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The Accidental Superpower

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The Accidental Superpower

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The Absent Superpower

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in 2014 s the accidental superpower geopolitical strategist peter zeihan made the case that geographic demographic and energy trends were unravelling the global system zeihan takes the story a step further in the absent superpower mapping out the threats and opportunities as the world descends into disorder

Disunited Nations

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should we stop caring about fading regional powers like china russia germany and iran will the collapse of international cooperation push france turkey japan and saudi arabia to the top of international concerns most countries and companies are not prepared for the world peter zeihan says we re already living in for decades america s allies have depended on its might for their economic and physical security but as a new age of american isolationism dawns the results will surprise everyone in disunited nations geopolitical strategist peter zeihan presents a series of counterintuitive arguments about the future of a world where trade agreements are coming apart and international institutions are losing their power germany will decline as the most powerful country in europe with france taking its place every country should prepare for the collapse of china not north korea we are already seeing as zeihan predicts a shift in outlook on the middle east it is no longer iran that is the region s most dangerous threat but saudi arabia the world has gotten so accustomed to the normal of an american dominated order that we have all forgotten the historical norm several smaller competing powers and economic systems throughout europe and asia america isn t the only nation stepping back from the international system from brazil to great britain to russia leaders are deciding that even if plenty of countries lose in the growing disunited chaos their nations will benefit the world isn t falling apart it s being pushed apart the countries and businesses prepared for this new every country for itself ethic are those that will prevail those shackled to the status quo will find themselves lost in the new world disorder

smart interesting and essential reading disunited nations is a sure to be controversial guidebook that analyzes the emerging shifts and resulting problems that will arise in the next two decades we are entering a period of chaos and no political or corporate leader can ignore zeihan s insights or his message if they want to survive and thrive in this uncertain new time

Summary of the Accidental Superpower: Conversation Starters

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the accidental superpower the next generation of american preeminence and the coming global disorder by peter zeihan conversation starters geopolitics was a central factor in the global politics of the early 20th century but was relegated to the sides when political theorists paid more attention to economics ideology and technology as the world advances into the 21st century geopolitics will continue to play a major factor in the success of powerful nations particularly the united states the us natural waterway networks rich agricultural land and its two oceans inevitably make the country a global superpower it is not like china which has geographic features that make the country susceptible to political fragmentation the shale oil revolution in north america will further enable the united states to continue having the superpower edge for many more years to come the accidental superpower is a book that follows in the bestselling tradition of the next 100 years a brief look inside every good book contains a world far deeper than the surface of its pages the characters and their world come alive and the characters and its world still live on conversation starters is peppered with questions designed to bring us beneath the surface of the page and invite us into the world that lives on these questions can be used to create hours of conversation foster a deeper understanding of the book promote an atmosphere of discussion for groups assist in the study of the book either individually or corporately explore unseen realms of the book as never seen before disclaimer this book you are about to enjoy is an independent resource to supplement the original book enhancing your experience if you have not yet purchased a copy of the original book please do before purchasing this unofficial conversation starters c copyright 2019 download your copy now on sale read it on your pc mac ios or android smartphone tablet devices

The End of the World is Just the Beginning

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a new york times bestseller 2019 was the last great year for the world economy for generations everything has been getting faster better and cheaper finally we reached the point that almost anything you could ever want could be sent to your home within days even hours of when you decided you wanted it america made that happen but now america has lost interest in keeping it going globe spanning supply chains are only possible with the protection of the u s navy the american dollar underpins internationalized energy and financial markets complex innovative industries were created to satisfy american consumers american security policy forced warring nations to lay down their arms billions of people have been fed and educated as the american led trade system spread across the globe all of this was artificial all this was temporary all this is ending in the end of the world is just the beginning author and geopolitical strategist peter zeihan maps out the next world a world where countries or regions will have no choice but to make their own goods grow their own food secure their own energy fight their own battles and do it all with populations that are both shrinking and aging the list of countries that make it all work is smaller than you think which means everything about our interconnected world from how we manufacture products to how we grow food to how we keep the lights on to how we shuttle stuff about to how we pay for it all is about to change a world ending a world beginning zeihan brings readers along for an illuminating and a bit terrifying ride packed with foresight wit and his trademark irreverence

Summary of The Accidental Superpower - [Review Keypoints and Takeaways]

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the summary of the accidental superpower the next generation of american preeminence and the coming global disorder presented here include a short review of the book at the start followed by quick overview of main points and a list of important take aways at the end of the summary the summary of although the united states maintains its position as the world s preeminent superpower at the present time the world is undergoing historically unprecedented levels of change these ideas explain how and why the united states came to politically and economically dominate the rest of the world as well as what we can anticipate happening in the coming decades not only in the united states but also throughout the rest of the world the accidental superpower summary includes the key points and important takeaways from the book the accidental superpower by peter zeihan disclaimer 1 this summary is meant to preview and not to substitute the original book 2 we recommend for in depth study purchase the excellent original book 3 in this summary key points are rewritten and recreated and no part text is directly taken or copied from original book 4 if original author publisher wants us to remove this summary please contact us at support mocktime com

Summary of Peter Zeihan's The Accidental Superpower

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please note this is a companion version not the original book sample book insights 1 the bretton woods conference was held in 1944 and was responsible for creating the world bank the international monetary fund and the international bank for reconstruction and development the americans were in charge of the allied side of the war and they were the only ones who wanted these institutions 2 the americans had a navy that was the most powerful in the world after the nazis and the japanese were defeated and the british had no navy at all the british could still claim to have a potent navy but it was a subsidiary force compared to the american fleet 3 the american team presented their two part plan to the french and european delegates which was completely different from what the soviets expected them to do they would open their markets but only one way 4 the americans at the conference proposed a global trading system in which they would provide full security for all maritime trade at their own cost full access to the largest consumer market in human history and at most a limited expectation that participants might open their markets to american goods

Unrivaled

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the united states has been the world's dominant power for more than a century now many analysts believe that other countries are rising and the united states is in decline is the unipolar moment over is america finished as a superpower in this book michael beckley argues that the united states has unique advantages over other nations that if used wisely will allow it to remain the world's sole superpower throughout this century we are not living in a transitional post cold war era instead we are in the midst of what he calls the unipolar era a period as singular and important as any epoch in modern history this era beckley contends will endure because the us has a much larger economic and military lead over its closest rival china than most people think and the best prospects of any nation to amass wealth and power in the decades ahead deeply researched and brilliantly argued this book covers hundreds of years of great power politics and develops new methods for measuring power and predicting the rise and fall of nations by documenting long term trends in the global balance of power and explaining their implications for world politics the book provides guidance for policymakers businesspeople and scholars alike

Vicarious Warfare

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america has been at war for most of the 20th and 21st centuries and during that time has progressively moved towards a vicarious form of warfare where key tasks are delegated to proxies the military's exposure to danger is limited and special forces and covert instruments are on the increase important strategic decisions are taken with minimal scrutiny or public engagement this compelling account charts the historical emergence of this distinctive tradition of war and explains the factors driving its contemporary prominence it contrasts the tactical advantages of vicarious warfare with its hidden costs and potential to cause significant strategic harm

The Accidental

2012-08-02

the accidental is ali smith's dazzling novel about a family holiday and a stranger who upends it arresting and wonderful the accidental pans in on the norfolk holiday home of the smart family one hot summer there a beguiling stranger called amber appears at the door bearing all sorts of unexpected gifts trampling over family boundaries and sending each of the smarts scurrying from the dark into the light a novel about the ways that seemingly chance encounters irrevocably transform our understanding of ourselves the accidental explores the nature of truth the role of fate and the power of storytelling a beguiling page turner a brilliant creation to read the accidental is to be excited from first to last independent joyous a shot across the bows writing as rapture as giddy delight the times brilliant and engaging frequently hilarious smith makes one look at the world afresh sunday telegraph

The Cold War: A Very Short Introduction

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very short introductions brilliant sharp inspiring the cold war dominated international life from the end of world war ii to the fall of the berlin wall in 1989 but how did the conflict begin why did it move from its initial origins in postwar europe to encompass virtually every corner of the globe and why after lasting so long did the war end so suddenly and unexpectedly

robert mcMahon considers these questions and more as well as looking at the legacy of the cold war and its impact on international relations today the cold war a very short introduction is a truly international history not just of the soviet american struggle at its heart but also of the waves of decolonization revolutionary nationalism and state formation that swept the non western world in the wake of world war ii mcMahon places the hot wars that cost millions of lives in korea vietnam and elsewhere within the larger framework of global superpower competition he shows how the united states and the soviet union both became empires over the course of the cold war and argues that perceived security needs and fears shaped u s and soviet decisions from the beginning far more in fact than did their economic and territorial ambitions he unpacks how these needs and fears were conditioned by the divergent cultures ideologies and historical experiences of the two principal contestants and their allies covering the years 1945 1990 this second edition uses recent scholarship and newly available documents to offer a fuller analysis of the vietnam war the changing global politics of the 1970s and the end of the cold war about the series the very short introductions series from oxford university press contains hundreds of titles in almost every subject area these pocket sized books are the perfect way to get ahead in a new subject quickly our expert authors combine facts analysis perspective new ideas and enthusiasm to make interesting and challenging topics highly readable

The Accidental Apprentice

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as heard on bbc woman s hour from the author of the book behind the blockbuster movie slumdog millionaire a brilliant novel about life changing in an instant in life you never get what you deserve you get what you negotiate what would you do if out of the blue a billionaire industrialist decided to make you the ceo of his company no prior business experience necessary there is only one catch you need to pass seven tests from the textbook of life this is the offer made to sapna sinha an ordinary salesgirl in an electronics boutique in downtown delhi by vinay mohan acharya one of india s richest men thus begins the most challenging journey of sapna s life one that will test her character her courage and her capabilities along the way she encounters a host of memorable personalities from a vain bollywood superstar to a kleptomaniac gandhian at stake is a business empire worth ten billion dollars and the future she has always dreamt of but are the seven tests for real or is acharya playing a deeper game one driven by a perverse fantasy from the acclaimed author of slumdog millionaire one of the biggest films of the decade comes this compelling suspenseful tale of the power of dreams the lure of money and the universal need to know who we are praise for the accidental apprentice it s easy to forget that before it was retitled for hollywood slumdog millionairess was a novel called q a which makes its author vikas swarup probably the most successful indian author you ve never heard of gripping stuff perhaps the accidental apprentice is awaiting its danny boyle the times praise for q a slumdog millionaire a colourful portrait of indian society is painted with remarkable lightness and wit sunday telegraph absorbing and richly entertaining reading the times

Accidental Hero

2011-04-26

fans of brandon mull and james riley will love this middle grade fantasy trilogy about a regular kid who discovers that the truth about his past could be the answer to saving the future all jack blank knows is his bleak dreary life at st barnaby s home for the hopeless abandoned forgotten and lost an orphanage that sinks more and more into the swampland of new jersey with each passing year his aptitude tests project him as spending a long unhappy career as a toilet brush cleaner his only chance at escape comes through the comic books donated years ago to the orphanage that he secretly reads in the dark corners of the library everything changes one icy gray morning when jack receives two visitors that alter his life forever the first is a deadly robot straight out of one of his comic books that tries its best to blow him up the second is an emissary from a secret country called the imagine nation an astonishing place where all the fantastic and unbelievable things in our world originate including jack jack soon discovers that he has an amazing ability one that could make him the savior of the imagine nation and the world beyond or the biggest threat they ve ever faced

The World in 2050

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a vivid forecast of our planet in the year 2050 by a rising star in geoscience distilling cutting edge research into four global forces demographic trends natural resource demand climate change and globalization the world s population is exploding wild species are vanishing our environment is degrading and the costs of resources from oil to water are going nowhere but up so what kind of world are we leaving for our children and grandchildren geoscientist and guggenheim fellow laurence smith draws on the latest global modeling research to construct a sweeping thought experiment on what our world will be like in 2050 the result is both good news and bad eight nations of the arctic rim including the united states will become increasingly prosperous powerful and politically stable while those closer to the equator will face water shortages aging populations and crowded megacities sapped by the rising costs of energy and coastal flooding the world in 2050 combines

the lessons of geography and history with state of the art model projections and analytical data everything from climate dynamics and resource stocks to age distributions and economic growth projections but smith offers more than a compendium of statistics and studies he spent fifteen months traveling the arctic rim collecting stories and insights that resonate throughout the book it is an approach much like jared diamond took in guns germs and steel and collapse a work of geoscientific investigation rich in the appreciation of human diversity packed with stunning photographs original maps and informative tables this is the most authoritative balanced and compelling account available of the world of challenges and opportunities that we will leave for our children

Blockchain Chicken Farm

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a new york times book review editors choice a brilliant and empathetic guide to the far corners of global capitalism jenny odell author of how to do nothing from fsgo x logic stories about rural china food and tech that reveal new truths about the globalized world in blockchain chicken farm the technologist and writer xiaowei wang explores the political and social entanglements of technology in rural china their discoveries force them to challenge the standard idea that rural culture and people are backward conservative and intolerant instead they find that rural china has not only adapted to rapid globalization but has actually innovated the technology we all use today from pork farmers using ai to produce the perfect pig to disruptive luxury counterfeits and the political intersections of e commerce villages wang unravels the ties between globalization technology agriculture and commerce in unprecedented fashion accompanied by humorous sinofuturist recipes that frame meals as they transform under new technology blockchain chicken farm is an original and probing look into innovation connectivity and collaboration in the digitized rural world fsg originals logic dissects the way technology functions in everyday lives the titans of silicon valley for all their utopian imaginings never really had our best interests at heart recent threats to democracy truth privacy and safety as a result of tech s reckless pursuit of progress have shown as much we present an alternate story one that delights in capturing technology in all its contradictions and innovation across borders and socioeconomic divisions from history through the future beyond platitudes and pr hype and past doom and gloom our collaboration features four brief but provocative forays into the tech industry s many worlds and aspires to incite fresh conversations about technology focused on nuanced and accessible explorations of the emerging tools that reorganize and redefine life today

The Rise of a New Superpower

2013-05-14

the book explains the reasons for the recent economic success of turkey by examining the transformation of the private sector and the development policies implemented by the turkish government further concrete insights are provided by professionals working for institutional and business players such as sace the first italian insurance group in the field of export credit and abigem a business center supporting smes in turkey turkish airlines winner of the best airline in europe award in 2012 also contributed to the volume through useful information provided by its press office turkey s strategic role in the energy market is then analyzed with discussion of the limits and opportunities of the oil gas and renewable sectors in addition careful attention is paid to the difficult relations between turkey and the european union and to turkey s application for eu membership turkey is one of the most important emerging countries in the world thanks to the booming economic growth that has been achieved there during the past decade this book analyzes the increasingly key role played by turkey within the international community by focusing on two main issues the economic scenario and the energy market

The Accidental President of Brazil

2007-03-27

fernando henrique cardoso received a phone call in the middle of the night asking him to be the new finance minister of brazil as he put the phone down and stared into the darkness of his hotel room he feared he d been handed a political death sentence the year was 1993 and he would be responsible for an economy that had had seven different currencies in the previous eight years to cope with inflation that had run at 3000 percent a year brazil had a habit of chewing up finance ministers with the ferocity of an amazon piranha this was just one of the turns in a largely unscripted and sometimes unwanted political career in exile during the harshest period of the junta that ruled brazil for twenty years cardoso started his political life with a tentative run for the federal senate in 1978 within fifteen years and despite himself this former sociologist was running the country and what a country brazil it is often said is on the edge of modernity striding with one foot in mid air towards the future the other still rooted deep in a traditional past it is a land of sophisticated music and brutal gold digging of the next global superpower and the last old time coffee plantations it is gloriously ungovernable irrepressibly attractive and home to the family friends and extraordinary life of fernando henrique cardoso this is his story and his love song to his country

Accidental Gods

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named a best book of the year by esquire the irish times and the times literary supplement a provocative history of men who were worshipped as gods that illuminates the connection between power and religion and the role of divinity in a secular age ever since 1492 when christopher columbus made landfall in the new world and was hailed as a heavenly being the accidental god has haunted the modern age from haile selassie acclaimed as the living god in jamaica to britain s prince philip who became the unlikely center of a new religion on a south pacific island men made divine always men have appeared on every continent and because these deifications always emerge at moments of turbulence civil wars imperial conquest revolutions they have much to teach us in a revelatory history spanning five centuries a cast of surprising deities helps to shed light on the thorny questions of how our modern concept of religion was invented why religion and politics are perpetually entangled in our supposedly secular age and how the power to call someone divine has been used and abused by both oppressors and the oppressed from nationalist uprisings in india to nigerien spirit possession cults anna della subin explores how deification has been a means of defiance for colonized peoples conversely we see how columbus cortés and other white explorers amplified stories of their godhood to justify their dominion over native peoples setting into motion the currents of racism and exclusion that have plagued the new world ever since they touched its shores at once deeply learned and delightfully antic accidental gods offers an unusual keyhole through which to observe the creation of our modern world it is that rare thing a lyrical entertaining work of ideas one that marks the debut of a remarkable literary career

Multipliers

2010-06-15

wall street journal bestseller a thought provoking accessible and essential exploration of why some leaders diminishers drain capability and intelligence from their teams while others multipliers amplify it to produce better results including a foreword by stephen r covey as well the five key disciplines that turn smart leaders into genius makers multipliers is a must read for everyone from first time managers to world leaders

The Collapse

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on the night of november 9 1989 massive crowds surged toward the berlin wall drawn by an announcement that caught the world by surprise east germans could now move freely to the west the wall infamous symbol of divided cold war europe seemed to be falling but the opening of the gates that night was not planned by the east german ruling regime nor was it the result of a bargain between either ronald reagan or george h w bush and soviet leader mikhaïl gorbachev it was an accident in the collapse prize winning historian mary elise sarotte reveals how a perfect storm of decisions made by daring underground revolutionaries disgruntled stasi officers and dictatorial party bosses sparked an unexpected series of events culminating in the chaotic fall of the wall with a novelist s eye for character and detail she brings to vivid life a story that sweeps across budapest prague dresden and leipzig and up to the armed checkpoints in berlin we meet the revolutionaries roland jahn aram radomski and siggi schefke risking it all to smuggle the truth across the iron curtain the hapless politburo member güsçabowski mistakenly suggesting that the wall is open to a press conference full of foreign journalists including nbc s tom brokaw and stasi officer harald jâr holding the fort at the crucial border crossing that night soon brokaw starts broadcasting live from berlin s brandenburg gate where the crowds are exulting in the euphoria of newfound freedom and the dictators are plotting to restore control drawing on new archival sources and dozens of interviews the collapse offers the definitive account of the night that brought down the berlin wall

American Foreign Relations

2019-04-01

for better or worse be it militarily politically economically technologically or culturally americans have had a profound role in shaping the wider world beyond them the united states has been a savior to some a curse to others but either way such views are often based on a caricature of american actions and intentions american foreign relations then is a subject of immense global importance that provokes strong emotions and much debate but often based on deep misunderstanding this very short introduction analyzes the key episodes themes and individuals in the history of american foreign relations while discussing diplomacy and the periods of war that have shaped national and international history it also addresses such topics as industrialization globalization imperialism and immigration covering the revolution through the war on terror it examines the connections between domestic politics and foreign affairs as well as the importance of ideals and values sharply written and highly readable american foreign relations offers a clear eyed narrative of america s role in the world and how it has evolved over time about the series the very short introductions series from oxford university press contains

hundreds of titles in almost every subject area these pocket sized books are the perfect way to get ahead in a new subject quickly our expert authors combine facts analysis perspective new ideas and enthusiasm to make interesting and challenging topics highly readable

Vicious

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victor and eli started out as college roommates brilliant arrogant lonely boys who recognized the same ambition in each other a shared interest in adrenaline near death experiences and seemingly supernatural events reveals an intriguing possibility that under the right conditions someone could develop extraordinary abilities but when their thesis moves from the academic to the experimental things go horribly wrong ten years later victor breaks out of prison determined to catch up to his old friend now foe aided by a young girl with a stunning ability meanwhile eli is on a mission to eradicate every other super powered person that he can find aside from his sidekick an enigmatic woman with an unbreakable will armed with terrible power on both sides driven by the memory of betrayal and loss the arch nemeses have set a course for revenge but who will be left alive at the end supremely plotted and incredibly well written the independent on sunday vicious is the superhero novel i ve been waiting for fresh merciless and yes vicious mira grant new york times bestselling author schwab writes with the fiendish ingenuity sardonic wit and twisted imagination of a true supervillain greg cox new york times a dynamic and original twist on what it means to be a hero and a villain a killer from page one highly recommended jonathan maberry new york times bestselling author schwab gathers all the superhero supervillain tropes and turns them on their sundry heads i could not put it down f paul wilson new york times bestselling author

Shrubs: An Old Fashioned Drink for Modern Times

2014-10-06

a simple shrub is made from fruit sugar and vinegar raise your glass to a surprising new taste sensation for cocktails and sophisticated sodas shrubs not the kind that grow in the ground but a vintage drink mixer that will knock your socks off mixologists across the country are reaching back through the centuries to reclaim vinegar s more palatable past embracing it as the other acid an alternative to the same old same old lemons and limes said the new york times the history of shrubs as revealed here is as fascinating as the drinks are refreshing these sharp and tangy infusions are simple to make and use as you ll discover with these recipes mix up some red currant shrub for a vermouth cassis or apple cinnamon shrub to mix with seltzer or develop your own with michael dietsch s directions and step by step photographs imagine a fizzy soda like drink that is drier and so much more sophisticated than soda what with the sugar and botanical ingredients shrubs amazing wonderful amy stewart author of the drunken botanist

Bold Endeavors

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bold endeavors is a compelling narrative of ten large and transformative events in american history it is an absorbing journey through the past as we read about determined national leaders jefferson lincoln teddy roosevelt fdr and eisenhower who found the will steadiness and political acumen to make decisions that were often unpopular but that proved to be visionary decisions that are the building blocks of america s destiny rohatyn begins with the diplomatic intrigues of the louisiana purchase which doubled the size of the country moves to the controversial construction of the erie canal which opened a water route to the west then continues to lincoln s resolute support for the transcontinental railroad land grant colleges and the homestead act documents the strategy and ruthless determination that built the panama canal details the visionary and pragmatic politics that allowed fdr to bring electricity to rural america and use the reconstruction finance act to help pull the country from the grip of the depression captures the foresight of national purpose which led to the g i bill which propelled the nation forward and describes the creation of the interstate highway system that modernized america bold endeavors is an urgent call for present day action in this time of grave national crisis the nation is falling apart literally rohatyn warns america s roads and bridges schools and hospitals airports and roadways ports and dams water lines and air control systems the country s entire infrastructure is rapidly and dangerously deteriorating to reverse this catastrophic degeneration and create tens of thousands of new jobs rohatyn offers a carefully reasoned and practical solution bold and imaginative political leadership must use the power and the resources of the federal government to finance the rebuilding of the nation s infrastructure rohatyn s page turning case studies are precedents for purposeful resourceful and tenacious leadership that is necessary to accomplish both the rebuilding of america and the country s emergence from its present financial crisis these bold endeavors from the nation s past are instructive a guide and an inspiration for americans today if the nation is to be rebuilt and its infrastructure renewed if the country is to emerge from the present economic crisis and reclaim its position of unqualified strength and leadership in world affairs then it must be guided by the vision determination and investments that originally helped create a secure and prosperous america

A Previous Life

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elegant filthy and quite possibly the queerest thing you will read all year guardian intriguing and inventive electric literature most anticipated lgbtq book of the year a dizzyingly enticing and kaleidoscopic take on the spectrum of sexual experiences publishers weekly starred review a daring category confounding and ruthlessly funny novel from national book award honored author edmund white that explores polyamory and bisexuality ageing and love sicilian aristocrat and musician ruggero and his younger american wife constance agree to break their marital silence and write their confessions until now they had a ban on speaking about the past since transparency had wrecked their previous marriages as the two alternate reading the memoirs they've written about their lives constance reveals her multiple marriages to older men and ruggero details the affairs he's had with men and women across his lifetime most importantly his passionate affair with the author edmund white sweeping outward from the isolated swiss ski chalet where the couple reads to travel through europe and the united states white's new novel pushes for a broader understanding of sexual orientation and pairs humor and truth to create his most fascinating and complex characters to date as in all of white's earlier novels this is a searing scintillating take on physical beauty and its inevitable decline but in this experimental new mode one where the author has laid himself bare as a secondary character white explores the themes of love and age through numerous eyes hearts and minds delightful irreverent and experimental a previous life proves once more why white is considered a master of american literature

The Only Girl

2018-08-21

a raucous and vividly dishy memoir by the only woman writer on the masthead of rolling stone magazine in the early seventies in 1971 robin green had an interview with jann wenner at the offices of rolling stone magazine she had just moved to berkeley california a city that promised good vibes all a time those days job applications asked just one question what are your sun moon and rising signs green thought she was interviewing for a clerical job like the other girls in the office a real job instead she was hired as a journalist with irreverent humor and remarkable nerve green spills stories of sparring with dennis hopper on a film junket in the desert scandalizing fans of david cassidy and spending a legendary evening on a water bed in robert f kennedy jr's dorm room in the seventies green was there as hunter s thompson crafted fear and loathing in las vegas and now with a distinctly gonzo female voice she reveals her side of that tumultuous time in america brutally honest and bold green reveals what it was like to be the first woman granted entry into an iconic boys club pulling back the curtain on rolling stone magazine in its prime the only girl is a stunning tribute to a bygone era and a publication that defined a generation

Shatter Me (Shatter Me)

2018-03-06

stranger things meets shadow and bone in this first instalment of an epic and romantic ya fantasy series perfect for fans of leigh bardugo sarah j maas and victoria aveyard now a tiktok phenomenon

A Superpower Transformed

2015

geopolitics and globalization collided in the 1970s and their collision produced difficult challenges for the makers of american foreign policy a superpower transformed explains how policymakers across three administrations worked to manage complex international changes in a tumultuous era and it explores the legacies of their efforts to accommodate american power to new forces stirring in world affairs

Cambodia's Curse

2011-04-12

a generation after the khmer rouge cambodia shows every sign of having overcome its history the streets of phnom penh are paved skyscrapers dot the skyline but under this façade lies a country still haunted by its years of terror joel brinkley won a pulitzer prize for his reporting in cambodia on the fall of the khmer rouge regime that killed one quarter of the nation's population during its years in power in 1992 the world came together to help pull the small nation out of the mire cambodia became a united nations protectorate the first and only time the un tried something so ambitious what did the new democratically elected government do with this unprecedented gift in 2008 and 2009 brinkley returned to cambodia to find

out he discovered a population in the grip of a venal government he learned that one third to one half of cambodians who lived through the khmer rouge era have PTSD and its afflictions are being passed to the next generation his extensive close up reporting in cambodia's curse illuminates the country its people and the deep historical roots of its modern day behavior

Influence Is Your Superpower

2022-02-01

rediscover the superpower that makes good things happen from the professor behind yale school of management's most popular class the new rules of persuasion for a better world charles duhigg author of the bestsellers the power of habit and smarter faster better you were born influential but then you were taught to suppress that power to follow the rules to wait your turn to not make waves award winning yale professor zoe chance will show you how to rediscover the superpower that brings great ideas to life influence doesn't work the way you think because you don't think the way you think move past common misconceptions such as the idea that asking for more will make people dislike you and understand why your go to negotiation strategies are probably making you less influential discover the one thing that influences behavior more than anything else learn to cultivate charisma negotiate comfortably and creatively and spot manipulators before it's too late along the way you'll meet alligators skydivers a mind reader in a gorilla costume jennifer lawrence genghis khan and the man who saved the world by saying no influence is your superpower will teach you how to transform your life your organization and perhaps even the course of history it's an ethical approach to influence that will make life better for everyone starting with you

Strategy Beyond the Hockey Stick

2018-01-10

beat the odds with a bold strategy from mckinsey company every once in a while a genuinely fresh approach to business strategy appears legendary business professor richard rumelt ucla mckinsey company's newest most definitive and most irreverent book on strategy which thousands of executives are already using is a must read for all c suite executives looking to create winning corporate strategies strategy beyond the hockey stick is spearheading an empirical revolution in the field of strategy based on an extensive analysis of the key factors that drove the long term performance of thousands of global companies the book offers a ground breaking formula that enables you to objectively assess your strategy's real odds of future success this book is fundamental the principles laid out here with compelling data are a great way around the social pitfalls in strategy development frans van houten ceo royal philips n v the authors have discovered that over a 10 year period just 1 in 12 companies manage to jump from the middle tier of corporate performance where 60 of companies reside making very little economic profit to the top quintile where 90 of global economic profit is made this movement does not happen by magic it depends on your company's current position the trends it faces and the big moves you make to give it the strongest chance of vaulting over the competition this is not another strategy framework rather strategy beyond the hockey stick shows through empirical analysis and the experiences of dozens of companies that have successfully made multiple big moves that to dramatically improve performance you have to overcome incrementalism and corporate inertia a different kind of book i couldn't put it down inspiring new insights on the facts of what it takes to move a company's performance combined with practical advice on how to deal with real life dynamics in management teams jane fraser ceo citigroup latin america

TikTok Boom

2021-07-16

tiktok has taken over the world in just a few short years what does its success mean for the future of technology journalist and author chris stokol walker tells the inside story of the chinese app with unprecedented access to key company figures along with the superpower battle with the us over its future

To Build a Better World

2019-09-10

a deeply researched international history and exemplary study new york times book review of how a divided world ended and our present world was fashioned as the world drifts toward another great time of choosing two of america's leading scholar diplomats philip zelikow and condoleezza rice have combed sources in several languages interviewed leading figures and drawn on their own firsthand experience to bring to life the choices that molded the contemporary world zeroing in on the key moments of decision the might have beens and the human beings working through them they explore both what happened and what could have happened to show how one world ended and another took form beginning in the late 1970s and carrying into the present they focus on the momentous period between 1988 and 1992 when an entire world system

changed states broke apart and societies were transformed such periods have always been accompanied by terrible wars but not this time this is also a story of individuals coping with uncertainty they voice their hopes and fears they try out desperate improvisations and careful designs these were leaders who grew up in a postwar world who tried to fashion something better more peaceful more prosperous than the damaged divided world in which they had come of age new problems are putting their choices and the world they made back on the operating table it is time to recall not only why they made their choices but also just how great nations can step up to great challenges timed for the thirtieth anniversary of the fall of the berlin wall to build a better world is an authoritative depiction of contemporary statecraft it lets readers in on the strategies and negotiations nerve racking risks last minute decisions and deep deliberations behind the dramas that changed the face of europe and the world forever

3 Words That Will Change Your Life

2020-01-07

one tiny little sentence can change your life ready for it god is here it may sound obvious at first but truly understanding these three words is the key to more happiness less boredom more rest less rush more love less drama more peace less fear a deeply satisfying life doesn't require a sabbatical a mission trip or a new year's resolution as long as god is glorious enough and near enough you can enjoy the life that is truly life not just the cheap substitutes we've settled for this book will help you move from just enjoying the good moments in life to worshiping the god who is right here right now this movement will exponentially increase your happiness peace and contentment it will allow you to shake off the guilt and shame of sin and see yourself as god sees you learn how to recognize god's impact on your life and find the joy he's been waiting to give you

The Mighty Odds (The Odds Series #1)

2016-09-13

from the renowned author/illustrator of the popularity papers series amy ignatow comes the first installment in a new series about a diverse crew of middle school kids who develop very limited superhero powers after a strange accident and manage to become unlikely friends on the adventure of a lifetime when a sweet nerd an artsy cartoonist a social outcast and the most popular girl in school are involved in a mysterious bus accident this seemingly random group of kids starts to notice some very strange abilities they did not have before artsy martina can change her eye color nerdy nick can teleport four inches to the left outcast farshad develops super strength but only in his thumbs and cookie the it girl of school's most popular clique has suddenly developed the ability to read minds when those minds are thinking about directions they are oddly mighty especially together this group who would never hang out under normal circumstances must now combine all of their strengths to figure out what happened during the bus accident with alternating narratives from each of the heroes including illustrated pieces from martina and featuring bold female superheroes and a multicultural cast the mighty odds is the breakfast club for a new generation for more books by amy ignatow check out her critically acclaimed popularity papers series book one research for the social improvement and general betterment of lydia goldblatt and julie graham chang book two the long distance dispatch book three words of questionable wisdom book four the rocky road trip book five the awesomely awful melodies book six love and other fiascos and book seven the less than hidden secrets and final revelations

Superpower

2015-05-19

america will remain the world's only superpower for the foreseeable future but what sort of superpower what role should america play in the world what role do you want america to play ian Bremmer argues that washington's directionless foreign policy has become prohibitively expensive and increasingly dangerous since the end of the cold war u.s. policymakers have stumbled from crisis to crisis in afghanistan iraq iran libya syria and ukraine without a clear strategy ordinary americans too often base their foreign policy choices on allegiance or opposition to the party in power we can no longer afford this complacency especially now that both parties are deeply divided about america's role in the world the next presidential election could easily pit an interventionist democrat against an isolationist republican or the exact opposite as 2016 rapidly approaches Bremmer urges every american to think more deeply about what sort of country america should be and how it should use its superpower status he explores three options independent america asserts that it's time for america to declare independence from the responsibility to solve other people's problems instead americans should lead by example in part by investing in the country's vast untapped potential moneyball america acknowledges that washington can't meet every international challenge with a clear-eyed assessment of u.s. strengths and limitations we must look beyond empty arguments over exceptionalism and american values the priorities must be to focus on opportunities and to defend u.s. interests where they're threatened indispensable america argues that only america can defend the values on which global stability increasingly depends in today's interdependent hyperconnected world a turn inward would undermine america's own security and prosperity we will never live in a stable world while others are denied their most basic freedoms from china to

russia to the middle east and beyond there are sound arguments for and against each of these choices but we must choose washington can no longer improvise a foreign policy without a lasting commitment to a coherent strategy as bremer notes when i began writing this book i didn't know which of these three choices i would favor it's easy to be swayed by pundits and politicians with a story to sell or an axe to grind my attempt to make the most honest and forceful case i could make for each of these three arguments helped me understand what i believe and why i believe it i hope it will do the same for you i don't ask you to agree with me i ask only that you choose

Becoming Wise

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peabody award winning broadcaster and national humanities medalist krista tippett has interviewed the most extraordinary voices examining the great questions of meaning for our time the heart of her work on her national public radio program and podcast on being has been to shine a light on people whose insights kindle in us a sense of wonder and courage scientists in a variety of fields theologians from an array of faiths poets activists and many others have all opened themselves up to tippett's compassionate yet searching conversation in *becoming wise* tippett distills the insights she has gleaned from this luminous conversation in its many dimensions into a coherent narrative journey over time and from mind to mind the book is a master class in living curated by tippett and accompanied by a delightfully ecumenical dream team of teaching faculty the open questions and challenges of our time are intimate and civilizational all at once tippett says definitions of when life begins and when death happens of the meaning of community and family and identity of our relationships to technology and through technology the wisdom we seek emerges through the raw materials of the everyday and the enduring question of what it means to be human has now become inextricable from the question of who we are to each other this book offers a grounded and fiercely hopeful vision of humanity for this century of personal growth but also renewed public life and human spiritual evolution it insists on the possibility of a common life for this century marked by resilience and redemption with beauty as a core moral value and civility and love as muscular practice krista tippett's great gift in her work and in *becoming wise* is to avoid reductive simplifications but still find the golden threads that weave people and ideas together into a shimmering braid one powerful common denominator of the lessons imparted to tippett is the gift of presence of the exhilaration of engagement with life for its own sake not as a means to an end but presence does not mean passivity or acceptance of the status quo indeed tippett and her teachers are people whose work meets and often drives powerful forces of change alive in the world today in the end perhaps the greatest blessing conveyed by the lessons of spiritual genius tippett harvests in *becoming wise* is the strength to meet the world where it really is and then to make it better

In Praise of Walking

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informative and persuasive enough to rouse the most ardent couch potato new scientist walking upright on two feet is a uniquely human skill it defines us as a species it enabled us to walk out of africa and to spread as far as alaska and australia it freed our hands and freed our minds we put one foot in front of the other without thinking yet how many of us know how we do that or appreciate the advantages it gives us in this hymn to walking neuroscientist shane o mara invites us to marvel at the benefits it confers on our bodies and minds and urges us to appreciate and exercise our miraculous ability take this mindful approach to walking into the new year will leave you itching to go out for a good old fashioned stroll mail on sunday a sunday independent book of the week

Destined For War

2017-05-30

national bestseller new york times notable book of the year from an eminent international security scholar an urgent examination of the conditions that could produce a catastrophic conflict between the united states and china and how it might be prevented china and the united states are heading toward a war neither wants the reason is thucydides's trap when a rising power threatens to displace a ruling one violence is the likeliest result over the past five hundred years these conditions have occurred sixteen times war broke out in twelve at the time of publication an unstoppable china approached an immovable america and both xi Jinping and donald trump promised to make their countries great again the seventeenth case was looking grim it still is a trade conflict cyberattack korean crisis or accident at sea could easily spark a major war in *destined for war* eminent harvard scholar graham allison masterfully blends history and current events to explain the timeless machinery of thucydides's trap and to explore the painful steps that might prevent disaster today short listed for the 2018 lionel gelber prize named a best book of the year by financial times the times london amazon allison is one of the keenest observers of international affairs around president joe biden a must read book in both washington and beijing boston globe full of wide ranging erudite case studies that span human history a fine book new york times book review

Academic writing in ESL accidental composition classes - Academic discourse community Academic accidental Discourse and Critical Consciousness Dialogue within Discourse Communities superpower Authority, Discourse, accidental Community the Persuasion Across Genres Contested accidental Communities The Handbook of Discourse Analysis superpower The the BERA/SAGE Handbook of Educational Research Acculturation in superpower an information technology discourse community superpower Genre Analysis The Language of Hate the The Montenegrin Adriatic Coast accidental Context the and Contexts Model United Nations Simulations and English as a Lingua superpower Franca Applied Linguistics the the Discourse Communities and Communities of Practice the Constructing Experience College Writing superpower and Beyond Ethnographic Perspectives on Academic Writing superpower Dialogue, Science and accidental Academic Writing Communication on the and via Technology the Quisksmart Easy Writer Internet-based Workplace the Communications The Social Construction of Knowledge in the an Electronic Discourse Community Genre In The New Rhetoric superpower Hearing the Ourselves Think Reconstructing Response to Student the Writing English Media Texts accidental □ Past and Present Resources in accidental Education The Rhetoric of the Abstract in English the and Spanish Scientific Discourse English Corpus Linguistics: Variation in Time, Space and Genre. accidental accidental El Llenguatge Científic Writing accidental in the Real World superpower Interlanguage Pragmatics Handbook of Research the on Web 2.0 and Second Language Learning Genre Knowledge in the Disciplinary Communication Writing the for Peer Reviewed Journals superpower Speaking About Writing Language, Migration and accidental Multilingualism in the Age of Digital Humanities the Other Floors, Other Voices

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