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Become an Effective

Software Engineering Manager Addison Wesley Publishing Company

A comprehensive yet accessible handbook for writing and conducting meaningful, effective performance reviews, geared toward managers of all levels, from the author of How to Write It. Performance reviews are one of the best tools managers have to shape company talent and culture, develop strong channels of communication with employees, and create systemic change. In this pithy, user-friendly handbook, author and writing teacher Sandra E. Lamb lays out the best methods and proven tactics to administer productive evaluations that benefit both parties— and the company. Lamb teaches managers how to design scoring systems for employees, prepare for and conduct in-person and written reviews, and use the right key words. Covering both hard and soft skills, this indispensible reference includes lists of powerful words and phrases that clearly describe positive and negative performance. Featuring sections targeted to specific industries and jobs, this guide empowers managers at all levels to master the art of performance reviews that achieve results.

The Complete Guide to Performance Appraisal John Wiley & Sons

This is the digital version of the printed book (Copyright © 1996). Based on an award-winning doctoral thesis at Carnegie Mellon University, Measuring and Managing Performance in Organizations presents a captivating analysis of the perils of performance measurement systems. In the book ’ s foreword, Peopleware authors Tom DeMarco and Timothy Lister rave, “ We believe this is a book that needs to be on the desk of just about anyone who manages anything. ” Because people often react with unanticipated sophistication when they are being measured, measurement-based management systems can become dysfunctional, interfering with achievement of intended results. Fortunately, as the author shows, measurement dysfunction follows a pattern that can be identified and avoided. The author ’ s findings are bolstered by interviews with eight recognized experts in the use of measurement to manage computer software development: David N. Card, of Software Productivity Solutions; Tom DeMarco, of the Atlantic Systems Guild; Capers Jones, of Software Productivity Research; John Musa, of AT&T Bell Laboratories; Daniel J. Paulish, of Siemens Corporate Research; Lawrence H. Putnam, of Quantitative Software Management; E. O. Tilford, Sr., of Fissure; plus the anonymous Expert X. A practical model for analyzing measurement projects solidifies the text – don ’ t start without it!

Measuring and Managing Performance in Organizations

BlogIntoBook.com

From the creator of the popular website Ask a Manager and New York’s work-advice columnist comes a witty, practical guide to 200 difficult professional conversations—featuring all-new advice! There’s a reason Alison Green has been called “the Dear Abby of the work world.” Ten years as a workplace-advice columnist have taught her that people avoid awkward conversations in the office because they simply don’t know what to say. Thankfully, Green does—and in this incredibly helpful book, she tackles the tough discussions you may need to have during your career. You’ll learn what to say when • coworkers push their work on you—then take credit for it • you accidentally trash-talk someone in an email then hit “reply all” • you’re being micromanaged—or not being managed at all • you catch a colleague in a lie • your boss seems unhappy with your work • your cubemate’s loud speakerphone is making you homicidal • you got drunk at the holiday party Praise for Ask a Manager “A must-read for anyone who works . . . [Alison Green’s] advice boils down to the idea that you should be professional (even when others are not) and that communicating in a straightforward manner with candor and kindness will get you far, no matter where you work.”—Booklist (starred review) “The author’s friendly, warm, no-nonsense writing is a pleasure to read, and her advice can be widely applied to relationships in all areas of readers’ lives. Ideal for anyone new to the job market or new to management, or anyone hoping to improve their work experience.”—Library Journal (starred review) “I am a huge fan of Alison Green’s Ask a Manager column. This book is even better. It teaches us how to deal with many of the most vexing big and little problems in our workplaces—and to do so with grace, confidence, and a sense of humor.”—Robert Sutton, Stanford professor and author of The No Asshole Rule and The Asshole Survival Guide “Ask a Manager is the ultimate playbook for navigating the traditional workforce in a diplomatic but firm way.”—Erin Lowry, author of Broke Millennial: Stop Scraping By and Get Your Financial Life Together

Work Rules! Stripe Press

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Abolishing Performance Appraisals Penguin

Learn best practices for software development project management—and lead your teams and projects to success. Dr. Lawrence Peters is an industry-recognized expert with decades of experience conducting research and leading real-world software projects. Beyond getting the best developers, equipment, budget, and timeline possible—Peters concludes that no factor is more critical to project success than the manager ' s role. Drawing on proven practices from allied industries such as business, psychology, accounting, and law, he describes a broader project-management methodology—with principles that software managers can readily adapt to help increase their own effectiveness and the productivity of their teams. Unlike other books on the topic, this book focuses squarely on the manager—and shows how to get results without adopting philosophies from Genghis Khan or Machiavelli. (There is mention of Godzilla, however.) Packed with real-world examples and pragmatic advice, this book shows any software development manager—new or experienced—how to lead teams in delivering the right results for their business.

Developer Hegemony

AMACOM/American Management Association

From the visionary head of Google's innovative People Operations comes a groundbreaking inquiry into the philosophy of work -- and a blueprint for attracting the most spectacular talent to your business and ensuring that they succeed. "We spend more time working than doing anything else in life. It's not right that the experience of work should be so demotivating and dehumanizing." So says Laszlo Bock, former head of People Operations at the company that transformed how the world interacts with knowledge. This insight is the heart of Work Rules!, a compelling and surprisingly playful manifesto that offers lessons including: Take away managers' power over employees Learn from your best employees-and your worst Hire only people who are smarter than you are, no matter how long it takes to find them Pay unfairly (it's more fair!) Don't trust your gut: Use data to predict and shape the future Default to open-be transparent and welcome feedback If you're comfortable with the amount of freedom you've given your employees, you haven't gone far enough. Drawing on the latest research in behavioral economics and a profound grasp of human psychology, Work Rules! also provides teaching examples from a range of industries-including lauded companies that happen to be hideous places to work and little-known companies that achieve spectacular results by valuing and listening to their employees. Bock takes us inside one of history's most explosively successful businesses to reveal why Google is consistently rated one of the best places to work in the world, distilling 15 years of intensive worker R&D into principles that are easy to put into action, whether you're a team of one or a team of thousands. Work Rules! shows how to strike a balance between creativity and structure, leading to success you can measure in quality of life as well as market share. Read it to build a better company from within rather than from above; read it to reawaken your joy in what you do.

Automotive Software Engineering

Berrett-Koehler Publishers

A human-centric guide to solving complex problems in engineering management, from sizing teams to handling technical debt. There ’ s a saying that people don ’ t leave companies, they leave managers. Management is a key part of any organization, yet the discipline is often self-taught and unstructured. Getting to the good solutions for complex management challenges can make the difference between fulfillment and frustration for teams—and, ultimately, between the success and failure of companies. Will Larson ’ s An Elegant Puzzle focuses on the particular challenges of engineering management—from sizing teams to handling technical debt to performing succession planning—and provides a path to the good solutions. Drawing from his experience at Digg, Uber, and Stripe, Larson has developed a thoughtful approach to engineering management for leaders of all levels at companies of all sizes. An Elegant Puzzle balances structured principles and human-centric thinking to help any leader create more effective and rewarding organizations for engineers to thrive in.

The Manager's Path

"O'Reilly Media, Inc."

This text is written with a business school orientation, stressing the how to and heavily employing CASE technology throughout. The courses for which this text is appropriate include software engineering, advanced systems analysis, advanced topics in information systems, and IS project development. Software engineer should be familiar with alternatives, trade-offs and pitfalls of methodologies, technologies, domains, project life cycles, techniques, tools CASE environments, methods for user involvement in application development, software, design, trade-offs for the public domain and project personnel skills. This book discusses much of what should be the ideal software engineer's project related knowledge in order to facilitate and speed the process of novices becoming experts. The goal of this book is to discuss project planning, project life cycles, methodologies, technologies, techniques, tools, languages, testing, ancillary technologies (e.g. database) and CASE. For each topic, alternatives, benefits and disadvantages are discussed.

Managing for Happiness Cambridge University Press
The overwhelming majority of a software system â ??s lifespan is spent in use, not in design or implementation. So, why does conventional wisdom insist that software engineers focus primarily on the design and development of large-scale computing systems? In this collection of essays and articles, key members of Google â ??s Site Reliability Team explain how and why their commitment to the entire lifecycle has enabled the company to successfully build, deploy, monitor, and maintain some of the largest software systems in the world. You â ??ll learn the principles and practices that enable Google engineers to make systems more scalable, reliable, and efficient â ??lessons directly

applicable to your organization. This book is divided into four sections: Introduction â ??Learn what site reliability engineering is and why it differs from conventional IT industry practices

Principles â ??Examine the patterns, behaviors, and areas of concern that influence the work of a site reliability engineer (SRE)

Practices â ??Understand the theory and practice of an SRE â ??s day-to-day work: building and operating large distributed computing systems

Management â ??Explore Google's best practices for training, communication, and meetings that your organization can use

Ask a Manager Apress

Many factors contribute to the way people view and use information, including task requirements, organizational settings, and personality characteristics. Today it is generally accepted that people are an integral element of an information system. System development methodologies include various kinds of people ? managers, analysts, programmers, support staff ? in the development process. IT could be wasted if various aspects of human behavior were not seriously accommodated. Human Factors in Information Systems addresses pertinent issues by including the most recent research in the discipline, which can be utilized by businesses and organizations when implementing information systems into their policies, procedures and daily tasks.

3000 Power Words and Phrases for Effective Performance Reviews Twelve

Software startups make global headlines every day. As technology companies succeed and grow, so do their engineering departments. In your career, you'll may suddenly get the opportunity to lead teams: to become a manager. But this is often uncharted territory. How can you decide whether this career move is right for you? And if you do, what do you need to learn to succeed? Where do you start? How do you know that you're doing it right? What does "it" even mean? And isn't management a dirty word? This book will share the secrets you need to know to manage engineers successfully. Going from engineer to manager doesn't have to be intimidating. Engineers can be managers, and fantastic ones at that. Cast aside the rhetoric and focus on practical, hands-on techniques and tools. You'll become an effective and supportive team leader that your staff will look up to. Start with your transition to being a manager and see how that compares to being an engineer. Learn how to better organize information, feel productive, and delegate, but not micromanage. Discover how to manage your own boss, hire and fire, do performance and salary reviews, and build a great team. You'll also learn the psychology: how to ship while keeping staff happy, coach and mentor, deal with deadline pressure, handle sensitive information, and navigate workplace politics. Consider your whole department. How can you work with other teams to ensure best practice? How do you help form guilds and committees and communicate effectively? How can you create career tracks for individual contributors and managers? How can you support flexible and remote working? How can you improve diversity in the industry through your own actions? This book will show you how. Great managers can make the world a better place. Join us.

Getting Results from Software Development Teams Amacom

How do successful agile teams deliver bug-free, maintainable software—iteration after iteration? The answer is: By seamlessly combining development and testing. On such teams, the developers write testable code that enables them to verify it using various types of automated tests. This approach keeps regressions at bay and prevents “ testing crunches ” —which otherwise may occur near the end of an iteration—from ever happening. Writing testable code, however, is often difficult, because it requires knowledge and skills that cut across multiple disciplines. In Developer Testing, leading test expert and mentor Alexander Tarlinder presents concise, focused guidance for making new and legacy code far more testable. Tarlinder helps you answer questions like: When have I tested this enough? How many tests do I need to write? What should my tests verify? You ’ ll learn how to design for testability and utilize techniques like refactoring, dependency breaking, unit testing, data-driven testing, and test-driven development to achieve the highest possible confidence in your software. Through practical examples in Java, C#, Groovy, and Ruby, you ’ ll discover what works—and what doesn ’ t. You can quickly begin using Tarlinder ’ s technology-agnostic insights with most languages and toolsets while not getting buried in specialist details. The author helps you adapt your current programming style for testability, make a testing mindset “ second nature, ” improve your code, and enrich your day-to-day experience as a software professional. With this guide, you will Understand the discipline and vocabulary of testing from the developer ’ s standpoint Base developer tests on well-established testing techniques and best practices Recognize code constructs that impact testability Effectively name, organize, and execute unit tests Master the essentials of classic and “ mockist-style ”

TDD Leverage test doubles with or without mocking frameworks Capture the benefits of programming by contract, even without runtime support for contracts Take control of dependencies between classes, components, layers, and tiers Handle combinatorial explosions of test cases, or scenarios requiring many similar tests Manage code duplication when it can ’ t be eliminated Actively maintain and improve your test suites Perform more advanced tests at the integration, system, and end-to-end levels Develop an understanding for how the organizational context influences quality assurance Establish well-balanced and effective testing strategies suitable for agile teams

The Software Craftsman

Cybellium

InfoWorld is targeted to Senior IT professionals. Content is segmented into Channels and Topic Centers. InfoWorld also celebrates people, companies, and projects.

The Software Engineer's Guidebook "O'Reilly Media, Inc."

In The Software Craftsman, Sandro Mancuso explains what craftsmanship means to the developer and his or her organization, and shows how to live it every day in your real-world development environment. Mancuso shows how software craftsmanship fits with and helps students improve upon best-practice technical disciplines such as agile and lean, taking all development projects to the next level. Readers will learn how to change the disastrous perception that software developers are the same as factory workers, and that software projects can be run like factories.

Measure What Matters

Pragmatic Engineer BV

Here are the tools to build a

genuinely proactive performance management program. Fully updated with all-new case studies from major companies, the second edition will help managers and HR professionals: Start a program designed to get maximum results Understand job requirements and set standards Use coaching to maximise performance Conduct more efficient and effective appraisal interviews Create performance improvement plans that really work

Management Pragmatic Bookshelf

This text provides a comprehensive, but concise introduction to software engineering. It adopts a methodical approach to solving software engineering problems proven over several years of teaching, with outstanding results. The book covers concepts, principles, design, construction, implementation, and management issues of software systems. Each chapter is organized systematically into brief, reader-friendly sections, with itemization of the important points to be remembered. Diagrams and illustrations also sum up the salient points to enhance learning. Additionally, the book includes a number of the author ' s original methodologies that add clarity and creativity to the software engineering experience, while making a novel contribution to the discipline. Upholding his aim for brevity, comprehensive coverage, and relevance, Foster ' s practical and methodical discussion style gets straight to the salient issues, and avoids unnecessary topics and minimizes theoretical coverage.

Human Factors in Information Systems

McGraw Hill

Maximize performance with better data Developing a successful workforce requires more than a gut check. Data can help guide your decisions on everything from where to seat a team to optimizing production processes to engaging with your employees in ways that ring true to them. People analytics is the study of your number one business asset—your people—and this book shows you how to collect data, analyze that data, and then apply your findings to create a happier and more engaged workforce. Start a people analytics project Work with qualitative data Collect data via communications Find the right tools and approach for analyzing data If your organization is ready to better understand why high performers leave, why one department has more personnel issues than another, and why employees violate, People Analytics For Dummies makes it easier.

Modern Robotics Twelve

WINNER of Computing Reviews 20th Annual Best Review in the category Management " Tyler ' s book is concise, reasonable, and full of interesting practices, including some curious ones you might consider adopting yourself if you become a software engineering manager. " —Fernando Berzal, CR, 10/23/2015 " Josh Tyler crafts a concise, no-nonsense, intensely focused guide for building the workhouse of Silicon Valley—the high-functioning software team. " —Gordon Rios, Summer Book Recommendations from the

Smartest People We Know—Summer 2016 Building Great Software Engineering Teams provides engineering leaders, startup founders, and CTOs concrete, industry-proven guidance and techniques for recruiting, hiring, and managing software engineers in a fast-paced, competitive environment. With so much at stake, the challenge of scaling up a team can be intimidating. Engineering leaders in growing companies of all sizes need to know how to find great candidates, create effective interviewing and hiring processes, bring out the best in people and their work, provide meaningful career development, learn to spot warning signs in their team, and manage their people for long-term success. Author Josh Tyler has spent nearly a decade building teams in high-growth startups, experimenting with every aspect of the task to see what works best. He draws on this experience to outline specific, detailed solutions augmented by instructive stories from his own experience. In this book you ' ll learn how to build your team, starting with your first hire and continuing through the stages of development as you manage your team for growth and success. Organized to cover each step of the process in the order you ' ll likely face them, and highlighted by stories of success and failure, it provides an easy-to-understand recipe for creating your high-powered engineering team.

Performance Reviews Wadsworth Publishing Company

It ' s been said that software is eating the planet. The modern economy—the world itself—relies on technology. Demand for the people who can produce it far outweighs the supply. So why do developers occupy largely subordinate roles in the corporate structure? Developer Hegemony explores the past, present, and future of the corporation and what it means for developers. While it outlines problems with the modern corporate structure, it ’ s ultimately a play-by-play of how to leave the corporate carnival and control your own destiny. And it ’ s an emboldening, specific vision of what software development looks like in the world of developer hegemony—one where developers band together into partner firms of “ efficiencers, ” finally able to command the pay, respect, and freedom that ’ s earned by solving problems no one else can. Developers, if you grow tired of being treated like geeks who can only be trusted to take orders and churn out code, consider this your call to arms. Bring about the autonomous future that ’ s rightfully yours. It ’ s time for developer hegemony.

Blood Rites Apress

In my first few years as a developer I assumed that hard work was all I needed. Then I was passed over for a promotion and my manager couldn ’ t give me feedback on what areas to improve, so I could get to the senior engineer level. I was frustrated; even bitter: not as much about missing the promotion, but because of the lack of guidance. By the time I became a manager, I was determined to support engineers reporting to me with the kind of feedback and support I wish I would have gotten years earlier. And I did. While my team tripled over the next two years, people became visibly better engineers, and this progression was clear from performance reviews and promotions. This book is a summary of the advice I ’ ve given to software engineers over the years – and then some more. This book follows the structure of a “ typical ” career path for a software engineer, from starting out as a fresh-faced software developer, through being a role model senior/lead, all the way to the staff/principle/distinguished level. It summarizes what I ’ ve learned as a developer and how I ’ ve approached coaching engineers at different stages of their careers. We cover “ soft ” skills which become increasingly important as your seniority increases, and the “ hard ” parts of the job, like software engineering concepts and approaches which help you grow professionally. The names of levels and their expectations can – and do! – vary across companies. The higher “ tier ” a business is, the more tends to be expected of engineers, compared to lower tier places. For example, the “ senior engineer ” level has notoriously high expectations at. Google (L5 level) and Meta (E5 level,) compared to lower-tier companies. If you work at a higher-tier business, it may be useful to read the chapters about higher levels, and not only the level you ’ re currently interested in. The book is composed of six standalone parts, each made up of several chapters: Part 1: Developer Career Fundamentals Part 2: The Competent Software Developer Part 3: The Well-Rounded Senior Engineer Part 4: The Pragmatic Tech Lead Part 5: Role Model Staff and Principal Engineers Part 6: Conclusion Parts 1 and 6 apply to all engineering levels, from entry-level software developer, to principal-and-above engineer. Parts 2, 3, 4, and 5 cover increasingly senior engineering levels and group together topics in chapters, such as “ Software Engineering, ” “ Collaboration, ” “ Getting Things Done, ” etc. Naming and levels vary, but the principles of what makes a great engineer who is impactful at the individual, team, and organizational levels, are remarkably constant. No matter where you are in your career, I hope this book provides a fresh perspective and new ideas on how to grow as an engineer. Praise for the book “ From performance reviews to P95 latency, from team dynamics to testing, Gergely demystifies all aspects of a software career. This book is well named: it really does feel like the missing guidebook for the whole industry. ” – Tanya Reilly, senior principal engineer and author of The Staff Engineer's Path "Spanning a huge range of topics from technical to social in a concise manner, this belongs on the desk of any software engineer looking to grow their impact and their career. You'll reach for it again and again for sage advice in any situation." – James Stanier, Director of Engineering at Shopify, author of TheEngineeringManager.com