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influences and subtle biases that shape sports plays, covering such topics as performance pressures, the "home field advantage" and the overpayment of athletic talent. Reprint.

WBCN and the American Revolution Penguin

Since the beginning of the twentieth century, millions of anxious parents have turned to child-rearing manuals for reassurance. Instead, however, they have often found yet more cause for worry. In this rich social history, Ann Hulbert analyzes one hundred years of

shifting trends in advice and discovers an ongoing battle between two main approaches: a "child-centered" focus on warmly encouraging development versus a sterner "parent-centered" emphasis on instilling discipline. She examines how pediatrics, psychology, and neuroscience have fueled the debates but failed to offer definitive answers. And she delves into the highly relevant and often turbulent personal lives of the popular advice-givers, from L. Emmett Holt and Arnold Gesell to Bruno Bettelheim and Benjamin Spock to the

prominent (and ever conflicting) experts of today.

Global Cooling, Patriotic Prostitutes, and Why Suicide Bombers Should Buy Life Insurance Little, Brown
A Study Guide for Levitt & Dubner's "Freakonomics: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything," excerpted from Gale's acclaimed Literary News For Students. This concise study guide includes plot summary; character analysis; author biography; study questions; historical context; suggestions for further reading; and much more. For any literature project, trust Literary News For Students for all of your research needs.

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Better Decision Making in the Early School Years

Rough Guides UK

In celebration of the 10th anniversary of the landmark book

Freakonomics comes this curated collection from the most readable economics blog in the universe. It's the perfect solution for the millions of readers who love all things

Freakonomics. Surprising and erudite, eloquent and witty, *When to Rob a Bank* demonstrates the brilliance that has made

the Freakonomics guys an international sensation, with more than 7 million books sold in 40 languages, and 150 million downloads of their Freakonomics Radio podcast. When Freakonomics was first published, the authors started a blog—and they've kept it up. The writing is more casual, more personal, even more outlandish than in their books. In *When to Rob a Bank*, they ask a host of typically off-center

questions: Why don't flight attendants get tipped? If you were a terrorist, how would you attack? And why does KFC always run out of fried chicken? Over the past decade, Steven D. Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner have published more than 8,000 blog posts on the Freakonomics website. Many of them, they freely admit, were rubbish. But now they've gone through and picked the best of the best. You'll discover what people lie about, and why;

the best way to cut gun deaths; why it might be time for a sex tax; and, yes, when to rob a bank. (Short answer: never; the ROI is terrible.) You'll also learn a great deal about Levitt and Dubner's own quirks and passions, from gambling and golf to backgammon and the abolition of the penny. Hidden Motives and The Undiscovered Economics of Everyday Life Harper Collins Designed for the one-term introductory economics course for non-majors, Boyes's

FUNDAMENTALS OF ECONOMICS, Sixth Edition, engages students with business decisions of actual, headline-making companies and discusses the economic policies of today's world leaders. The Sixth Edition has been thoroughly updated to reflect the current economic condition in the United States and the world and reflects recent events in the Obama administration, especially in regard to healthcare. The supportive pedagogical framework that guides students through each chapter includes Fundamental Questions, which open and

organize the chapter by focusing on three to six key issues, and which then reappear both at point of relevance in the margins and in the end-of-chapter Summary sections; Now You Try It checkpoint questions that quiz students on important concepts, with answers provided at the back of the book; Recaps at the end of each major section to break material into manageable segments; and end-of-chapter exercises that serve as self-checks for students and as homework assignment options for instructors. A built-in study guide follows each chapter, and

provides a more intensive review opportunity for students, with answers provided in an appendix. Most chapters contain four pages of study material consisting of key term match-ups, multiple-choice quizzes, and practice questions and problems. A final section of application problems gives students an opportunity to analyze and synthesize what they have learned. Available with InfoTrac Student Collections
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Ungovernable Behavior

Basic Books

The New York Times bestseller: “ Hilarious. No mushy tribute to the joys of fatherhood, Lewis ’ book addresses the good, the bad, and the merely baffling about having kids. ” —Boston Globe
When Michael Lewis became a father, he decided to keep a written record of what actually happened immediately after the birth of each of his three children.

This book is that record. But it is also something else: maybe the funniest, most unsparing account of ordinary daily household life ever recorded, from the point of view of the man inside. The remarkable thing about this story isn ’ t that Lewis is so unusual. It ’ s that he is so typical. The only wonder is that his wife has allowed him to publish it.
The Paradox of Choice
Gale, Cengage Learning
The legendary bestseller that made millions look at the world in a radically different

way returns in a new edition, now including an exclusive discussion between the authors and bestselling professor of psychology Angela Duckworth. Which is more dangerous, a gun or a swimming pool? Which should be feared more: snakes or french fries? Why do sumo wrestlers cheat? In this groundbreaking book, leading economist Steven Levitt—Professor of Economics at the University of Chicago and winner of the American Economic Association ’ s John Bates

Clark medal for the economist under 40 who has made the greatest contribution to the discipline—reveals that the answers. Joined by acclaimed author and podcast host Stephen J. Dubner, Levitt presents a brilliant—and brilliantly entertaining—account of how incentives of the most hidden sort drive behavior in ways that turn conventional wisdom on its head. A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything MIT Press

INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER “ One of the most important books I ’ ve ever read—an indispensable guide to thinking clearly about the world. ” — Bill Gates “ Hans Rosling tells the story of ‘ the secret silent miracle of human progress ’ as only he can. But Factfulness does much more than that. It also explains why progress is so often secret and silent and teaches readers how to see it clearly. ” —Melinda Gates "Factfulness by Hans Rosling, an outstanding international public health expert, is a hopeful book about the

potential for human progress when we work off facts rather than our inherent biases." - Former U.S. President Barack Obama

Factfulness: The stress-reducing habit of only carrying opinions for which you have strong supporting facts. When asked simple questions about global trends—what percentage of the world's population live in poverty; why the world's population is increasing; how many girls finish school—we systematically get the answers wrong. So wrong that a chimpanzee choosing answers at random will consistently outguess teachers, journalists,

Nobel laureates, and investment bankers. In *Factfulness*, Professor of International Health and global TED phenomenon Hans Rosling, together with his two long-time collaborators, Anna and Ola, offers a radical new explanation of why this happens. They reveal the ten instincts that distort our perspective—from our tendency to divide the world into two camps (usually some version of us and them) to the way we consume media (where fear rules) to how we perceive progress (believing that most things are getting worse). Our problem is that we don't

know what we don't know, and even our guesses are informed by unconscious and predictable biases. It turns out that the world, for all its imperfections, is in a much better state than we might think. That doesn't mean there aren't real concerns. But when we worry about everything all the time instead of embracing a worldview based on facts, we can lose our ability to focus on the things that threaten us most. Inspiring and revelatory, filled with lively anecdotes and moving stories, *Factfulness* is an urgent and essential book that will change

the way you see the world and empower you to respond to the crises and opportunities of the future. --- “ This book is my last battle in my life-long mission to fight devastating ignorance...Previously I armed myself with huge data sets, eye-opening software, an energetic learning style and a Swedish bayonet for sword-swallowing. It wasn ’ t enough. But I hope this book will be. ” Hans Rosling, February 2017. Think Like A Freak Harper Collins NATIONAL BESTSELLER • A leading economist answers one of

today ’ s trickiest questions: Why do some great ideas make it big while others fail to take off? “ Brilliant, practical, and grounded in the very latest research, this is by far the best book I ’ ve ever read on the how and why of scaling. ” —Angela Duckworth, CEO of Character Lab and New York Times bestselling author of Grit ONE OF THE MOST ANTICIPATED BOOKS OF 2022—Men ’ s Journal “ Scale ” has become a favored buzzword in the

startup world. But scale isn't just about accumulating more users or capturing more market share. It's about whether an idea that takes hold in a small group can do the same in a much larger one—whether you ’ re growing a small business, rolling out a diversity and inclusion program, or delivering billions of doses of a vaccine. Translating an idea into widespread impact, says University of Chicago economist John A. List, depends on one thing only: whether it can achieve

“ high voltage ” —the ability to be replicated at scale. In *The Voltage Effect*, List explains that scalable ideas share a common set of attributes, while any number of attributes can doom an unscalable idea. Drawing on his original research, as well as fascinating examples from the realms of business, policymaking, education, and public health, he identifies five measurable vital signs that a scalable idea must possess, and offers proven strategies for avoiding voltage drops and engineering

voltage gains. You ’ ll learn:

- How celebrity chef Jamie Oliver expanded his restaurant empire by focusing on scalable “ ingredients ” (until it collapsed because talent doesn ’ t scale)
- Why the failure to detect false positives early on caused the Reagan-era drug-prevention program to backfire at scale
- How governments could deliver more services to more citizens if they focused on the last dollar spent
- How one education center leveraged positive spillovers to narrow

the achievement gap across the entire community

- Why the right set of incentives, applied at scale, can boost voter turnout, increase clean energy use, encourage patients to consistently take their prescribed medication, and more. By understanding the science of scaling, we can drive change in our schools, workplaces, communities, and society at large. Because a better world can only be built at scale.

The Theory of Moral Sentiments
Currency

From first economic principles to the financial crisis The Rough Guide to Economics takes you through the financial crisis of 2007 and 2008 and its resulting global problems and explores economics right from its foundations to the present day. Issues caused by the recent financial crisis continue to dominate news across the world and if you want to gain a clear understanding of how economics are central to your world, the Rough Guide to Economics is the ideal no-nonsense guide for you. It explains everything you need to know about monetary policy, inflation, international trade and all the major topics within economics. With the election not too far off it also provides clear-cut

information on government tax and spending decisions. You'll discover how economics can illuminate topics as diverse as globalization and development, climate change, and poverty. You'll even be able to see the relevance of economics to topics closer to home such as friendship, smoking and K-pop, and how findings from psychology have influenced economic thinking. Whether you want to learn about economics for work or studies, need a handy reference, or want a clear understanding of the effect of economics on your world, the Rough Guide to Economics is the book for you, with no knowledge of mathematics required. Now available in ePub format.

Microeconomics Vintage

“ I did not go to Nicaragua intending to write a book, or, indeed, to write at all: but my encounter with the place affected me so deeply that in the end I had no choice. ”

So notes Salman Rushdie in his first work of nonfiction, a book as imaginative and meaningful as his acclaimed novels. In *The Jaguar Smile*, Rushdie paints a brilliantly sharp and haunting portrait of the people, the politics, the terrain, and the poetry of “ a country in which the ancient, opposing forces of

creation and destruction were in violent collision. ”
Recounting his travels there in 1986, in the midst of America ’ s behind-the-scenes war against the Sandinistas, Rushdie reveals a nation resounding to the clashes between government and individuals, history and morality.

The Jaguar Smile

Cambridge University Press
From the author of
Expecting Better and The Family Firm, an economist's guide to the early years of parenting. “ Both refreshing

and useful. With so many parenting theories driving us all a bit batty, this is the type of book that we need to help calm things down. ” —LA Times “ The book is jumpacked with information, but it ’ s also a delightful read because Oster is such a good writer. ” —NPR With Expecting Better, award-winning economist Emily Oster spotted a need in the pregnancy market for advice that gave women the information they needed to make the best decision for their own pregnancies. By

digging into the data, Oster found that much of the conventional pregnancy wisdom was wrong. In Cribsheet, she now tackles an even greater challenge: decision-making in the early years of parenting. As any new parent knows, there is an abundance of often-conflicting advice hurled at you from doctors, family, friends, and strangers on the internet. From the earliest days, parents get the message that they must make certain choices around feeding, sleep, and schedule or all will

be lost. There's a rule—or three—for everything. But the benefits of these choices can be overstated, and the trade-offs can be profound. How do you make your own best decision? Armed with the data, Oster finds that the conventional wisdom doesn't always hold up. She debunks myths around breastfeeding (not a panacea), sleep training (not so bad!), potty training (wait until they're ready or possibly bribe with M&Ms), language acquisition (early talkers aren't necessarily geniuses), and

many other topics. She also shows parents how to think through freighted questions like if and how to go back to work, how to think about toddler discipline, and how to have a relationship and parent at the same time. Economics is the science of decision-making, and Cribsheet is a thinking parent's guide to the chaos and frequent misinformation of the early years. Emily Oster is a trained expert—and mom of two—who can empower us to make better, less fraught

decisions—and stay sane in the years before preschool. Factfulness Macmillan Higher Education A New York Times Bestseller "A rich portrait of the urban poor, drawn not from statistics but from vivid tales of their lives and his, and how they intertwined." —The Economist "A sensitive, sympathetic, unpatronizing portrayal of lives that are usually ignored or lumped into ill-defined stereotype." —Financial Times Foreword by Stephen J. Dubner,

coauthor of *Freakonomics*. When first-year graduate student Sudhir Venkatesh walked into an abandoned building in one of Chicago's most notorious housing projects, he hoped to find a few people willing to take a multiple-choice survey on urban poverty--and impress his professors with his boldness. He never imagined that as a result of this assignment he would befriend a gang leader named JT and spend the better part of a decade embedded inside the projects

under JT's protection. From a privileged position of unprecedented access, Venkatesh observed JT and the rest of his gang as they operated their crack-selling business, made peace with their neighbors, evaded the law, and rose up or fell within the ranks of the gang's complex hierarchical structure. Examining the morally ambiguous, highly intricate, and often corrupt struggle to survive in an urban war zone, *Gang Leader for a Day* also tells the story of the complicated

friendship that develops between Venkatesh and JT--two young and ambitious men a universe apart. Sudhir Venkatesh's latest book *Floating City: A Rogue Sociologist Lost and Found in New York's Underground Economy*—a memoir of sociological investigation revealing the true face of America's most diverse city—is also published by Penguin Press. The Why Axis University of Chicago Press
It can be hard for busy professionals to find the time to

read the latest books. Stay up to date in a fraction of the time with this concise guide. *Freakonomics: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything* is an engaging, thought-provoking look at the behaviour and phenomena we see around us every day. Its authors seek to apply the analytical tools of economics to a host of curiosities to answer questions as diverse as whether your estate agent might be lying to you and when it is in schoolteachers' best interests to cheat. Their explanations often run counter to

conventional wisdom and the explanations provided by academics and politicians, who all too often fail to distinguish between correlation and causation and miss the deeper, hidden causes behind events. *Freakonomics* is a worldwide publishing phenomenon, with translations into some 35 languages and over four million copies sold worldwide to date. This book review and analysis is perfect for:

- Students of economics
- Anyone with an interest in microeconomics and economic theory
- Anyone who wants to understand the hidden factors that shape our

lives and decisions About [50MINUTES.COM](https://www.50minutes.com) | **BOOK REVIEW** The Book Review series from the 50Minutes collection is aimed at anyone who is looking to learn from experts in their field without spending hours reading endless pages of information. Our reviews present a concise summary of the main points of each book, as well as providing context, different perspectives and concrete examples to illustrate the key concepts. [Why More Is Less, Revised Edition](#) Penguin Enterprise The award-winning author of *23 Things They Don't Tell*

You About Capitalism outlines the real-world processes of the global economy while explaining how to better understand the strengths and weaknesses of key economics theories to better navigate today's interconnected world. Who Gets Power and How It Changes Us Simon and Schuster

The chilling Saga of Darren Shan, the ordinary schoolboy plunged into the vampire world.

The Voltage Effect Shortcut Edition

NEW YORK TIMES

BESTSELLER The complete,

uncensored history of the award-winning The Daily Show with Jon Stewart, as told by its correspondents, writers, and host. For almost seventeen years, The Daily Show with Jon Stewart brilliantly redefined the borders between television comedy, political satire, and opinionated news coverage. It launched the careers of some of today's most significant comedians, highlighted the hypocrisies of the powerful, and garnered 23 Emmys. Now the show's behind-the-scenes gags, controversies, and camaraderie will be chronicled by the players themselves, from

legendary host Jon Stewart to the star cast members and writers-including Samantha Bee, Stephen Colbert, John Oliver, and Steve Carell - plus some of The Daily Show's most prominent guests and adversaries: John and Cindy McCain, Glenn Beck, Tucker Carlson, and many more. This oral history takes the reader behind the curtain for all the show's highlights, from its origins as Comedy Central's underdog late-night program to Trevor Noah's succession, rising from a scrappy jester in the 24-hour political news cycle to become part of the beating

heart of politics—a trusted source for not only comedy but also commentary, with a reputation for calling bullshit and an ability to effect real change in the world. Through years of incisive election coverage, passionate debates with President Obama and Hillary Clinton, feuds with Bill O'Reilly and Fox, and provocative takes on Wall Street and racism, *The Daily Show* has been a cultural touchstone. Now, for the first time, the people behind the show's seminal moments come together to share their memories of the last-minute

rewrites, improvisations, pranks, romances, blow-ups, and moments of Zen both on and off the set of one of America's most groundbreaking shows. *Corruptible* Grand Central Publishing Applies econometric methods to a variety of unusual and engaging research questions. *Underdogs, Misfits, and the Art of Battling Giants* Basic Books As a boy, Stephen J. Dubner's hero was Franco Harris, the famed and mysterious running back for the Pittsburgh Steelers. When Dubner's father died, he became obsessed—he dreamed of his hero every

night; he signed his school papers "Franco Dubner." Though they never met, it was Franco Harris who shepherded Dubner through a fatherless boyhood. Years later, Dubner journeys to meet his hero, certain that Harris will embrace him. And he is . . . well, wrong. Told with the grit of a journalist and the grace of a memoirist, *Confessions of a Hero-Worshiper* is a breathtaking, heartbreaking, and often humorous story of astonishing developments. It is also a sparkling meditation on the nature of hero worship—which, like religion and love, tells us as

much about ourselves as about the object of our desire.

The Economics of Discrimination Flatiron Books

Whether we're buying a pair of jeans, ordering a cup of coffee, selecting a long-distance carrier, applying to college, choosing a doctor, or setting up a 401(k), everyday decisions—both big and small—have become increasingly complex due to the overwhelming abundance of choice with which we are presented. As Americans, we assume that

more choice means better options and greater satisfaction. But beware of excessive choice: choice overload can make you question the decisions you make before you even make them, it can set you up for unrealistically high expectations, and it can make you blame yourself for any and all failures. In the long run, this can lead to decision-making paralysis, anxiety, and perpetual stress. And, in a culture that tells us that there is no excuse for falling short of perfection when your

options are limitless, too much choice can lead to clinical depression. In *The Paradox of Choice*, Barry Schwartz explains at what point choice—the hallmark of individual freedom and self-determination that we so cherish—becomes detrimental to our psychological and emotional well-being. In accessible, engaging, and anecdotal prose, Schwartz shows how the dramatic explosion in choice—from the mundane to the profound challenges of balancing career, family, and

individual needs—has paradoxically become a problem instead of a solution. Schwartz also shows how our obsession with choice encourages us to seek that which makes us feel worse. By synthesizing current research in the social sciences, Schwartz makes the counter intuitive case that eliminating choices can greatly reduce the stress, anxiety, and busyness of our lives. He offers eleven practical steps on how to limit choices to a manageable number, have the discipline to focus on those that are important and ignore the rest, and ultimately derive greater satisfaction from the choices you have to make.