selling their business entails. The book covers not just the Outside game-

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