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Millennials will be our next great generation of leaders. Today, however, as they move into management, they face difficult practical challenges. Millennials Who Manage is a complete, research-based guide to overcoming those challenges, delivering outstanding performance, and getting recognized for it. Reflecting their extensive enterprise consulting and research experience, the authors show how to transition more smoothly into management. You will gain insight into earning the respect of peers and “elders” that you are now leading, as well as your manager. You will discover you can achieve success your way, without compromising who you are or becoming someone you are not. You’ll learn management skills that arguably come naturally to Millennials. Prepare to explore what really motivates Boomers and Xers whose formative experiences were different from yours and how to guide them beyond today’s unhelpful stereotypes about Millennials. You’ll also master the specific management and leadership competencies you need most right now—whether you’re moving into frontline management or the CEO’s office! Generational workplace differences: facts and fictions Separating myth from reality in multi-generational workplaces Overcoming

reverse ageism and “stereotype threat” Getting past the unfair generalizations that hold you back Developing your personal leadership perspective... ..and successfully putting it into practice Mastering the 7 toughest challenges that come with transitioning to management Understand new relational dynamics, unlock motivation, take responsibility for the work of others, establish accountability, get heard, and be taken seriously

The consumer electronics industry is entering an era of extraordinary growth. The industry’s best companies will ride that wave to unprecedented success. But, today, many CE companies are struggling with business models that are simply untenable. They must change to survive: they must change even more dramatically to win. In this book, two world-renowned consultants preview the industry’s future—from online gaming to telehealthcare, and beyond. Next, they present a powerful new blueprint, offering indispensable guidance on everything from technology platforms to user interface design, branding to channel strategies. You’ll discover how to uncover new sources of value, design better models for doing business, and fuel growth by reaching new geographical markets. Whatever your role in the industry, this book will help you:

- Make better decisions, find your differentiators, and focus on your key success drivers
- Tap into the emergent “meta-value” that arises when

technologies, devices, services, and content come together · Reach tomorrow's smart, service-sensitive shopper: not just the "technology-hungry" customers · Widen margins by adding value consumers will pay for · Transform cost structures to support rapid growth and nonstop change · Sell into China, India, and other fast-growing emerging markets · Preview "telehealthcare": the surprising application for the living room · Gain new insights into online gaming, smart home technology, and more · Discover the immense power of IBM's Cell Broadband Engine processor—and the business opportunities it enables · Leverage embedded Linux to build more affordable, profitable, consumer-centric products · Develop higher-value software for connected consumer electronics · Differentiate products through state-of-the-art design and user interfaces · Discover what the industry's "winners" will look like in five years—and how to be one of them

The consumer electronics industry continues to grow at breakneck speed: from MP3 players to home healthcare devices, consumers are adopting new technologies faster than ever before. But most consumer electronics companies are struggling with razor-thin margins, or even losses. Their traditional business models simply aren't working anymore. In *Irresistible! Markets, Models, and Meta-Value in Consumer Electronics*, IBM's leading consumer electronic industry

consultants reveal powerful new opportunities to profit—and offer realistic advice for leveraging them. Drawing on their experience working with innovators from Helsinki to Osaka, the authors and contributors introduce revolutionary On Demand Business models for improving profitability, and identify tomorrow's most profitable CE opportunities. They cover every element of success: technology, design, service, branding, channel strategies, and much more. Whether you're an executive or engineer, strategist or entrepreneur, this book will help you find your differentiators, focus on your key success drivers—and become one of this industry's big long-term winners!

Structural Competency for Architects is a comprehensive volume covering topics from structural systems and typologies to statics, strength of materials, and component design. The book includes everything you need to know about structures for the design of components, as well as the logic for design of structural patterns, and selection of structural typologies. Organized into six key modules, each chapter includes examples, problems, and labs, along with an answer key available on our website, so that you learn the fundamentals. Structural Competency for Architects will also help you pass your registration examinations.

Written for pharmacy technicians, and addressing the competencies

developed by the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP), *Math Calculations for Pharmacy Technicians, 2nd Edition* helps you learn to calculate drug dosages safely and accurately. A practical worktext format covers everything from basic math skills to reading and interpreting labels and physicians' orders, introducing key calculation and conversion concepts and then providing hundreds of problems so you can practice and master the material. Other vital topics include conversions between the various measurement systems, reconstituting liquid medications, and calculating medications based on a patient's age or body weight. Written by experienced pharmacist Robert Fulcher and educator Eugenia Fulcher, *Math Calculations for Pharmacy Technicians* helps you learn calculation skills and develop the competencies needed by pharmacy technicians. Learning objectives and definitions of key words begin each chapter. Pretests in each chapter allow readers to assess their current knowledge of specific topics. Step-by-step examples make it easy to learn and remember how to do equations and use formulas. Hundreds of practice problems provide practice with calculations, conversions, and measurements. Actual drug labels accompany examples and problems, for real-world experience with the information you will see in pharmacy practice. *Business Math for Pharmacy Technicians* chapter

introduces the calculations needed in retail pharmacy settings. Body system icons appear next to medication names to help you associate different drugs with their respective disorders and body systems. Points to Remember boxes make it easy to learn and remember key information. Review of Rules sections in each chapter summarize the rules and methods for performing equations. Chapter reviews provide a quick summary of the key concepts in each chapter. Posttests in each chapter allow you to assess how well you have learned the material. A comprehensive posttest includes 50 questions that assess your knowledge of all major topics covered in the book. Helpful study tools also include an answer key for odd-numbered problems and a comprehensive glossary. Updated content meets ASHP requirements and features new topics such as powder volume and compounding problems, formulas for reducing and enlarging medications, and opportunities to write out prescription label directions. Tech Note boxes offer helpful advice on real-life situations you may encounter in the pharmacy. Tech Alert boxes warn against common pharmacy and medication errors that could impact patients' safety. Additional prescription and practice exercises give you valuable experience with translating physician directions into patient instructions. Information technology project managers' competencies: An analysis of

performance and personal competencies

The Influencing Formula

Assessing the Competency of Low-Volume Practitioners

Essential Calculation Skills For Nurses, Midwives And Healthcare Practitioners

The Campaign against Established Knowledge and Why it Matters

A Practitioner's Guide to Creating and Sustaining High Performance

An Analysis of Performance and Personal Competencies

"This is not just an important but an imperative project: to approach the problem of randomness and success using the state of the art scientific arsenal we have. Barabasi is the person."--Nassim Nicholas Taleb, author of the New York Times bestselling *The Black Swan* and Distinguished Professor of Risk Engineering at NYU An international bestseller In the bestselling tradition of Malcom Gladwell, James Gleick, and Nate Silver, prominent professor László Barabási gives us a trailblazing book that promises to transform the very foundations of how our success-obsessed society approaches their professional careers, life pursuits and long-term goals. Too

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often, accomplishment does not equal success. We did the work but didn't get the promotion; we played hard but weren't recognized; we had the idea but didn't get the credit. We convince ourselves that talent combined with a strong work ethic is the key to getting ahead, but also realize that combination often fails to yield results, without any deeper understanding as to why. Recognizing this striking disconnect, the author, along with a team of renowned researchers and some of the most advanced data-crunching systems on the planet, dedicated themselves to one goal: uncovering that ever-elusive link between performance and success. Now, based on years of academic research, *The Formula* finally unveils the groundbreaking discoveries of their pioneering study, not only highlighting the scientific and mathematic principles that underpin success, but also revolutionizing our understanding of: Why performance is necessary but not adequate Why "Experts" are often wrong How to assemble a creative team primed for success How to most effectively engage our networks And much more.

Today's global business environment is complex. Organizations find it a challenge to keep pace with rapid advancements.

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Business analysts, project managers, process analysts and other information workers have to influence various stakeholders, regardless of their position in the organization. What makes this ability to influence without authority seem so easy for some and nearly impossible for others? Successful influencers have learned to be trusted advisors in their organizations. They employ three critical ingredients which the authors call the Influencing Formula. This book reveals how the Influencing Formula works and illustrates how it is the new mandate required to effectively influence without authority in any type of organization, large or small.

The remarkable story of the Algebra Project, a community-based effort to develop math-science literacy in disadvantaged schools—as told by the program’s founder “Bob Moses was a hero of mine. His quiet confidence helped shape the civil rights movement, and he inspired generations of young people looking to make a difference”—Barack Obama At a time when popular solutions to the educational plight of poor children of color are imposed from the outside—national standards, high-stakes tests, charismatic individual saviors—the acclaimed Algebra Project and

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its founder, Robert Moses, offer a vision of school reform based in the power of communities. Begun in 1982, the Algebra Project is transforming math education in twenty-five cities. Founded on the belief that math-science literacy is a prerequisite for full citizenship in society, the Project works with entire communities—parents, teachers, and especially students—to create a culture of literacy around algebra, a crucial stepping-stone to college math and opportunity. Telling the story of this remarkable program, Robert Moses draws on lessons from the 1960s Southern voter registration he famously helped organize: “Everyone said sharecroppers didn't want to vote. It wasn't until we got them demanding to vote that we got attention. Today, when kids are falling wholesale through the cracks, people say they don't want to learn. We have to get the kids themselves to demand what everyone says they don't want.” We see the Algebra Project organizing community by community. Older kids serve as coaches for younger students and build a self-sustained tradition of leadership. Teachers use innovative techniques. And we see the remarkable success stories of schools like the predominately poor Hart School in Bessemer, Alabama,

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which outscored the city's middle-class flagship school in just three years. Radical Equations provides a model for anyone looking for a community-based solution to the problems of our disadvantaged schools.

In The Leadership Formula, pastor and author Juan Sanchez helps churches identify the necessary qualities in leaders and commission them for leadership in the church, for the sake of the world.

Introduction to Functional Equations

The Competency Equation

Tools and Strategies for OPPE and FPPE Compliance

Radical Equations

Competency Centers Second Edition

Creating Wicked Students

Activation

"As a healthcare practitioner, you need to be confident that you can deal competently with any numerical situation you may come across. This handy book provides a guide to common numerical calculations found in healthcare practice and uses everyday examples to enable you to apply numerical principles correctly in your own practice." --Book Jacket.

The Joint Commission requires that hospitals verify physician competence using performance

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data. Yet organizations often have little or no data related to the competency of low- and no-volume physicians. Medical staff leaders are therefore challenged to develop a strategy that guides the hospital's relationship with low- and no-volume providers, and medical staff services departments are challenged to establish systems to verify physician competence. This fully updated book offers the necessary tools and strategies for medical staff leaders and professionals to manage the increasing number of

Use data, technology, and inbound selling to build a remarkable team and accelerate sales The Sales Acceleration Formula provides a scalable, predictable approach to growing revenue and building a winning sales team. Everyone wants to build the next \$100 million business and author Mark Roberge has actually done it using a unique methodology that he shares with his readers. As an MIT alum with an engineering background, Roberge challenged the conventional methods of scaling sales utilizing the metrics-driven, process-oriented lens through which he was trained to see the world. In this book, he reveals his formulas for success. Readers will learn how to apply data, technology, and inbound selling to every aspect of accelerating sales, including hiring, training, managing, and generating demand. As SVP of Worldwide Sales and Services for software company HubSpot, Mark led hundreds of his employees to the acquisition and retention of the company's first 10,000 customers across more than 60 countries. This book outlines his approach and provides an action plan for others to replicate his success, including the following key elements: Hire the same successful salesperson every time — The Sales Hiring Formula Train every salesperson in the same manner — The Sales Training Formula Hold

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salespeople accountable to the same sales process — The Sales Management Formula Provide salespeople with the same quality and quantity of leads every month — The Demand Generation Formula Leverage technology to enable better buying for customers and faster selling for salespeople Business owners, sales executives, and investors are all looking to turn their brilliant ideas into the next \$100 million revenue business. Often, the biggest challenge they face is the task of scaling sales. They crave a blueprint for success, but fail to find it because sales has traditionally been referred to as an art form, rather than a science. You can't major in sales in college. Many people question whether sales can even be taught. Executives and entrepreneurs are often left feeling helpless and hopeless. The Sales Acceleration Formula completely alters this paradigm. In today's digital world, in which every action is logged and masses of data sit at our fingertips, building a sales team no longer needs to be an art form. There is a process. Sales can be predictable. A formula does exist.

First released in the Spring of 1999, *How People Learn* has been expanded to show how the theories and insights from the original book can translate into actions and practice, now making a real connection between classroom activities and learning behavior. This edition includes far-reaching suggestions for research that could increase the impact that classroom teaching has on actual learning. Like the original edition, this book offers exciting new research about the mind and the brain that provides answers to a number of compelling questions. When do infants begin to learn? How do experts learn and how is this different from non-experts? What can teachers and schools do—with curricula, classroom settings, and teaching methods—to help children learn

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most effectively? New evidence from many branches of science has significantly added to our understanding of what it means to know, from the neural processes that occur during learning to the influence of culture on what people see and absorb. *How People Learn* examines these findings and their implications for what we teach, how we teach it, and how we assess what our children learn. The book uses exemplary teaching to illustrate how approaches based on what we now know result in in-depth learning. This new knowledge calls into question concepts and practices firmly entrenched in our current education system. Topics include: How learning actually changes the physical structure of the brain. How existing knowledge affects what people notice and how they learn. What the thought processes of experts tell us about how to teach. The amazing learning potential of infants. The relationship of classroom learning and everyday settings of community and workplace. Learning needs and opportunities for teachers. A realistic look at the role of technology in education.

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***Today, not only must we convert more of our potential, we must convert it with greater***

***ease and produce more results than ever before. The effective activation of our ability is a critical but largely neglected skill set. This book provides a way for us to turn more of our abilities, talents and knowledge into the kind of performance that brings personal and corporate success. Book jacket.***

***Examines the world of algorithms, looking at what they are and how they are increasingly being used to solve problems and predict human behavior based on vast and ever-increasing amounts of available data.***

***This simple but comprehensive equation explains competencies for everyone interested in their career path. The book provides a global view of work and how employees and leaders provide value to organisations. It explains why some employees are happy with their roles but others are too stressed or incompetent because they are not yet ready for the complexity of the work. It is a guide for youngsters who want to understand work and how they can reach their potential. For more mature workers it explains options for further growth in their career path. In organisations this is a framework for human resource development for both leaders and developers of talent. We owe it to ourselves to be happy in our work: the Competency Equation will show you how to achieve this. In this book, you will read all about building competencies to achieve effectiveness and therefore, to achieve success in professional, personal, family and social life. For this purpose explanation of a large number of important competencies and the methodology of "competency matrix" have been included in the book. Authors, Shyam Bhatawdekar and Dr Kalpana Bhatawdekar, in their capacity of top notch business executives, highly sought after business consultants, eminent management gurus, authentic human***

***behavior experts and prolific authors have had extensive and intensive hands-on experience of competency matrix and competency building. Therefore, the treatment that is given to this vital topic in the book has turned out to be quite authentic.***

***Assessing the Predictive Validity of a Book Reading Quality Measure for Preschool Children Using Structural Equation Modeling***

***The Leadership Formula***

***How People Learn***

***A Structural Equation Modeling Approach***

***Balancing the Equation***

***Partial Least Squares Structural Equation Modeling***

***Math Calculations for Pharmacy Technicians - E-Book***

The book 'Quadratic Equations and Graphing' is an excellent refresher for algebra. It is an indispensable reference book re-definitions, theory and steps in solving algebraic problems. It covers a reasonable range of the necessary concepts and content that will help the learner to develop a good background in algebra. The goal of this book is to give the learner the necessary and required concepts, skills and knowledge to improve competency level in algebra. The terms Quadratic Equations and Graphing should be understood as defined: A quadratic equation is an equation of the second degree, meaning it contains one term that is squared. The standard form is  $ax^2+bx+c=0$  where a, b, and c being constants, or numerical coefficients, and x is an unknown variable. Graphing is predominantly, deriving a diagram that exhibits a relationship, often functional, between

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sets of numbers as a set of points having coordinates determined by the relationship. In the author's view that a good grasp of the basic concepts will enable and encourage competence in statistics, geometry, trigonometry and calculus. The learner is therefore encouraged to work through each topic in this book meticulously and remember to practice questions from the end of each chapter and exercises. The concepts are set out in a clear format with definitions, examples and exercises. To make sure that you understand the material, each chapter ends with a summary exercise. You should get the most from this book if you work steadily from the beginning to the end of each chapter. Each chapter has the relevant topics and sub-topics with definitions and examples that will allow the learner to easily work out the problems in the exercises. This book is suitable for high school and first year college students. It may be introduced at the elementary level and be used right up to adult education. The book is good for those people who are a bit rusty in algebra or have forgotten content materials because it has been written since they have taken an algebra course. If such is the case then this is the perfect book for you to refresh your skills and sharpen your proficiency in core concepts of algebra. Finally, I would like to reiterate that algebra can be fun but the learner has to first get a good grasp of the basic concepts so as to have a rewarding experience which will not only advance your competency level in algebra but will be favorable for further studies in mathematics. Remember to make a firm commitment to spend the time to study and practice your algebra. How are the Competency Centers's objectives aligned to the organization's overall business strategy? What is your formula for success in Competency Centers ? What should the

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improvement project be that is related to Competency Centers? Do you have past Competency Centers successes? What are the barriers to increased Competency Centers production? This one-of-a-kind Competency Centers self-assessment will make you the credible Competency Centers domain specialist by revealing just what you need to know to be fluent and ready for any Competency Centers challenge. How do I reduce the effort in the Competency Centers work to be done to get problems solved? How can I ensure that plans of action include every Competency Centers task and that every Competency Centers outcome is in place? How can I save time investigating strategic and tactical options and ensuring Competency Centers risks are low? How can I deliver tailored Competency Centers advice instantly with structured, going-forward plans? There's no better guide through these mind-expanding questions than the acclaimed best-selling author Gerard Blokdyk. Blokdyk ensures all Competency Centers self-assessment essentials are covered, from every angle: the Competency Centers self-assessment shows you succinctly and clearly that what needs to be clarified to organize the required activities and processes so that Competency Centers outcomes are achieved. Contains extensive criteria grounded in past and current successful projects and activities by experienced Competency Centers practitioners. Their mastery, combined with the easy elegance of the self-assessment, provides its superior value to you in knowing how to ensure the outcome of any effort. Your Competency Centers are maximized with professional results. Your purchase includes a detailed guide to the Competency Centers self-assessment dashboard download which gives you a dynamically prioritized projects-ready tool and shows you exactly what to do next. You

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This case study uses structural equation modeling to examine the predictive validity of Read Aloud Profile-Together, a measure of the distinct behaviors of parents and children during shared book reading, in relation to preschool childrens early reading competency. Using secondary data analysis, this case study includes 800 parentchild pairs from the preschool wave of the Early Childhood Longitudinal Study-Birth Cohort, a large national study in the United States. Results show that parents promoting attention to text and childrens independent engagement with pictures and text, and childrens pre-reading in are all significant predictors of preschool childrens early reading competency. The predictive validity of the Read Aloud Profile-Together is thus well supported, suggesting that parent-child behaviors displayed during shared book reading play an essential role in early language and literacy development. This case study also provides an overview of structural equation

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modeling and the interpretation of results found by using Mplus, a widely used statistical program, to conduct structural equation modeling.

Copublished with the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, this book focuses on individuals involved in K-12 mathematics education, particularly educators and parents who seek to improve their understanding of mathematics and help students succeed. The authors tackle popular misconceptions and misguided discourse about mathematics education and draw on peer-reviewed research about instruction that can significantly improve student learning."

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Irresistible! Markets, Models, and Meta-Value in Consumer Electronics

Civil Rights from Mississippi to the Algebra Project

The Death of Expertise

A Guide to School Mathematics for Educators and Parents

Essential Math Skills

Brain, Mind, Experience, and School: Expanded Edition

*Calculate the correct drug dosage every single time with help from this essential nursing guide. In the newly revised Second Edition of Calculation Skills for Nurses, author Claire Boyd delivers a practical and effective treatment of crucial nursing calculation abilities designed to instill*

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*confidence and competence in healthcare professionals. Written for anyone working in the healthcare setting who requires mathematical assistance, the book is designed to teach the skills required by the Nursing and Midwifery Council Standards, Proficiency for Nursing Associates, Pre-registration Nursing Associate Programme, The Code-Professional Standards for Practice and Behaviour For Nurses, Midwives, and Nursing Associates, and the NMC Essential Skills Clusters. This latest edition includes more practice activities, greater inclusivity, more test questions, more practice with budgets and data interpretation, and more online resources. You'll use a formula-based approach and gain the understanding necessary to know when to apply which formula and why. The book also includes: A thorough grounding in basic math, preparing you for more complex areas of nursing calculation Comprehensive explorations of the information you need to know in the clinical arena, including working out drug dosages Practical discussions of the application of concepts to nursing*

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*practice, including different areas of healthcare and working with budgets In-depth knowledge and understanding of key areas, while being tested to consolidate your familiarity with the text Calculation Skills for Nurses is perfect for practicing nurses and nursing students who seek to boost their confidence and competence in this core area of nursing.*

*Introduction to Functional Equations grew out of a set of class notes from an introductory graduate level course at the University of Louisville. This introductory text communicates an elementary exposition of valued functional equations where the unknown functions take on real or complex values. In order to make the presentation as manageable as possible for students from a variety of disciplines, the book chooses not to focus on functional equations where the unknown functions take on values on algebraic structures such as groups, rings, or fields. However, each chapter includes sections highlighting various developments of the main equations treated in that chapter.*

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*For advanced students, the book introduces functional equations in abstract domains like semigroups, groups, and Banach spaces. Functional equations covered include: Cauchy Functional Equations and Applications The Jensen Functional Equation Pexider's Functional Equation Quadratic Functional Equation D'Alembert Functional Equation Trigonometric Functional Equations Pompeiu Functional Equation Hosszu Functional Equation Davison Functional Equation Abel Functional Equation Mean Value Type Functional Equations Functional Equations for Distance Measures The innovation of solving functional equations lies in finding the right tricks for a particular equation. Accessible and rooted in current theory, methods, and research, this book sharpens mathematical competency and prepares students of mathematics and engineering for further work in advanced functional equations.*

*In Creating Wicked Students, Paul Hanstedt argues that courses can and should be designed to present students with what are known as “wicked problems” because the skills of*

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dealing with such knotty problems are what will best prepare them for life after college. As the author puts it, “this book begins with the assumption that what we all want for our students is that they be capable of changing the world....When a student leaves college, we want them to enter the world not as drones participating mindlessly in activities to which they’ve been appointed, but as thinking, deliberative beings who add something to society.” There’s a lot of talk in education these days about “wicked problems”—problems that defy traditional expectations or knowledge, problems that evolve over time: Zika, ISIS, political discourse in the era of social media. To prepare students for such wicked problems, they need to have wicked competencies, the ability to respond easily and on the fly to complex challenges. Unfortunately, a traditional education that focuses on content and skills often fails to achieve this sense of wickedness. Students memorize for the test, prepare for the paper, practice the various algorithms over and over again—but when the parameters or dynamics of

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*the test or the paper or the equation change, students are often at a loss for how to adjust. This is a course design book centered on the idea that the goal in the college classroom—in all classrooms, all the time—is to develop students who are not just loaded with content, but capable of using that content in thoughtful, deliberate ways to make the world a better place. Achieving this goal requires a top-to-bottom reconsideration of courses, including student learning goals, text selection and course structure, day-to-day pedagogies, and assignment and project design. Creating Wicked Students takes readers through each step of the process, providing multiple examples at each stage, while always encouraging instructors to consider concepts and exercises in light of their own courses and students. Introduction to Functional Equations grew out of a set of class notes from an introductory graduate level course at the University of Louisville. This introductory text communicates an elementary exposition of valued functional equations where the unknown functions take on real or*

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*Information Technology Project Managers' Competencies  
How Algorithms Solve All Our Problems --and Create More  
The CAP Equation*

*The Impact Equation*

*Competency Management (Competency Matrix and Competencies)*

*Structural Competency for Architects*

*Organizational Behaviour*

The purpose of this book is to shed light on the performance and personal competencies of information technology (IT) project managers in South Africa. Predictive models are built to determine what project managers consider the crucial competencies they should possess to deliver an IT project successfully. This investigation takes place in the context of poor IT project success rates globally and, in particular, in South Africa. This novel research seeks to extend the debate on project success beyond what merely constitutes success or failure, but seeks to find clarity in what IT project managers believe are the essential competencies in practice. This quantitative research gathered data by way of an online survey based on literature regarding the

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Project Management Competency Development Framework (PMCDF). The population consisted of IT project managers in South Africa. Four hundred and two respondents chose to share their insights. Through the use of descriptive and multivariate statistics, major competency factors were identified. These factors were used in structural equation modelling to build various validated predictive models. This book contributes to the current body of knowledge by uncovering the competencies that IT project managers consider themselves competent in. The structural equation models indicated predictors of perceived competence by IT project managers and where these perceived competencies differ from literature. Twelve managerial implications are highlighted in the final chapter that seek to draw the myriad of threads together into a coherent summary. It is apparent that IT project managers do not consider the PMCDF important in its entirety, but instead choose to focus on certain competencies. This book is intended for reading by fellow researchers as well as project and IT practitioners. These may include IT managers, IT executives, project managers, project team members, the project management office (PMO), general managers and executives that initiate and conduct project-related work. This body of work is original and has not been plagiarised, although certain concepts have been tested in peer reviewed academic work by way of conference proceedings. Instances of this have been referenced and cited.

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This book is in its first edition and has not been based on thesis work published previously.

Strategic competence (a higher-order executive ability that executes strategies for language use) has long been theorized as a significant non-linguistic factor affecting second language (L2) communicative ability. Despite its recognition, the parameters of strategic competence have been poorly defined and researched. Utilizing the multitrait-multimethod approach, this book examines the relationships of general strategic knowledge and strategic regulation in a specific high-stakes, test-taking context to English as a foreign language (EFL) reading test performance over time through the use of a structural equation modeling (SEM) approach. Since it is large-scale and longitudinal in nature, this research provides an opportunity to generalize the unfolding nature of strategic competence. The book concludes by proposing multidimensional models to assist researching strategic competence and by discussing pedagogical models for strategic reading instruction.

A PopSugar and BookBub Most Anticipated Romance of 2022! How do you solve the Perfect Equation? Add one sharp-tongued mathematician to an aloof, handsome nobleman. Divide by conflicting loyalties and multiply by a daring group of women hell-bent on conducting their scientific experiments. The solution is a romance that will break every rule. Six years ago, Miss Letitia

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Fenley made a mistake, and she's lived with the consequences ever since. Ready to compete for the prestigious Rosewood Prize for Mathematics, she is suddenly asked to take on another responsibility—managing Athena's Retreat, a secret haven for England's women scientists. Having spent the last six years on her own, Letty doesn't want the offers of friendship from other club members and certainly doesn't need any help from the insufferably attractive Lord Greycliff. Lord William Hughes, the Viscount Greycliff cannot afford to make any mistakes. His lifelong dream of becoming the director of a powerful clandestine agency is within his grasp. Tasked with helping Letty safeguard Athena's Retreat, Grey is positive that he can control the antics of the various scientists as well as manage the tiny mathematician—despite their historic animosity and simmering tension. As Grey and Letty are forced to work together, their mutual dislike turns to admiration and eventually to something...magnetic. When faced with the possibility that Athena's Retreat will close forever, they must make a choice. Will Grey turn down a chance to change history, or can Letty get to the root of the problem and prove that love is the ultimate answer?

Technology and increasing levels of education have exposed people to more information than ever before. These societal gains, however, have also helped fuel a surge in narcissistic and misguided intellectual egalitarianism that has

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crippled informed debates on any number of issues. Today, everyone knows everything: with only a quick trip through WebMD or Wikipedia, average citizens believe themselves to be on an equal intellectual footing with doctors and diplomats. All voices, even the most ridiculous, demand to be taken with equal seriousness, and any claim to the contrary is dismissed as undemocratic elitism. Tom Nichols' *The Death of Expertise* shows how this rejection of experts has occurred: the openness of the internet, the emergence of a customer satisfaction model in higher education, and the transformation of the news industry into a 24-hour entertainment machine, among other reasons. Paradoxically, the increasingly democratic dissemination of information, rather than producing an educated public, has instead created an army of ill-informed and angry citizens who denounce intellectual achievement. When ordinary citizens believe that no one knows more than anyone else, democratic institutions themselves are in danger of falling either to populism or to technocracy or, in the worst case, a combination of both. An update to the 2017 breakout hit, the paperback edition of *The Death of Expertise* provides a new foreword to cover the alarming exacerbation of these trends in the aftermath of Donald Trump's election. Judging from events on the ground since it first published, *The Death of Expertise* issues a warning about the stability and survival of modern democracy in the Information Age that is even more

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