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A small seafood restaurant attracts new customers with virtually no marketing budget. A four-person iPad case manufacturer generates more than \$1M in revenue in four months with only four employees. A voiceover company is able to connect thousands of artists with opportunities, all without

expensive hardware and software. A law firm increases access to key information while dramatically reducing technology-related costs and risks. And these four companies are hardly unique. A new breed of small businesses is using Software as a Service (SaaS), free and open source software, social media and networks, mobility, cloud computing, and other emerging

technologies to do things simply not possible even five years ago. In The New Small, you'll discover how these companies creatively and intelligently use technology to: Reach new customers Reduce costs Increase internal collaboration and communication Create flexible work environments Rife with profiles from a wide variety of industries, The New Small offers pragmatic

advice and lessons about how small businesses are harnessing the power of emerging technologies. It's a must-read for small business owners and those thinking about starting their own shops. About the Author Phil Simon is an independent technology consultant, author, writer, and dynamic public speaker for hire. He focuses on the intersection of business and technology. He is the author of Why

New Systems Fail and The Next Wave of Technologies. Praise A powerful, important, and eye-opening book. Simon expertly demonstrates how, by skillfully using technology, social media, and collaborative tools, even the smallest of businesses can achieve amazing levels of success. The New Small is a very big idea. Read it, but be warned: You may want to change your life once you

we finished it. Mitch Joel, President, Twist Image and author of Six Pixels of Separation We've known for a while that small is the new big, to quote Seth Godin, but a piece has been missing specifically the piece that explains how technology has been accelerating the trend and how companies can harness technology to take advantage of it. In The New Small, Phil Simon does a masterful job

of filling that void. I heartily recommend it. Bo Burlingham, editor-at-large of Inc. magazine and author of *Small Giants: Companies That Choose To Be Great Instead of Big*. The New Small is a veritable treasure chest of management tips and technologies. Simon's storytelling rivals Malcolm Gladwell and his knowledge of technology rivals Chris Anderson. A must-read. Paul Spiegelman,

Author, *Why is Everyone Smiling? From Arrows to Gunpowder, from ATMs to Email, Technology Has Always Been the Great Equalizer*. In this powerful and indispensable book, Phil Simon shows how small and medium-sized business can out-duel the big guys through smart and sharp adoption of nimble tech. *The New Small* shows precisely why, what, and how inexpensive technology can improve

every facet of your business. It's not a book, it's an investment in transformation. Jay Baer, co-author of *The NOW Revolution: 7 Shifts to Make Your Business Faster, Smarter, and More Social*. An excellent book for seasoned business owners and entrepreneurs alike. Ever wondered what new technologies are out there and if they make sense for your business? When you read *The New Small*, be sure

to have a notepad and highlighter handy, You will be using both as you gleam nuggets of technology and business insight. Highly recommended . Shama Kabani, Author of the Bestselling book *The Zen of Social Media Marketing* Penguin Brand Penguin A guide for medium-sized businesses in the tradition of Small Giants addresses concerns specific to companies who have

grown past the small size but have not yet reached the capacities of major competitors, counseling entrepreneurial leaders, executives, and investors on how to preserve viability throughout key periods of vulnerability. *Get A Grip* Penguin This classic book offers a broad sweep of economic history from prehistoric times to the present, and explores the disparity of wealth among nations. Now

in its fourth edition, *A Concise Economic History of the World* includes expanded coverage of recent developments in the European Union, transition economies, and East Asia. **Candid Conversations with the Visionaries of the Digital World** Penguin An updated third edition of the most comprehensive guide to small business success Whether

you're a novice entrepreneur or a seasoned pro, *The Small Business Bible* offers you everything you need to know to build and grow your dream business. It shows you what really works (and what doesn't!) and includes scores of tips, insider information, stories, and proven secrets of success. Even if you've run your own business for years, this handy guide keeps you up to date on the latest

business and tech trends. This Third Edition includes entirely new chapters devoted to social media, mobility and apps, and new trends in online discounting and group buying that are vital to small business owners everywhere. New chapters include: How to use Facebook, Twitter, and other social media tools to engage customers and potential

stakeholders. How to generate leads and win strategic partnerships with LinkedIn. How to employ videos and YouTube to further your brand. What you need to know about Groupon and group discount buying. What mobile marketing can do for your business. Give your small business its best shot by understanding the best and latest small business strategies, especially in this transformative and

volatile period. The Small Business Bible offers every bit of information you'll need to know to succeed. *The EXITpreneur's Playbook* Berrett-Koehler Publishers Two top specialists in profitable growth and innovative customer-supplier relationships show companies of all sizes how to compete with the tech giants—by choosing and providing

peerless value to the right customers for long-term success. Every year, managers at companies large and small are finding it harder to compete with the likes of Google and Amazon, who are muscling into their businesses, stealing their customers, and cornering every conceivable market and service. There is, however, a way for companies to survive—and win—in this era of digital

behemoths. *Choose Your Customer* is a powerful, consumer-targeted guide that can help managers level the playing field against their biggest competitors. Written by Jonathan Byrnes, the legendary MIT-based expert on profits, pricing, and strategy, and John Wass, a key member of the team that made Staples a major national brand, *Choose Your Customer* shows managers how

to: Identify the customers who are the most profitable—and focus on them. Provide services and experiences that can't be replicated by the tech giants, no matter how much data they have, or how much automation they use. Support your chosen customers' diverse and rapidly evolving needs to accelerate profitability and growth. These customer-driven

strategies enable leaders to build a uniquely targeted business that the digital giants just can't match. From unbeatable customer service to superior pricing and product selection, Choose Your Customer provides detailed and actionable advice on how to compete successfully with the big guys and how to increase profits as a result. Creating a Business That

Can Thrive Without You Broadway Business Softcover Reprint
It's My Company Too! Penguin
Everyone thought Eric Ryan and Adam Lowry were crazy to start Method, a new cleaning products company. The category had long been dominated by P&G, Unilever, and Colgate-Palmolive. Those giants had so much clout with the retail chains that their soaps had barely needed

updating for decades. But by taking advantage of its underdog position, Method carved out a very profitable niche: environmentally sound products in stylish, innovative packaging. Despite having a far smaller marketing budget than their competitors, Method connected with a substantial minority of people who wanted to "buy green" but who also

wanted high-quality products. Marketing expert Stephen Denny argues that, like Method, any brand can directly challenge the giant of its category and not only survive, but thrive. While it's inconvenient to be the little guy, it can also be a blessing in disguise. Giant-killers can afford to shake things up and take bold steps. They can be faster and nimbler than

giants who are too slow and hidebound to make the painful but necessary changes to stay competitive. By the time they notice that slingshot, they're already keeling over. During his two decades in the trenches, Denny has taken on quite a few giants. And he has interviewed more than seventy other giant-killers across industries—from software to cosmetics to aviation—for their most

powerful techniques. Our need to work smarter, with fewer resources, isn't dependent on the state of the economy or on any sense of stability you think you have in your industry. Denny's ten powerful strategies will help you overcome stale business thinking and bureaucracy. They include: ?Win in the last three feet. Leverage someone else's investment- just be there

the moment the customer grabs their wallet. ?Create "thin ice" arguments. Shift the conversation to places where the competition can't-or won't-go. ?Fight unfairly. Learn how the underdog can turn the tables. From the hypercompetitive world of social media to high-stakes business-to-business sales to the trenches of retail, Killing Giants is The Art of War for a new era. It

proves that size does matter-the size of the fight in the dog. Duct Tape Marketing Addicus Books Business wisdom from more than seventy-five food industry experts, specialty food buyers, and entrepreneurs to help you start and run a small culinary concern. For those ready to follow their foodie dreams (or at least start thinking about it) Good Food, Great Business is the place to

get organized and decide whether creating a specialty food business is really possible. Whether the goal is selling a single product online or developing a line of gourmet foods to be sold in grocery chains, this working handbook helps readers become food entrepreneurs—from concept to production to sales to marketing. Using real life examples from more than seventy-

five individuals and businesses that have already joined the ranks of successful enterprises, the book walks readers through the good, the bad, and the ugly of starting a food business. In these pages, you'll learn . . . Personal habits and business fundamentals that will help you in every walk of life How to choose the business idea or ideas that best fit you and your personality

How to determine the viability of those ideas Concrete steps you need to take to make your business a reality Companies that Choose to be Great Instead of Big Broadway Business Is Your Marketing as Simple, Effective, and Affordable as Duct Tape? Let's face it, as a small business owner, you are really in the business of marketing. The problem for most small business

owners is that they suffer from "marketing idea of the week" syndrome instead of implementing a systematic approach to the problem of small business marketing. In Duct Tape Marketing, renowned Small Business Marketing guru John Jantsch shows you how to develop and execute a marketing plan that will give your business the life and longevity you knew you

could have when you made that decision to go out on your own. CAREFUL! Duct tape is a serious tool... it sticks where you put it. So are the ideas in this book. If you're ready to make a commitment and are willing to make something happen, John's book is a great place to start. --Seth Godin, author of Purple Cow For all those who wonder why John Jantsch has become the leading advisor and

coach to small businesses everywhere, Duct Tape Marketing is the answer. I have never read a business book that is as packed with hands-on, actionable information as this one. There are takeaways in every paragraph, and the success of John's blog is living proof that they work. Duct Tape Marketing should be required reading for anyone who is building a

business, or thinking about it. --Bo Burlingham, editor-at-large, Inc. magazine, and author of Small Giants: Companies That Choose To Be Great Instead of Big Duct Tape Marketing is a worthy addition to the growing library of how-to books on small business marketing -- concise, clear, practical, and packed with great ideas to boost your bottom line. -- Bob Bly, author of The White Paper Handbook

With the world suffering from depleted reserves of trust, a business that sells plenty of it every day tends to create the most value. The great thing about trust as a product feature is that it delivers exceptional returns. With this book, John Jantsch has zeroed in on exactly what small businesses need to sell every day, every hour. -- Ben McConnell, co-author of Creating

Customer Evangelists: How Loyal Customers Become a Volunteer Sales Force John Jantsch has provided small businesses with the perfect perspective for maximizing all marketing activities - offline and on. Jantsch has the plan to help you thrive in the world of business today. Read it, all your competitors will. --John Battelle, cofounding editor or

Wired and author of *The Search: How Google and Its Rivals* Rewrote the Rules of Business and Transformed Our Culture *Duct Tape Marketing* is a great read for anyone in business. It has fresh ideas laid out in a practical and useable way. I highly recommend this book for growing any business. --Dr. Ivan Misner, Founder of BNI and Co-author of the New York Times bestseller, *Masters of Networking*

How to Take Your Artisan Food Idea from Concept to Marketplace John Wiley & Sons
How small, one-of-a-kind businesses can break through among giants
Megachains like Walmart, Starbucks, Home Depot, and The Gap attract Americans to thousands of outlets by offering a large selection of goods and services. But this doesn't mean that independent stores can't compete with

the big guys- and win. Retail expert George Whalin identifies and explores twenty-five highly popular and profitable independent stores from around the country. Unlike the mom-and-pops of yesteryear, these businesses embrace technology and innovation, generate word of mouth, and turn their size into an advantage. They include: ? ABC Carpet and Home in New York City

? Powell's City of Books in Portland, Oregon ? The Junkman's Daughter in Atlanta ? Jungle Jim's International Market in Fairfield, Ohio Readers will be inspired by how these independent stores are thriving and take away lessons they can apply to their own businesses. An All-Purpose Tool Kit for Entrepreneurs McGraw-Hill Companies Small firms in Chicago employ more than 1.6 million

individuals—n early 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 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.

How to Sell Your Online Business for Top Dollar by Reverse Engineering Your Pathway to Success

Columbia University Press
In April of 2000, Gary Erickson turned down a \$120 million offer to buy his thriving company.

Today, instead of taking it easy for the rest of his life and enjoying a luxurious retirement, he's working harder than ever. Why would any sane person pass up the financial opportunity of a lifetime? Raising the Bar tells the amazing story of Clif Bar's Gary Erickson and shows that some things are more important than money. Gary Erickson and coauthor Lois Lorentzen tell the unusual and

inspiring story about following your passion, the freedom to create, sustaining a business over the long haul, and living responsibly in your community and on the earth. Raising the Bar chronicles Clif Bar's ascent from a homemade energy bar to a \$100 million phenomenon with an estimated 35 million consumers, and a company hailed by Inc. magazine as one of the

fastest-growing private companies in the U.S. four years in a row. The book is filled with compelling personal stories from Erickson's life-trekking in the Himalayan mountains, riding his bicycle over roadless European mountain passes, climbing in the Sierra Nevada range--as inspiration for his philosophy of business. Throughout the book, Erickson--a competitive

cyclist, jazz musician, world traveler, mountain climber, wilderness guide, and entrepreneur--convinces us that sustaining one's employees, community, and environment is good business. If you are a manager, executive, business owner, or board member, *Raising the Bar* is your personal guide to corporate integrity. If you are a sports

enthusiast, environmentalist, adventure lover, intrigued by a unique corporate culture, or just interested in a good story, *Raising the Bar* is for you. **Building an Enduring Business by Managing the Risks of Growth**
Penguin
An employer's guide to build motivation with the employees.
The Knack
Penguin
A crash course in managing productive, successful, and happy employees!

Effective employee management is imperative to a business' success, but all too often management books turn the important details of best practices into tedious reading that would put even a CEO to sleep. Management 101 cuts out the boring explanations of management policies, and instead provides hand-on lessons that keep you engaged as you learn how to manage

productive, happy employees. From hiring and firing to delegating and coaching, this primer is packed with hundreds of entertaining tidbits and concepts that you won't be able to get anywhere else. So whether you're a business owner, a middle-manager with many direct reports, or an entry-level employee learning to supervise interns, Management 101 has all the

answers--even the ones you didn't know you were looking for.

The Great Game of Business

McGraw Hill Professional
A columnist for Inc. outlines his theories about street-smart businesspeople who appear to possess unique intuitive gifts, in an anecdotal guide that shares real-life stories about how companies met various challenges by identifying potential problems,

focusing on goals, and maintaining perspective. 30,000 first printing.

No-Compromise Leadership
Penguin

Do you feel stuck in life, not knowing how to make it more successful? Do you wish to become more popular? Are you craving to earn more? Do you wish to expand your horizon, earn new clients and win people over with your ideas? How to Win Friends and Influence People is a

well-researched and comprehensive guide that will help you through these everyday problems and make success look easier. You can learn to expand your social circle, polish your skill set, find ways to put forward your thoughts more clearly, and build mental strength to counter all hurdles that you may come across on the path to success. Having helped millions of readers from

the world over achieve their goals, the clearly listed techniques and principles will be the answers to all your questions.

Who Wins and Who Loses in the Age of Tech Titans
Thomas Nelson Inc
The Great Game of Business started a business revolution by introducing the world to open-book management, a new way of running a business that created unprecedented

d profit and employee engagement. The revised and updated edition of The Great Game of Business lays out an entirely different way of running a company. It wasn't dreamed up in an executive think tank or an Ivy League business school or around the conference table by big-time consultants. It was forged on the factory floors of the heartland by ordinary folks hoping to figure out how to save their

jobs when their parent company, International Harvester, went down the tubes. What these workers created was a revolutionary approach to management that has proven itself in every industry around the world for the past thirty years--an approach that is perhaps the last, best hope for reviving the American Dream. What Makes a High Performance Organization Lorena Jones Books

In this expanded 20th Anniversary Edition of the book that started a business revolution, a successful businessman shares his philosophy of management that puts the concerns of the employees first and creates a company that will provide people with lifelong livelihood. Original. 50,000 first printing. **Small Giants** PublicAffairs Ben & Jerry's. Stonyfield Farm. The

<p>Body Shop. Tom's of Maine. All leaders in the socially responsible business movement—and all eventually sold to mega-corporations. Do values-driven businesses have to choose between staying small, selling off, or selling out? Jill Bamburg says no. Based on intensive interviews with more than thirty growth-oriented, mission-driven entrepreneurs—including</p>	<p>American Apparel, Give Something Back, Wild Planet Toys, Organic Valley Family of Farms, and Village Real Estate—her book explodes the myths of scale from both ends of the spectrum. She debunks both the limiting “small is beautiful” approach as well as the “you have to sell out to grow” mandate. Focusing on the unique challenges that socially conscious companies face, Getting</p>	<p>to Scale addresses the issues that affect all businesses: Production and personnel Access to capital and markets Changes in organizational structure Ownership and control Corporate culture Filled with practical and tested advice, Getting to Scale provides a blueprint for socially responsible entrepreneurs in any industry who want to benefit larger groups of customers,</p>
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have a greater positive impact on their communities, and maintain their independence by scaling up their enterprises.

133 Tough Lessons I Learned the Hard Way

Simon and Schuster
"One is tempted to say 'the only book you'll need on starting a business.'
Brilliant!
Genius!

Choose your superlative-it'll fit."-Tom Peters
People starting out in business tend to seek step-by-step formulas or rules, but in reality there are no magic bullets.
Rather, says veteran company-builder Norm Brodsky, there's a mentality that helps street-smart entrepreneurs solve problems and pursue

opportunities as they arise.
Brodsky shares his hard-earned wisdom every month in Inc. magazine, in the hugely popular "Street Smarts" column he cowrites with Bo Burlingham.
Now they've adapted their best advice into a comprehensive guide for anyone running a small business.