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The Thinking Woman's Guide to Real
Magic National Academies Press

An imaginative story of a woman caught in an alternate world—where she will need to learn the skills of magic to survive Nora Fischer's dissertation is stalled and her boyfriend is about to marry another woman. During a miserable weekend at a friend's wedding, Nora wanders off and walks through a portal into a different world

where she's transformed from a drab grad student into a stunning beauty. Before long, she has a set of glamorous new friends and her romance with gorgeous, masterful Raclin is heating up. It's almost too good to be true. Then the elegant veneer shatters. Nora's new fantasy world turns darker, a fairy tale gone incredibly wrong. Making it here will take skills Nora never learned in graduate school. Her only real ally—and a reluctant one at that—is the magician Aruendiel, a grim, reclusive figure with a biting tongue and a shrouded past. And it will take her becoming Aruendiel's

student—and learning magic herself—to survive. When a passage home finally opens, Nora must weigh her “real life” against the dangerous power of love and magic. For lovers of Lev Grossman's *The Magicians* series (*The Magicians* and *The Magician King*) and Deborah Harkness's *All Souls Trilogy* (*A Discovery of Witches* and *Shadow of Night*).

A Handbook in Logic and Rationality

Simon and Schuster

Blurred Transparencies in Contemporary Glass Architecture brings to light complex readings of transparent glass through close observations of six pivotal works of architecture. Written from the perspectives of a practitioner, the six essays challenge assumptions about fragility and visual transparency of glass. A material imbued with idealism and

utopic vision, glass has captured architects' imagination, and glass's fragility and difficulties in thermal control continue to present technical challenges. In recent decades, architecture has witnessed an emergence of technological advancements in chemical coating, structural engineering, and fabrication methods that resulted in new kinds of glass transparencies. Buildings examined in the book include a sanatorium with expansive windows delivering light and air to recovering tuberculosis patients, a pavilion with a crystal clear glass plenum circulating air for heating and cooling, a glass monument symbolizing the screen of personal devices that shortened the distance between machines and humans, and a glass building

symbolizing the social and material intertwining in the glass ceiling metaphor. Connecting material glass to broader cultural and social contexts, *Blurred Transparencies in Contemporary Glass Architecture* enlightens students and practitioners of architecture as well as the general public with interest in design. The author demonstrates how glass is rarely crystal clear but is blurred both materially and metaphysically, revealing complex readings of ideas for which glass continues to stand.

The Love Hypothesis Hachette UK
In this seminal work, published by the C.I.A. itself, produced by Intelligence veteran Richards Heuer discusses three pivotal points. First, human minds are ill-equipped ("poorly wired") to cope effectively with both inherent and

induced uncertainty. Second, increased knowledge of our inherent biases tends to be of little assistance to the analyst. And lastly, tools and techniques that apply higher levels of critical thinking can substantially improve analysis on complex problems.

Blurry Algonquin Books

"Fascinating. Doidge's book is a remarkable and hopeful portrait of the endless adaptability of the human brain."—Oliver Sacks, MD, author of *The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat*
What is neuroplasticity? Is it possible to change your brain? Norman Doidge's inspiring guide to the new brain science explains all of this and more An astonishing new science called neuroplasticity is overthrowing the centuries-old notion that the human

brain is immutable, and proving that it is, in fact, possible to change your brain. Psychiatrist, Norman Doidge, M.D., traveled the country to meet both the brilliant scientists championing neuroplasticity, its healing powers, and the people whose lives they've transformed—people whose mental limitations, brain damage or brain trauma were seen as unalterable. We see a woman born with half a brain that rewired itself to work as a whole, blind people who learn to see, learning disorders cured, IQs raised, aging brains rejuvenated, stroke patients learning to speak, children with cerebral palsy learning to move with more grace, depression and anxiety disorders successfully treated, and lifelong character traits changed. Using these

marvelous stories to probe mysteries of the body, emotion, love, sex, culture, and education, Dr. Doidge has written an immensely moving, inspiring book that will permanently alter the way we look at our brains, human nature, and human potential.

Basics Illustration 01 GENERAL PRESS
The product of a Kickstarter fundraising campaign, "Clear and Present Thinking" is a college-level textbook in logic and critical thinking. Chapters: 1. Questions, Problems, and World Views 2. Good and Bad Thinking Habits 3. Basics of Argumentation 4. Fallacies 5. Reasonable Doubt 6. Moral Reasoning In an effort to reduce the cost of education for students, this textbook was funded by over 700 people through the Kickstarter online crowd-funding

platform. This softcover edition is available here for the lowest reasonable price. All profits from the sale of this print edition will go towards funding future free or nearly-free college textbook projects.

Duke University Press

Graph data closes the gap between the way humans and computers view the world. While computers rely on static rows and columns of data, people navigate and reason about life through relationships. This practical guide demonstrates how graph data brings these two approaches together. By working with concepts from graph theory, database schema, distributed systems, and data analysis, you'll arrive at a unique intersection known as graph thinking. Authors Denise Koessler

Gosnell and Matthias Broecheler show data engineers, data scientists, and data analysts how to solve complex problems with graph databases. You'll explore templates for building with graph technology, along with examples that demonstrate how teams think about graph data within an application. Build an example application architecture with relational and graph technologies Use graph technology to build a Customer 360 application, the most popular graph data pattern today Dive into hierarchical data and troubleshoot a new paradigm that comes from working with graph data Find paths in graph data and learn why your trust in different paths motivates and informs your preferences Use collaborative filtering to design a Netflix-inspired recommendation system

Selected Writings of a Passionate Rationalist Blackstone Publishing

The true story of how a renowned writer's struggle with mood storms led her to try a remedy as drastic as it is forbidden: microdoses of LSD. Her revealing, fascinating journey provides a window into one family and the complex world of a once-infamous drug seen through new eyes. When a small vial arrives in her mailbox from "Lewis Carroll," Ayelet Waldman is at a low point. Her moods have become intolerably severe; she has tried nearly every medication possible; her husband and children are suffering with her. So she opens the vial, places two drops on her tongue, and joins the ranks of an underground but increasingly vocal group of scientists and civilians

successfully using therapeutic microdoses of LSD. As Waldman charts her experience over the course of a month--bursts of productivity, sleepless nights, a newfound sense of equanimity--she also explores the history and mythology of LSD, the cutting-edge research into the drug, and the byzantine policies that control it.

Drawing on her experience as a federal public defender, and as the mother of teenagers, and her research into the therapeutic value of psychedelics, Waldman has produced a book that is eye-opening, often hilarious, and utterly enthralling.

Why Living Smaller, Living Closer, and Driving Less Are the Keys to

Sustainability Infinite Sky Publishing

The hardest choices are also the most

consequential. So why do we know so little about how to get them right? Big, life-altering decisions matter so much more than the decisions we make every day, and they're also the most difficult: where to live, whom to marry, what to believe, whether to start a company, how to end a war. There's no one-size-fits-all approach for addressing these kinds of conundrums. Steven Johnson's classic *Where Good Ideas Come From* inspired creative people all over the world with new ways of thinking about innovation. In *Farsighted*, he uncovers powerful tools for honing the important skill of complex decision-making. While you can't model a once-in-a-lifetime choice, you can model the deliberative tactics of expert decision-makers. These experts aren't just the master strategists

running major companies or negotiating high-level diplomacy. They're the novelists who draw out the complexity of their characters' inner lives, the city officials who secure long-term water supplies, and the scientists who reckon with future challenges most of us haven't even imagined. The smartest decision-makers don't go with their guts. Their success relies on having a future-oriented approach and the ability to consider all their options in a creative, productive way. Through compelling stories that reveal surprising insights, Johnson explains how we can most effectively approach the choices that can chart the course of a life, an organization, or a civilization. *Farsighted* will help you imagine your possible futures and appreciate the subtle

intelligence of the choices that shaped our broader social history.

Syncing Forward Penguin

Basics Illustration 01: Thinking Visually explores the importance of ideas, research, drawing and experimentation for the illustrator.

Surfaces and Essences Ingram

Chiara Moretti. Angel or devil? When she rescued me from the side of the road, I thought she was the former. A gorgeous young woman with a difficult family, she had me wrapped around her finger in an instant. We both agreed to share a no-strings-attached sexy weekend in Tuscany. I didn't expect being unable to erase her from my mind. Now she's back in my life in the most complicated way. Chiara is here, within reach, watching me with her fiery eyes and devious

mouth. Tempting me, torturing me. But I can't have her. I can't even be near her, not when she's one of my students, and all I want to do is touch her until she forgets her own name.

Material, Culture, and Technology

Random House Trade Paperbacks

Golding's iconic 1954 novel, now with a new foreword by Lois Lowry, remains one of the greatest books ever written for young adults and an unforgettable classic for readers of any age. This edition includes a new Suggestions for Further Reading by Jennifer Buehler. At the dawn of the next world war, a plane crashes on an uncharted island, stranding a group of schoolboys. At first, with no adult supervision, their freedom is something to celebrate. This far from civilization they can do anything they

want. Anything. But as order collapses, as strange howls echo in the night, as terror begins its reign, the hope of adventure seems as far removed from reality as the hope of being rescued.

Four Ways to be Right, Five Ways to be Wrong Farrar, Straus and Giroux
A Simon & Schuster eBook. Simon & Schuster has a great book for every reader.

Making Eye Health a Population Health Imperative AVA Publishing

Can you love someone you don't remember? After the Last War destroyed most of the world, survivors form a new society in four self-sustaining cities in the Mojave Desert. In the utopia of the Four Cities, inspired by the lyrics of "Imagine" and Buddhist philosophy, everything is carefully planned and

controlled: the seasons, the weather—and the residents. To prevent mankind from destroying each other again, its citizens undergo a memory wipe every four years in a process called tabula rasa, a blank slate, to remove learned prejudices. With each new cycle, they begin again with new names, jobs, homes, and lives. No memories. No attachments. No wars. Aris, a scientist who shuns love, embraces tabula rasa and the excitement of unknown futures. Walling herself off from emotional attachments, she sees relationships as pointless and avoids deep connections. But she is haunted by a recurring dream that becomes more frequent and vivid as time passes. After meeting Benja, a handsome free-spirited writer who believes his dreams of a past lover are

memories, her world is turned upside down. Obsessed with finding the Dreamers, a secret organization thought to have a way to recover memories, Benja draws her down a dangerous path toward the past. When Metis, the leader of the Dreamers, appears in Aris's life, everything she believes falls to pieces. With little time left before the next tabula rasa, they begin a bittersweet romance, navigating love in a world where names, lives, and moments are systematically destroyed. Thought-provoking and emotionally resonant, *Reset* will make you consider the haunting reality of love and loss, and the indelible marks they leave behind.

Essential Thinking Skills For Solving Problems, Managing Chaos, and Creating Lasting Solutions in a Complex World

University of Chicago Press
 One of TIME's Ten Best Nonfiction Books of the Decade "Meet the new Stephen Hawking . . . The Order of Time is a dazzling book." --The Sunday Times
 From the bestselling author of *Seven Brief Lessons on Physics*, *Reality Is Not What It Seems*, and *Helgoland*, comes a concise, elegant exploration of time. Why do we remember the past and not the future? What does it mean for time to "flow"? Do we exist in time or does time exist in us? In lyric, accessible prose, Carlo Rovelli invites us to consider questions about the nature of time that continue to puzzle physicists and philosophers alike. For most readers this is unfamiliar terrain. We all experience time, but the more scientists learn about it, the more mysterious it remains. We

think of it as uniform and universal, moving steadily from past to future, measured by clocks. Rovelli tears down these assumptions one by one, revealing a strange universe where at the most fundamental level time disappears. He explains how the theory of quantum gravity attempts to understand and give meaning to the resulting extreme landscape of this timeless world. Weaving together ideas from philosophy, science and literature, he suggests that our perception of the flow of time depends on our perspective, better understood starting from the structure of our brain and emotions than from the physical universe. Already a bestseller in Italy, and written with the poetic vitality that made *Seven Brief Lessons on Physics* so appealing, *The Order of Time*

offers a profoundly intelligent, culturally rich, novel appreciation of the mysteries of time.

Science in the Soul Wendy Lamb Books

"Callie--who ages from six to eighteen over the course of the book--leads a scattered childhood, moving from cars to strangers' houses to the sand-dusted apartments of the tourist towns that litter the Florida coastline. Callie's is a story about what it's like to grow up too fast and absorb too much, to watch adults behaving badly; what it's like to be simultaneously in thrall to and terrified of the mother who is the only family you've ever known, who moves you from town to town to leave her own mistakes behind"--

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Delacorte Books for Young Readers
In spite of soaring tuition costs, more and more students go to college every year. A bachelor's degree is now required for entry into a growing number of professions. And some parents begin planning for the expense of sending their kids to college when they're born. Almost everyone strives to go, but almost no one asks the fundamental question posed by *Academically Adrift*: are undergraduates really learning anything once they get there? For a large proportion of students, Richard Arum and Josipa Roksa's answer to that question is a definitive no. Their extensive research draws on survey responses, transcript data, and, for the first time, the state-of-the-art Collegiate Learning Assessment, a standardized

test administered to students in their first semester and then again at the end of their second year. According to their analysis of more than 2,300 undergraduates at twenty-four institutions, 45 percent of these students demonstrate no significant improvement in a range of skills—including critical thinking, complex reasoning, and writing—during their first two years of college. As troubling as their findings are, Arum and Roksa argue that for many faculty and administrators they will come as no surprise—instead, they are the expected result of a student body distracted by socializing or working and an institutional culture that puts undergraduate learning close to the bottom of the priority list. *Academically Adrift* holds sobering lessons for

students, faculty, administrators, policy makers, and parents—all of whom are implicated in promoting or at least ignoring contemporary campus culture. Higher education faces crises on a number of fronts, but Arum and Roksa's report that colleges are failing at their most basic mission will demand the attention of us all.

A Student's Introduction Penguin
Look out for David Owen's next book, *Where the Water Goes*. A challenging, controversial, and highly readable look at our lives, our world, and our future. Most Americans think of crowded cities as ecological nightmares, as wastelands of concrete and garbage and diesel fumes and traffic jams. Yet residents of compact urban centers, Owen shows, individually consume less oil, electricity,

and water than other Americans. They live in smaller spaces, discard less trash, and, most important of all, spend far less time in automobiles. Residents of Manhattan—the most densely populated place in North America—rank first in public-transit use and last in percapita greenhouse-gas production, and they consume gasoline at a rate that the country as a whole hasn't matched since the mid-1920s, when the most widely owned car in the United States was the Ford Model T. They are also among the only people in the United States for whom walking is still an important means of daily transportation. These achievements are not accidents. Spreading people thinly across the countryside may make them feel green, but it doesn't reduce the damage they

do to the environment. In fact, it increases the damage, while also making the problems they cause harder to see and to address. Owen contends that the environmental problem we face, at the current stage of our assault on the world's nonrenewable resources, is not how to make teeming cities more like the pristine countryside. The problem is how to make other settled places more like Manhattan, whose residents presently come closer than any other Americans to meeting environmental goals that all of us, eventually, will have to come to terms with.

How We Make the Decisions That Matter the Most Penguin

A ground-up Canadian text, *Clear Thinking in a Blurry World* offers a new way of examining the discipline of

critical thinking. This text focuses on critical thinking as it applies to philosophy and cognition, rather than the typical 'formal logic lite' approach. *Clear Thinking in a Blurry World* includes many practical sections that are not commonly found in books in this market—material on numeracy and statistical analysis. Through this text, students will examine sources of information—from social exchanges, to science, to mainstream media—in detail, as well as the cognitive and social psychology of biases. This text aims directly at teaching, or beginning to teach, a broad set of knowledge, skills, and habits properly called critical reasoning faculties. Students using this text will enhance their ability to: - recognize and classify reliable and

unreliable forms of reasoning -
understand reasoning about evidence,
including some central concepts of
statistics and probability -anticipate the
cognitive and social factors that make us
susceptible to particular reasoning errors
-critically examine science—and popular
conceptions of science—in relation to the
problem of how to believe reasonable
things -examine the media and other
main sources of information about the
world to see how they might be
unreliable, and under what
circumstances

The Systems Thinker Pickle Partners
Publishing

The Newbery Medal and Coretta Scott
King Award-winning classic about a boy
who decides to hit the road to find his
father—from Christopher Paul Curtis,

author of *The Watsons Go To
Birmingham—1963*, a Newbery and
Coretta Scott King Honoree. It's 1936, in
Flint Michigan. Times may be hard, and
ten-year-old Bud may be a motherless
boy on the run, but Bud's got a few
things going for him: 1. He has his own
suitcase full of special things. 2. He's the
author of Bud Caldwell's *Rules and
Things for Having a Funner Life and
Making a Better Liar Out of Yourself*. 3.
His momma never told him who his
father was, but she left a clue: flyers
advertising Herman E. Calloway and his
famous band, the Dusky Devastators of
the Depression!!!!!! Bud's got an idea
that those flyers will lead him to his
father. Once he decides to hit the road
to find this mystery man, nothing can
stop him—not hunger, not fear, not

vampires, not even Herman E. Calloway himself. AN ALA BEST BOOK FOR YOUNG ADULTS AN ALA NOTABLE CHILDREN'S BOOK AN IRA CHILDREN'S BOOK AWARD WINNER NAMED TO 14 STATE AWARD LISTS "The book is a gem, of value to all ages, not just the young people to whom it is aimed." —The Christian Science Monitor "Will keep readers engrossed from first page to last." —Publishers Weekly, Starred "Curtis writes with a razor-sharp intelligence that grabs the reader by the heart and never lets go. . . . This highly recommended title [is] at the top of the list of books to be read again and again." —Voice of Youth Advocates, Starred From the Hardcover edition.

Limited Learning on College Campuses Penguin

New York Times bestselling author Chuck Klosterman asks questions that are profound in their simplicity: How certain are we about our understanding of gravity? How certain are we about our understanding of time? What will be the defining memory of rock music, five hundred years from today? How seriously should we view the content of our dreams? How seriously should we view the content of television? Are all sports destined for extinction? Is it possible that the greatest artist of our era is currently unknown (or—weirder still—widely known, but entirely disrespected)? Is it possible that we "overrate" democracy? And perhaps most disturbing, is it possible that we've reached the end of knowledge? Klosterman visualizes the contemporary

world as it will appear to those who'll perceive it as the distant past.

Kinetically slingshotting through a broad spectrum of objective and subjective problems, *But What If We're Wrong?* is built on interviews with a variety of creative thinkers—George Saunders, David Byrne, Jonathan Lethem, Kathryn Schulz, Neil deGrasse Tyson, Brian Greene, Junot Díaz, Amanda Petrusich,

Ryan Adams, Nick Bostrom, Dan Carlin, and Richard Linklater, among others—interwoven with the type of high-wire humor and nontraditional analysis only Klosterman would dare to attempt. It's a seemingly impossible achievement: a book about the things we cannot know, explained as if we did. It's about how we live now, once "now" has become "then."

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