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A behind-the-scenes, revelatory history of the controversial consulting firm traces its decades-long influence in both business and political arenas, citing its role in the establishment of mainstream practices and modern understandings about capitalism while evaluating the failures that have compromised its reputation. 60,000 first printing.

Imagine, if you can, the world of business - without corporate strategy. Remarkably, fifty years ago that's the way it was. Businesses made plans, certainly, but without understanding the underlying dynamics of competition, costs, and customers. It was like trying to design a large-scale engineering project without knowing the laws of physics. But in the 1960s, four mavericks and their posses instigated a profound shift in thinking that turbocharged business as never before, with implications far beyond what even they imagined. In *The Lords of Strategy*, renowned business journalist and editor Walter Kiechel tells, for the first time, the story of the four men who invented corporate strategy as we know it and set in motion the modern, multibillion-dollar consulting industry: Bruce Henderson, founder of Boston Consulting Group Bill Bain, creator of Bain & Company Fred Gluck, longtime Managing Director of McKinsey & Company Michael Porter, Harvard Business School professor Providing a window into how to think about strategy today, Kiechel tells their story with novelistic flair. At times inspiring, at times nearly terrifying, this book is a revealing account of how these iconoclasts and the organizations they led revolutionized the way we think about business, changed the very soul

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of the corporation, and transformed the way we work.

After twenty years in the Roughts, Waxillium Ladrian is forced by family tragedy to return to Elendel, where he learns the hard way that the elegant streets of the city can be more dangerous than the dusty plains of the Roughts.

Bennie Rosato is fighting the battle of her life -- against her own twin. The action starts innocently enough, with a stolen wallet, but in no time events escalate and the twin wreaks havoc that can be created only by a dead ringer. Her twin tries to destroy Bennie's law firm, Rosato & Associates, and then strikes at her very heart -- which just happens to be otherwise engaged by a handsome, hunky stranger with the perfect amount of chest hair. But when a brutal murder occurs, Bennie realizes that the stakes have turned deadly. And the face of evil looks like her own.

A special 25th anniversary edition of the extraordinary international bestseller, including a new Foreword by Paulo Coelho. Combining magic, mysticism, wisdom and wonder into an inspiring tale of self-discovery, *The Alchemist* has become a modern classic, selling millions of copies around the world and transforming the lives of countless readers across generations. Paulo Coelho's masterpiece tells the mystical story of Santiago, an Andalusian shepherd boy who yearns to travel in search of a worldly treasure. His quest will lead him to riches far different—and far more satisfying—than he ever imagined. Santiago's journey teaches us about the essential wisdom of listening to our hearts, of recognizing opportunity and learning to read the omens strewn along life's path, and, most importantly, to follow our dreams.

A collection of the best thinking from one of the most innovative management consulting firms in the world For more than forty years, The Boston Consulting Group has been shaping

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strategic thinking in business. The Boston Consulting Group on Strategy offers a broad and up-to-date selection of the firm's best ideas on strategy with fresh ideas, insights, and practical lessons for managers, executives, and entrepreneurs in every industry. Here's a sampling of the provocative thinking you'll find inside: "You have to be the scientist of your own life and be astonished four times: at what is, what always has been, what once was, and what could be." "The majority of products in most companies are cash traps . . . [They] are not only worthless, but a perpetual drain on corporate resources." "Use more debt than your competition or get out of the business." "When information flows freely, reputation, more than reciprocity, becomes the basis for trust." "As a strategic weapon, time is the equivalent of money, productivity, quality, even innovation." "When brands become business systems, brand management becomes far too important to leave to the marketing department." "The winning organization of the future will look more like a collection of jazz ensembles than a symphony orchestra." "Most of our organizations today derive from a model whose original purpose was to control creativity." "Rather than being an obstacle, uncertainty is the very engine of transformation in a business, a continuous source of new opportunities." "IP assets lack clear property lines. Every bit of intellectual property you can own comes with connections to other valuable innovations." Judo, often translated as "the way of gentleness," is a century-old martial art that employs quickness and agility to help devotees overcome adversaries who seem to be more powerful. The authors turn these principles around for a corporate audience, showing how they can also be used to help companies battle bigger and stronger competitors. This is the only authorized guide to Myth, to be published "day-and-date" with the game. Written with the full support of Bungie Software, this book contains in-depth strategies and

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tactics for every mission, behind-the-scenes information, original art from the game, and tips for multiplayer gaming and customization.

Introduces Captain Jack Aubrey and Stephen Maturin, ship's surgeon and intelligence agent, in the age of the Napoleonic wars.

Discusses techniques for business managers for planning company growth, overcoming competition, dealing with inflation, improving the organization of the corporation, and coping with personnel problems

Masters of Orion is a game of interstellar empire-building and strategy on the ultimate scale. This book offers serious gamers detailed strategies, maps, and tables that illuminate every aspect of the game.

Winter Varik believes in only one thing-protecting his family. Even from himself. For nearly 200 years, he's kept a dangerous secret from his brothers. But Winter might have found his salvation in the form of a sexy witch named Fox. Too bad this same witch was named in a prophecy foretelling the destruction of the Variks. In a race to uncover the truth behind the prophecy and take down a vampire determined to kill all the Variks, Winter may have to choose between finally having his heart's desire and the family he loves. Embracing Winter is the fourth book in the Lords of Discord paranormal romance series. This book contains vampires, werewolves, witches, nosy brothers, music, lots of rope, sass,

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hope, dirty talk, redemption, and a love that will never end. And did I mention rope? Lots of rope.

Everyone wants to be rich, but do you know that there is a SCIENCE OF GETTING RICH. This book explains in simple steps how you can first ready yourself to earn more, without hassles or worries. From the simplest question of who all can actually get rich, to the small steps taken – like developing a will power, showing gratitude, getting into the right business – have been explained in detail, in everyday terms. Read on, and find out the secret behind changing your life and the way you earn.

How to close the gap between strategy and execution Two-thirds of executives say their organizations don't have the capabilities to support their strategy. In *Strategy That Works*, Paul Leinwand and Cesare Mainardi explain why. They identify conventional business practices that unintentionally create a gap between strategy and execution. And they show how some of the best companies in the world consistently leap ahead of their competitors. Based on new research, the authors reveal five practices for connecting strategy and execution used by highly successful enterprises such as IKEA, Natura, Danaher, Haier, and Lego. These companies:

- Commit to what they do best instead of chasing multiple opportunities
- Build their own unique winning capabilities

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instead of copying others • Put their culture to work instead of struggling to change it • Invest where it matters instead of going lean across the board • Shape the future instead of reacting to it Packed with tools you can use for building these five practices into your organization and supported by in-depth profiles of companies that are known for making their strategy work, this is your guide for reconnecting strategy to execution.

The Bhagavad Gita is often regarded as the Bible of India. With a gripping story and deeply compelling message, it is unquestionably one of the most popular sacred texts of Asia and, along with the Bible and the Qur'an, one of the most important holy scriptures in the world. Part of an ancient Hindu epic poem, the dialogue of the Bhagavad Gita takes place on a battlefield, where a war for the possession of a North Indian kingdom is about to ensue between two noble families related by blood. The epic's hero, young Prince Arjuna, is torn between his duty as a warrior and his revulsion at the thought of his brothers and cousins killing each other over control of the realm. Frozen by this ethical dilemma, he debates the big questions of life and death with the supreme Hindu deity Krishna, cleverly disguised as his charioteer. By the end of the story, Eastern beliefs about mortality and reincarnation, the vision and practice of yoga, the Indian social order and its responsibilities, family loyalty, spiritual knowledge, and the loftiest

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pursuits of the human heart are explored in depth. Explaining the very purpose of life and existence, this classic has stood the test of twenty-three centuries. It is presented here in a thoroughly accurate, illuminating, and beautiful translation that is sure to become the standard for our day.

Argues that a manager's central responsibility is to create and implement strategies, challenges popular motivational practices, and shares anecdotes discussing how to enable action-oriented plans for real-world results.

In the bestselling tradition of "Liar's Poker" comes a devastatingly accurate and darkly hilarious behind-the-scenes look at the wonderful world of management consulting.

"Quick pacing, witty dialogue, and charmingly original characters set Jeffries' books apart" (Publishers Weekly, starred review), and *The Secret of Flirting* is the next thrilling romance in the bestselling *Sinful Suitors* series! The moment spymaster Baron Fulkham meets the stunning Princess Aurore of Chanay, he's positive her royal persona is a ruse and that she's actually Monique Servais, the mysterious actress he met three years before in Dieppe. But as he pursues his suspicions, he uncovers a plot of attempted assassination and betrayal that could very well destroy his career, expose his own secrets...and ruin the woman he's rapidly coming to love. *The Secret of Flirting* is a sizzling historical romance filled with fast-paced storytelling, an enchanting heroine, and a sexy hero, perfect for fans of Regency romance.

The Macintosh challenged games to be more than child's play and quick reflexes. It

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made human–computer interaction friendly, inviting, and intuitive. Mac gaming led to much that is now taken for granted by PC gamers and spawned some of the biggest franchises in video game history. It allowed anyone to create games and playful software with ease, and gave indie developers a home for their products. It welcomed strange ideas and encouraged experimentation. It fostered passionate and creative communities who inspired and challenged developers to do better and to follow the Mac mantra ‘think different’. Drawing on archive material and interviews with key figures from the era – and featuring new material from Craig Fryar, Apple’s first Mac games evangelist and the co-creator of hit game Spectre – *The Secret History of Mac Gaming* is the story of those communities and the game developers who survived and thrived in an ecosystem that was serially ignored by the outside world. It’s a book about people who followed their hearts first and market trends second, showing how clever, quirky, and downright wonderful video games could be.

Culled from the author's "Fortune" magazine column, these expository pieces probe the American managerial realm and offer practical, diplomatic advice on delicate corporate situations

An accessible guide to the essential issues of corporate finance While you can find numerous books focused on the topic of corporate finance, few offer the type of information managers need to help them make important decisions day in and day out. *Value* explores the core of corporate finance without getting bogged down in numbers

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and is intended to give managers an accessible guide to both the foundations and applications of corporate finance. Filled with in-depth insights from experts at McKinsey & Company, this reliable resource takes a much more qualitative approach to what the authors consider a lost art. Discusses the four foundational principles of corporate finance Effectively applies the theory of value creation to our economy Examines ways to maintain and grow value through mergers, acquisitions, and portfolio management Addresses how to ensure your company has the right governance, performance measurement, and internal discussions to encourage value-creating decisions A perfect companion to the Fifth Edition of Valuation, this book will put the various issues associated with corporate finance in perspective.

Do you have less than 1.5 hours to understand the principles and best practices of developing a private equity investment strategy? Do you want to make informed decisions as a leader? This quick guide is for leaders who are pressed for time and need to know the contours of the right approach to make informed decisions, ask the right questions, understand how to analyze the problem and how to provide guidance and input to their teams. We lay out the business case to encourage target companies to agree to the deal and lead indicators for when a potential target acquisition should be approached. The investment thesis is a guide serving four stakeholders. First, it describes the thinking of the principals who are proposing the investment strategy. In other words, why do they believe this investment strategy will work, and how it will

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work. Second, it is used within the private equity firm to question the strategy. The more unique the strategy, relative to what competitors are pursuing, the more discussions are needed. Third, it becomes the critical document to raise investment funding and help investors understand the risk tolerance and risk appetite of the fund, as well as their potential exit timelines. Fourth, it is also often used to educate and encourage potential acquisition targets to agree to the deal. Over the past 10 years on StrategyTraining.com and FIRMSconsulting.com, you have seen us help numerous clients solve complex business problems: developing a big data strategy, a corporate strategy, a digital & IT strategy, a pandemic & disaster strategy, a luxury brands strategy, a turnaround & transformation strategy, and more—all based on the combined best practices of the author and the ex-McKinsey, BCG et al., partners who produce all the strategy training programs on StrategyTraining.com. Our quick guides distill the steps, actions, processes and considerations that go into developing a unique investment thesis to drive a private equity strategy. You will understand the logic behind the investment thesis, potential pitfalls and how we use it to filter potential acquisitions. You will understand the output that comes from all the hypotheses, decision trees, and prioritizing tools we teach across all our programs, summarizing the best practices from ex-McKinsey, BCG et al. partners to help you solve mankind's most pressing problems. While we can't guarantee the results for each reader, those who have read our books and members who use our online training programs on

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StrategyTraining.com/apps and SLIDES report: Greater recognition More leadership roles Greater contribution Quicker onboarding Deeper understanding of the issues Strategy perspective of the issues Deeper insights Rapid promotions Sense of purpose Clarity of thought If you find this quick guide helpful, you may also benefit from The Private Equity Strategy Journal. The Private Equity Strategy Journal and The Private Equity Strategy Quick Guide are complementary. They both contain useful and different information to explain the problem. The quick guide is for leaders who want to understand the problem to guide their teams. The Journal is for those who want to do the work to solve the problem.

Journalist and editor Walter Kiechel recounts the birth and evolution of strategy, arguably the most influential business paradigm of the past half century and the trials and triumphs of the disruptors who invented it.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER USA TODAY BESTSELLER Amazon, Apple, Facebook, and Google are the four most influential companies on the planet. Just about everyone thinks they know how they got there. Just about everyone is wrong. For all that's been written about the Four over the last two decades, no one has captured their power and staggering success as insightfully as Scott Galloway. Instead of buying the myths these companies broadcast, Galloway asks fundamental questions. How did the Four infiltrate our lives so completely that they're almost impossible to avoid (or boycott)? Why does the stock market forgive them for sins that would destroy other

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firms? And as they race to become the world's first trillion-dollar company, can anyone challenge them? In the same irreverent style that has made him one of the world's most celebrated business professors, Galloway deconstructs the strategies of the Four that lurk beneath their shiny veneers. He shows how they manipulate the fundamental emotional needs that have driven us since our ancestors lived in caves, at a speed and scope others can't match. And he reveals how you can apply the lessons of their ascent to your own business or career. Whether you want to compete with them, do business with them, or simply live in the world they dominate, you need to understand the Four.

The exciting follow-up to 2020 IBPA award winner *Star Wars: The Secrets of the Jedi*. If you only knew the power of the dark side! Discover the ways of the Sith in this thrilling, informative, and fully illustrated children's book. Join Emperor Palpatine, otherwise known as Darth Sidious, in this exploration of the Sith and the evil allies of the dark side. *Star Wars: The Secrets of the Sith* will thrill young fans with dark-side knowledge, incredible artwork, and interactive features, such as pop-ups, booklets, and lift-the-flap inserts. • Experience the power of the dark side: Narrated by Emperor Palpatine, this book will give young readers insight into the might of the dark side. • Learn about some of the greatest Star Wars dark-side villains: Spanning films, television shows, books, comics, and video games, *Star Wars: The Secrets of the Sith* chronicles some of the dark side's most infamous practitioners, including Darth Maul, Count Dooku, Asajj Ventress, Darth Vader, the Grand Inquisitor, and Kylo Ren. • Amazing original illustrations: *Star Wars: The Secrets of the Sith* is a beautifully illustrated children's

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book that readers will want to revisit time and again. Including a frameable 11" x 17" poster of the cover art, this book is a great gift for Star Wars fans. • Full of exciting interactive features: Pop-ups, booklets, and lift-the-flap inserts will thrill young fans, making for an engaging experience while delving into stories about the Sith. • The perfect addition to any Star Wars library: This beautifully bound hardcover book is a must-have for any young fan's collection. Life's tough in the 13th century: The peasants demand food, the blacksmith needs iron, the battles are bloody. Not to worry! GetLords of the Realm II: The Official Strategy Guideand learn: How to feed your people and forge your weapons Strategy options and their effects Details on weapons, castles, and terrain The art of diplomacy -- the velvet glove and the mailed fist The finer points of computer or head-to-head play About the Author Bart Farkasis Editor-in-Chief ofInside Mac Gamesand the author ofWing Commander IV Unauthorized Secrets and Solutions(Prima).

The first-ever detailed, comprehensive history of intelligence, from Moses and Sun Tzu to the present day The history of espionage is far older than any of today's intelligence agencies, yet the long history of intelligence operations has been largely forgotten. The codebreakers at Bletchley Park, the most successful World War II intelligence agency, were completely unaware that their predecessors in earlier moments of national crisis had broken the codes of Napoleon during the Napoleonic wars and those of Spain before the Spanish Armada. Those who do not understand past mistakes are likely to repeat them. Intelligence is a prime example. At the outbreak of World War I, the grasp of intelligence shown by U.S. President Woodrow Wilson and British Prime Minister Herbert Asquith was not in the same class as that of George Washington during the Revolutionary War and leading eighteenth-century British

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statesmen. In this book, the first global history of espionage ever written, distinguished historian Christopher Andrew recovers much of the lost intelligence history of the past three millennia—and shows us its relevance.

Based on a multiyear study of such firms as Apple, IKEA, and Vanguard, the authors warn against complexity as a strategy for business planning, advocating instead for a simple, repeatable model that provides for constant improvement.

To create a competitive advantage, a company must commit itself to developing a set of capabilities superior to its competitors; But such commitments tend to be costly and hard to reverse. How then, should a company decide which broad path, or strategy, to commit itself to? And how are competition and uncertainty to be accounted for in that decision? In this brilliant reassessment of how companies gain and sustain competitive advantage, Pankaj Ghemawat consolidates contemporary research in economics and other disciplines into a comprehensive yet practical framework for comparing commitments to strategically distinct options. This framework will help managers address specific strategic choices such as entry, exit, vertical/horizontal integration, capacity expansion, and innovation, as well as choices of generic strategy. Step by systematic step, Ghemawat provides managers with the tools and techniques they need to improve the quality of the choices that they make. Specifically, Ghemawat discusses: * how to identify the choices that are truly strategic -- that involve commitment -- before rather than after the fact * how to analyze the short-run and long-run competitive positions implied by a particular strategic option * how to assess the sustainability of superior competitive positions over time * how to account for the flexibility afforded by a particular option in dealing with future uncertainties * how to deal with both honest mistakes

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and deliberate distortions in the process of choice This pathbreaking book will help managers invest in the future. Its logic applies to choices involving disinvestment as well as those involving investment -- and to choices that embody elements of both. Its logic can be used for diagnostic purposes, such as the valuation of business, and most broadly, it will force managers to think about important issues that they may have tended to ignore. Ghemawat's discussion of these important ideas is concise, studded with detailed examples, based on rigorous research and, above all, practical. It will become required reading for thoughtful practitioners as well as practitioners-to-be in the 1990s.

Packed with insights and brainstorming exercises for establishing the McKinsey mind-set, this book is an in-depth guidebook for applying McKinsey methods in any industry and organizational environment. Taking a step-by-step approach, *The McKinsey Mind* looks at the McKinsey mystique from every angle. Owners, executives, consultants, and team leaders can look to this comprehensive treatment for ways to:

- Follow McKinsey's MECE (mutually exclusive, collectively exhaustive) line of attack
- Frame business problems to make them susceptible to rigorous fact-based analysis
- Use the same fact-based analysis in conjunction with gut instinct to make strategic decisions
- Conduct meaningful interviews and effectively summarize the content of those interviews
- Analyze the data to find out the so what
- Clearly communicate fact-based solutions to all pertinent decision makers
- Capture and manage the knowledge in any organization to maximize its value

- Strategies and tactics take you from initial conquests to late-stage domination
- The art and sorcery completely de-mystified
- Detailed stats on all units!
- Multiplayer tips to lord over your enemies

About the Author Joe Grant Bell is the author of the *Online Games Guide*, *Myth: The*

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Fallen Lords, and Command & Conquer: Red Alert — Secrets and Solutions Unauthorized among other Prima Entertainment titles.

A Wall Street Journal bestseller Financial expert, investment advisor and New York Times bestselling author James Rickards shows why and how global financial markets are being artificially inflated--and what smart investors can do to protect their assets What goes up, must come down. As any student of financial history knows, the dizzying heights of the stock market can't continue indefinitely--especially since asset prices have been artificially inflated by investor optimism around the Trump administration, ruinously low interest rates, and the infiltration of behavioral economics into our financial lives. The elites are prepared, but what's the average investor to do? James Rickards, the author of the prescient books Currency Wars, The Death of Money, and The Road to Ruin, lays out the true risks to our financial system, and offers invaluable advice on how best to weather the storm. You'll learn, for instance: * How behavioral economists prop up the market: Funds that administer 401(k)s use all kinds of tricks to make you invest more, inflating asset prices to unsustainable levels. * Why digital currencies like Bitcoin and Ethereum are best avoided. * Why passive investing has been overhyped: The average investor has been scolded into passively managed index funds. But active investors will soon have a big advantage. * What the financial landscape will look like after the next crisis: it will not be an apocalypse, but it will be radically different. Those who foresee this landscape can prepare now to preserve wealth. Provocative, stirring, and full of counterintuitive advice, Aftermath is the book every smart investor will want to get their hands on--as soon as possible.

One of the U.S. government's leading China experts reveals the hidden strategy fueling that

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country's rise – and how Americans have been seduced into helping China overtake us as the world's leading superpower. For more than forty years, the United States has played an indispensable role helping the Chinese government build a booming economy, develop its scientific and military capabilities, and take its place on the world stage, in the belief that China's rise will bring us cooperation, diplomacy, and free trade. But what if the "China Dream" is to replace us, just as America replaced the British Empire, without firing a shot? Based on interviews with Chinese defectors and newly declassified, previously undisclosed national security documents, *The Hundred-Year Marathon* reveals China's secret strategy to supplant the United States as the world's dominant power, and to do so by 2049, the one-hundredth anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic. Michael Pillsbury, a fluent Mandarin speaker who has served in senior national security positions in the U.S. government since the days of Richard Nixon and Henry Kissinger, draws on his decades of contact with the "hawks" in China's military and intelligence agencies and translates their documents, speeches, and books to show how the teachings of traditional Chinese statecraft underpin their actions. He offers an inside look at how the Chinese really view America and its leaders – as barbarians who will be the architects of their own demise. Pillsbury also explains how the U.S. government has helped – sometimes unwittingly and sometimes deliberately – to make this "China Dream" come true, and he calls for the United States to implement a new, more competitive strategy toward China as it really is, and not as we might wish it to be. *The Hundred-Year Marathon* is a wake-up call as we face the greatest national security challenge of the twenty-first century. Unlike the wars in Vietnam and Iraq, the US invasion of Afghanistan in 2001 had near-unanimous public support. At first, the goals were straightforward and clear: to defeat al-Qaeda

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and prevent a repeat of 9/11. Yet soon after the United States and its allies removed the Taliban from power, the mission veered off course and US officials lost sight of their original objectives

Cheng, a former McKinsey management consultant, reveals his proven, insider's method for acing the case interview.

"After I sent my team to the Question Based Selling program, not only was the feedback from the training outstanding, but we experienced an immediate positive impact in results."—Jim Cusick, vice president of sales, SAP America, Inc. "Following the program, even our most experienced salespeople raved, saying QBS was the best sales training they have ever experienced!"—Alan D. Rohrer, director of sales, Hewlett Packard For nearly fifteen years, *The Secrets of Question Based Selling* has been helping great salespeople live you deliver big results. It's commonsense approach has become a classic, must-have tool that demonstrates how asking the right questions at the right time accurately identifies your customer's needs. But consumer behavior and sales techniques change as rapidly as technology—and there are countless contradictory sales training programs promising results. Knowing where you should turn to for success can be confusing. Now fully revised and updated, *The Secrets of Question Based Selling* provides a step-by-step, easy-to-follow program that focuses specifically on sales effectiveness—identifying the strategies and techniques that will increase your probability of success. How you sell has become more important than the product. With this hands-on guide, you will learn to: Penetrate more accounts Overcome customer skepticism Establish more credibility sooner Generate more return calls Motivate different types of buyers Develop more internal champions Close more sales...faster And much, much more

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You've been imprisoned in the Black Citadel. You must escape and try to recruit enemy warriors to your side. Joe Hutsko--author of *Ultima II: The Ultimate Strategy Guide*, *Rebel Assault: The Official Insider's Guide* and *The Legend of Kyandia Book 3: Malcolm's Revenge: The Ultimate Strategy Guide*--gives you all the inside information you need to succeed. Management Consultancy provides a comprehensive introduction to the consulting industry. The text uses theory as a basis for critical discussion, ensuring students understand both the theory and its limitations. The authors' engaging writing style is combined with a wealth of real-world practical examples, putting theory into context.

"I had the privilege of working closely with Marvin and McKinsey for many years. This book makes Marvin come to life and perpetuates him as a role model." -Peter F. Drucker "A wonderful book about a wonderful man. In many ways, Marvin's McKinsey framed the hypotheses in our own search for excellence--for example, passion for values, belief in people as the prime resource, and willingness to let people experiment. As well as I thought I knew Marvin, however, this remarkable book, drawing on the collective memories of those who worked most closely with him, taught me a ton about how extraordinary the man really was and what made him that way. Many have called Drucker the man who invented management; I think history will conclude that both he and Marvin Bower share that pedestal." -Bob Waterman, coauthor of *In Search of Excellence* "Marvin Bower became a legend, not just within McKinsey & Company, but within professional services and the business world more broadly. In everything he did and said, he embodied the professional approach and the importance of values. This book sheds remarkable insight on a remarkable man and on the power of constancy of purpose." -Ian Davis, Worldwide Managing Director, McKinsey & Co. "It

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is as Marvin would have wanted it-simple, honest, fact-based, wonderful stories with a long-term perspective. An insightful read about the father of management consulting." -Lois Juliber, retired COO, Colgate-Palmolive "This book provides fascinating insight into the early days of modern management consulting. It is an extremely enlightening look at the origin of one of America's most important professions and one of America's most innovative leaders." -Thomas H. Lee, founder, Chairman, and President, Thomas H. Lee Partners L.P.

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