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Successfully Pitch Your Creative Ideas to Bosses, Clients & other Decision Makers Simon and Schuster

Rethink the Way You Think In hindsight, every great idea seems obvious. But how can you be the person who comes up with those ideas? In this revised and expanded edition of his groundbreaking Thinkertoys, creativity expert Michael Michalko reveals life-changing tools that will help you think like a genius. From the linear to the intuitive, this comprehensive handbook details ingenious creative-thinking techniques for approaching problems in unconventional ways. Through fun and thought-provoking exercises, you'll learn how to create original ideas that will improve your personal life and your business life. Michalko's techniques show you how to look at the same information as everyone else and see something different. With hundreds of hints, tricks, tips, tales, and puzzles, Thinkertoys will open your

mind to a world of innovative solutions to everyday and not-so-everyday problems.

The Education of Millionaires John Wiley & Sons

A science-backed method to maximize creative potential in any sphere of life With the prevalence of computer technology and outsourcing, new jobs and fulfilling lives will rely heavily on creativity and innovation. Keith Sawyer draws from his expansive research of the creative journey, exceptional creators, creative abilities, and world-changing innovations to create an accessible, eight-step program to increasing anyone's creative potential. Sawyer reveals the surprising secrets of highly creative people (such as learning to ask better questions when faced with a problem), demonstrates how to come up with better ideas, and explains how to carry those ideas to fruition most effectively. This science-backed, step-by-step method can maximize our creative potential in any sphere of life. Offers a proven method for developing new ideas and creative problem-solving no matter what your profession Includes an eight-step method, 30

practices, and more than 100 techniques that can be launched at any point in a creative journey. Psychologist, jazz pianist, and author Keith Sawyer studied with world-famous creativity expert Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi. Sawyer's book offers a wealth of easy-to-apply strategies and ideas for anyone who wants to tap into their creative power.

A New Paradigm for Business Creativity Thames & Hudson

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.

A Technique for Producing Ideas Simon and Schuster

Some people say that creativity is about thinking outside the box, while others believe it is about being creative inside the box; but what if there is no box? More than 82 per cent of companies believe creativity directly impacts results, yet few of us understand how it comes about or how to put it into practice. If we could identify and remove the 'box' around our thinking, we could unlock unlimited streams of creativity for professional and business success. The Creative Thinking Handbook offers an integrated system of personalised insights, along with clear, practical tools and strategies - including the tried-and-trusted Solution Finder model. This book enables you to develop your creative problem-solving skills to make better decisions with an individualized step-by-step strategy. Based on long-term research and testing of the creative thinking process, The Creative Thinking Handbook helps you generate more ideas and find brilliant solutions for any professional challenge.

The 100 Best Business Books of All Time Thinkertoys A Handbook of Creative-Thinking Techniques

What constitutes a creative person? Is it someone who can perform many tasks innovatively? Is it someone who exhibits creative genius in one area? Is it someone who utilizes her creativity for good and moral causes? Is it someone who uses his creativity to help his company or country succeed? Different cultures have different perspectives on what it means to be creative, yet it is nearly always the American or Western perspective that is represented in the psychological literature. The goal of The International Handbook of Creativity is to present a truly international and diverse set of perspectives on the psychology of human creativity. Distinguished scholars from around the world have written chapters for this book about the history and current state of creativity research and theory in their respective parts of the world. The 2006 book presents a wide array of international perspectives and research.

A Handbook of Business Creativity for the '90s Kogan Page Publishers

The book provides background and educational material through in-depth reviews of understanding creativity basics, common misconceptions, how the human mind solves problems and finally, important creativity skill sets. Each chapter is broken down in two distinct sections: The first section is instructive, or what the authors call "Insight Pages". This is where the book introduces new creative problem solving concepts and provides easy-to-understand examples and techniques. The second section of each chapter, is labeled "Training Pages" which presents exercises and hands-on activities.

The Surprising Path to Greater Creativity Penguin Books

Sliver award winner in Business Reference 2020 Axiom Business Book Awards What makes a great idea? Where do great ideas come from? The highly practical lessons in HOW TO GET TO GREAT IDEAS are based on neuroscience, psychology, and behavioral economics. Written by the former Creative Director of

OgilvyOne, Dave Birss, this book offers a brilliant new system for conceiving original and valuable ideas. It looks at how to frame the problem, how to push your thinking, how to sell the idea and build support for it, and how to inspire others to have great ideas. It proves that any organization - and any department within an organization - can become a fertile environment for ideas.

Combining a practical research-based system with fascinating insights and inspiring and humorous writing, the book is also accompanied by the problem-solving system RIGHT THINKING. This is a tool that shows organizations a more effective way to generate more effective ideas and is based on the thinking in the book. This is available online and in person from the author.

Everything You Won't Learn in College About How to Be Successful Random House

Get ready to get inspired In short and engaging entries, this deceptively simple volume presents examples of creative thinkers from the worlds of writing, music, architecture, painting, technology, and more, shedding light on their process, and showing how each of us can learn from them to improve our lives and our work. Subjects range from the grueling practice schedule of the Beatles and the relentless revisions of Tolkien, Sondheim, and Picasso to the surprisingly slapdash creation of The Simpsons. You'll learn about the most successful class in history (in which every student won a Nobel Prize), how frozen peas were invented, why J.K. Rowling likes to write in cafes, and how 95 percent of Apocalypse Now ended up on the cutting-room floor. Takeaways include: - Doubt everything all the time. - Plan to have more accidents. - Be mature enough to be childish. - Contradict yourself more often. - Be practically useless. - If it ain't broke, break it. - Surprise yourself. - Look forward to disappointment. - Be as incompetent as possible.

How to be Innovative and Develop Great Ideas Penguin

One of the world's leading creative artists, choreographers, and creator of the smash-hit Broadway show, *Movin' Out*, shares her secrets for developing and honing your creative talents—at once prescriptive and inspirational, a book to stand alongside *The Artist's Way* and *Bird by Bird*. All it takes to make creativity a part of your life is the willingness to make it a habit. It is the product of preparation and effort, and is within reach of everyone.

Whether you are a painter, musician, businessperson, or simply an individual yearning to put your creativity to use, *The Creative Habit* provides you with thirty-two practical exercises based on the lessons Twyla Tharp has learned in her remarkable thirty-five-year career. In "Where's Your Pencil?" Tharp reminds you to observe the world -- and get it down on paper. In "Coins and Chaos," she gives you an easy way to restore order and peace. In "Do a Verb," she turns your mind and body into coworkers. In "Build a Bridge to the Next Day," she shows you how to clean the clutter from your mind overnight. Tharp leads you through the painful first steps of scratching for ideas, finding the spine of your work, and getting out of ruts and into productive grooves. The wide-open realm of possibilities can be energizing, and Twyla Tharp explains how to take a deep breath and begin...

The Idea Agent Penguin

The A-Z of Visual Ideas explains the key ideas, sources of inspiration and visual techniques that have been used throughout design history. Showing where ideas and inspiration come from, the book provides numerous strategies to help unlock the reader's creativity. Using a dynamic and easy-to-understand A-Z format, the book reveals techniques that can be exploited to deliver ideas with greater impact, each entry offering a different starting point. Looking at everything from, Art to Zeitgeist, Intuition and Instinct to Happy Accidents and Hidden Messages, the book also features a section explaining how to use the idea or technique, providing readers with an infallible 'tool kit' of

inspiration. Including hundreds of inspirational quotes and packed with great examples of advertising campaigns, posters, book and magazine covers and illustrations, this is an indispensable primer that shows design students and professionals how to solve any creative brief.

How to Get to Great Ideas Simon and Schuster

Learn why bad decisions happen to good managers—and how to make better ones. If you read nothing else on decision making, read these 10 articles. We've combed through hundreds of articles in the Harvard Business Review archive and selected the most important ones to help you and your organization make better choices and avoid common traps. Leading experts such as Ram Charan, Michael Mankins, and Thomas Davenport provide the insights and advice you need to: Make bold decisions that challenge the status quo Support your decisions with diverse data Evaluate risks and benefits with equal rigor Check for faulty cause-and-effect reasoning Test your decisions with experiments Foster and address constructive criticism Defeat indecisiveness with clear accountability

Creativity Amer Psychological Assn

For true innovation, you may need to think outside the box -- and outside the company.

Unlock the Power to Think Differently John Wiley & Sons

A renowned cognitive psychologist reveals the science behind achieving breakthrough discoveries, allowing readers to confidently solve problems, improve decision-making, and achieve success. Insights-like Darwin's understanding of the way evolution actually works, and Watson and Crick's breakthrough discoveries about the structure of DNA-can change the world. Yet we know very little about when, why, or how insights are formed-or what blocks them. In *Seeing What Others Don't*, Gary Klein unravels the mystery. Klein is a keen observer of people in their natural settings-scientists, businesspeople, firefighters, police officers, soldiers, family members, friends, himself-and uses a marvelous variety of stories to illuminate his research into what insights are and how they happen. What, for example, enabled Harry Markopolos to put the finger on Bernie Madoff? How did Dr. Michael Gottlieb make the connections between different patients that allowed him to publish the first announcement of the AIDS epidemic? How did Martin Chalfie come up with a million-dollar idea (and a Nobel Prize) for a natural flashlight that enabled researchers to look inside living organisms to watch biological processes in action? Klein also dissects impediments to insight, such as when organizations claim to value employee creativity and to encourage breakthroughs but in reality block disruptive ideas and prioritize avoidance of mistakes. Or when information technology systems are "dumb by design" and block potential discoveries. Both scientifically sophisticated and fun to read, *Seeing What Others Don't* shows that insight is not just a "eureka!" moment but a whole new way of understanding.

Thinkertoys Berrett-Koehler Publishers

Don't let your creative ideas get picked apart and put down! If you're like most creative people, chances are high that you've had your share of ideas rejected by clients or decision makers. While we sometimes make the mistake of believing ideas should sell themselves, the fact is that the better and bolder the idea, the more it needs selling. This book contains powerful techniques to help you sell your ideas to those with approval power. You'll find tips from designers, writers, marketers and other creative professionals, along with meaty advice from selling and branding gurus. In no time, you'll be able to convince those who hold the purse strings that your ideas are worth pursuing and investing in. "Designers have a little known secret: Designing something is the easy part, getting others, specifically clients, to embrace that design is the real hard part. Harrison has put together dozens of

tips that, if applied correctly, independently or in unison, will help you get those great design ideas approved." —Armin Vit and Bryony Gomez-Palacio, authors of *Graphic Design, Referenced*
The Art of Creative Thinking Penguin

Many of us assume that our creative process is beyond our ability to influence, and pay attention to it only when it isn't working properly. For the most part, we go about our daily tasks and everything just "works." Until it doesn't. Adding to this lack of understanding is the rapidly accelerating pace of work. Each day we are face escalating expectations and a continual squeeze to do more with less. We are asked to produce an ever-increasing amount of brilliance in an ever-shrinking amount of time. There is an unspoken (or spoken!) expectation that we'll be accessible 24/7, and as a result we frequently feel like we're "always on."

Now business creativity expert Todd Henry explains how to unleash your creative potential. Whether you're a creative by trade or an "accidental creative," this book will help you quickly and effectively integrate new ideas into your daily life.

Predatory Thinking Nicholas Brealey

The Artist's Way for the 21st century—from esteemed creative counselor Beth Pickens. If you are an artist, you need to make your art. That's not an overstatement—it's a fact; if you stop doing your creative work, your quality of life is diminished. But what do you do when life gets in the way? In this down-to-earth handbook, experienced artist coach Beth Pickens offers practical advice for developing a lasting and meaningful artistic practice in the face of life's inevitable obstacles and distractions. This thoughtful volume suggests creative ways to address the challenges all artists must overcome—from making decisions about time, money, and education, to grappling with isolation, fear, and anxiety. No matter where you are in your art-making journey, this book will motivate and inspire you. Because not only do you need your art—the world needs it, too. • **EXPERT ADVICE:** Beth Pickens is an experienced and passionate arts advocate with extensive insight into working through creative obstacles. She has spent the last decade advising artists on everything from financial strategy to coping with grief. • **PRACTICAL AND POSITIVE:** This book is both a love letter to art and artists and a hands-on guide to approaching the thorniest problems those artists might face. Pickens offers a warm reminder that you are not alone, that what you do matters, and that someone out there wants you to succeed. • **TIMELESS TOPIC:** Like a trusted advisor, this book is an invaluable resource jam-packed with strategies for building a successful creative practice. From mixing business and friendship to marketing yourself on social media, this book can help. And it will—again and again. Perfect for: • Visual artists and makers • Writers, musicians, filmmakers, and other creatives • Art and design school graduates and grad-gift givers

Zig Zag Random House

Discusses how to condition the mind to become "idea-prone" and presents a five-step procedure for solving problems and getting ideas

Seeing What Others Don't Ten Speed Press

There is NO SUCH THING as a mindless doodle What did Einstein, JFK, Edison, Marie Curie, and Henry Ford have in common? They were all inveterate doodlers. These powerhouse minds knew instinctively that doodling is deep thinking in disguise—a simple, accessible, and dynamite tool for innovating and solving even the stickiest problems. Sunni Brown's mission is to bring the power of the Doodle to the rest of us. She leads the Revolution defying all those parents, teachers, and bosses who say Stop doodling! Get serious! Grow up! She overturns misinformation about doodling, demystifies visual thinking, and shows us the power of applying our innate visual literacy. She'll teach you how to doodle any object, concept, or system imaginable, shift habitual thinking

patterns, and transform boring text into displays that can engage any audience. Sunni Brown was named one of the "100 Most Creative People in Business" and one of the "10 Most Creative People on Twitter" by Fast Company. She is founder of a creative consultancy, an international speaker, the co-author of *Gamestorming*, and the leader of a global campaign for visual literacy called The Doodle Revolution. Her TED Talk on doodling has drawn more than a million views on TED.com. Her work on visual literacy and gaming has been featured in over 35 nationally-syndicated news programs and reported on in *The Wall Street Journal*, CNN.com, the BBC, *Fast Company*, Inc. Magazine, etc. She lives in Keep Austin Weird, Texas.

The Handbook on Creative Processes PublicAffairs

A journey through the minds of some of the most creative people on the planet reveals that creativity is rarely a "lightbulb moment" and instead arrives through a process of making and self-understanding. The creative process is winding. It involves entertaining uncertainty and improvising new paths to knowing. In this insightful and informed book, Lorne M. Buchman, an international leader in art and design education and president of ArtCenter College of Design in Pasadena, California, guides readers through stories of a diverse and talented group of artists, entrepreneurs, innovators, and designers. Including such

luminaries as Yves Béhar, Chris Kraus, Zack Snyder, Paula Scher, and Frank Gehry and businesses like Apple and Tesla who have changed the world as we know it, Buchman focuses on the revelatory nature of the creative journey itself. Michelangelo is said to have seen the angel in the stone and carved away until he set him free. *Make to Know* is about making as a path to knowing—presenting creativity as a "carving away" toward a revelation, not as a fully formed epiphany gleaned from a mysterious ether. As Buchman reveals throughout this provocative book, uncertainty is the space where discovery happens and where creators can be both playful and imaginative. Whether you're an artist, designer, writer, daydreamer, or doodler, anyone can learn from these lessons on the varied paths to self-expression.

The Knack Cambridge University Press

For work groups and individuals who do creative work, here is a light-hearted book of games that are based on rigorous creativity research, not just hype. Written by Robert Epstein, Editor-in-Chief of *Psychology Today* magazine and a Harvard-trained psychologist, all the exercises in this collection are based on Dr. Epstein's groundbreaking scientific research on the nature of the creative process. *The Big Book of Creativity Games* includes dozens of fast, simple games that foster and encourage creativity in the workplace and at home.