

Your Mba Game Plan Third Edition Proven Strategies For Getting Into The Top Business Schools

Get into the elite professional school of your dreams with a college application that will capture the attention of admission boards! Business school essays and admissions interviews are perhaps the most challenging parts of being an MBA candidate. With competition to the nation's top business schools being so fierce, you must stand out. Great Applications for Business School helps you play up strengths and talents to distinguish yourself from the rest of the competition. Features: The 8 most common admissions essay topics--and how to answer them 22 actual essays by successful applicants to top schools Self-marketing strategies to highlight your talents Candid insights from admissions officers at top-ranked business schools Topics include: Getting Started, Scoring the Goals Essay, Getting to Know You: The Non-Goals Essays, The Required Optional Essay, Credible Enthusiasm: Letters of Recommendation

“An entertaining and refreshingly honest . . . exploration of business strategy, personal growth, and civic responsibility” by a former Microsoft executive (Publishers Weekly). From Microsoft’s former Chief Xbox Officer, Robbie Bach, comes a unique book that provides a simple yet robust framework that can be used to tackle almost any problem. In Xbox Revisited: A Game Plan for Corporate and Civic Renewal, Bach takes business, non-profit, and community-engaged readers on the Xbox journey—a triumphant and personal saga from garage-shop beginnings to business success. Using the 3P Framework of Purpose, Principles, and Priorities developed by the Xbox team, Bach describes the process used to revitalize a beleaguered business and then applies those lessons to our most difficult community issues and the challenges of a nation at a crossroads. Bach is turning his strategic and leadership skills to a new opportunity: helping individuals and organizations drive transformational change in business and civic institutions. The book is packed with common sense thinking and a strategic framework that can set change in motion at every level of community life. Xbox Revisited is a wake-up call, a challenge to every citizen to become a “civic engineer” addressing the issues we face in our communities and across our country. “A highly effective, common-sense strategy to address difficult business and community issues . . . Seen through the lens of the creation of the Xbox, the story he tells from personal experience is both engaging and inspirational.” —Jeff Raikes, co-founder, Raikes Foundation, former CEO, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and president, Microsoft Business Division

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“A.G. Lafley Has Made Procter And Gamble Great Again”—Economist “Ram Charan Is The Most Influential Consultant Alive”—Fortune Magazine How To Increase And Sustain Organic Revenue And Profit Growth—Whether You’re Running An Entire Company Or In Your First Management Job. Over The Past Seven Years, Procter & Gamble Has Tripled Profits; Hugely Improved Organic Revenue Growth, Cash Flow, And Operating Margins; And Significantly Boosted Dividends. How? A. G. Lafley And His Leadership Team Have Integrated Innovation Into Everything Procter & Gamble Does—Creating New Customers And New Markets. Through Eye-Opening Stories A. G. Lafley And Ram Charan Show How P&G And Companies Such As Nokia, Lego, And Ge Have Become Game-Changers. Their Inspiring Lessons Will Help You Achieve Higher Growth And Higher Margins, Tap In To Abundant Creativity Outside Your Business, Manage Risk And Integrate Innovation Into Your Decision-Making. In A World Of Unprecedented Change And Competitiveness, Innovation Is The Best—And Arguably The Only—Way To Win. Innovation Is Not A Separate Activity, But The Job Of Everyone In A Leadership Position And The Integral Driving Force For Any Business That Wants To Grow And Succeed. This Is A Game-Changing Book That Helps You Redefine Your Leadership.

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Make workplace conflict resolution a game that EVERYBODY wins! Recent studies show that typical managers devote more than a quarter of their time to resolving coworker disputes. The Big Book of Conflict-Resolution Games offers a wealth of activities and exercises for groups of any size that let you manage your business (instead of managing

personalities). Part of the acclaimed, bestselling Big Books series, this guide offers step-by-step directions and customizable tools that empower you to heal rifts arising from ineffective communication, cultural/personality clashes, and other specific problem areas—before they affect your organization's bottom line. Let The Big Book of Conflict-Resolution Games help you to: Build trust Foster morale Improve processes Overcome diversity issues And more Dozens of physical and verbal activities help create a safe environment for teams to explore several common forms of conflict—and their resolution. Inexpensive, easy-to-implement, and proved effective at Fortune 500 corporations and mom-and-pop businesses alike, the exercises in The Big Book of Conflict-Resolution Games delivers everything you need to make your workplace more efficient, effective, and engaged.

The MBA admissions process is fiercely competitive, yet success can be remarkably simple: differentiate yourself from a sea of applicants and gain that coveted letter of acceptance. But how do you discover your unique attributes? How do you create an application that will ensure you truly stand out from the pack? The Complete Start-to-Finish MBA Admissions Guide, 2nd Ed. is filled with exercises and examples that take you step by step through the entire MBA admissions process. Our guide includes chapters on the following:â€¢ Long-term planning to ensure a competitive candidacyâ€¢ Creative brainstorming to build a foundation for standout essaysâ€¢ Writing dynamic personal goal statements and essaysâ€¢ Drafting an eye-catching and results-driven resumeâ€¢ Obtaining compelling and supportive recommendationsâ€¢ Preparing for a persuasive and effective interview (including 100 potential interview questions)

Please note: The content in the new Manhattan Prep GRE Math Strategies is an updated version of the math content in the Manhattan Prep GRE Set of 8 Strategy Guides. Written and recently updated by our 99th percentile GRE instructors, Manhattan Prep's GRE Math Strategies features in-depth lessons covering strategies for every math question type on the GRE. Designed with students in mind, the guide provides a framework for understanding math for the purpose of the GRE and discusses time-saving strategies specific to certain question formats, including Quantitative Comparison and Data Interpretation questions. Each chapter provides comprehensive subject matter coverage with numerous examples to help you build confidence and content mastery. Mixed drill sets help you develop accuracy and speed. All practice problems include detailed answer explanations written by top-scorers.

This book examines volatility, uncertainty, complexity and ambiguity (VUCA) and addresses the need for broader knowledge and application of new concepts and frameworks to deal with unpredictable and rapid changing situations. The premises of VUCA can shape all aspects of an organization. To cover all areas, the book is divided into six sections. Section 1 acts as an introduction to VUCA and complexity. It reviews ways to manage complexity, while providing examples for tools and approaches that can be applied. The main focus of Section 2 is on leadership, strategy and planning. The chapters in this section create new approaches to handle VUCA environments pertaining to these areas including using the Tetralemma logics, tools from systemic structural constellation (SySt) approach of psychotherapy and organizational development, to provide new ideas for the management of large strategic programs in organizations. Section 3 considers how marketing and sales are affected by VUCA, from social media's influence to customer value management. Operations and cost management are highlighted in Section 4. This section covers VUCA challenges within global supply chains and decision-oriented controlling. In Section 5 organizational structure and process management are showcased, while Section 6 is dedicated to addressing the effects of VUCA in IT, technology and data management. The VUCA forces present businesses with the need to move from linear modes of thought to problem solving with synthetic and simultaneous thinking. This book should help to provide some starting points and ideas to deal with the next era. It should not be understood as the end of the road, but as the beginning of a journey exploring and developing new concepts for a new way of management.

An insider's guide to the business school experience offers practical, objective, and firsthand advice for students entering business school and provides a detailed overview of the complex inner workings, challenges, and educational requirements students will encounter during the entire two years of their MBA, from initial application to landing the perfect job. Original. 20,000 first printing.

Manhattan Prep's All the Quant guide is an updated and expanded version of the 5-book GMAT Quant Strategy Guide Set (6th Ed). We've taken the five guides, consolidated them into one book, and expanded coverage of the content and strategies that will help you to get a higher score on the GMAT. Online bonus materials include an exclusive ebook with harder content, a full-length adaptive practice test, and additional practice problems. All the Quant comes with access to the Atlas online learning platform. Your Atlas All the Quant syllabus includes: An exclusive e-book covering harder quant content, for those aiming for an especially high Quant section score A full-length GMAT computer adaptive test (CAT) Additional practice problems, interactive video lessons, strategies for time management, and more Lessons and practice problems created by expert instructors with 99th-percentile scores on the GMAT The All the Quant guide includes the following content areas: Fractions, Decimals, Percents, and Ratios Algebra Word Problems Number Properties Geometry A series of strategy lessons on Data Sufficiency (solving efficiently and effectively) and Arithmetic vs. Algebra (turning algebra into easier-to-solve arithmetic) Manhattan Prep guides are the top-selling GMAT prep guides worldwide for a reason; we have the most in-depth, comprehensive, and effective materials available for GMAT studies. Looking for comprehensive GMAT preparation? Try Manhattan Prep's All the GMAT book set.

We all negotiate on a daily basis. We negotiate with our spouses, children, parents, and friends. We negotiate when we rent an apartment, buy a car, purchase a house, and apply for a job. Your ability to negotiate might even be the most important factor in your career advancement. Negotiation is also the key to business success. No organization can survive without contracts that produce profits. At a strategic level, businesses are concerned with value creation and achieving competitive advantage. But the success of high-level business strategies depends on contracts made with suppliers, customers, and other stakeholders. Contracting capability—the ability to negotiate and perform successful contracts—is the most important function in any organization. This book is designed to help you achieve success in your personal negotiations and in your business transactions. The book is unique in two ways. First, the book not only covers negotiation concepts, but also provides practical actions you can take in future negotiations. This includes a Negotiation Planning Checklist and a completed example of the checklist for your use in future negotiations. The book also includes (1) a tool you can use to assess your negotiation style; (2) examples of “decision trees,” which are useful in calculating your alternatives if your negotiation is unsuccessful; (3) a three-part strategy for increasing your power during negotiations; (4) a practical plan for analyzing your negotiations based on your reservation price, stretch goal, most-likely target, and zone of potential agreement; (5) clear guidelines on ethical standards that apply to negotiations; (6) factors to consider when deciding whether you should negotiate through an agent; (7) psychological tools you can use in negotiations—and traps to avoid when the other side uses them; (8) key elements of contract law that arise during negotiations; and (9) a checklist of factors to use when you evaluate your performance as a negotiator. Second, the book is unique in its holistic approach to the

negotiation process. Other books often focus narrowly either on negotiation or on contract law. Furthermore, the books on negotiation tend to focus on what happens at the bargaining table without addressing the performance of an agreement. These books make the mistaken assumption that success is determined by evaluating the negotiation rather than evaluating performance of the agreement. Similarly, the books on contract law tend to focus on the legal requirements for a contract to be valid, thus giving short shrift to the negotiation process that precedes the contract and to the performance that follows. In the real world, the contracting process is not divided into independent phases. What happens during a negotiation has a profound impact on the contract and on the performance that follows. The contract's legal content should reflect the realities of what happened at the bargaining table and the performance that is to follow. This book, in contrast to others, covers the entire negotiation process in chronological order beginning with your decision to negotiate and continuing through the evaluation of your performance as a negotiator. A business executive in one of the negotiation seminars the author teaches as a University of Michigan professor summarized negotiation as follows: "Life is negotiation!" No one ever stated it better. As a mother with young children and as a company leader, the executive realized that negotiations are pervasive in our personal and business lives. With its emphasis on practical action, and with its chronological, holistic approach, this book provides a roadmap you can use when navigating through your life as a negotiator.

Sharing the essentials of sales, marketing, negotiation, strategy, and much more, the creator of PersonalMBA.com shows readers how to master the fundamentals, hone their business instincts, and save a fortune in tuition.

When discussing being stuck in a "win-win vs. win-lose" debate, most negotiation books focus on face-to-face tactics. Yet, table tactics are only the "first dimension" of David A. Lax and James K. Sebenius' pathbreaking 3-D Negotiation (TM) approach, developed from their decades of doing deals and analyzing great dealmakers. Moves in their "second dimension"—deal design—systematically unlock economic and noneconomic value by creatively structuring agreements. But what sets the 3-D approach apart is its "third dimension": setup. Before showing up at a bargaining session, 3-D Negotiators ensure that the right parties have been approached, in the right sequence, to address the right interests, under the right expectations, and facing the right consequences of walking away if there is no deal. This new arsenal of moves away from the table often has the greatest impact on the negotiated outcome. Packed with practical steps and cases, 3-D Negotiation demonstrates how superior setup moves plus insightful deal designs can enable you to reach remarkable agreements at the table, unattainable by standard tactics.

Surefire Strategies for Getting Into the Top MBA Programs Now with new and expanded information on international MBA programs, comprehensive rankings of the leading schools, and new interviews with admissions officers, How to Get Into the Top MBA Programs provides a complete overview of what the top schools look for. This book features a step-by-step guide to the entire application process with in-depth advice from more than thirty admissions directors. It shows you how to: ? Develop your optimal marketing strategy ? Assess and upgrade your credentials ? Choose the programs that are right for you ? Write quality essays for maximum impact ? Choose and manage your recommenders ? Ace your interviews Prepare for business school and get the most out of your program once you go.

"Coyle spent three years researching the question of what makes a successful group tick, visiting some of the world's most productive groups--including Pixar, Navy SEALs, Zappos, IDEO, and the San Antonio Spurs. Coyle discovered that high-performing groups ... generate three key messages that enable them to excel: 1. Safety (we are connected), 2. Shared risk (we are vulnerable together), 3. Purpose (we are part of the same story)"--

Alex Rogo is a harried plant manager working ever more desperately to try and improve performance. His factory is rapidly heading for disaster. So is his marriage. He has ninety days to save his plant - or it will be closed by corporate HQ, with hundreds of job losses. It takes a chance meeting with a colleague from student days - Jonah - to help him break out of conventional ways of thinking to see what needs to be done. Described by Fortune as a 'guru to industry' and by Businessweek as a 'genius', Eliyahu M. Goldratt was an internationally recognized leader in the development of new business management concepts and systems. This 20th anniversary edition includes a series of detailed case study interviews by David Whitford, Editor at Large, Fortune Small Business, which explore how organizations around the world have been transformed by Eli Goldratt's ideas. The story of Alex's fight to save his plant contains a serious message for all managers in industry and explains the ideas which underline the Theory of Constraints (TOC) developed by Eli Goldratt. Written in a fast-paced thriller style, The Goal is the gripping novel which is transforming management thinking throughout the Western world. It is a book to recommend to your friends in industry - even to your bosses - but not to your competitors!

As America's top female sports agent, in a male-dominated industry, no one knows better than Molly Fletcher what it's like to score your dream job when the odds are against you. In her upcoming book, Your Dream Job Game Plan, she offers practical, take-charge advice that will empower you to discover and achieve your own ideal career.

"I would definitely buy this book if I were applying again."--Rodney Bryant, Macquarie Bank, Australia, formerly of Morgan Stanley, New York Learn all about MBA admissions techniques and skills from an expert! MBA Admissions Strategy guides candidates through the four most important aspects of a successful, competitive business school application: Competitive Strategy Profile Development Essay Management and Writing Technique This lively and accessible new book takes you step-by-step through the process of producing a successful MBA application, with primary emphasis on the essays. The book outlines a system for candidates to identify the competitive value of their past and construct an application profile and compelling message from this. The book then deals with the typical essay questions that applicants face and shows candidates how to fit their profile message to each question: how to know what to write, which essay to write it in, and how to write it well. Along with specific templates and solutions for improving expression, the book shows readers how to avoid common essay pitfalls. An essential must-read for all those considering applying for a MBA.

"Beautifully illustrated and sharply written, SprawlBall is both a celebration and a critique of the 3-point shot. If you want to understand how the modern NBA came to be, you'll need to read this book." —Nate Silver, editor of fivethirtyeight.com From the leading expert in the exploding field of basketball analytics, a stunning infographic decoding of the modern NBA: who shoots where, and how. The field of basketball analytics has leaped to overdrive thanks to Kirk Goldsberry, whose visual maps of players, teams, and positions have helped teams understand who really is the most valuable player at any position. SprawlBall combines stunning visuals, in-depth analysis, fun, behind-the-scenes stories and gee-whiz facts to chart a modern revolution. From the introduction of the 3-point line to today, the game has changed drastically . . . Now, players like Steph Curry

and Draymond Green are leading the charge. In chapters like “The Geography of the NBA,” “The Interior Minister (Lebron James),” “The Evolution of Steph Curry,” and “The Investor (James Harden),” Goldsberry explains why today’s on-court product—with its emphasis on shooting, passing, and spacing—has never been prettier or more democratic. And it’s never been more popular. For fans of Bill Simmons and FreeDarko, *SprawlBall* is a bold new vision of the game, presenting an innovative, cutting-edge look at the sport based on the latest research, as well as a visual and infographic feast for fans.

Use this helpful book to learn about the leadership tools to fuel success, grow your team, and become the visionary you were meant to be. True leadership isn't a matter of having a certain job or title. In fact, being chosen for a position is only the first of the five levels every effective leader achieves. To become more than "the boss" people follow only because they are required to, you have to master the ability to invest in people and inspire them. To grow further in your role, you must achieve results and build a team that produces. You need to help people to develop their skills to become leaders in their own right. And if you have the skill and dedication, you can reach the pinnacle of leadership—where experience will allow you to extend your influence beyond your immediate reach and time for the benefit of others. The 5 Levels of Leadership are: 1. Position—People follow because they have to. 2. Permission—People follow because they want to. 3. Production—People follow because of what you have done for the organization. 4. People Development—People follow because of what you have done for them personally. 5. Pinnacle—People follow because of who you are and what you represent. Through humor, in-depth insight, and examples, internationally recognized leadership expert John C. Maxwell describes each of these stages of leadership. He shows you how to master each level and rise up to the next to become a more influential, respected, and successful leader.

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The top secrets to getting into the best MBA programs, from a leading industry expert Top MBA programs reject more than 80 percent of their applicants, but author Chioma Isiadinso's admissions consulting firm has successfully guided 90 percent of her students into the best business schools around the world. As a former Admissions Board Member, Isiadinso offers insider tips and strategies to help applicants get into the school of their choice by building and promoting their personal brand. This revised and updated edition now offers: • the do's and don'ts of social media networking • sample admissions essays that worked • an international perspective for global admissions appeal "Fantastic Learning Tool...Don't let this book title fool you. It is not an oversimplification of accounting and financial principles. It is, however, a serious and very effective examination of a very small but progressively complex business. There are not many books available on the market that make a complex and dry subject understandable and even fun. This book successfully does just that." -Amazon Reviewer The Clearest Explanation Ever of the Key Accounting Basics The world of accounting can be intimidating. Whether you're a manager, business owner or aspiring entrepreneur, you've likely found yourself needing to know basic accounting...but baffled by complicated accounting books. What if learning accounting could be as simple and fun as running a child's lemonade stand? It can. The Accounting Game presents financial information in a format so simple and so unlike a common accounting textbook, you may forget you're learning key skills that will help you get ahead! Using the world of a child's lemonade stand to teach the basics of managing your finances, this book makes a dry subject fun and understandable. As you run your stand, you'll begin to understand and apply financial terms and concepts like assets, liabilities, earnings, inventory and notes payable, plus: --Interactive format gives you hands-on experience --Color-coded charts and worksheets help you remember key terms --Step-by-step process takes you from novice to expert with ease --Fun story format speeds retention of essential concepts --Designed to apply what you learn to the real world The revolutionary approach of The Accounting Game takes the difficult subjects of accounting and business finance and makes them something you can easily learn, understand, remember and use! "The game approach makes the subject matter most understandable. I highly recommend it to anyone frightened by either numbers or accountants." -John Hernandis, Director of Corporate Communications, American Greetings

SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT MARKETING. 3E incorporates feedback from instructors across the country and has expanded by three chapters. The popular sports and entertainment topics continue to

be the foundation for teaching marketing concepts. Each marketing function is incorporated throughout the text and is highlighted with an icon to indicate how it is used in the marketing process. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Updated to reflect the rapidly evolving game development landscape, industry veteran Heather Chandler continues to educate game enthusiasts on the procedures and processes of game production. This Third Edition presents information that a producer, lead, or studio manager must know to successfully develop a game from concept to gold master.

How to Innovate and Execute Leaders already know that innovation calls for a different set of activities, skills, methods, metrics, mind-sets, and leadership approaches. And it is well understood that creating a new business and optimizing an already existing one are two fundamentally different management challenges. The real problem for leaders is doing both, simultaneously. How do you meet the performance requirements of the existing business—one that is still thriving—while dramatically reinventing it? How do you envision a change in your current business model before a crisis forces you to abandon it?

Innovation guru Vijay Govindarajan expands the leader's innovation tool kit with a simple and proven method for allocating the organization's energy, time, and resources—in balanced measure—across what he calls "the three boxes": • Box 1: The present—Manage the core business at peak profitability • Box 2: The past—Abandon ideas, practices, and attitudes that could inhibit innovation • Box 3: The future—Convert breakthrough ideas into new products and businesses The three-box framework makes leading innovation easier because it gives leaders a simple vocabulary and set of tools for managing and measuring these different sets of behaviors and activities across all levels of the organization. Supported with rich company examples—GE, Mahindra & Mahindra, Hasbro, IBM, United Rentals, and Tata Consultancy Services—and testimonies of leaders who have successfully used this framework, this book solves once and for all the practical dilemma of how to align an organization on the critical but competing demands of innovation.

Expert guidance to help you write the essay that gets you accepted by the best business schools If you're applying to a business school these days, you need more than good grades, high GMAT scores, and an impressive resume. You need to write attention-grabbing essays that express your individuality, identify your goals, and play up your talents and strengths. Written by a renowned admissions consultant who has helped applicants get accepted into the nation's top schools, this all-in-one guide will show you what today's top-level admissions offices are looking for. Filled with clear guidelines, insider tips, and winning samples, it will lead you through every step of the application essay process. You'll learn how to organize and structure your writing, avoid common pitfalls, and market yourself like a pro. The book includes: The 8 most common essay questions--and how to answer them 22 actual essays by successful applicants to top schools Interactive exercises and self-quizzes to guide you in the right direction Self-marketing strategies to highlight your individual talents Candid insights from admissions officers at top-ranked business schools

Can a good company become a great one and, if so, how? After a five-year research project, Collins concludes that good to great can and does happen. In this book, he uncovers the underlying variables that enable any type of organization to

Based on the popular Developing Leadership Talent program offered by the acclaimed Center for Creative Leadership, this important resource offers a nuts-and-bolts framework for putting in place a leadership development system that will attract and retain the best and brightest talent. Step by step, the authors explain how alignment with strategic goals and organizational purpose and effective developmental experiences are the backbone of a successful leadership program. An authoritative and useful book, Developing Leadership Talent is an essential tool for any leadership program.

In the spring of 2010, Harvard Business School's graduating class asked HBS professor Clay Christensen to address them—but not on how to apply his principles and thinking to their post-HBS careers. The students wanted to know how to apply his wisdom to their personal lives. He shared with them a set of guidelines that have helped him find meaning in his own life, which led to this now-classic article.

Although Christensen's thinking is rooted in his deep religious faith, these are strategies anyone can use. Since 1922, Harvard Business Review has been a leading source of breakthrough ideas in management practice. The Harvard Business Review Classics series now offers you the opportunity to make these seminal pieces a part of your permanent management library. Each highly readable volume contains a groundbreaking idea that continues to shape best practices and inspire countless managers around the world.

Humility Is the New Smart Your job is at risk—if not now, then soon. We are on the leading edge of a Smart Machine Age led by artificial intelligence that will be as transformative for us as the Industrial Revolution was for our ancestors. Smart machines will take over millions of jobs in manufacturing, office work, the service sector, the professions, you name it. Not only can they know more data and analyze it faster than any mere human, say Edward Hess and Katherine Ludwig, but smart machines are free of the emotional, psychological, and cultural baggage that so often mars human thinking. So we can't beat 'em and we can't join 'em. To stay relevant, we have to play a different game. Hess and Ludwig offer us that game plan. We need to excel at critical, creative, and innovative thinking and at genuinely engaging with others—things machines can't do well. The key is to change our definition of what it means to be smart. Hess and Ludwig call it being NewSmart. In this extraordinarily timely book, they offer detailed guidance for developing NewSmart attitudes and four critical behaviors that will help us adapt to the new reality. The crucial mindset underlying NewSmart is humility—not self-effacement but an accurate self-appraisal: acknowledging you can't have all the answers, remaining open to new ideas, and committing yourself to lifelong learning. Drawing on extensive multidisciplinary research, Hess and Ludwig emphasize that the key to success in this new era is not to be more like the machines but to excel at the best of what makes us human.

The Ultimate College Entrance Game Plan - A Comprehensive Guide to Collecting, Organizing, and Funding College from Middle School to High School. This handy book is your One-Stop-Shop for all your College Planning needs. Featuring checklist, timelines, & proven strategies for both students and parents. Attend the right college for the right price.

The instant New York Times bestseller! "Emily Oster dives into the data on parenting issues, cuts through the clutter, and gives families the bottom line to help them make better decisions." –Good Morning America "A targeted mini-MBA program designed to help moms and dads establish best practices for day-to-day operations." -The Washington Post

From the bestselling author of Expecting Better and Cribsheet, the next step in data driven parenting from economist Emily Oster. In The Family Firm, Brown professor of economics and mom of two Emily Oster offers a classic business school framework for data-driven parents to think more deliberately about the key issues of the elementary years: school, health, extracurricular activities, and more. Unlike the hourly challenges of infant parenting, the big questions in this age come up less frequently. But we live with the consequences of our decisions for much longer. What's the right kind of school and at what age should a particular kid start? How do you encourage a healthy diet? Should kids play a sport and how seriously? How do you think smartly about encouraging children's independence? Along with these bigger questions, Oster investigates how to navigate the complexity of day-to-day family logistics. Making these decisions is less about finding the specific answer and more about taking the right approach. Parents of this age are often still working in baby mode, which is to say, under stress and on the fly. That is a classic management problem, and Oster takes a page from her time as a business

school professor at the University of Chicago to show us that thoughtful business process can help smooth out tough family decisions. The Family Firm is a smart and winning guide to how to think clearly--and with less ambient stress--about the key decisions of the elementary school years. Parenting is a full-time job. It's time we start treating it like one.

Everyone's got an opinion on applying to bschool. A Google search returns 400 THOUSAND results for "how to get into hbs". Most of them are free blogs and forums. You've probably come across dozens of admissions "experts" who charge \$500/hour to help you "craft" that perfect story and "fine tune" those all-important essays. Why spend all that time reading amateur bloggers who don't know what they're talking about and worse, provide misleading advice? Why pay \$1000s to people who may have gotten into a good school, but only represent one experience? That's why we created The Best Book. We wanted to provide the definitive insider's guide to bschool admissions. We found 9 students from the best bschools including: * HBS * GSB * Wharton * Northwestern * UChicago * A Stanford dual degree (GSB & Stanford Law) * A Harvard 2+2 In 243 PACKED pages and for only \$25 bucks, they share exactly how they got in - from selecting the right people to write their recommendations, to brainstorming and writing their essays, to deciding on round 1 vs 2 vs 3.

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