

## Startalk Flash Reference Guide

The most academically credible case for alien visitation. Is the existence of civilisation on earth the result of contact from inhabitants of a planet in the system of the star Sirius prior to 3000BC? There are tribal cultures in present-day Africa whose most sacred and secret and traditions are based on this theory.

Central to their cosmology is a body of knowledge concerning the system of the star Sirius that is astounding in its accuracy of detail, including specific information only recently accessible to modern science. Robert Temple traces the traditions of the Dogon and three related tribes back 5, 000 years to the ancient Mediterranean cultures of Sumer and Egypt. He shows knowledge dependent on physics and astrophysics, which they claimed was imported to them by visitors from Sirius.

‘A witty, learned, authoritative survey of philosophical thought.’ —The New York Times Book Review
The first authoritative and accessible single-volume history of philosophy to cover both Western and Eastern traditions, from one of the world’s most eminent thinkers
The story of philosophy is an epic tale, spanning civilizations and continents. It explores some of the most creative minds in history. But not since the long-popular classic by Bertrand Russell, A History of Western Philosophy, published in 1945, has there been a comprehensive and entertaining single-volume history of this great, intellectual, world-shaping journey. With characteristic clarity and elegance, A. C. Grayling takes the reader from the age of the Buddha, Confucius, and Socrates through Christianity’s capture of the European mind, from the Renaissance and Enlightenment on to Mill, Nietzsche, Sartre and, finally, philosophy today. Surveying in tandem the great philosophical traditions of India, China, and the Persian-Arabic world, and astonishing in its range and accessibility, Grayling’s The History of Philosophy is destined to be a landmark work.

We live in an era of rapidly advancing technology. Artificial Intelligence (AI) is becoming more and more prominent in our daily lives, leading us closer and closer to what the technocrats in Silicon Valley and elsewhere call “The Singularity.” None of this should be new to most people, as it is discussed everywhere in the Media, and famous people are telling us how wonderful this Brave New World will be. But what does the Singularity really entail, when we investigate what the technocrats are telling us and what they are giving us in form of nanotechnology. This book is going into detail about the transformation of mankind from a biological human to a nanotechnological cyborg. This is not a secret: it is what is openly promoted. Even nature itself will be transformed into AI. If the technocrats will get their way, they promise us eternal life, claiming they can replace our vital organs with nanotechnology, and we will live forever. If this is how it works, is it really what we want? What are the pros and cons with nanotechnology? What will happen to you, as a soul, when your consciousness is uploaded into a Cloud: something that is currently happening with all of us? This book discusses what the technocrats promise us and what they are not telling us. What are they actually planning for us in the near future? It is time to take a sober look at where we are heading and decide if this is what we want. Last but not least, this book will also discuss who are most likely behind the entire technocratic movement, and how it has been planned for a very long time.

Blending fact and fiction, the amazing story of an abandoned puppy from Moscow who grew to be a Russian space program pioneer as Earth’s first space traveler is presented in comic-style illustrations. Original.

Bunheads
Settler Colonialism as a Political Idea
StarTalk’s Guide to Who We Are, How We Got Here, and Where We’re Going
The King James Code

Astrophysics for Young People in a Hurry
Planning and Management of Meetings, Expositions, Events and Conventions, Global Edition

**Many would rather change worlds than change the world. The settlement of communities in ‘empty lands’ somewhere else has often been proposed as a solution to growing contradictions. While the lands were never empty, sometimes these communities failed miserably, and sometimes they prospered and grew until they became entire countries. Building on a growing body of transnational and interdisciplinary research on the political imaginaries of settler colonialism as a specific mode of domination, this book uncovers and critiques an autonomous, influential, and coherent political tradition – a tradition still relevant today. It follows the ideas and the projects (and the failures) of those who left or planned to leave growing and chaotic cities and challenging and confusing new economic circumstances, those who wanted to protect endangered nationalities, and those who intended to pre-empt forthcoming revolutions of all sorts, including civil and social wars. They displaced, and moved to other islands and continents, beyond the settled regions, to rural districts and to secluded suburbs, to communes and intentional communities, and to cyberspace. This book outlines the global history of a resilient political idea: to seek change somewhere else as an alternative to embracing (or resisting) transformation where one is.**

**Author-illustrator Vashli Harrison shines a bold, joyous light on black men through history in his #1 New York Times bestseller. An important book for readers of all ages, this beautifully illustrated and engagingly written volume brings to life true stories of black men in history. Among these biographies, readers will find aviators and artists, politicians and pop stars, athletes and activists. The exceptional men featured include writer James Baldwin, artist Aaron Douglas, filmmaker Oscar Devereaux Michaux, Iwanam Bass Reeves, civil rights leader John Lewis, dancer Alvin Ailey, and musician Prince. The legends in Little Legends: Exceptional Men in Black History span centuries and continents, but each one has blazed a trail for generations to come.**

**For courses in meeting, event, and convention planning, Planning and Management of Meetings, Expositions, Events and Conventions, is the first text of its kind to focus on planning (in addition to event management), and incorporates the Meeting and Business Events Competency Standards (MBECS). It is the most up-to-date book on planning and management in the meetings, expositions, events, and conventions (MEEC) industry and covers a wide range of topics dealing with these two crucial functions. The text follows a practical, hands-on approach and is an excellent resource for college courses, employee training, and professional reference. Developed as a collaborative work, the text features contributions from some of the best and most notable practitioners and educators in the field. This text will provide a better teaching and learning experience—for you and your students. It provides: Preparation for careers in event planning: The text follows a practical, career-focused approach. Professional insight: Chapters include advice and best practices from numerous industry insiders. Effective review tools: Learning and review tools facilitate understanding and promote skill mastery. The full text downloaded to your computer. With eBooks you can: search for key concepts, words and phrases make highlights and notes as you study share your notes with friends Print 5 pages at a time Compatible for PCs and MACs No expiry (offline access will remain whilst the Bookshelf software is installed. eBooks are downloaded to your computer and accessible either offline through the VitalSource Bookshelf (available as a free download), available online and also via the iPad/Android app. When the eBook is purchased, you will receive an email with your access code. Simply go to http://bookshelf.vitalsource.com/ to download the FREE Bookshelf software. After installation, enter your access code for your eBook. Time limit The VitalSource products do not have an expiry date. You will continue to access your VitalSource products whilst you have your VitalSource Bookshelf installed.**

**Java Programming: A Comprehensive Introduction is designed an introductory programming course using Java. This text takes a logical approach to the presentation of core topics, moving step-by-step from the basics to more advanced material, with objects being introduced at the appropriate time. The book is divided into three parts: Part One covers the elements of the Java language and the fundamentals of programming. An introduction to object-oriented design is also included. Part Two introduces GUI (Graphical User Interface) programming using Swing. Part Three explores key aspects of Java’s API (Application Programming Interface) library, including the Collections Framework and the concurrency API. Herb Schildt has written many successful programming books in Java, C++, C, and C#. His books have sold more than three million copies. Dale Skrien is a professor at Colby College with degrees from the University of Illinois-Champaign, the University of Washington, and St. Olaf College. He’s also authored two books and is very active in SIGCSE.**

A Roadmap to the Singularity and Beyond

The Sirius Mystery

A Learner’s Manifesto

How I Went from Being Lost to Getting My Life into Shape

The History of Philosophy

ISDN Applications

From New York Times bestselling and award-winning author Renée Watson comes a love story about not only a romantic relationship but how a girl finds herself and falls in love with who she really is. When Nala Robertson reluctantly agrees to attend an open mic night for her cousin-sister-friend Imani’s birthday, she finds herself falling in instant love with Tye Brown, the MC. He’s perfect, except . . . Tye is an activist and is spending the summer putting on events for the community when Nala would rather watch movies and try out the new seasonal flavors at the local creamery. In order to impress Tye, Nala tells a few very tiny lies to get on his good side. As they spend more time together, sharing more of themselves, some of those lies get harder to keep up. As Nala falls deeper into keeping up her lies and into love, she’ll learn all the ways love is hard, and how self-love is revolutionary. In Love Is a Revolution, plus size girls are beautiful and get the attention of the hot guys, the popular girl clique is not shallow but has strong convictions and substance, and the ultimate love story is not only about romance but about how to show radical love to the people in your life, including to yourself.

In her first picture book since the bestselling and award-winning Firebird, Misty Copeland tells the story of a young Misty discovering her love for dance through the ballet of Coppelia. On her first day of class Misty is absolutely captivated by the narrative of the story and entranced by the dance. Nervous, yet excited, Misty decides to audition for one of the lead roles. As she prepares for the audition and, eventually, the performance, Misty learns to lean on her newfound friends for inspiration and rely on her own can-do spirit to dance her very best. Featuring themes of teamwork, friendship, dedication, and hard work, children everywhere will be inspired to reach for their dreams in Misty’s exciting new picture book series, Bunheads.

‘Winner of the 2017 Goodreads Choice Awards: Non-Fiction Book of the Year!’ The official debut book from YouTube phenomenon Lilly Singh. ‘The ultimate no-nonsense manual for millennials how how to make it to the top’ Marie Claire From actress, comedian and YouTube sensation Lilly Singh (aka Superwoman) comes the ultimate essential life manual for young women. Told in a hilarious, relatable, and entirely honest way, Lilly proves that there are no shortcuts to success. WARNING: This book does NOT include hopeful thoughts, lucky charms, and cute quotes. That’s because success, happiness and everything else you want in life needs to be fought for - not wished for. In Lilly’s world, there are no escalators. Only stairs.

Views from one of the most original cultural critics of the twentieth century, Walter Benjamin

Memoirs of the Undefeated Champion

First Principles

ILLuminations

How to Be a Bawse

Skillfully Moving through Times of Transition and Challenge

Geomorphometry

Geomorphometry is the science of quantitative land-surface analysis. It draws upon mathematical, statistical, and image-processing techniques to quantify the shape of earth’s topography at various spatial scales. The focus of geomorphometry is the calculation of surface-form measures (land-surface parameters) and features (objects), which may be used to improve the mapping and modelling of landforms to assist in the evaluation of soils, vegetation, land use, natural hazards, and other information. This book provides a practical guide to preparing Digital Elevation Models (DEM) for analysis and extracting land-surface parameters and objects from DEMs through a variety of software. It further offers detailed instructions on applying parameters and objects in soil, agricultural, environmental, and engineering applications. This is a manual of state-of-the-art methods to serve the various researchers who use geomorphometry. Soil scientists will use this book to further learn the methods for classifying and measuring the chemical, biological, and fertility properties of soils and gain a further understandg of the role of soil as a natural resource. Geologists will find value in the instruction this book provides for measuring the physical features of the soil such as elevation, porosity, and structure which geologists use to predict natural disasters such as earthquakes, volcanoes, and flooding. \* Technical details on a variety of software packages allow researchers to solve real-life mapping issues \* Provides soil and agronomy researchers best practice techniques for soil data analysis to assist enhanced land-use and planning \* Offers geologists essential tactics for better environmental management by providing a comprehensive analysis of the physical features of soil \* Companion website includes access to the latest technological advancements previously unpublished in any other comprehensive source: geomorphometry software, DEM data sources, and applications

New York Times Bestseller Editors’ Choice —New York Times Book Review “Ricks knocks it out of the park with this jewel of a book. On every page I learned something new. Read it every night if you want to restore your faith in our country.” —James Mattis, General, U.S. Marines (ret.) & 26th Secretary of Defense The Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist and #1 New York Times bestselling author of revelatory new book about the founding fathers, examining their educations and, in particular, their devotion to the ancient Greek and Roman classics—and how that influence would shape their ideals and the new American nation. On the morning after the 2016 presidential election, Thomas Ricks awoke with a few questions on his mind: What kind of nation did we now have? Is it what was desired by the nation’s founding fathers? Trying to get as close to the source as he could, Ricks decided to go back and read the philosophy and literature that shaped the founders’ thinking, and the letters they wrote to each other debating these crucial works—among them the Iliad, Plutarch’s Lives, and the works of Xenophon, Epicurus, Aristotle, Cato, and Cicero. For though much attention has been paid the inflated words of English political philosophers, like John Locke, closer to their own era, the founders were far more immersed in the literature of the ancient world. The first four American presidents came to their classical knowledge differently: Washington absorbed it mainly from the elite culture of his day; Adams from the laws and rhetoric of Rome; Jefferson immersed himself in classical philosophy, especially Epicureanism; and Madison, both a groundbreaking researcher and a deft politician, spent years studying the ancient world like a political scientist. Each of their experiences, and distinctive learning, played an essential role in the formation of the United States. In examining how and what they studied, looking at them in the unusual light of the classical world, Ricks is able to draw arresting and fresh portraits of men we thought we knew. First Principles follows these four members of the Revolutionary generation from their youths to their adult lives, as they grappled with questions of independence, and forming and keeping a new nation. In doing so, Ricks interprets not only the effect of the ancient world on each man, and how that shaped our constitution and our government, but offers startling new insights into these legendary leaders.

Explore the star-studded cosmos with this fully updated, user-friendly skywatcher’s guide, filled with charts, graphics, photographs, and expert tips for viewing – and understanding – the wonders of space. Stargazing’s too much fun to leave to astronomers. In these inviting pages, “Night Sky Guy” Andrew Fazekas takes an expert but easygoing approach that will delight would-be astronomers of all ages and talents. Organized logically, brings the solar system, stars, and planets to life in your own backyard. Start with the easiest constellations and then “star-hop” across the night sky to find others nearby. Learn about the dark side of the moon, how to pick Mars out of a planetary lineup, and which kinds of stars twinkle in your favorite constellations. Hands-on tips and techniques for observing with the naked eye, binoculars, or a telescope help make the most out of sightings and astronomical phenomena such as eclipses and meteor showers. Photographs and graphics present key facts in an easy-to-understand format, explaining heavenly phenomena such as black holes, solar flares, and supernovas. Revised to make skywatching even easier for the whole family, this indispensable guide shines light on the night sky—truly one of the greatest shows on Earth!

This volume of collected essays explores the premise that Plutarch’s work, notwithstanding its amazing thematic multifariousness, constantly pivots on certain ideological pillars which secure its unity and coherence. So, unlike other similar books, which more or less, concentrate on either the Lives or the Moralia or on some particular aspect(s) of Plutarch’s oeuvre, the articles of the present volume observe Plutarch at work in both Lives and Moralia, thus bringing forward and illustrating the inner unity of his varied literary production. The subject-matter of the volume is uncommonly wide-ranging and the studies collected here inquire into many important issues of Plutarchean scholarship: the conditions under which Plutarch’s writings were separated into two distinct corpora, his methodology of work and the various authorial techniques employed, the interplay between Lives and Moralia, Plutarch and politics, Plutarch and philosophy, literary aspects of Plutarch’s oeuvre, Plutarch on women, Plutarch in his epistemological and socio-historical context. In sum, this book brings Plutarchean scholarship to date by revisiting and discussing older and recent problematization concerning Plutarch in an attempt to further illuminate his personality and work.

Synthetic Super Intelligence and the Transmutation of the Humankind

Meetings, Expositions, Events, and Conventions

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The Sciencebook

I Am Smart, I Am Blessed, I Can Do Anything!

Is The Wire better than Breaking Bad? Is Cheers better than Seinfeld? What’s the best high school show ever made? Why did Moonlighting really fall apart? Was the Arrested Development Netflix season brilliant or terrible? For twenty years—since they shared a TV column at Tony Soprano’s hometown newspaper—critics Alan Sepinwall and Matt Zeltz have been debating these questions and many more, but it all ultimately boils down to this: What’s the greatest TV show ever? That debate reaches an epic conclusion in TV (THE BOOK). Sepinwall and Zeltz have identified and ranked the 100 greatest scripted shows in American TV history. Using a complex, obsessively all-encompassing scoring system, they’ve created a Pantheon of top TV shows, each accompanied by essays delving into what made these shows great. From vintage classics like The Twilight Zone and I Love Lucy to modern masterpieces like Mad Men and Friday Night Lights, from huge hits like All in the Family and ER to short-lived favorites like Firefly and Freaky and Geeks, TV (THE BOOK) will bring the triumphs of the small screen together in one amazing compendium. Sepinwall and Zeltz’s argument has ended. Now it’s time for yours to begin!

A Penguin Great Ideas edition of stoic philosophy in wise and practical aphorisms that have inspired Bill Clinton, Ryan Holiday, Anna Kendrick and many more. Few ancient philosophies have been as influential as the Meditations of Marcus Aurelius, philosopher and emperor of Rome (AD 161–190). A series of spiritual exercises filled with wisdom, practical guidance, and profound understanding of human behavior, it remains one of the greatest works of spiritual and ethical reflection ever written. Marcus’s insights and advice—on everything from living in the world to coping with adversity and interacting with others—have made the Meditations required reading for statesmen and philosophers alike, while generations of ordinary readers have responded to the straightforward intimacy of his style. For anyone who struggles to reconcile the demands of leadership with a concern for personal integrity and spiritual well-being, the Meditations remains as relevant now as it was two thousand years ago. Throughout history, some books have changed the world. They have transformed the way we see ourselves—and each other. They have inspired debate, dissent, war and revolution. They have enlightened, outraged, provoked and comforted. They have enriched lives—and destroyed them. Now, Penguin brings you the works of the great thinkers, pioneers, radicals and visionaries whose ideas shook civilization, and helped make us who we are. Penguin’s Great Ideas series features twelve groundbreaking works by some of history’s most prodigious thinkers, and each volume is beautifully packaged with a unique type-drive design that highlights the bookmaker’s art. Offering great literature in great packages at great prices, this series is ideal for those readers who want to explore and savor the Great Ideas that have shaped the world.

A dictionary of emotions for children - with 60 definitions to help children identify and understand their emotions. Includes parent/teacher notes. Encapsulates centuries of scientific thought in one richly illustrated volume. Six major sections, ranging from the universe and planet Earth to biology, chemistry, physics, and mathematics, encompass everything from microscopic life to nuclear power—with particular attention given to subjects in the news today, like climate change and genetic engineering. Includes 2,000 illustrations, 3-D graphics and pictograms.

Concepts, Software, Applications

Cosmic Queries

Be a Triangle

National Geographic Backyard Guide to the Night Sky, 2nd Edition

We Were Made for These Times

Total Participation Techniques

8 starred reviews · Goodreads Choice Awards Best of the Best · William C. Morris Award Winner · National Book Award Longlist · Printz Honor Book · Coretta Scott King Honor Book · #1 New York Times Bestseller “Absolutely riveting!” —Jason Reynolds “Stunning.” —John Green “This story is necessary. This story is important.” —Kirkus (starred review) “Heartbreakingly topical.” —Publishers Weekly (starred review) “A marvel of verisimilitude.” —Booklist (starred review) “A powerful, in-your-face novel.” —Horn Book (starred review) Sixteen-year-old Starr Carter moves between two

worlds: the poor neighborhood where she lives and the fancy suburban prep school she attends. The uneasy balance between these worlds is shattered when Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend Khalil at the hands of a police officer. Khalil was unarmed. Soon afterward, his death is a national headline. Some are calling him a thug, maybe even a drug dealer and a gangbanger. Protesters are taking to the streets in Khalil’s name. Some cops and the local drug lord try to intimidate Starr and her family. What everyone wants to know is: what really went down that night? And the only person alive who can answer that is Starr. But what Starr does—or does not—say could upend her community. It could also endanger her life. Want more of Garden Heights? Catch Maverick and Seven’s story in Concrete Rose, Angie Thomas’s powerful prequel to The Hate U Give.

Exercising your emotions for children - with 60 definitions to help children identify and understand their emotions. Includes parent/teacher notes. Encapsulates centuries of scientific thought in one richly illustrated volume. Six major sections, ranging from the universe and planet Earth to biology, chemistry, physics, and mathematics, encompass everything from microscopic life to nuclear power—with particular attention given to subjects in the news today, like climate change and genetic engineering. Includes 2,000 illustrations, 3-D graphics and pictograms.

Unleash positive thinking and productive imagination, and flip negative thoughts and behaviors into a lifetime to improve every aspect of your life—each morning, one day at a time. Bad habits. Bad feelings. Bad mornings that turn into regrettable days. Banish them all with simple brain hacks that flip negative thoughts and behaviors into positive, productive ones. Instead of dragging through your day, learn to wake up refreshed, recharge regularly, and live better than ever. The Morning Mind makes it easy. Based on findings from neuroscience and medicine, the book helps you turn down the fear-driven reptile brain and tap into the part linked to thinking and imagination. With topics ranging from diet and hydration to exercise and meditation, you’ll find ideas for activating your brain—and improving every aspect of your life: Restore healthy cycles of waking and sleeping. Block harmful cortisol hormones. Boost mental performance. Create calmer mornings. Develop self-discipline. Stimulate creativity. Improve your leadership skills. And more. From the moment the alarm clock rings, The Morning Mind helps you greet each day with gusto.

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A Dictionary of Emotions for Children - with 60+ Definitions to Help Children Identify and Understand Their Emotions
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TV (The Book)

*Neil deGrasse Tyson’s #1 New York Times best-selling guide to the cosmos, adapted for young readers. From the basics of physics to big questions about the nature of space and time, celebrated astrophysicist and science communicator Neil deGrasse Tyson breaks down the mysteries of the cosmos into bite-sized pieces. Astrophysics for Young People in a Hurry describes the fundamental rules of the universe—clearly and in a way Tyson’s characteristic wit, there’s a lot of fun thrown in, too. This adaptation by Gregory Mone includes full-color photos, infographics, and extra explanations to make even the trickiest concepts accessible. Building on the wonder inspired by outer space, Astrophysics for Young People in a Hurry introduces an exciting field and the principles of scientific inquiry to young readers.*

*In ten concise chapters, you’ll learn powerful ways to meet life’s challenges with wisdom, resilience, and ease. We all go through times when it feels like the ground is being pulled out from under us. What we relied on as steady and solid may change or even appear to vanish. In this era of global disruption, threats to our individual, social, and planetary safety abound, and at times life can feel overwhelming. Not only are loss and separation painful, but even positive changes can cause great stress. Yet life is full of change: birth, death, marriage, divorce; a new relationship; losing or starting a job; beginning a new phase in life or ending one. Change is stressful, even when it is much desired or anticipated—the unknown can feel scary and threatening. In We Were Made for These Times, the extraordinary mindfulness teacher Kaia Jewel Lingo imparts accessible advice on navigating difficult times of transition, drawing on Buddhist teachings on impermanence to help you establish equanimity and resilience. Each chapter in We Were Made for These Times holds an essential teaching and meditation, unfolding a step-by-step process to nurture deeper freedom and stability in daily life. Time-honored teachings will help you develop ease, presence, and self-compassion, supporting you to release the fear and doubt that hold you back.*

*The New York Times bestselling author of How to Be a Bawse comes an “insightful and charming” new primer on learning to come home to your truest and happiest self. “I love Lilly’s honest and helpful advice about achieving happiness.” —Mindy Kaling, #1 New York Times bestselling author of Why Not Me? “It’s time to flip right side up. It’s time for the book title to make sense. It’s time to be a triangle.” Everyone—even world-famous actress, author, and creator Lilly Singh—knows that sometimes life just sucks. In this book, Singh provides a safe space where readers can learn how to create a sense of peace within themselves. Without sugarcoating what it’s like to face adversity—including acknowledging her own intensely personal struggles with identity, success, and self-doubt—Singh teaches readers to “unsubscribe” from cookie-cutter ideals. With her signature blend of vulnerability, insight, and humor, Singh instructs readers to “be a triangle,” creating a solid foundation for your life, one that can be built upon, but never fundamentally changed or destroyed. As she puts it, we must always find a way to come home to ourselves: “we must create a place, a system of beliefs, a simple set of priorities to come back to should life lead us astray, which it definitely will.” Like a wise, empathetic friend who always keeps you honest, Singh pushes you to adjust your mindset and change your internal dialogue. The result is a deeply humane, entertaining, and uplifting guide to befriending yourself and becoming a true “miracle for the world.”*

*“A genius . . . a writer who spent his life decrying the onward march of the Machine.” — The New Yorker Brave New World author Aldous Huxley on enlightenment and the “ultimate reality.” In this anthology of twenty-six essays and other writings, Aldous Huxley discusses the nature of God, enlightenment, being, good and evil, religion, eternity, and the divine. Huxley consistently examined the spiritual basis of both the individual and human society, always seeking to reach an authentic and clearly defined experience of the divine. Featuring an introduction by renowned literary scholar Huston Smith, this celebration of “ultimate reality” proves relevant and prophetic in addressing the spiritual hunger so many feel today.*

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Use Your Brain to Master Your Day and Supercharge Your Life

Everything You Need to Know about the World and how it Works

Love Is a Revolution

How Do I Feel?

The Unity of Plutarch’s Work

In this thought-provoking follow-up to his acclaimed StarTalk book, uber astrophysicist Neil deGrasse Tyson tackles the world’s most important philosophical questions about the universe with wit, wisdom, and cutting-edge science. For science geeks, space and physics nerds, and all who want to understand their place in the universe, this enlightening new book from Neil deGrasse Tyson offers a unique take on the mysteries and curiosities of the cosmos, building on rich material from his beloved StarTalk podcast. In these illuminating pages, illustrated with dazzling photos and revealing graphics, Tyson and co-author James Trefl, a renowned physicist and science popularizer, take on the big questions that humanity has been posing for millennia—How did life begin? What is our place in the universe? Are we alone?—and provide answers based on the most current data, observations, and theories. Populated with paradigm-shifting discoveries that help explain the building blocks of astrophysics, this relatable and entertaining book will engage and inspire readers of all ages, bring sophisticated concepts within reach, and offer a window into the complexities of the cosmos, or all who loved National Geographic’s StarTalk with Neil deGrasse Tyson, Cosmos: Possible Worlds, and Space Atlas, this new book will take them on more journeys into the wonders of the universe and beyond.

For use in events and convention management courses Experience the World of Meetings, Expositions, Events, and Conventions Meetings, Expositions, Events, and Conventions: An Introduction to the Industry acquaints readers with the burgeoning field of event planning. Constructed with the Delphi method based on the opinions of experts and educators, the text is divided into the most up-to-date and relevant topics of the MEEC world. A comprehensive overview of all aspects of the MEEC industry, the Fourth Edition is the ideal text with which to introduce newcomers to this broad field. The text features case studies and examples that help readers relate the material to a future career in Event Planning, as well as major trends in this fast-growing field.

Yearning for a life of leisure? In 24 chapters representing each hour of a typical working day, this book will coax out the loafer in even the most diligent and schedule-obsessed worker. From the founding editor of the celebrated magazine about the freedom and fine art of doing nothing, The Idler, comes not simply a book, but an antidote to our work-obsessed culture. In How to Be Idle, Hodgkinson presents his learned yet whimsical argument for a new, universal standard of living: being happy doing nothing. He covers a whole spectrum of issues affecting the modern idler—sleep, work, pleasure, relationships—bemoaning the cultural skepticism of idleness while reflecting on the writing of such famous apologists for it as Oscar Wilde, Robert Louis Stevenson, Dr. Johnson, and Nietzsche—all of whom have admitted to doing their very best work in bed. It’s a well-known fact that Europeans spend fewer hours at work a week than Americans. So it’s only befitting that one of them—the very clever, extremely engaging, and quite hilarious Tom Hodgkinson—should have the wittest and most useful insights into the fun and nature of being idle. Following on the quirky, call-to-arms heels of the bestselling Eat, Shoots and Leaves: The Zero Tolerance Approach to Punctuation by Lynne Truss, How to Be Idle rallies us to an equally just and no less worthy cause: reclaiming our right to be idle.

As bareknuckle fighting is poised to steal MMA’s spotlight, its greatest modern-day champion tells his story of rising to the top in the brutal sport. Steeped in the tradition of his Irish Traveller ancestry, Bartley Gorman also embraced its dangerous subculture: bareknuckle fighting. Though it gave birth to boxing as we know it today, the sport has remained underground—and illegal in most developed countries. But that didn’t stop Gorman from rising through the prize-fighting ranks of Great Britain and Ireland and staying undefeated for twenty years. Now, through Gorman’s thrilling memoir, readers get a front row view of the punches exchanged in back parking lots and fair grounds, the gritty characters populating the fight circles, and the hazards facing a sought after champion. “A rare glimpse into a secret world.” Bareknuckle celebrates one man’s mastery of fighting in its purest form and heralds the rebirth of one of the oldest combat sports in history (The Independent on Sunday). “Every page shines. A tremendous book.” —Traveller Magazine “Well-written and interesting.” —Boxing News

Cats and the Meaning of Life

A Simpler Time

The Divine Within

Two Experts Pick the Greatest American Shows of All Time

‘Moralia’ Themes in the ‘Lives’, Features of the ‘Lives’ in the ‘Moralia’

Feline Philosophy

The author of Staw Dogs, famous for his provocative critiques of scientific hubris and the delusions of progress and humanism, turns his attention to cats—and what they reveal about humans’ torturous relationship to the world and to themselves. The history of philosophy has been a predictably tragic or comical succession of palliatives for human disquiet. Thinkers from Spinoza to Berylayev have pursued the perennial questions of how to be happy, how to be good, how to be loved, and how to live in a world of change and loss. But perhaps we can learn more from cats—the animal that has most captured our imagination—than from the great thinkers of the world. In Feline Philosophy, the philosopher John Gray discovers in cats a way of living that is unburdened by anxiety and self-consciousness, showing how they embody answers to the big questions of love and attachment, morality, morality, and the Self: Montaigne’s house cat, and his own unexamined life may have been one worth living; Meo, the Vietnam War survivor with an unshakable capacity for “fearless joy”; and Colette’s Saha, the feline heroine of her subversive short story “The Cat”, a parable about the pitfalls of human jealousy. Exploring the nature of cats, and what we can learn from it, Gray offers a profound, thought-provoking meditation on the follies of human exceptionalism and our fundamentally vulnerable and lonely condition. He charts a path toward a life without illusions and delusions, revealing how we can endure both crisis and transformation, and adapt to a changed scene, as cats have always done.

The beloved, #1 global bestseller by John Green, author of The Anthropocene Review and Turtles All the Way Down “John Green is one of the best writers alive.” —E. Lockhart, #1 bestselling author of We Were Liar “The greatest romance story of this decade.” —Entertainment Weekly #1 New York Times Bestseller • #1 Wall Street Journal Bestseller • #1 USA Today Bestseller • #1 International Bestseller Despite the tumor-shrinking medical miracle that has bought her a few years, Hazel has never been anything but terminal, her final chapter inscribed upon diagnosis. But when a gorgeous plot twist named Augustus Waters suddenly appears at Cancer Kid Support Group, Hazel’s story is about to be completely rewritten. From John Green, #1 bestselling author of The Anthropocene Reviewed and Turtles All the Way Down, The Fault in Our Stars is insightful, bold, irreverent, and raw. It brilliantly explores the funny, thrilling, and tragic business of being alive and in love.

Here are 51 easy-to-use, classroom-tested alternatives to the “stand and deliver” teaching techniques that cause so many students to tune out or drop out. Teachers report that these techniques motivate students to participate in learning, as they build confidence and are supported by compelling and safe ways to demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of lessons. Refined through years of classroom experiences and supported by updated research, this 2nd edition delivers a dozen new techniques to engage K–12 students in active learning. The authors provide detailed descriptions of the Total Participation Techniques (TPTs) with step-by-step instructions—plus reproducible blackline masters for student response cards as well as posters to remind you to use the techniques. They also suggest how you can adapt and personalize the techniques to fit your context and content. Packed with examples from authentic classrooms, Total Participation Techniques is an essential toolkit for teachers who want to present lessons that are relevant, engaging, and cognitively challenging. Pérsida Himmele and William Himmele are professors who regularly work with preservice teachers and consult with educators in U.S. and international schools. They are also the authors of Total Literacy Techniques.

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