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*Creative Destruction and the Sharing Economy* John Wiley & Sons  
 Sticking to the same old routine may be comforting, but it gets most people nowhere. Inspirational speaker and recognized expert in leadership and government affairs, Todd Mitchem dares you to step outside your comfort zone to disrupt everything you take for granted. He calls this willingness to take a risk the "Disruption Effect." In this inspiring book, he shows you how to realize your full potential by intentionally disrupting yourself, no matter what career path or life journey you choose. Using compelling stories from his own life, Todd vividly highlights the key lessons he has learned from both his successes and failures. He then demonstrates how you can apply these lessons to your own circumstances. A major learning experience in his life came in 2013, when he left an impressive career as a corporate executive and leadership expert to join the emerging marijuana industry. Though that single decision sent his life on a wild and disruptive journey, the experience taught him new skills as a leader along the way. Three years later he left the industry as a CEO, having succeeded at taking one brand to "Largest Brand" status and building the world's first social network for cannabis enthusiasts. He then created a government affairs consultancy focusing on disruptive yet collaborative solutions. The author shares other stories about situations in both his personal and business life that he found particularly challenging but that ultimately led to growth and successful outcomes. Complete with exercises to help you master important lessons and stay on track to reach your goals, this motivating book has everything you need to become the owner of your own fulfillment. The message is clear- You, as an individual, have the power to break your paradigm in order to move into a new phase of your life. By disrupting your own way of being in the world, you become free to explore new ways of living and thriving.

### **Disruption by Design** Simon and Schuster

Most entrepreneurs have had to learn things the hard way-- concepts such as: big ideas rarely make great businesses; laboring on a business plan can be a waste of time; and you will need dramatically more start-up money than you originally thought you did. But Len Green, an experienced investor, entrepreneur, and business professor, has encapsulated together all the inside secrets, proven strategies, and mistakes

experienced so that you can learn it all beforehand, rather than when all your capital is on the line. Based on his popular Ultimate Entrepreneurship course, *The Entrepreneur's Playbook* explains how to:

- Locate sure-bet opportunities for improving products
- Find funding
- Take calculated risks and minimize failure
- Get serious about positioning, distributing, and licensing
- And more!

Plus, the invaluable instruction available for readers is now interactive. Dozens of exercises are given throughout the book that can be submitted online for feedback! Why stumble alone on a risky venture on your way to failure when you can tap into the best ideas and minds for increasing your chances for success? [Get Smarter About the Choices that Will Make or Break Your Business](#) John Wiley & Sons

A leader in educational technology separates truth from hype, explaining what tech can—and can't—do to transform our classrooms. Proponents of large-scale learning have boldly promised that technology can disrupt traditional approaches to schooling, radically accelerating learning and democratizing education. Much-publicized experiments, often underwritten by Silicon Valley entrepreneurs, have been launched at elite universities and in elementary schools in the poorest neighborhoods. Such was the excitement that, in 2012, the New York Times declared the "year of the MOOC." Less than a decade later, that pronouncement seems premature. In *Failure to Disrupt: Why Technology Alone Can't Transform Education*, Justin Reich delivers a sobering report card on the latest supposedly transformative educational technologies. Reich takes readers on a tour of MOOCs, autograders, computerized "intelligent tutors," and other educational technologies whose problems and paradoxes have bedeviled educators. Learning technologies—even those that are free to access—often provide the greatest benefit to affluent students and do little to combat growing inequality in education. And institutions and investors often favor programs that scale up quickly, but at the expense of true innovation. It turns out that technology cannot by itself disrupt education or provide shortcuts past the hard road of institutional change. Technology does have a crucial role to play in the future of education, Reich concludes. We still need new teaching tools, and classroom experimentation should be encouraged. But successful reform efforts will focus on incremental improvements, not the next killer app.

*Master Change, Thrive Under Pressure, and Bounce Back from Setbacks: Easyread Large Bold Edition* Greenleaf Book Group

What can you learn from a Silicon Valley legend and a pantheon of iconic leaders? The key to scaling a successful business isn't

talent, network, or strategy. It's an entrepreneurial mindset—and that mindset can be cultivated. "If you're scaling a company—or if you just love a well-told story—this is a book to savor."—Robert Iger, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Ride of a Lifetime*

Behind the scenes in Silicon Valley, Reid Hoffman (founder of LinkedIn, investor at Greylock) is a sought-after adviser to heads of companies and heads of state. On each episode of his podcast, *Masters of Scale*, he sits down with a guest from an all-star list of visionary founders and leaders, digging into the surprising strategies that power their company's growth. In this book, he draws on their most riveting, revealing stories—as well as his own experience as a founder and investor—to distill the secrets behind the most extraordinary success stories of our times. Here, Hoffman teams up with *Masters of Scale's* executive producers to offer a rare window into the entrepreneurial mind, sharing hard-won wisdom from leaders of iconic companies (including Apple, Nike, Netflix, Spotify, Starbucks, Google, Instagram, and Microsoft) as well as the bold, disruptive startups (such as 23andMe, TaskRabbit, Black List, and Walker & Co.) that are solving the problems of the twenty-first century. Through vivid storytelling and incisive analysis, *Masters of Scale* distills their collective insights into a set of counterintuitive principles that anyone can use. How do you find a winning idea and turn it into a scalable venture? What can you learn from a "squirmy no"? When should you stop listening to your customers? Which fires should you put out right away, and which should you let burn? And can you really make money while making the world a better place? (Answer: Yes. But you have to keep your profits and values aligned.) Based on more than a hundred interviews and including a wealth of new material never aired on the podcast, this unique insider's guide will inspire you to reimagine how you do business today.

[How U.S. Special Operations Forces Overcome Fear and Dare to Win by Getting Comfortable Being Uncomfortable](#) Vintage

Transform your business idea into a high potential venture Big, bright and brilliant, *Gear Up* is an engaging and practical workbook for anyone looking to pursue a fresh business opportunity or grow an existing one. Developed at Harvard Business School and Stanford University, it's a bootcamp with clear, easy-to-follow steps to test your business idea, assess its potential and make it work! Based on a revolutionary 9-component framework, *Gear Up* offers entrepreneurs, intrapreneurs, innovative executives and business students a toolkit to bring their ideas to life and transform them into high potential ventures. *Gear Up* offers a useable business tool for



assessing the needs of a business idea and helps you create a plan of action to promote business success. By working through the chapters of the book, you get to create a winning strategy based on recommendations tried and tested by executives around the world. Gear Up offers: - A step by step guide to help you build a foundation for your business opportunity - Solid business framework formulated from entrepreneurs, academics and real life experience - A highly practical workbook with visual, full-colour design and compelling layout Gear Up also comes with educators' support materials available at gearupventures.com PowerPoint presentations with teaching notes Online course materials Course Schedule Evaluation Forms Certificate for students who complete the course Coming soon! - An innovative, interactive digital toolkit Gear Up Virtual Toolkit (powered by You Noodle): A digital platform where participants can present their enterprise idea, work through the framework, answering questions and get real-time feedback from their facilitator/educator. The tool will even generate a ready-made PowerPoint presentation at the end of the process! Gear Up Mobile App (powered by We Chat): This app allows students to answer questions from their lecturers or vote in real-time from their phones within the classroom. The app promotes student engagement and class participation.

#### **Remastering Leadership for Your Industry, Your Enterprise, and Yourself** Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

The rapid development of technology and globalization has changed the leverage points in the world of work. Those that don't adapt will be trapped in a downward spiral of working harder and earning less. Entrepreneurs that understand the new paradigm, have created unprecedented wealth in their lives and the lives of those they love.

*The CEO's Guide to Innovation* ReadHowYouWant.com

From Eli Whitney to Henry Ford to Ray Kroc to Steve Jobs, market disruptors have reaped the benefits, including fame and fortune. But do you have to be that rare genius whose unique skills can literally change the world? No. Disrupting a market is a discipline that can be learned. *Disruption by Design*—a handbook for entrepreneurs, CEOs, product developers, innovators, and others who want to build products or create services that systematically disrupt markets—is the first book that shows you how. There is a huge difference between being an "innovator" and being a "disruptive innovator." Disruptors change the basis for competition in markets, and they end up controlling market share—typically 40 to 80% of the total revenue and half or more of the total profits in the categories they create. But while many market opportunities have disruptive potential, only a small fraction of those ever succeed in disrupting markets. And, too often, those that do disrupt do so by accident. It doesn't have to be that way. *Disruption by Design* conveys lessons learned from successful disruptors, and from the many companies that should have disrupted but failed. Beginning with a quick review of the theory and key elements of the patterns of disruptive innovations and how to identify ideas with disruptive potential, *Disruption by Design* guides you through the design, build, and go-to-market phases that successful disruptors follow. Using many examples of disruptive companies and products, this book takes the popular theory of disruptive innovation and drives it down to the level of practical application. It answers the question, "How do I create a disruptive company, product, and culture?" *Disruption by Design*: "ul> Goes beyond describing how disruptive innovation happens, and answers and explains the all-important "why." Provides a "where-to-look" guide for discovering disruptive opportunities. Shows you how to predict when market disruption is likely. Outlines the necessary ingredients and elements of corporate strategy that maximize the probability of being disruptive. Provides a roadmap to disruptive success, from the initial idea through product launch to actual market disruption. Shows how to stay atop the market and not be the next victim of a new disruptor. Includes the *Disruption by Design* Canvas, for mapping a disruptive business model. Most important, *Disruption by Design* articulates a step-by-step process for developing a product and marketing strategy—and a business model design—that maximizes the probability of successful market disruption.

#### **The Road to Reinvention** Rodale Books

Dream bigger and leap into a new, better future right now. For over three decades, Susanne Conrad has helped people find happiness in both their personal and professional lives. In *Get There Now*, Susanne recounts with heart and humor the many obstacles she has overcome, including growing up as the daughter of an eccentric inventor, her first marriage to a ne'er-do-well Sri Lankan hash dealer, working in the boys' club of a nuclear weapons facility, her struggles to make ends meet as a single mom, and how she eventually found huge success in the leadership and personal development arena. Susanne's remarkable stories and life lessons can help you • learn to heal • find wisdom and forgiveness • release old patterns and trauma • create your best future *Get There Now* will leave you laughing, digging deep, and even shedding a few tears as you explore your own life choices and learn how to ask the right questions. So get

ready for a compelling journey of self-discovery as Susanne Conrad turns moments of her life inside out to provide a map for you to do the same and build a stronger future for yourself, your business, and your community.

*Twelve Truths for Creating Opportunity, Maximizing Wealth, and Controlling your Destiny in an Uncertain World* Harvard University Press

Amoral, cunning, ruthless, and instructive, this multi-million-copy New York Times bestseller is the definitive manual for anyone interested in gaining, observing, or defending against ultimate control – from the author of *The Laws of Human Nature*. In the book that *People* magazine proclaimed “beguiling” and “fascinating,” Robert Greene and Joost Elffers have distilled three thousand years of the history of power into 48 essential laws by drawing from the philosophies of Machiavelli, Sun Tzu, and Carl Von Clausewitz and also from the lives of figures ranging from Henry Kissinger to P.T. Barnum. Some laws teach the need for prudence (“Law 1: Never Outshine the Master”), others teach the value of confidence (“Law 28: Enter Action with Boldness”), and many recommend absolute self-preservation (“Law 15: Crush Your Enemy Totally”). Every law, though, has one thing in common: an interest in total domination. In a bold and arresting two-color package, *The 48 Laws of Power* is ideal whether your aim is conquest, self-defense, or simply to understand the rules of the game.

*How to Go Big, Create Wealth and Impact the World* Edward Elgar Publishing

*Disrupt You! Master Personal Transformation, Seize Opportunity, and Thrive in the Era of Endless Innovation* Macmillan

*15 Paths to Disruptive Innovation* FT Press

As an ADHD child with dyslexia, Tom Stern felt unable to live up to the great expectations set by his very successful grandfather and father; as a result, he suffered from extreme anxiety. Over time, he developed a methodology that increased his confidence and enabled him to achieve success in the entertainment industry, later founding an executive search firm that has sustained excellence for more than a quarter century. It is Tom's goal to help others achieve success in sales and realize their dreams by overcoming their fears as well. *Fear Less, Sell More* uses a fictional story, humor, and a conversational approach to making friends with fear. Drawing from Tom's circuitous career, he shares his unique insights into the psychology behind selling that can bolster the success of any sales professional.

*Growth IQ* Harvard Business Press

In this #1 New York Times bestseller, the CEO of Starbucks recounts the story and leadership lessons behind the global coffee company's comeback and continued success. In 2008, Howard Schultz decided to return as the CEO of Starbucks to help restore its financial health and bring the company back to its core values. In *Onward*, he shares this remarkable story, revealing how, during one of the most tumultuous economic periods in American history, Starbucks again achieved profitability and sustainability without sacrificing humanity. Offering you a snapshot of the recession that left no company unscathed, the book shows in riveting detail how one company struggled and recreated itself in the midst of it all. In addition, you'll get an inside look into Schultz's central leadership philosophy: It's not about winning, it's about the right way to win. *Onward* is a compelling, candid narrative documenting the maturing of a brand as well as a businessman. Ultimately, Schultz gives you a sense of hope that, no matter how tough times get, the future can be more successful than the past.

*Mad Genius* Prometheus Books

"Twelve decorated combat veterans show how getting comfortable being uncomfortable allowed them to thrive in battle and in life."--Jacket.

*Digital to the Core* Harvard Business Press

*Bold* is a radical how-to guide for using exponential technologies, moonshot thinking, and crowd-powered tools to create extraordinary wealth while also positively impacting the lives of billions. A follow-up to the authors' *Abundance* (2012).

*Future Proofing You* John Wiley & Sons

A WALL STREET JOURNAL BESTSELLER Do you know the best way to drive your company's growth? If not, it's time to boost your Growth IQ. Trying to find the one right move that will improve your business's performance can feel overwhelming. But, as you'll discover in *Growth IQ*, there are just ten simple—but easily misunderstood—paths to growth, and every successful growth strategy can be boiled down to picking the right combination and sequence of these paths for your current context. Tiffani Bova travels around the world helping companies solve their most vexing problem: how to keep growing in the face of stiff competition and a fast-changing business environment. Whether she's presenting to a Fortune 500 board of directors or brainstorming over coffee with a startup founder, Bova cuts through the clutter and confusion that surround growth. Now, she draws on her decades of experience and more than thirty fascinating, in-depth business stories to demonstrate the opportunities—and pitfalls—of each of the ten growth paths, how they work together, and how they apply to business today. You'll see how, for instance: \* Red Bull broke Coca-Cola and PepsiCo's

stranglehold on the soft drink market by taking the Customer Base Penetration path to establish a foothold with adventure sports junkies and expand into the mainstream. \* Marvel transformed itself from a struggling comic book publisher into a global entertainment behemoth by using a Customer and Product Diversification strategy and shifting their focus from comic books to comic book characters in movies. \* Starbucks suffered a brand crisis when they overwhelmed their customers with a Product Expansion strategy, and brought back CEO Howard Schultz to course-correct by returning to the Customer Experience path. Through Bova's insightful analyses of these and many other case studies, you'll see why it can be a mistake to imitate strategies that worked for your competitors, or rely on strategies that worked for you in the past. To grow your company with confidence, you first need to grow your Growth IQ.

*Deliberate Discomfort* Penguin

For more and more companies in a world that's changing fast, there's only one way to win the game: transform it entirely. For anyone who wants to thrive in this new order, this requires a revolution in thinking—a steady stream of disruptive strategies and unexpected solutions. *Disrupt: Think the Unthinkable to Spark Transformation in Your Business* shows how to generate and execute those solutions—a disruptive approach for a disruptive age. Author Luke Williams demonstrates his experience creating disruptive products and services at frog design, one of the world's leading innovation firms. Williams combines the fluid creativity of "disruptive thinking" with the analytical rigor that is indispensable to business success. The result is a simple yet complete five-stage process for imagining a powerful market disruption and transforming it into reality. Using many examples and a book-length case study of Little Miss Matched, Williams shows how the more unexpected an idea, the smaller the number of competitors, and the more successful the company that brings it to market. He walks through generating a disruptive hypothesis, defining a disruptive market opportunity, creating multiple disruptive ideas, shaping them into an actionable solution, and persuading key stakeholders to adopt or invest in the solution. *Disrupt* offers readers a systematic way to redefine the future of a company, catch entire industries by surprise, and leave competitors scrambling to catch up.

#### **How to Create Products that Disrupt and then Dominate Markets** Macmillan International Higher Education

A digital innovator's examination of the process employed by leading disruptors, showing how to achieve success in a volatile world.

#### **Disrupt You! Master Personal Transformation, Seize Opportunity and Thrive in the Era of Endless Innovation** AMACOM

While creative destruction and disruptive innovation change the entrepreneurial landscape; regulation – especially regulation of sectorial markets and competition regulation – can delay this change or even bring it to a halt. Uber plays an active role between these two forces: first as an agent of creative destruction and then possibly in championing regulation on its own terms. Grounded in a particular understanding of the economic concept of the market as a series of processes, this book explores the implications of creative destruction, competition regulation and the role that businesses play. Instead of discussing these relations in a purely abstract manner, this book uses Uber as a case study.

*Uber as Disruptive Innovation* Apress

High-growth organizations need high-growth individuals Startups, growth-stage companies, and private equity-backed companies all have one thing in common: They need high-growth individuals to execute high-growth plans. As a leader trying to achieve ambitious organizational goals, you need people who can do more than just keep up; you need people who can set the pace. You need high-growth individuals. *Disrupt Yourself* helps high-growth individuals—and those trying to attain this status—learn the tools and frameworks necessary to make changes that matter. This book helps you understand how these frameworks of disruptive innovation can apply to your particular path, whether you are: A self-starter ready to make a disruptive pivot in your business A high-potential individual charting your career trajectory A manager looking to instill innovative thinking within your team A leader facing industry changes that make for an uncertain future Whitney Johnson used the theory of disruptive innovation to invest in publicly traded stocks and early-stage private companies, and now she applies the framework to the personal and professional growth of individuals. We are living in an era of accelerating disruption, and no one is immune. Johnson makes the compelling case that managing the S-curve waves of learning and mastery is a requisite skill for the future. If you want to be successful in unexpected ways and achieve your wildest goals, follow your own disruptive path. Dare to innovate. Do something astonishing. Disrupt yourself.

*The Innovation Master Plan* Harvard Business Press

Outlines a path to success based on creativity and problem solving despite the changing economic climate and future uncertainty.

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