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[In Search of Excellence](#) Vintage

In the third edition of this international best seller, Lawrence Cunningham brings you the latest wisdom from Warren Buffett's annual letters to Berkshire Hathaway shareholders. New material addresses: the financial crisis and its continuing implications for investors, managers and society; the housing bubble at the bottom of that crisis; the debt and derivatives excesses that fueled the crisis and how to deal with them; controlling risk and protecting reputation in corporate governance; Berkshire's acquisition and operation of Burlington Northern Santa Fe; the role of oversight in heavily regulated industries; investment possibilities today; and weaknesses of popular option valuation models. Some other material has been rearranged to deepen the themes and lessons that the collection has always produced: Buffett's "owner-related business principles" are in the prologue as a separate subject and valuation and accounting topics are spread over four instead of two sections and reordered to sharpen their payoff. Media coverage is available at the following links: Interviews/Podcasts: [Motley Fool](#), [click here](#). [Money, Riches and Wealth](#), [click here](#). [Manual of Ideas](#), [click here](#). [Corporate Counsel](#), [click here](#). [Reviews: William J. Taylor, ABA Banking Journal](#), [click here](#). [Bob Morris, Blogging on Business](#), [click here](#). [Pamela Holmes, Saturday Evening Post](#), [click here](#). [Kevin M. LaCroix, D&O Diary](#), [click here](#). [Blog Posts: On Finance issues \(Columbia University\)](#), [click here](#).

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[The Little Big Things](#) St. Martin's Press

In Search of Excellence has long been a must-have for the boardroom, business school and bedside table, and continues to influence the thinking of leaders and managers across the globe today. Based on a study of forty-three of America's best-run companies from a range of sectors - consumer goods, technology, services - the book identifies eight common 'attributes of excellence' that made these organisations successful. Though many of the profiled companies have since lost their edge (or disappeared completely), these eight management principles, each highlighted in a chapter in the book, have shown themselves to be timeless. These simple business truths, so eloquently encapsulated by Peters and Waterman, are proof that the fundamentals of management - a focus on people, customers and value, entrepreneurship and excellence - ring as true today as they ever did. In

Search of Excellence is a seminal business book, worthy of a place on the bookshelves of anyone who wants to understand how effective management works in practice.

Good to Great Bantam

A few decades ago, management thinking started to embrace the idea of purpose. The first edition of this book marked an important step in this trajectory; it drew attention to the need for managers to relate the concepts of 'purpose' and 'missions' to strategy, culture and leadership. In the years since, purpose and missions have become business imperatives – not only in terms of remaining competitive but as core in the attempts to have a sustainable impact on the world. The second edition of Management by Missions is an open access book based on substantially more research carried out over fifteen years, involving more than 200 organizations around the world. All of this research supports that the practical models and ideas offered in the book have been tried and tested and actually work in practice. With case studies, anecdote and new research findings, the authors present the main tools of the MBM method (shared missions, missions scorecards, interdependency matrix, missions-based objectives and integral assessment) and the type of leadership needed to implement it. The ideas presented in this book mark a path towards a new management methodology for the XXI century and a new way of understanding the work that managers do.

Movers & Shakers Jossey-Bass

Brilliantly simple, actionable guidelines for success that any business leader can immediately implement. "Tom Peters' new book is a bundle of beautiful dynamite. While I've been a CEO for 30 years, I still learned much worth knowing from The Excellence Dividend. You will too." —John C. Bogle, founder, Vanguard For decades Tom Peters has been preaching the gospel of putting people first, and in today's rapidly changing business environment, this message is more important than ever. With his unparalleled expertise and inimitable charisma, Peters provides a roadmap for you and your organization to thrive amidst the tech tsunami, and he has a lot of fun doing it. The Excellence Dividend is an important new book from one of today's greatest business thinkers.

Re-Imagine! Harper Collins

"It is [Tom] Peters—as consultant, writer, columnist, seminar lecturer, and stage performer—whose energy, style, influence, and ideas have [most] shaped new management thinking." —Movers and Shakers: The 100 Most Influential Figures in Modern Business "We live in a Tom Peters world." —Fortune Magazine Business uber-guru Tom Peters is back with his first book in a decade, The Little Big Things. In this age of economic recession and financial uncertainty, the patented Peters approach to business and management—no-nonsense, witty, down-to-earth, insightful—is more pertinent now than ever. As essential for small-business owners as it is for the heads of major corporations, The Little Big Things is a rousing call-to-arms to American business to get "back to the basics" of running a successful enterprise.

Concentrated Investing DK

Shows how American business can bring new vitality to a department, a division, or a company by creating flexibility in corporate direction.

Tom Peters Vintage

"The coolest class on campus" – The New York Times When the Nobel Prize for Literature was awarded to Bob Dylan in 2016, a debate raged. Some celebrated, while many others questioned the choice. How could the world's most prestigious book prize be awarded to a famously cantankerous singer-songwriter who wouldn't even deign to attend the medal ceremony? In *Why Bob Dylan Matters*, Harvard Professor Richard F. Thomas answers this question with magisterial erudition. A world expert on Classical poetry, Thomas was initially ridiculed by his colleagues for teaching a course on Bob Dylan alongside his traditional seminars on Homer, Virgil, and Ovid. Dylan's Nobel Prize brought him vindication, and he immediately found himself thrust into the spotlight as a leading academic voice in all matters Dylanological. Today, through his wildly popular Dylan seminar—affectionately dubbed "Dylan 101"—Thomas is introducing a new generation of fans and scholars to the revered bard's work. This witty, personal volume is a distillation of Thomas's famous course, and makes a compelling case for moving Dylan out of the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame and into the pantheon of Classical poets. Asking us to reflect on the question, "What makes a classic?", Thomas offers an eloquent argument for Dylan's modern relevance, while interpreting and decoding Dylan's lyrics for readers. The most original and compelling volume on Dylan in decades, *Why Bob Dylan Matters* will illuminate Dylan's work for the Dylan neophyte and the seasoned fanatic alike. You'll never think about Bob Dylan in the same way again.

Passion for Excellence Harper Collins

In this eloquent first-person account of a family drama that changed the face of American business, the man who transformed IBM into the world's largest computer company reflects on his lifelong partnership with his father—and how their management style and shared dedication to excellence united to create a unique corporate culture that became the blueprint for the entire technology boom. In the course of sixty years Thomas J. Watson Sr. and his son, Thomas J. Watson Jr., together built the international colossus that is IBM. This is their story: a riveting and revealing account of two men who loved each other—and fought each other—with a terrible fierceness. But along with the story of a father and son, this is IBM's story too. It chronicles the management insights that shaped its course and its unique corporate culture, the style that made Thomas Watson Sr. one of America's most charismatic bosses, and the daring decisions by Thomas Watson Jr. that transformed IBM into the world's largest computing company. One of the greatest business-success stories of all time, *Father, Son & Co.* is a moving lesson for fathers who dream for their children, as well as a testament to American ingenuity and values, told in a disarmingly frank and eloquent voice. Promising to remain an important business reference as we move into the next century, *FATHER, SON & CO.* takes a look at the management insight that helped to shape IBM's course and unique corporate culture. It looks at Watson, Sr., one of America's most charismatic bosses, and Watson, Jr., who spurred IBM into the computer age. Ten years after its original publication, *FATHER, SON & CO.* remains a uniquely honest book. Watson's willingness to write about the loving but ferociously combative relationship he had with his father and the turbulent battles behind some of IBM's most far-reaching decisions gives readers rare insights into the realities of leadership. -->

Jump Start Your Business Brain DK Publishing (Dorling Kindersley)

Discover the secrets of the world's top concentrated value investors *Concentrated Investing: Strategies of the World's Greatest Concentrated Value*

Investors chronicles the virtually unknown—but wildly successful—value investors who have regularly and spectacularly blown away the results of even the world's top fund managers. Sharing the insights of these top value investors, expert authors Allen Benello, Michael van Biema, and Tobias Carlisle unveil the strategies that make concentrated value investing incredibly profitable, while at the same time showing how to mitigate risk over time. Highlighting the history and approaches of four top value investors, the authors tell the fascinating story of the investors who dare to tread where few others have, and the wildly-successful track records that have resulted. Turning the notion of diversification on its head, concentrated value investors pick a small group of undervalued stocks and hold onto them through even the lean years. The approach has been championed by Warren Buffett, the best known value investor of our time, but a small group of lesser-known investors has also used this approach to achieve outstanding returns. Discover the success of Lou Simpson, a former GEICO investment manager and eventual successor to Warren Buffett at Berkshire Hathaway Read about Kristian Siem, described as "Norway's Warren Buffett," and the success he has had at Siem Industries Concentrated Investing will quickly have you re-thinking the conventional wisdom related to diversification and learning from the top concentrated value investors the world has never heard of.

Congressional Record Springer Nature

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Breakthroughs! Harper Collins

In this groundbreaking book, Tim Harford, the Undercover Economist, shows us a new and inspiring approach to solving the most pressing problems in our lives. When faced with complex situations, we have all become accustomed to looking to our leaders to set out a plan of action and blaze a path to success. Harford argues that today's challenges simply cannot be tackled with ready-made solutions and expert opinion; the world has become far too unpredictable and profoundly complex. Instead, we must adapt. Deftly weaving together psychology, evolutionary biology, anthropology, physics, and economics, along with the compelling story of hard-won lessons learned in the field, Harford makes a passionate case for the importance of adaptive trial and error in tackling issues such as climate change, poverty, and financial crises—as well as in fostering innovation and creativity in our business and personal lives. Taking us from corporate boardrooms to the deserts of Iraq, *Adapt* clearly explains the necessary ingredients for turning failure into success. It is a breakthrough handbook for surviving—and prospering—in our complex and ever-shifting world.

Adapt New Word City, Inc.

Tom Peters--brilliant, original, and perhaps the most inspiring and listened-to business thinker of our time--has a lot on his mind these days. And he wants to share it in *The Circle of Innovation*. The world of business is in a permanent state of flux, he argues, a state of chaos in which constant innovation is the only survival strategy--for the individual and for the organization. And he presents here a lifesaving handbook--both provocative and practical--designed to turn any organization into a perpetual innovation machine. In 400 seminars in 47 states and 22 countries in the last five years, Peters has reexamined, refined, and reinvented his views on innovation. Now he brings those seminars--and his passion--to the reader in a landmark book. It is meant, he writes, to both "terrify" and "enlighten." These are "times of matchless peril for those who fail to grasp the nettle...and times of matchless opportunity for those who do." To keep us alert, limber, and ready for action, he provokes and cajoles in chapter after chapter. Among his institutions and revelations: *We Are All Michelangelos*. He shows how to transform every "jobholder" into a full-fledged businessperson. All Value Comes from the Professional Services. How to convert sluggish staff units into Vital Centers of Intellectual Capital Accumulation. The System is the Solution. How to build great systems--which go far beyond nuts and bolts. *Create Waves of Lust*. Quality is not the automatic advantage it recently was. There is a pressing need to reverse the rising tide of product and service "commoditization." *Tommy Hilfiger Knows*. In a crowded marketplace, branding is far more important than ever before. *It's a Woman's World*. How to capitalize on the fact that women purchase/are purchasing agents for well over half of U.S. commercial and consumer goods. *Little Things Are the Only Things*. As the *Blight of Sameness* encroaches on market after market, design is often the best tool in services or manufacturing for sustainable differentiation. *We're Here to Live Life Out Loud*. Why transformational leaders of the future must have laser-like focus, tell the truth, and live on the lunatic fringe. The hallmarks of Tom Peters legend are an insatiable curiosity, an agile intellect, a pragmatic perspective, and an uncanny ability to gauge the global zeitgeist. These qualities are all brought to bear as Peters sets out to engage, enrage, and ultimately empower his readers, amid forces that are reshaping not only business but every aspect of human experience.

The Renewal Factor DK Publishing (Dorling Kindersley)

Looks at the changing world of twenty-first-century business and suggests strategies for overcoming outdated company values and procedures to create an aggressive environment that empowers talented individuals.

Tom Peters Bantam

Turn your company into a dynamic centre of excellence. Instead of looking for things that have gone wrong in your organisation and trying to fix them, look for things that went right and try to build on them. Perceptive, provocative and inspiring ideas to transform the way you work, this is your crucial guide to leadership to help you reinvent your business from management guru Tom Peters.

Why Bob Dylan Matters Routledge

Ultimately, business is about people-inventors, visionaries, courageous leaders who forge new paths. *Movers and Shakers* brings to life 100 men and women, who by virtue of their chutzpah and determination built companies and industries, created new ways of doing business, or revealed underlying truths about the art and science of management. From the robber barons of the early, brawny years of the twentieth century to the "new economy" techno-wizards at the beginning of the twenty-first, *Movers and Shakers* presents brief sketches of the gurus and giants who have made their indelible marks on the business landscape. Featuring biographies of thinkers and writers, including George Eastman, Andy Grove, Mary Parker

Follett, Charles Handy, and Peter Drucker, this book reveals the defining moments that changed business history. Colorful, incisive, and entertaining, *Movers and Shakers* illuminates the larger-than-life figures who have, indeed, created business as we know it today.

Trends Harper Collins

Thousands of business books are published every year— Here are the best of the best After years of reading, evaluating, and selling business books, Jack Covert and Todd Sattersten are among the most respected experts on the category. Now they have chosen and reviewed the one hundred best business titles of all time—the ones that deliver the biggest payoff for today's busy readers. *The 100 Best Business Books of All Time* puts each book in context so that readers can quickly find solutions to the problems they face, such as how best to spend The First 90 Days in a new job or how to take their company from Good to Great. Many of the choices are surprising—you'll find reviews of *Moneyball* and *Orbiting the Giant Hairball*, but not Jack Welch's memoir. At the end of each review, Jack and Todd direct readers to other books both inside and outside *The 100 Best*. And sprinkled throughout are sidebars taking the reader beyond business books, suggesting movies, novels, and even children's books that offer equally relevant insights. This guide will appeal to anyone, from entry-level to CEO, who wants to cut through the clutter and discover the brilliant books that are truly worth their investment of time and money.

The Excellence Dividend Cambridge University Press

Three top Wall Street analysts reveal enduring lessons in sustainable success from the great industrial titans—the high-tech companies of their day—to the disruptors that now dominate the economy. Before Silicon Valley disrupted the world with new technologies and business models, America's industrial giants paved the way. Companies like General Electric, United Technologies, and Caterpillar were the Google and Amazon of their day, setting gold standards in innovation, growth, and profitability. Today's leaders can learn a great deal from their successes, as well as their missteps. In this essential guide, three veteran Wall Street analysts reveal timeless lessons from the titans of industry—and offer battle-tested survival tactics for an ever-changing world. You'll learn: how GE became the largest company on earth—only for a culture of arrogance to set in motion the largest collapse in history how Boeing reassessed risks, raised profits—and tragically lost its balance how Danaher avoided the pitfalls of tremendous success—by continually reinventing itself how Honeywell experienced a near-fatal cultural breakdown—and executed a flawless turnaround how Caterpillar relied too much on forecasting, lost billions—and rallied by recommitting to the basics Filled with illuminating case studies and brilliant in-depth analysis, this invaluable book provides a multitude of insights that will help you weather market upheavals, adapt to disruptions,

and optimize your resources to your best advantage. You'll learn hard-won lessons in innovation, growth, resilience, and operational excellence, as well as the time-proven fundamentals of continuous improvement for lasting success. In the end, you'll have your own personal toolbox of useful takeaways from more than a century's worth of data, experience, wisdom, and can-do spirit, courtesy of some of the greatest business enterprises of all time. This is how manufacturers survived the first disruptors of technology—and how today's giants can survive and thrive during continuous cycles of disruption.

A River Sutra Carolina Academic Press

In this internationally bestselling sequel to the classic business book *In Search of Excellence*, Tom Peters and Nancy Austin reveal the secrets of a management revolution. The authors show how by mixing attention to detail with values, vision and integrity, you can achieve long-term excellence. The heart and soul of the management revolution is leadership which mixes tough-mindedness with tenderness, enabling every employee to take possession of their own achievements, and which demands that each person becomes an innovative contributor to the company's success. Dedicated to imaginative leaders everywhere, this book is for all concerned about the pursuit of excellence in the business world and in public service.

New Learning John Wiley & Sons

"A devastating bombardment of managerial thinking and the profession of management consulting...A serious and valuable polemic." —Wall Street Journal Fresh from Oxford with a degree in philosophy and no particular interest in business, Matthew Stewart might not have seemed a likely candidate to become a consultant. But soon he was telling veteran managers how to run their companies. In narrating his own ill-fated (and often hilarious) odyssey at a top-tier firm, Stewart turns the consultant's merciless, penetrating eye on the management industry itself. *The Management Myth* offers an insightful romp through the entire history of thinking about management, a withering critique of pseudoscience in management theory, and a clear explanation of why the MBA usually amounts to so much BS—leading us through the wilderness of American business thought.

Leadership W. W. Norton & Company

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