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The Logic of American Politics

Greenwood lives today? This book visits an ordinary street and looks into thirty households. It reveals the aspirations and frustrations, the tragedies and

What do we know about ordinary people in our towns and cities, about what really matters to them and how they organize their

accomplishments that are played out behind the doors. It focuses on the things that matter to these people, which quite often turn out to be material things – their house, the dog, their music, the Christmas decorations. These are the means by which they express who they have become, and relationships to objects turn out to be central to their relationships with other people – children, lovers, brothers and friends. If this is a typical street in a modern city like London, then what kind of society is

this? It's not a community, nor a neighbourhood, nor is it a collection of isolated individuals. It isn't dominated by the family. We assume that social life is corrupted by materialism, made superficial and individualistic by a surfeit of consumer goods, but this is misleading. If the street isn't any of these things, then what is it? This brilliant and revealing portrayal of a street in modern London, written by one of the most prominent anthropologists, shows how much is to be gained

when we stop lamenting what we think we used to be and focus instead on what we are now becoming. It reveals the forms by which ordinary people make sense of their lives, and the ways in which objects become our companions in the daily struggle to make life meaningful.

Chance Rules Forever
The Gamble Princeton University Press
Political Theory and International Relations
University of Michigan Press
"Game changer."
We heard it so

many times during the 2012 U.S. presidential election. But what actually made a difference in the contest—and what was just hype? In this groundbreaking book, John Sides and Lynn Vavreck tell the dramatic story of the election—with a big difference. Using an unusual "moneyball" approach and drawing on extensive quantitative data, they look beyond the anecdote, folklore, and conventional wisdom that often pass for election analysis to separate what was truly important from what was

irrelevant. The Gamble combines this data with the best social science research and colorful on-the-ground reporting, providing the most accurate and precise account of the election yet written—and the only book of its kind. In a new preface, the authors reflect on the place of *The Gamble* in the tradition of presidential election studies, its reception to date, and possible paths for future social science research. BUNDLE Oxford University Press *The Secrets of the Shadow-Men Magic?* It's for the rich, the powerful...the

Archmage and his elite wizards and cloud-masters. Livak is not among them. She haunts the back taverns of the realm, careful to appear neither rich nor poor, neither tall nor short . . . neither man nor woman. Obscurity is her protection, thievery her livelihood, and gambling her weakness. Alas, some bets are hard to resist. Particularly when they offer a chance to board a ship for Hadrumal, the fabled city of the Archmage. So Livak follows a minor wizard, Shiv, in an attempt to turn a rune or two, never dreaming that the stolen tankard she wants to sell contains the secrets of an ancient magic far more powerful, and infinitely darker, than

any mortal mage's spells.

On War Janelle Denison, Inc. Examines the history and purpose of political rituals, discusses examples from Aztec cannibal rites to presidential inauguration, and argues that the use of ritual determines the success of political groups.

What Are The Odds? Basic Books Why does the American political system work the way it does? Find the answers in *The Logic of American Politics*. This best-selling text arms

you with a toolkit of reactions to changing institutional design c demographics, the concepts—command, partisan politics of veto, agenda judicial selection, control, voting rules, and the changing and delegation—that nature of help you recognize presidential how the American leadership. Revised political system was to include the 2018 designed and why it election results and works the way it analysis, this edition does. The authors provides you with build your critical the tools you need to thinking through a make sense of simple yet powerful today's idea: politics is government. about solving Introduction to collective action Probability problems. "O'Reilly Media, Thoroughly updated Inc." to account for the "Much has been most recent events and data, the Ninth written about the Edition explores the historic nature of the increase in political the Obama campaign. The polarization, the multi-year, multi-growing emotional billion dollar involvement people operation elected have to politics, the nation's first Americans'

black president, raised and spent more money than any other election effort in history, and built the most sophisticated voter targeting technology ever before used on a national campaign. But what is missing from these accounts is an understanding of how Obama for America organized its formidable army of 2.2 million volunteers -- over eight times the number of people who volunteered for democratic candidates in 2004. Unlike previous field campaigns

that drew their power from staff, consultants, and paid canvassers, the Obama campaign's capacity came from unpaid local citizens who took responsibility for organizing their own neighborhoods months--and even years--in advance of election day. In so doing, Groundbreakers argues, the campaign enlisted citizens in the often unglamorous but necessary work of practicing democracy. Hahrie Han and Elizabeth McKenna argue that the legacy of

Obama for America is a transformation of the traditional models of field campaigning. Groundbreakers makes the case that the Obama ground game was revolutionary in two regards not captured in previous accounts. First, the campaign piloted and scaled an alternative model of field campaigning that built the power of a community at the same time that it organized it. Second, the Obama campaign changed the individuals who were a part of it,

turning them into leaders. Groundbreakers proves that presidential campaigns are still about more than clicks, big data and money, and that one of the most important ways that a campaign develops its capacity is by investing in its human resources"-- Princeton University Press

A comprehensive introduction to statistics that teaches the fundamentals with real-life scenarios, and covers histograms, quartiles, probability, Bayes' theorem, predictions, approximations, random samples, and

related topics. *The Thief's Gamble* Yale University Press

Demonstrating how candidates and their campaigns affect the economic vote, this book provides a different way of understanding past elections - and predicting future ones. It offers a theory of campaigns that explains why electoral victory requires more than simply being the candidate favored by prevailing economic conditions.

A Thousand Chances Penguin

A Business Week, New York Times Business, and USA Today Bestseller

"Ambitious and

readable . . . an engaging introduction to the oddsmakers, whom Bernstein regards as true humanists helping to release mankind from the choke holds of superstition and fatalism." —The New York Times "An extraordinarily entertaining and informative book." —The Wall Street Journal "A lively panoramic book . . . Against the Gods sets up an ambitious premise and then delivers on it." —Business Week "Deserves to be, and surely will be, widely read." —The Economist "[A] challenging book, one that may change forever the way people think about the world." —Worth "No one else could have written a book of such

central importance with so much charm and excitement." —Robert Heilbroner author, *The Worldly Philosophers* "With his wonderful knowledge of the history and current manifestations of risk, Peter Bernstein brings us *Against the Gods*. Nothing like it will come out of the financial world this year or ever. I speak carefully: no one should miss it." —John Kenneth Galbraith Professor of Economics Emeritus, Harvard University In this unique exploration of the role of risk in our society, Peter Bernstein argues that the notion of bringing risk under control is one of the central ideas that distinguishes modern times from the distant past. *Against the Gods*

chronicles the remarkable intellectual adventure that liberated humanity from oracles and soothsayers by the means of the powerful tools of risk management that are available to us today. "An extremely readable history of risk." —Barron's "Fascinating . . . this challenging volume will help you understand the uncertainties that every investor must face." —Money "A singular achievement." —Times Literary Supplement "There's a growing market for savants who can render the recondite intelligibly—witness Stephen Jay Gould (natural history), Oliver Sacks (disease), Richard Dawkins (heredity), James Gleick

(physics), Paul Krugman (economics)—and Bernstein would mingle well in their company." —The Australian *The Bitter End* Springer Science & Business Media A comprehensive guide to and analysis of modern political campaign communication. *Risk and Rationality* CRC Press This text is designed for an introductory probability course at the university level for sophomores, juniors, and seniors in mathematics, physical and social sciences, engineering, and computer science. It

presents a thorough treatment of ideas and techniques necessary for a firm understanding of the subject.

The Gamble

Princeton

University Press

Developed from celebrated Harvard statistics lectures,

Introduction to Probability provides essential language and tools for understanding statistics,

randomness, and uncertainty. The book explores a wide variety of applications and examples, ranging from coincidences and paradoxes to

Google PageRank

and Markov chain

Monte Carlo

(MCMC).

Additional

CHOICE &

CHANCE Random

House

A riveting account of the five most crucial days in twentieth-century diplomatic history: from Pearl Harbor to Hitler's declaration of war on the United States By

early December 1941, war had changed much of the world beyond recognition. Nazi

Germany occupied most of the European continent, while in Asia, the Second Sino-Japanese War had turned China into a battleground. But

these conflicts were not yet inextricably linked—and the

United States

remained at peace.

Hitler's American Gamble recounts the five days that

upended everything:

December 7 to 11.

Tracing developments in real time and backed by deep

archival research, historians Brendan Simms and Charlie Laderman show how

Hitler's intervention was not the inexplicable decision

of a man so bloodthirsty that he forgot all strategy, but

a calculated risk that can only be understood in a truly

global context. This book reveals how

December 11, not Pearl Harbor, was the real watershed that created a world war

and transformed international history.

Fooled by

Randomness W.

W. Norton

The #1 book examines contemporary

campaigns and elections--now updated through 2020

Choice and Chance

Harper Collins

Eleven years ago

Seth O'Connor left

Josie McAllister

brokenhearted. But

now the sexy, smooth

talking cowboy is on

her doorstep, with a

legal document that

laid claim not only to

McAllister property

but to Josie, as well.

Learning that her

father had gambled

away not just the

family ranch, but

Josie's future on one

game of cards has her

fighting to safeguard

her home, along with

protecting her

daughter from a past

filled with painful

secrets between her

and Seth. But this

cowboy is

determined to claim

what is now rightfully his, and Josie has a difficult choice to make. She can either give up her home to her family nemesis, or marry a man she'd taught herself to hate....

The Handbook of Rational and Social Choice CQ Press

The New York

Times bestseller! A

New York Times

Notable Book "The

tale of how

Konnikova

followed a story

about poker players

and wound up

becoming a story

herself will have

you riveted, first as

you learn about her

big winnings, and

then as she conveys

the lessons she

learned both about

human nature and

herself." —The

Washington Post It's true that Maria Konnikova had never actually played poker before and didn't even know the rules when she approached Erik Seidel, Poker Hall of Fame inductee and winner of tens of millions of dollars in earnings, and convinced him to be her mentor. But she knew her man: a famously thoughtful and broad-minded player, he was intrigued by her pitch that she wasn't interested in making money so much as learning about life. She had faced a stretch of personal bad luck, and her reflections on the role of chance had

led her to a giant of game theory, who pointed her to poker as the ultimate master class in learning to distinguish between what can be controlled and what can't. And she certainly brought something to the table, including a Ph.D. in psychology and an acclaimed and growing body of work on human behavior and how to hack it. So Seidel was in, and soon she was down the rabbit hole with him, into the wild, fiercely competitive, overwhelmingly masculine world of high-stakes Texas Hold'em, their initial end point the following year's World Series of Poker. But then something extraordinary happened. Under Seidel's guidance, Konnikova did have many epiphanies about life that derived from her new pursuit, including how to better read, not just her opponents but far more importantly herself; how to identify what tilted her into an emotional state that got in the way of good decisions; and how to get to a place where she could accept luck for what it was, and what it wasn't. But she also began to win. And in a little over a year, she began making earnest money from tournaments, ultimately totaling hundreds of thousands of dollars. She won a major title, got a sponsor, and got used to being on television, and to headlines like "How one writer's book deal turned her into a professional poker player." She even learned to like Las Vegas. But in the end, Maria Konnikova is a writer and student of human behavior, and ultimately the point was to render her incredible journey into a container for its invaluable lessons. The biggest bluff of all, she learned, is that skill is enough. Bad cards will come

our way, but keeping good looks, our focus on how we play them and not on the outcome will keep us moving through many a dark patch, until the luck once again breaks our way.

The Logic of American Politics
Interactive Ebook
Oxford University Press

A former road gambler is fighting with the demons of his past and for the affection of a new flame. How does he slay the demons that haunt him from his days as a card hustler? The urbane Darius Blaylock seems to have it all, youth,

intelligence and sharp instincts, but beneath the surface he has some unresolved business to take care of. For a long time, Darius has been able to sweep his dirt underneath the rug while proclaiming no love for a woman could ever trump his love for money. That is until he meets the woman of his dreams and ultimately chases her out of his life: the beautiful Michelle Wurley. For the first time Darius must confront and overcome his

demons if he is to have any chance to win back the affection of Ms. Wurley, who is as equally sharp in wit as she is beautiful. Has Darius finally met his match or will he continue to allow his demons to destroy him? [Against the Gods](#)
Penguin
In a democracy, we generally assume that voters know the policies they prefer and elect like-minded officials who are responsible for carrying them out. We also assume that voters consider candidates' competence, honesty, and other performance-related traits. But does this

actually happen? Do voters consider candidates' policy positions when deciding for whom to vote? And how do politicians' performances in office factor into the voting decision? In *Follow the Leader?*, Gabriel S. Lenz sheds light on these central questions of democratic thought. Lenz looks at citizens' views of candidates both before and after periods of political upheaval, including campaigns, wars, natural disasters, and episodes of economic boom and bust. Noting important shifts in voters' knowledge and preferences as a result of these events, he finds that, while citizens do assess politicians based on their performance,

their policy positions actually matter much less. Even when a policy issue becomes highly prominent, voters rarely shift their votes to the politician whose position best agrees with their own. In fact, Lenz shows, the reverse often takes place: citizens first pick a politician and then adopt that politician's policy views. In other words, they follow the leader. Based on data drawn from multiple countries, *Follow the Leader?* is the most definitive treatment to date of when and why policy and performance matter at the voting booth, and it will break new ground in the debates about democracy.

Identity Crisis

Wentworth Press

Chance continues to govern our lives in the 21st Century. From the genes we inherit and the environment into which we are born, to the lottery ticket we buy at the local store, much of life is a gamble. In business, education, travel, health, and marriage, we take chances in the hope of obtaining something better. Chance colors our lives with uncertainty, and so it is important to examine it and try to understand about how it operates in a number of different circumstances. Such understanding becomes simpler if we take some time to learn a little about

probability, since coincidences, horse complex probability is the racing, birthdays mathematics. the natural language of and babies remain, uncertainty. This often with an second edition of expanded Chance Rules again discussion, in this recounts the story of edition. Additional chance through material in the history and the second edition various ways it includes, a impacts on our lives. probabilistic Here you can read explanation of why about the earliest things were better gamblers who when you were thought that the fall younger, of the dice was consideration of controlled by the whether you can use gods, as well as the probability to prove modern geneticist the existence of and quantum theory God, how long you researcher trying to may have to wait to integrate aspects of win the lottery, probability into their some court room chosen speciality. dramas, predicting Example included in the future, and how the first addition evolution scores such as the over creationism. infamous Monty Chance Rules lets Hall problem, you learn about tossing coins, probability without