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The Smartest Guys In The Room

The true story of a killer nurse whose crimes were hidden by a hospital for years. It's 1980, and Genene Jones is working the 3 to 11 PM shift in the

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pediatric ICU in San Antonio's county hospital. As the weeks go by, infants under her care begin experiencing unexpected complications—and dying—in alarming numbers, prompting rumors that there is a murderer among the staff. Her eight-hour shift would come to be called “the death shift.” This strange epidemic would

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continue unabated for more than a year, before Jones is quietly sent off—with a good recommendation—to a rural pediatric clinic. There, eight children under her care mysteriously stopped breathing—and a 15-month-old baby girl died. In May 1984, Jones was finally arrested, leading to a trial that revealed not only her deeply

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disturbed mind and a willingness to kill, but a desire to play "God" with the lives of the children under her care. More shocking still was that the hospital had shredded records and remained silent about Jones' horrific deeds, obscuring the full extent of her spree and prompting grieving parents to ask: Why? Elkind

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chronicles Jones' rampage, her trials, and the chilling aftermath of one of the most horrific crimes in America, and turns his piercing gaze onto those responsible for its cover-up. It is a tale with special relevance today, as prosecutors, distraught parents, and victims' advocates struggle to keep Jones behind bars. "A

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horrifying true-life medical thriller..."—Publishers Weekly

"Gripping...A remarkable journalistic achievement!"—Newsweek "Murder, madness, and medicine...superb!"—Library Journal "Shocking...true crime reporting at its most compelling."—Booklist

There were dozens of books about

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Watergate, but only All the President's Men gave readers the full story, with all the drama and nuance and exclusive reporting. And thirty years later, if you're going to read only one book on Watergate, that's still the one. Today, Enron is the biggest business story of our time, and Fortune senior writers Bethany McLean

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and Peter Elkind are the new Woodward and Bernstein. Remarkably, it was just two years ago that Enron was thought to epitomize a great New Economy company, with its skyrocketing profits and share price. But that was before Fortune published an article by McLean that asked a seemingly innocent question: How

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exactly does Enron make money? From that point on, Enron's house of cards began to crumble. Now, McLean and Elkind have investigated much deeper, to offer the definitive book about the Enron scandal and the fascinating people behind it. Meticulously researched and character driven, *Smartest Guys in the Room* takes

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the reader deep into Enron's past—and behind the closed doors of private meetings. Drawing on a wide range of unique sources, the book follows Enron's rise from obscurity to the top of the business world to its disastrous demise. It reveals as never before major characters such as Ken Lay, Jeff Skilling, and Andy

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Fastow, as well as lesser known players like Cliff Baxter and Rebecca Mark.

Smartest Guys in the Room is a story of greed, arrogance, and deceit—a microcosm of all that is wrong with American business today. Above all, it's a fascinating human drama that will prove to be the authoritative account of the

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Enron scandal.

The bestselling author of the acclaimed House of Cards and The Last Tycoons turns his spotlight on to Goldman Sachs and the controversy behind its success. From the outside, Goldman Sachs is a perfect company. The Goldman PR machine loudly declares it to be smarter,

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more ethical, and more profitable than all of its competitors. Behind closed doors, however, the firm constantly straddles the line between conflict of interest and legitimate deal making, wields significant influence over all levels of government, and upholds a culture of power struggles and toxic paranoia. And its clever bet

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against the mortgage market in 2007—unknown to its clients—may have made the financial ruin of the Great Recession worse. Money and Power reveals the internal schemes that have guided the bank from its founding through its remarkable windfall during the 2008 financial crisis. Through extensive

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research and interviews with the inside players, including current CEO Lloyd Blankfein, William Cohan constructs a nuanced, timely portrait of Goldman Sachs, the company that was too big—and too ruthless—to fail.

"A riveting account that reaches beyond the market landscape to say something

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universal about risk and triumph, about hubris and failure.”—The New York Times NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY BUSINESSWEEK In this business classic—now with a new Afterword in which the author draws parallels to the recent financial crisis—Roger Lowenstein captures the

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gripping roller-coaster ride of Long-Term Capital Management. Drawing on confidential internal memos and interviews with dozens of key players, Lowenstein explains not just how the fund made and lost its money but also how the personalities of Long-Term's partners, the arrogance of their mathematical

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certainties, and the culture of Wall Street itself contributed to both their rise and their fall. When it was founded in 1993, Long-Term was hailed as the most impressive hedge fund in history. But after four years in which the firm dazzled Wall Street as a \$100 billion moneymaking juggernaut, it suddenly suffered

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catastrophic losses that jeopardized not only the biggest banks on Wall Street but the stability of the financial system itself. The dramatic story of Long-Term's fall is now a chilling harbinger of the crisis that would strike all of Wall Street, from Lehman Brothers to AIG, a decade later. In his new Afterword, Lowenstein shows

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that LTCM's implosion should be seen not as a one-off drama but as a template for market meltdowns in an age of instability—and as a wake-up call that Wall Street and government alike tragically ignored. Praise for When Genius Failed "[Roger] Lowenstein has written a squalid and fascinating tale of world-class greed

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and, above all, hubris.”—BusinessWeek
“Compelling . . . The fund was long
cloaked in secrecy, making the story of its
rise . . . and its ultimate destruction that
much more fascinating.”—The Washington
Post “Story-telling journalism at its
best.”—The Economist
The Smartest Kids in the World

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The Amazing Rise and Scandalous Fall of
Enron

Money and Power

Laws for the Internet Age

How Goldman Sachs Came to Rule the
World

Behind the Scenes with the Saints and
Scoundrels of American Business (and

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Everything in Between)

Den of Thieves

***Not very long ago,
videotape editing entailed
masterful use of a splicer
and a razor blade. Marco
Zappia should know. After***

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landing a job at CBS in the 1970s, the young hopeful embarked on a broadcasting career that spanned thirty-five years, earned industry acclaim including two Emmy

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Awards, and involved a rapid succession of new technologies that catapulted his craft to higher and higher levels. Smartest Guy In The Room shares the story of his rise

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***from television repair man
to the go-to guy on the sets
of wildly acclaimed CBS
shows including “Hee Haw”
and “All in the Family.”
While doing so, Zappia
provides an informal***

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explanation of the role the editor plays in the television production process, offering editing tips and expert advice on everything you need to know to hone your craft.

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***Smartest Guy In The Room
is a director's cut of editing
know-how, with an inside
vantage on everything
Zappia gleaned from some
of Hollywood's most
talented directors,***

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producers, writers, cast members, and crew. The technology may change, but the native skills to make the most out of a director's vision and an actor's talent remain the same. Anyone

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smartest guy in the room. While offering decades of wisdom from a leading broadcasting editor, Smartest Guy In The Room also offers a rare snapshot of the industry from the

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perspective of the people shaping the story. The technology may change, but the native skills to make the most out of a director's vision and an actor's talent remain the same. Anyone

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33,000 pages 44 million
words 10 billion years of
history 1 obsessed man Part
memoir and part education
(or lack thereof), The Know-
It-All chronicles NPR***

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***contributor A.J. Jacobs's
hilarious, enlightening, and
seemingly impossible quest
to read the Encyclopaedia
Britannica from A to Z. To
fill the ever-widening gaps
in his Ivy League education,***

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A.J. Jacobs sets for himself the daunting task of reading all thirty-two volumes of the Encyclopaedia Britannica. His wife, Julie, tells him it's a waste of time, his friends

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believe he is losing his mind, and his father, a brilliant attorney who had once attempted the same feat and quit somewhere around Borneo, is encouraging but, shall we

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say, unconvinced. With self-deprecating wit and a disarming frankness, The Know-It-All recounts the unexpected and comically disruptive effects Operation Encyclopedia has on every

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part of Jacobs's life -- from his newly minted marriage to his complicated relationship with his father and the rest of his charmingly eccentric New York family to his day job as

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an editor at Esquire.

*Jacobs's project tests the
outer limits of his stamina
and forces him to explore
the real meaning of
intelligence as he
endeavors to join Mensa,*

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***win a spot on Jeopardy!,
and absorb 33,000 pages of
learning. On his journey he
stumbles upon some of the
strangest, funniest, and
most profound facts about
every topic under the sun,***

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all while battling fatigue, ridicule, and the paralyzing fear that attends his first real-life responsibility -- the impending birth of his first child. The Know-It-All is an ingenious, mightily

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entertaining memoir of one man's intellect, neuroses, and obsessions and a soul-searching, ultimately touching struggle between the all-consuming quest for factual knowledge and the

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***undeniable gift of hard-won
wisdom.***

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or a New Positive Force
Helping to Drive the
Economy . . . The untold
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and Blackstone, the financier and his financial powerhouse that avoided the self-destructive tendencies of Wall Street. David Carey and John Morris show how

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investors. The financial establishment—banks and investment bankers such as Citigroup, Bear Stearns, Lehman, UBS, Goldman Sachs, Merrill Lynch, Morgan Stanley—were the

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assuming risks, leveraging
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***Blackstone and whether it
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firms suck the lifeblood out
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Peterson. Forward-
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***on Wall Street, the economy
and geopolitics. The
technology of fracking in
shale rock -- particularly in
the Permian Basin in Texas
-- has transformed America
into the world's top***

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producer of both oil and natural gas. The U.S. is expected to be "energy independent" and a "net exporter" in less than a decade, a move that will upend global politics,

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***destabilize Saudi Arabia,
crush Russia's chokehold
over Europe, and finally
bolster American power
again. Or Will it?
Investigative journalist and
bestselling author Bethany***

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McLean digs deep into the cycles of boom and bust that has plagued the American oil industry for the past decade, from the financial wizardry and mysterious death of

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fracking pioneer Aubrey McClendon, to the speculators who are betting on America's ascendance and the collapse of OPEC in the great game of geopolitics. McLean finds

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that fracking is a business built on attracting ever-more gigantic amounts of capital investment, while promises of huge returns have often not borne out. Overeagerness in partaking

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in a boom can lead to all types of problems and just as she did with the Enron story, in Saudi America McLean points out the reality and the risks of the inflated promises of the

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fracking boom.

***Ivar Kreuger, The Financial
Genius Behind a Century of
Wall Street Scandals
Greed, Ego, and the Death
of Enron
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Concise Curriculum of Cool

Experience is making a comeback. Learn how to repurpose your wisdom. At age 52, after selling the company he founded and ran as CEO for 24 years, rebel boutique hotelier Chip Conley was looking at

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an open horizon in midlife. Then he received a call from the young founders of Airbnb, asking him to help grow their disruptive start-up into a global hospitality giant. He had the industry experience, but Conley was lacking in the digital

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fluency of his 20-something colleagues. He didn't write code, or have an Uber or Lyft app on his phone, was twice the age of the average Airbnb employee, and would be reporting to a CEO young enough to be his son. Conley quickly

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discovered that while he'd been hired as a teacher and mentor, he was also in many ways a student and intern. What emerged is the secret to thriving as a mid-life worker: learning to marry wisdom and experience with curiosity, a

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beginner's mind, and a willingness to evolve, all hallmarks of the "Modern Elder." In a world that venerates the new, bright, and shiny, many of us are left feeling invisible, undervalued, and threatened by the "digital natives" nipping at our

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heels. But Conley argues that experience is on the brink of a comeback. Because at a time when power is shifting younger, companies are finally waking up to the value of the humility, emotional intelligence, and wisdom that come with age. And

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while digital skills might have only the shelf life of the latest fad or gadget, the human skills that mid-career workers possess--like good judgment, specialized knowledge, and the ability to collaborate and coach - never expire. Part manifesto

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and part playbook, *Wisdom@Work* ignites an urgent conversation about ageism in the workplace, calling on us to treat age as we would other type of diversity. In the process, Conley liberates the term "elder" from the stigma of "elderly," and

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**Wisdom@Work will help you write
your next chapter.**

**In the third edition of this
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today; and weaknesses of popular option valuation models. Some other material has been rearranged to deepen the themes and lessons that the collection has always produced: Buffett's "owner-related business principles" are in the prologue as a

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*New York Times reporter
comes the full, mind-
boggling true story of
the lies, crimes, and
ineptitude behind the
Enron scandal that
imperiled a presidency,*

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*destroyed a marketplace,
and changed Washington
and Wall Street forever.
It was the corporate
collapse that appeared
to come out of nowhere.
In late 2001, the Enron*

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Corporation—a darling of the financial world, a company whose executives were friends of presidents and the powerful—imploded virtually overnight,

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*leaving vast wreckage in
its wake and sparking a
criminal investigation
that would last for
years. Kurt Eichenwald
transforms the
unbelievable story of*

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the Enron scandal into a rip-roaring narrative of epic proportions, taking readers behind every closed door—from the Oval Office to the executive suites, from

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*the highest reaches of
the Justice Department
to the homes and
bedrooms of the top
officers. It is a tale
of global reach—from
Houston to Washington,*

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*from Bombay to London,
from Munich to Sao
Paolo—laying out the
unbelievable scenes that
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*reveals never-disclosed
details of a story that
features a cast
including George W.
Bush, Dick Cheney, Paul
O'Neill, Harvey Pitt,
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*Davis, Arnold
Schwarzenegger, Alan
Greenspan, Ken Lay, Andy
Fastow, Jeff Skilling,
Bill Clinton, Rupert
Murdoch and Sumner
Redstone. With its you-*

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*are-there glimpse into
the secretive worlds of
corporate power,
Conspiracy of Fools is
an all-true financial
and political thriller
of cinematic*

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proportions.

*After the shocking
collapse of Enron in
fall, 2001 came an
equally shocking series
of disclosures about how
America's seventh-*

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*largest company had
destroyed itself. There
were unethical deals,
offshore accounts, and
accounting
irregularities. There
were Wall Street*

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*analysts who seemed to
have been asleep on the
job. There were the lies
top executives told so
that they could line
their own pockets while
workers and shareholders*

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*lost billions. But after
all these disclosures,
the question remains:
Why? Why did a thriving,
innovative company with
rock-solid cash flow and
reliable earnings*

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*suddenly flame out in a
maelstrom of corruption,
fraud and skulduggery?
The answer, Texas
business journalist
Robert Bryce reveals in
this incisive and*

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entertaining book, is that bad business practices begin with human beings. Pipe Dreams traces Enron's astounding transformation from a

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*small regional gas
pipeline company into an
energy Goliath...and
then tracks step-by-
step, business decision
by business decision,
extra-marital affair by*

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extra-marital affair, how, when and why the culture of Enron began to go rotten, and who was responsible. The story of Enron's fall isn't just a story about

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*accounting procedures;
it's a story about
people. Bryce tells that
story with all the
personality, passion,
humor, and inside dope
you'd hope for, and the*

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result is an un-putdownable read in the tradition of Barbarians at the Gate and The Predators' Ball.

What went wrong with American business at the

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*end of the 20th century?
Until the spring of
2001, Enron epitomized
the triumph of the New
Economy. Feared by
rivals, worshipped by
investors, Enron*

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*seemingly could do no
wrong. Its profits rose
every year; its stock
price surged ever
upward; its leaders were
hailed as visionaries.
Then a young Fortune*

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*writer, Bethany McLean,
wrote an article posing
a simple question - how,
exactly, does Enron make
its money? Within a year
Enron was facing
humiliation and*

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*bankruptcy, the largest
in US history, which
caused Americans to lose
faith in a system that
rewarded top insiders
with millions of
dollars, while small*

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*investors lost
everything. It was
revealed that Enron was
a company whose business
was an illusion, an
illusion that Wall
Street was willing to*

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*accept even though they
knew what the real truth
was. This book - fully
updated for the
paperback - tells the
extraordinary story of
Enron's fall.*

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chase that finally
brought them to justice.
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James B. Stewart shows
for the first time how
four of the eighties'*

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Street—Michael Milken,
Ivan Boesky, Martin
Siegel, and Dennis
Levine —created the
greatest insider-trading
ring in financial*

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*history and almost
walked away with
billions, until a team
of downtrodden
detectives triumphed
over some of America's
most expensive lawyers*

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*to bring this powerful
quartet to justice.
Based on secret grand
jury transcripts,
interviews, and actual
trading records, and
containing explosive new*

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*revelations about
Michael Milken and Ivan
Boesky written
especially for this
paperback edition, Den
of Thieves weaves all
the facts into an*

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*unforgettable
narrative—a portrait of
human nature, big
business, and crime of
unparalleled
proportions.*

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The Death Shift

*One Man's Humble Quest
to Become the Smartest
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The Man Who Fooled Wall

Street, Hollywood, and

the World

The classic warts-and-

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**all portrait of the
1980s financial scene.
The 1980s was the most
outrageous and turbulent
era in the financial
market since the crash
of '29, not only on Wall**

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Street but around the world. Michael Lewis, as a trainee at Salomon Brothers in New York and as an investment banker and later financial journalist, was uniquely

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**positioned to chronicle
the ambition and folly
that fueled the decade.
Paperback version of the
2002 paper published in
the journal Progress in
Information, Complexity,**

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and Design (PCID).

ABSTRACT Inasmuch as science is observational or perceptual in nature, the goal of providing a scientific model and mechanism for the

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**evolution of complex
systems ultimately
requires a supporting
theory of reality of
which perception itself
is the model (or theory-
to-universe mapping).**

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**Where information is the
abstract currency of
perception, such a
theory must incorporate
the theory of
information while
extending the**

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**information concept to
incorporate reflexive
self-processing in order
to achieve an intrinsic
(self-contained)
description of reality.
This extension is**

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**associated with a
limiting formulation of
model theory identifying
mental and physical
reality, resulting in a
reflexively self-
generating, self-**

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**modeling theory of
reality identical to its
universe on the
syntactic level. By the
nature of its
derivation, this theory,
the Cognitive Theoretic**

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**Model of the Universe or
CTMU, can be regarded as
a supertautological
reality-theoretic
extension of logic.
Uniting the theory of
reality with an advanced**

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**form of computational
language theory, the
CTMU describes reality
as a Self Configuring
Self-Processing Language
or SCSP, a reflexive
intrinsic language**

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**characterized not only
by self-reference and
recursive self-
definition, but full
self-configuration and
self-execution
(reflexive read-write**

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**functionality). SCSP
reality embodies a dual-
aspect monism consisting
of infocognition, self-
transducing information
residing in self-
recognizing SCSP**

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**elements called
syntactic operators. The
CTMU identifies itself
with the structure of
these operators and thus
with the distributive
syntax of its self-**

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**modeling SC SPL universe,
including the reflexive
grammar by which the
universe refines itself
from unbound telesis or
UBT, a primordial realm
of infocognitive**

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**potential free of
informational
constraint. Under the
guidance of a limiting
(intrinsic) form of
anthropic principle
called the Telic**

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**Principle, SCSPL evolves
by telic recursion,
jointly configuring
syntax and state while
maximizing a generalized
self-selection parameter
and adjusting on the fly**

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**to freely-changing
internal conditions.
SCSPL relates space,
time and object by means
of conspansive duality
and conspansion, an
SCSPL-grammatical**

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**process featuring an
alternation between dual
phases of existence
associated with design
and actualization and
related to the familiar
wave-particle duality of**

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**quantum mechanics. By
distributing the design
phase of reality over
the actualization phase,
conspansive spacetime
also provides a
distributed mechanism**

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**for Intelligent Design,
adjoining to the
restrictive principle of
natural selection a
basic means of
generating information
and complexity.**

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**Addressing physical
evolution on not only
the biological but
cosmic level, the CTMU
addresses the most
evident deficiencies and
paradoxes associated**

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**with conventional
discrete and continuum
models of reality,
including temporal
directionality and
accelerating cosmic
expansion, while**

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**preserving virtually all
of the major benefits of
current scientific and
mathematical paradigms.
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accompanied by personal**

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**reflections and
meditations, features
works by Helen Keller,
Barbara Kingsolver,
Thomas Aquinas, and
others on such themes as
nature, relationships,**

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**creativity, and work
From the bold, beloved
comic and podcast star
Greg Proops comes a
“terrifically random
appreciation of cultural
touchstones” (Publishers**

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**Weekly) that is
electrifying, thought-
provoking, and
unrelenting, full of
rapid-fire references,
historical name-
checking, Satchel Paige**

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**bon mots, and genuine
wisdom. Greg Proops is
an internationally
renowned comedian, best
known for starring on
the hit improv-comedy
show Whose Line Is It**

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Anyway? and for his popular award-winning podcast, “The Smartest Man in the World,” which Rolling Stone called “some of the boldest comedy on the podcasting

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frontier right now.” But Proops is also a fountain of historical knowledge, a wealth of pop culture trivia, and a generally charming know-it-all. The

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reference guide to the
most essential areas of
knowledge in Proops's
universe, from history's
juiciest tales and**

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and the albums you must
hear. Full of eclectic
and humorous knowledge,
it is a concentrated
collection and comic**

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proper punctuation, and
Satchel Paige, all
delivered with his
signature style, making**

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experience complete. So
if you're stuck
wondering why Alexander
was so Great (well, he
did conquer the world),
which cinema bombshell**

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would be the best
shortstop (Hedy Lamarr,
of course), what great
work of art would be the
best to steal (not that
you would), or the
finest way to prepare

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**vodka-flavored vodka
(add vodka), don't fret,
pumpkin butter—The
Smartest Book in the
World has what you need
right now.**

Jimmy Corrigan

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**When Genius Failed
The Making of a Modern
Elder
Outliers
King of Capital
'The Holmes of the 21st
century' (Daily Mail)**

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The Rise and Fall of Long-Term Capital Management

Knock back a brew and
play a few rounds of the
greatest, most
fascinating, and

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hilarious pub trivia
ever devised, written by
12-time Jeopardy!
champion Austin Rogers,
a longtime New York City
bartender and pub trivia
host for 15 years.

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From the bestselling author of Blink and The Tipping Point, Malcolm Gladwell's Outliers: The Story of Success overturns conventional wisdom about genius to

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show us what makes an ordinary person an extreme overachiever. Why do some people achieve so much more than others? Can they lie so far out of the

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ordinary? In this
provocative and
inspiring book, Malcolm
Gladwell looks at
everyone from rock stars
to professional
athletes, software

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billionaires to
scientific geniuses, to
show that the story of
success is far more
surprising, and far more
fascinating, than we
could ever have

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imagined. He reveals that it's as much about where we're from and what we do, as who we are - and that no one, not even a genius, ever makes it alone. Outliers

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will change the way you think about your own life story, and about what makes us all unique. 'Gladwell is not only a brilliant storyteller; he can see

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what those stories tell us, the lessons they contain' Guardian
'Malcolm Gladwell is a global phenomenon ... he has a genius for making everything he writes

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seem like an impossible
adventure' Observer 'He
is the best kind of
writer - the kind who
makes you feel like
you're a genius, rather
than he's a genius' The

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Times

A collection of core
writings by a forefront
business journalist
explores the careers of
such figures as Warren
Buffett, George

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Steinbrenner, and Ken Lay, challenging popular conceptions about revered and notorious business leaders.

"Hell is empty, and all the devils are here."

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-Shakespeare, The
Tempest As soon as the
financial crisis
erupted, the finger-
pointing began. Should
the blame fall on Wall
Street, Main Street, or

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Pennsylvania Avenue? On
greedy traders,
misguided regulators,
sleazy subprime
companies, cowardly
legislators, or clueless
home buyers? According

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to Bethany McLean and
Joe Nocera, two of
America's most acclaimed
business journalists,
the real answer is all
of the above-and more.
Many devils helped bring

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hell to the economy. And the full story, in all of its complexity and detail, is like the legend of the blind men and the elephant. Almost everyone has missed the

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big picture. Almost no one has put all the pieces together. All the Devils Are Here goes back several decades to weave the hidden history of the financial crisis

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in a way no previous
book has done. It
explores the motivations
of everyone from famous
CEOs, cabinet
secretaries, and
politicians to anonymous

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lenders, borrowers,
analysts, and Wall
Street traders. It
delves into the powerful
American mythology of
homeownership. And it
proves that the crisis

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ultimately wasn't about finance at all; it was about human nature.

Among the devils you'll meet in vivid detail: • Angelo Mozilo, the CEO of Countrywide, who

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dreamed of spreading
homeownership to the
masses, only to succumb
to the peer pressure-and
the outsized profits-of
the sleaziest subprime
lending. • Roland

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Arnall, a respected philanthropist and diplomat, who made his fortune building Ameriquest, a subprime lending empire that relied on blatantly

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deceptive lending practices. • Hank Greenberg, who built AIG into a Rube Goldberg contraption with an undeserved triple-A rating, and who ran it

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so tightly that he was the only one who knew where all the bodies were buried. • Stan O'Neal of Merrill Lynch, aloof and suspicious, who suffered from

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"Goldman envy" and drove a proud old firm into the ground by promoting cronies and pushing out his smartest lieutenants. • Lloyd Blankfein, who helped

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turn Goldman Sachs from a culture that famously put clients first to one that made clients secondary to its own bottom line. • Franklin Raines of Fannie Mae,

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who (like his predecessors) bullied regulators into submission and let his firm drift away from its original, noble mission.

- Brian Clarkson of

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Moody's, who aggressively pushed to increase his rating agency's market share and stock price, at the cost of its integrity. • Alan Greenspan, the

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legendary maestro of the Federal Reserve, who ignored the evidence of a growing housing bubble and turned a blind eye to the lending practices that ultimately brought

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down Wall Street-and
inflicted enormous pain
on the country. Just as
McLean's The Smartest
Guys in the Room was
hailed as the best Enron
book on a crowded shelf,

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so will All the Devils
Are Here be remembered
for finally making sense
of the meltdown and its
consequences.

Information Doesn't Want
to Be Free

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The Root Cause and New
Solution for
Cybersecurity
Billion Dollar Whale
The Inside Story of the
Collapse of Enron
The Ultimate Book of Pub

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Trivia by the Smartest
Guy in the Bar

A True Financial
Thriller

Aerospace Engineering
Gifts: Cute Blank Lined
Notebook Journal to

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Write in for Engineers
and Engineering Students

***Follows the story of
Enron from the
perspective of the vice
president who exposed
its illegal practices,***

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***tracing how its "anything-goes" culture led to its being hailed a model company and recounting its highly publicized collapse. Reprint.
At the height of the***

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roaring '20s, Swedish émigré Ivar Kreuger made a fortune raising money in America and loaning it to Europe in exchange for matchstick monopolies. His

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enterprise was a rare success story throughout the Great Depression. Yet after his suicide in 1932, it became clear that Kreuger was not all he seemed: evidence

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***surfaced of fudged
accounting figures, off-
balance-sheet
accounting, even forgery.
He created a raft of
innovative financial
products— many of them***

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***precursors to instruments
wreaking havoc in today's
markets. In this gripping
financial biography,
Frank Partnoy recasts the
life story of a remarkable
yet forgotten genius in***

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ways that force us to re-think our ideas about the wisdom of crowds, the invisible hand, and the free and unfettered market.

Harry Markopolos and his

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***team of financial sleuths
discuss first-hand how
they cracked the Madoff
Ponzi scheme No One
Would Listen is the
thrilling story of how the
Harry Markopolos, a little-***

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***known number cruncher
from a Boston equity
derivatives firm, and his
investigative team
uncovered Bernie
Madoff's scam years
before it made headlines,***

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and how they desperately tried to warn the government, the industry, and the financial press. Page by page, Markopolos details his pursuit of the

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***greatest financial
criminal in history, and
reveals the massive
fraud, governmental
incompetence, and
criminal collusion that
has changed thousands***

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***of lives forever-as well as
the world's financial
system. The only book to
tell the story of Madoff's
scam and the SEC's
failings by those who saw
both first hand Describes***

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***how Madoff was enabled
by investors and
fiduciaries alike
Discusses how the SEC
missed the red flags
raised by Markopolos
Despite repeated written***

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***and verbal warnings to
the SEC by Harry
Markopolos, Bernie
Madoff was allowed to
continue his operations.
No One Would Listen
paints a vivid portrait of***

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Markopolos and his determined team of financial sleuths, and what impact Madoff's scam will have on financial markets and regulation for decades to

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come.

***Following three
teenagers who chose to
spend one school year
living in Finland, South
Korea, and Poland, a
literary journalist***

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***recounts how attitudes,
parenting, and rigorous
teaching have
revolutionized these
countries' education
results.***

How the World's Most

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***Powerful Company Really
Works-- and how It's
Transforming the
American Economy
Pipe Dreams
Over 300 Rounds and
More Than 3,000***

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Questions

***How I Turned \$1,000 into
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IQ

The Know-It-All

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Named a Best Book of 2018 by the Financial Times and Fortune, this "thrilling" (Bill Gates) New York Times bestseller exposes how a "modern Gatsby" swindled over \$5 billion with the aid of Goldman Sachs in "the heist of the century" (Axios). Now a #1 international bestseller,

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BILLION DOLLAR WHALE is "an epic tale of white-collar crime on a global scale" (*Publishers Weekly*, starred review), revealing how a young social climber from Malaysia pulled off one of the biggest heists in history. In 2009, a chubby, mild-mannered graduate of the University

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of Pennsylvania's Wharton School of Business named Jho Low set in motion a fraud of unprecedented gall and magnitude--one that would come to symbolize the next great threat to the global financial system. Over a decade, Low, with the aid of Goldman Sachs and others, siphoned

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billions of dollars from an investment fund--right under the nose of global financial industry watchdogs. Low used the money to finance elections, purchase luxury real estate, throw champagne-drenched parties, and even to finance Hollywood films like The Wolf of Wall Street. By early

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2019, with his yacht and private jet reportedly seized by authorities and facing criminal charges in Malaysia and in the United States, Low had become an international fugitive, even as the U.S. Department of Justice continued its investigation.
BILLION DOLLAR WHALE has joined

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the ranks of Liar's Poker, Den of Thieves, and Bad Blood as a classic harrowing parable of hubris and greed in the financial world.

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Moneyball and Orbiting the Giant Hairball, but not Jack Welch's memoir. At the end of each review, Jack and Todd direct readers to other books both inside and outside The 100 Best. And sprinkled throughout are sidebars taking the reader beyond business books, suggesting

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contributions of lesser-known
participants in the scandal.*

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Theory*

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A True Story

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*The Smartest Kid on Earth
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A graphic novel chronicles four generations of the Corrigan men, from 1893 to 1983.

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After failing at twenty-two jobs, Barbara Corcoran borrowed \$1,000 from a boyfriend, quit her job as a diner waitress, and started a tiny real estate office in New York City. Using the unconventional lessons she learned from her homemaker mom, she gradually built it into a \$6 billion

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dollar business. Now Barbara's even more famous for the no-nonsense wisdom she offers to entrepreneurs on Shark Tank, ABC's hit reality TV show. Shark Tales is down-to-earth, frank, and as heartwarming as it is smart. After reading it don't be surprised if you find yourself thinking, "If she can

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do it, so can I." Nothing would make Barbara happier.

In a way, the situation is ironic: housing was at the root of the financial crisis, and six years after the meltdown, housing finance is still the greatest unsolved issue. The U.S. housing market is roughly \$10 trillion,

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making it one of the largest segments of the bond market. Roughly 70 percent of the American population has a mortgage, and for most people, the mortgage is the most important financial instrument in their lives. But until the financial crisis, few people knew the essential role that Fannie

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Mae and Freddie Mac play in their mortgages. Given the \$188 billion government bailout of the two firms the most expensive bailout in history the politics surrounding housing are worse than they've ever been, and the two gigantic firms sit in limbo. Best-selling investigative journalist Bethany

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McLean, the coauthor of *The Smartest Guys in the Room* and *All the Devils Are Here*, explains why the situation is dangerous and unsustainable, and proposes a few solutions from the perfect, but politically unfeasible to the doable, but ugly.

A unique individual with a fascinating

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life story, Ivar Giaever is a scientist who won the Nobel Prize in Experimental Physics in 1973. In his own words, Giaever relates an absorbing tale of how important luck and good fortune have been in shaping his life. He narrates the story of an ordinary childhood in Norway

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and an unremarkable undergraduate career at university. After finishing his engineering degree, he served in the Norwegian army and married his childhood sweetheart, Inger Skramstad. His desire to make a better life for his new family led Ivar to Canada and then to the United States.

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Even without an advanced degree in a scientific field, Ivar was given the opportunity to work with cutting-edge scientific researchers at General Electric R&D in Schenectady, New York. While there, he completed his PhD at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute -- one of the United States'

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oldest technological universities. His work on superconductivity led to worldwide recognition and the Nobel Prize. This memoir is more than the story of an accomplished, world-renowned scientist: it is an engaging reminiscence of an independent, highly creative thinker and problem

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solver who loves games and puzzles, skiing and windsurfing, and time with friends and family. Dr Ivar Giaever's fascinating story intertwines his views on the nature of science, scientific processes, contemporary issues such as global warming, and the great benefits the Nobel Prize has afforded

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him. Written with humor and often tongue-in-cheek, 'I am the Smartest Man I know' is one man's meditation on science, intellectual inquiry, and life itself.

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in a long time. And Isaiah*

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sleuth not seen on the
mystery landscape before.'*

Michael Connelly

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JOHN CREASEY (new blood)

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are being mugged, children go missing. But word has spread: if you've got a case the police can't - or won't - touch, Isaiah Quintabe will help you out. They call him IQ.

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He's a loner and a high school dropout, his unassuming nature disguising a relentless determination and a fierce intelligence. His clients pay him whatever they can

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*afford, a new set of tyres
or some homemade muffins.
But now he needs a client
who can pay. And the only
way to that client is
through a jive-talking,
low-life drug dealer he*

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*thought he'd left behind.
Then there's the case
itself. A drug-addled rap
star surrounded by a crew
of flunkies who believes
his life is in danger; and
a hit man who even other*

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*hit men say is a lunatic.
If he solves this case, IQ
can put right a mistake he
made long ago. If not it
won't just be the hit man
coming after him ...
WINNER of the ANTHONY*

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FIRST P.I. NOVEL. the
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sharply argued, fast-moving chapters, Cory Doctorow's Information Doesn't Want to Be Free takes on the state of copyright and creative success in the digital

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age. Can small artists still thrive in the Internet era? Can giant record labels avoid alienating their audiences? This is a book about the pitfalls and the

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*opportunities that
creative industries (and
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confronting today – about
how the old models have
failed or found new
footing, and about what*

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*might soon replace them.
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*creativity and the
Internet interact today,
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