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Left for Dead Pete Nelson 2002-05-14 For fans of sea battles, adventures, and war stories like Unbroken, this is the incredible true story of a boy who helps to bring closure to the survivors of the tragic sinking of the USS Indianapolis, and helps exonerate the ship's captain fifty years later. Hunter Scott first learned about the sinking of the USS Indianapolis by watching the movie Jaws when he was just eleven-years-old. This was fifty years after the ship had sunk, throwing more than 1,000 men into shark-infested waters—a long fifty years in which justice still had not been

served. It was just after midnight on July 30, 1945 when the USS Indianapolis was torpedoed by a Japanese submarine. Those who survived the fiery sinking—some injured, many without life jackets—struggled to stay afloat as they waited for rescue. But the United States Navy did not even know they were missing. As time went on, the Navy needed a scapegoat for this disaster. So it court-martialed the captain for “hazarding” his ship. The survivors of the Indianapolis knew that their captain was not to blame. For fifty years they worked to clear his name, even after his untimely death. But the navy would not budge—not until Hunter entered the picture. His history fair project on the Indianapolis soon became a crusade to restore the captain’s good name and the honor of the men who served under him. Praise for *Left for Dead*: Christopher Award Winner An ALA-YALSA Best Nonfiction for Young Adults Book “Compelling, dreadful, and amazing.”—VOYA “This exciting, life-affirming book about war heroics and justice . . . proves without question the impact one student can have on history.”—Booklist “Well written and well documented . . . this excellent presentation fills a void in most World War II collections”—School Library Journal “Young readers . . . will no doubt be inspired by the youth’s tenacity—and by the valor of those who served on the Indianapolis.”—The Horn Book

Applied Intermediate Macroeconomics Kevin D. Hoover 2011-11-14 A complete course in applied macroeconomics at the intermediate level that emphasizes the application of economic theory to real-world data and policy.

The Penguin Anthology of Classical Arabic Literature Robert Irwin 2006-05-25 Spanning the fifth century to the sixteenth, and ranging from Afghanistan to Spain, this unique collection provides a profound insight into the sheer vitality and depth of Classical Arabic literature. From the earliest surviving fragments of *The Thousand and One Nights* to the elegant beauty and profound power of the Qur'an - believed by the Islamic faith to contain the actual words of Allah - it includes translated

extracts from all the major works of the period, alongside many less well-known but equally fascinating pieces. Exploring such traditional themes as lovesick yearning and fated doom, and considering subjects as diverse as the etiquette of falling in love with slave-girls and the terrors of the sea, this compelling anthology of poetry and prose brilliantly illuminates a body of writing that has been unjustly neglected by the west for centuries.

Linux Operations and Administration Alfred Basta 2012-07-23 LINUX OPERATIONS AND ADMINISTRATION introduces readers to Linux operations and system administration through a unified installation, using virtual machines. This text is more effective than those that take a professional approach because it eliminates confusion from working with differing hardware configurations, while allowing users to test interoperability between Linux and Windows. Detailed, yet reader-friendly, Linux Operations and Administration makes it easy to learn Linux and practice it with helpful in-text features like learning objectives and key terms, as well as items for self assessment such as review questions, hands-on activities, and case projects. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

The Pocket Guide to Restorative Justice Pete Wallis 2007-12-15 This pocket-sized guide can be taken conveniently to meetings, interviews and visits, to be used as a quick reference point for information about the practical application of restorative justice. The book covers every stage of the process, from how a facilitator should prepare for taking on a new case, through initial contacts with victim and offender and facilitating meetings, to recording and evaluating a case. While acknowledging throughout the different possible ways of proceeding, the authors provide example prompts for steps such as writing to a victim for the first time, talking to the victim and offender ahead of their meeting, and initiating meetings. They use jargon-free language and provide helpful

task checklists for speed and ease of reference. This is an invaluable companion for youth offending team workers, probation officers, prison staff, police, referral order volunteers, mediators and any professional needing to know about restorative justice.

The Only Guide to Alternative Investments You'll Ever Need Larry E. Swedroe 2010-05-13 The rewards of carefully chosen alternative investments can be great. But many investors don't know enough about unfamiliar investments to make wise choices. For that reason, financial advisers Larry Swedroe and Jared Kizer designed this book to bring investors up to speed on the twenty most popular alternative investments: Real estate, Inflation-protected securities, Commodities, International equities, Fixed annuities, Stable-value funds, High-yield (junk) bonds, Private equity (venture capital), Covered calls, Socially responsible mutual funds, Precious metals equities, Preferred stocks, Convertible bonds, Emerging market bonds, Hedge funds, Leveraged buyouts, Variable annuities, Equity-indexed annuities, Structured investment products, Leveraged funds. The authors describe how the investments work, the pros and cons of each, which to consider, which to avoid, and how to get started. Swedroe and Kizer evaluate each investment in terms of: Expected returns Volatility Distribution of returns Diversification potential Fees Trading and operating expenses Liquidity Tax efficiency Account location Role in an asset-allocation program Any investor who is considering or just curious about investment opportunities outside the traditional world of stocks, bonds, and bank certificates of deposit would be well-advised to read this book.

Leadership and Management in the Hospitality Industry Robert H. Woods 2002

Life-Changing Bible Verses You Should Know Erwin W. Lutzer 2011-08-01 After Erwin Lutzer, senior pastor of the Moody Church, and his wife, Rebecca, realized that memorizing Scripture has nearly become a lost pursuit today, they decided to create this practical, relevant resource filled

with powerful verses and insightful explanations to help stimulate a spiritual hunger in readers' own lives. With more than 35 topics and questions for reflection and further study, readers will discover how God's Word will: sustain them in times of need comfort them in seasons of sorrow strengthen their hearts in times and areas of weakness direct their steps and decisions toward God's will These handpicked verses provide a foundation of wisdom and hope to show readers who God is and what He has done for them, as well as who they are and how they can successfully live the Christian life.

Leica Camera Repair Handbook Thomas Tomosy 1999 With great detail this book outlines all of the techniques needed to repair and restore Leica cameras, lenses, and accessories?including light meters, winders/motors, viewfinders, and flash units. Each model of equipment is discussed individually with step-by-step illustrated instructions. Readers will not only learn how to disassemble and repair equipment, but also how to troubleshoot and make cosmetic restorations. A glossary of technical terms and an abstract containing the basic fundamentals of camera repair are also included.

Agatha H. and the Airship City Kaja Foglio 2011-01-02 The Industrial Revolution has escalated into all-out warfare. It has been eighteen years since the Heterodyne Boys, benevolent adventurers and inventors, disappeared under mysterious circumstances. Today, Europe is ruled by the Sparks, dynasties of mad scientists ruling over — and terrorizing — the hapless population with their bizarre inventions and unchecked power, while the downtrodden dream of the Hetrodynes' return. At Transylvania Polygnostic University, a pretty, young student named Agatha Clay seems to have nothing but bad luck. Incapable of building anything that actually works, but dedicated to her studies, Agatha seems destined for a lackluster career as a minor lab assistant. But when the University is overthrown by the ruthless tyrant Baron Klaus Wulfenbach, Agatha

finds herself a prisoner aboard his massive airship Castle Wulfenbach — and it begins to look like she might carry a spark of Mad Science after all. Skyhorse Publishing, under our Night Shade and Talos imprints, is proud to publish a broad range of titles for readers interested in science fiction (space opera, time travel, hard SF, alien invasion, near-future dystopia), fantasy (grimdark, sword and sorcery, contemporary urban fantasy, steampunk, alternative history), and horror (zombies, vampires, and the occult and supernatural), and much more. While not every title we publish becomes a New York Times bestseller, a national bestseller, or a Hugo or Nebula award-winner, we are committed to publishing quality books from a diverse group of authors.

ESD Steven H. Voldman 2015-01-05 A comprehensive and in-depth review of analog circuit layout, schematic architecture, device, power network and ESD design This book will provide a balanced overview of analog circuit design layout, analog circuit schematic development, architecture of chips, and ESD design. It will start at an introductory level and will bring the reader right up to the state-of-the-art. Two critical design aspects for analog and power integrated circuits are combined. The first design aspect covers analog circuit design techniques to achieve the desired circuit performance. The second and main aspect presents the additional challenges associated with the design of adequate and effective ESD protection elements and schemes. A comprehensive list of practical application examples is used to demonstrate the successful combination of both techniques and any potential design trade-offs. Chapter One looks at analog design discipline, including layout and analog matching and analog layout design practices. Chapter Two discusses analog design with circuits, examining: single transistor amplifiers; multi-transistor amplifiers; active loads and more. The third chapter covers analog design layout (also MOSFET layout), before Chapters Four and Five discuss analog design synthesis. The next chapters introduce the reader to analog-digital mixed signal design

synthesis, analog signal pin ESD networks, and analog ESD power clamps. Chapter Nine, the last chapter, covers ESD design in analog applications. Clearly describes analog design fundamentals (circuit fundamentals) as well as outlining the various ESD implications. Covers a large breadth of subjects and technologies, such as CMOS, LDMOS, BCD, SOI, and thick body SOI. Establishes an "ESD analog design" discipline that distinguishes itself from the alternative ESD digital design focus. Focuses on circuit and circuit design applications. Assessable, with the artwork and tutorial style of the ESD book series. PowerPoint slides are available for university faculty members. Even in the world of digital circuits, analog and power circuits are two very important but under-addressed topics, especially from the ESD aspect. Dr. Voldman's new book will serve as an essential and practical guide to the greater IC community. With high practical and academic values this book is a "bible" for professionals, graduate students, device and circuit designers for investigating the physics of ESD and for product designs and testing.

Safe People Workbook Henry Cloud 1995-05-20 This workbook applies lessons of the authors' book on finding healthy relationships that help people grow. Copyright © Libri GmbH. All rights reserved.

The Book of Ice Paul D. Miller 2011 Antarctica, the only uninhabited continent, belongs to no single country and has no government. While certain countries lay claim to portions of the landmass, it is the only solid land on the planet with no unified national affiliation. Drawing on the continent's rich history of inspiring exploration and artistic endeavors, Paul D. Miller a.k.a. DJ Spooky has put together his own multimedia, multidisciplinary study of Antarctica. Book of Ice is one aspect of this ongoing project. In light of climate change and tireless human enterprise to be present everywhere on the planet, Miller uses Antarctica as a point of entry for contemplating humanity's relationship with the natural world. Using photographs and film stills from his journey to

the bottom of the world, along with original artworks and re-appropriated archival materials, Miller ponders how Antarctica could liberate itself from the rest of the world. Part fictional manifesto, part history and part science book, *Book of Ice* furthers Miller's reputation as an innovative artist capable of making the old look new. The *Book of Ice* contains an introduction by celebrated physicist Brian Greene, author of the bestselling *Fabric of the Cosmos*. "This is not cool, this is freezing. I still have frostbite." --Stefan Sagmeister "A rare mind encounters a rare place--this is an entirely new take on the bottom of the world, very cool (but getting warmer)." --Bill McKibben, American environmentalist, journalist, and author "Antarctica is full of wonder. Paul D Miller has visited and returned with treasure. You hold in your hand interviews, photographs, histories, architectural plans, propaganda, sheet music, hyperlinks and a manifesto demanding that you never set foot there. This is work as unbounded and untameable as the continent itself. Read it and feel dislocated in the best possible way." --Raj Patel, author of *The Value of Nothing*

Life Lessons for Mastering the Law of Attraction Jack Canfield 2013-02-05 *Life Lessons for Mastering the Law of Attraction* teaches you what you need to know about living the Law of Attraction and how to create your own personal success through its concepts.

*Toward a Critical Sociology* Norman Birnbaum 1973-02-15 Norman Birnbaum has contributed to *Toward a Critical Sociology* as an author. Norman Birnbaum is University Professor at Georgetown University Law School and the author of *The Crisis of Industrial Society* and *Toward a Critical Sociology* (both from OUP). A founding editor of *New Left Review*, he has served on the board of *Partisan Review* and *The Nation*. He lives in Washington, D.C.

*Imperial Subjects* Matthew D. O'Hara 2009-04-22 In colonial Latin America, social identity did not correlate neatly with fixed categories of race and ethnicity. As *Imperial Subjects* demonstrates, from the early years of Spanish and Portuguese rule, understandings of race and ethnicity were

fluid. In this collection, historians offer nuanced interpretations of identity as they investigate how Iberian settlers, African slaves, Native Americans, and their multi-ethnic progeny understood who they were as individuals, as members of various communities, and as imperial subjects. The contributors' explorations of the relationship between colonial ideologies of difference and the identities historical actors presented span the entire colonial period and beyond: from early contact to the legacy of colonial identities in the new republics of the nineteenth century. The volume includes essays on the major colonial centers of Mexico, Peru, and Brazil, as well as the Caribbean basin and the imperial borderlands. Whether analyzing cases in which the Inquisition found that the individuals before it were "legally" Indians and thus exempt from prosecution, or considering late-eighteenth- and early-nineteenth-century petitions for declarations of whiteness that entitled the mixed-race recipients to the legal and social benefits enjoyed by whites, the book's contributors approach the question of identity by examining interactions between imperial subjects and colonial institutions. Colonial mandates, rulings, and legislation worked in conjunction with the exercise and negotiation of power between individual officials and an array of social actors engaged in countless brief interactions. Identities emerged out of the interplay between internalized understandings of self and group association and externalized social norms and categories. Contributors. Karen D. Caplan, R. Douglas Cope, Mariana L. R. Dantas, María Elena Díaz, Andrew B. Fisher, Jane Mangan, Jeremy Ravi Mumford, Matthew D. O'Hara, Cynthia Radding, Sergio Serulnikov, Irene Silverblatt, David Tavárez, Ann Twinam

The Wisdom of Menopause Journal Christiane Northrup 2007 Menopause is an unparalleled opportunity to turn your life around and create a firm foundation for the most fulfilling, healthy, joy-filled years of your life. The Wisdom of Menopause Journal--a companion to Dr. Christiane Northrup's newly revised and best-selling book The Wisdom of Menopause--helps you focus on

the "me" in menopause. Designed to help you both navigate and document this important transitional time, the journal is packed with action-oriented, practical advice for your mind and body--from recommended supplements and medication options to how to explore the emotional issues behind your physical symptoms. This journal gives you everything you need to create vibrant health in midlife on all levels--not just in your heart, bones, pelvic organs, breasts, and brain . . . but also in your sex life, your relationships, and even your beauty regimen! It enables you to record your current health and concerns, as well as the steps you want to take to achieve your goals in each area. You'll also find powerful affirmations, inspiring quotes, and plenty of blank pages for journaling, so you can create a record of your thoughts and feelings during this important time. Dr. Northrup's insights enable you to see menopause not as a burden to be endured, but as an empowering opportunity to reinvent yourself right down to the cellular level. The key is learning to tap into the profound wisdom that emerges during this life stage--wisdom you can fully trust to guide you toward enormous happiness, joy, and fulfillment.

Unlocking Group Potential to Improve Schools Robert J. Garmston 2012-04-19 This field book shows educators how to improve schools by developing group culture, enhancing facilitators' skills, and equipping groups to resolve complex issues around student learning.

The Psychobiology of Trauma and Resilience Across the Lifespan Douglas L. Delahanty 2008-09-05 Research has suggested that childhood experiences confer risk/resilience for reactions to trauma in adulthood, and predictors and correlates of posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD) appear to differ developmentally. Research in PTSD has typically been conducted by either child or adult researchers with relatively little overlap or communication between the two camps. Developmental models of PTSD are necessary to fully understand the complex constellation of responses to trauma across the lifespan. Such models can inform study designs and lead to novel,

developmentally-appropriate interventions. To this end, this book is organized in such a way as to present and integrate research into child, adult, and older adult trauma samples in an attempt to culminate in a testable model of PTSD risk and resilience across the lifespan. Each author incorporates a developmental slant to their individual chapter, and the chapters are organized to highlight potential differences in our understanding of risk and resiliency between children and adults. Initial chapters concerning pre- and peri-traumatic risk factors for PTSD lead into chapters reviewing specific risk and resilience factors in adults and children. Additional chapters focus on the impact of childhood trauma on adult functioning and the biology of PTSD in children, adults, and older adults. As PTSD rarely occurs in a "pure" form, specific chapters focus on the impact of comorbid disorders in our understanding of PTSD, and the final chapters consider both psychosocial and pharmacological treatments for PTSD in children and adults.

Images of the Past Theron Douglas Price 1997 This well illustrated, full-color, site-by-site survey of prehistory captures the popular interest, excitement, and visual splendor of archaeology as it provides insight into the research, interpretations, and theoretical themes in the field. The new edition maintains the authors' innovative solutions to two central problems of the course: first, the text continues to focus on about 80 sites, giving students less encyclopedic detail but essential coverage of the discoveries that have produced the major insights into prehistory; second, it continues to be organized into essays on sites and concepts, allowing professors complete flexibility in organizing their courses..

Rugby Classics: Think Rugby Jim Greenwood 2015-04-23 Think Rugby and Total Rugby are rugby classics - two of the most important and influential books ever written on the game of rugby. Thousands of players and coaches around the globe have benefited from the concepts and methods in these books, equipping them with the coaching skills and strategy to play the very best

in fifteen-a-side rugby. Think Rugby is a systems book that gets both coach and player working more productively: - the coach, through a wealth of practical advice on keeping sessions fresh and purposeful - the player, through tried and tested methods of improving tactical decision-making to enhance whole-team possession - the team, through focusing on dynamic attack in the forwards and effective positioning in the backs. Written by one of Rugby Union's most respected coaches, Think Rugby is a classic manual, which continues to influence coaching strategy the world over.

Latino Americans Ray Suarez 2013-09-03 THE COMPANION BOOK TO THE PBS

DOCUMENTARY SERIES Latino Americans chronicles the rich and varied history of Latinos, who have helped shaped our nation and have become, with more than fifty million people, the largest minority in the United States. This companion to the landmark PBS miniseries vividly and candidly tells how the story of Latino Americans is the story of our country. Author and acclaimed journalist Ray Suarez explores the lives of Latino American men and women over a five-hundred-year span, encompassing an epic range of experiences from the early European settlements to Manifest Destiny; the Wild West to the Cold War; the Great Depression to globalization; and the Spanish-American War to the civil rights movement. Latino Americans shares the personal struggles and successes of immigrants, poets, soldiers, and many others—individuals who have made an impact on history, as well as those whose extraordinary lives shed light on the times in which they lived, and the legacy of this incredible American people.

The Werewolf's Guide to Life Ritch Duncan 2009-09-15 Have you been attacked by a wolf-like creature in the last 30 days? Was it after the sun had set and under a full moon? If you answered, “yes” to both these questions, there’s a very good chance that you were bitten by a werewolf. You now have less than a month before the full moon returns and with it your first transformation into a savage, bloodthirsty beast. Survival is an option, but first, know this: \* Werewolves are real. \* The

majority of lycanthropes who do not have access to this book die during or shortly after their first transformations, generally due to heart failure, gunshot wounds, exposure, drowning or suicide. \* Hollywood horror movies are NOT to be used as guides to living as a werewolf. Their goal is not to educate, but to entertain. As a result, they are largely ignorant of the realities of the condition. \* Ignorance creates monsters; lycanthropy does not. \* You are not a monster. The Werewolf's Guide to Life cuts through the fiction and guides you through your first transformation and beyond, offering indispensable advice on how to tell if you're really a werewolf, post-attack etiquette, breaking the news to your spouse, avoiding government abduction, and how to not just survive, but thrive. You cannot afford to not read this book. Your very life depends on it.

Modern Political Theory Shanti Prasad Varma 1982

Language: The Basics R.L. Trask 2003-09-02 What makes human language unique? Do women speak differently from men? Just what is the meaning of "meaning"? Language: The Basics provides a concise introduction to the study of language. Written in an engaging and entertaining style, it encourages the reader to think about the way language works. It features: \* chapters on 'Language in Use', 'Attitudes to Language', 'Children and Language' and 'Language, Mind and Brain' \* a section on sign language \* a glossary of key terms \* handy annotated guides to further reading. Providing an accessible overview of a fascinating subject, this is an essential book for all students and anyone who's ever been accused of splitting an infinitive.

The University and Urban Revival Judith Rodin 2015-12-04 In the last quarter of the twentieth century, urban colleges and universities found themselves enveloped by the poverty, crime, and physical decline that afflicted American cities. Some institutions turned inward, trying to insulate themselves rather than address the problems in their own backyards. Others attempted to develop better community relations, though changes were hard to sustain. Spurred by an unprecedented

crime wave in 1996, University of Pennsylvania President Judith Rodin knew that the time for urgent action had arrived, and she set a new course of proactive community engagement for her university. Her dedication to the revitalization of West Philadelphia was guided by her role not only as president but also as a woman and a mother with a deep affection for her hometown. The goal was to build capacity back into a severely distressed inner-city neighborhood—educational capacity, retail capacity, quality-of-life capacity, and especially economic capacity—guided by the belief that "town and gown" could unite as one richly diverse community. Cities rely on their academic institutions as stable places of employment, cultural centers, civic partners, and concentrated populations of consumers for local business and services. And a competitive university demands a vibrant neighborhood to meet the needs of its faculty, staff, and students. In keeping with their mission, urban universities are uniquely positioned to lead their communities in revitalization efforts, yet this effort requires resolute persistence. During Rodin's administration (1994-2004), the Chronicle of Higher Education referred to Penn's progress as a "national model of constructive town-gown interaction and partnership." This book narrates the challenges, frustrations, and successes of Penn's campaign, and its prospects for long-term change.

The Vikings Robert Ferguson 2010-09-28 A comprehensive and thrilling history of the Vikings for fans of the History Channel series, soon to return for its fifth season From Harald Bluetooth to Cnut the Great, the feared seamen and plunderers of the Viking Age ruled Norway, Sweden, and Denmark but roamed as far as Byzantium, Greenland, and America. Raiders and traders, settlers and craftsmen, the medieval Scandinavians who have become familiar to history as Vikings never lose their capacity to fascinate, from their ingeniously designed longboats to their stormy pantheon of Viking gods and goddesses, ruled by Odin in Valhalla. Robert Ferguson is a sure guide across what he calls "the treacherous marches which divide legend from fact in Viking Age history." His

long familiarity with the literary culture of Scandinavia with its skaldic poetry is combined with the latest archaeological discoveries to reveal a sweeping picture of the Norsemen, one of history's most amazing civilizations. Impeccably researched and filled with compelling accounts and analyses of legendary Viking warriors and Norse mythology, *The Vikings* is an indispensable guide to medieval Scandinavia and is a wonderful companion to the History Channel series. "Integrating archaeological, genetic, linguistic, and literary information, Ferguson realizes a Viking history bound to satisfy." -Booklist

Buried Alive Myra Friedman 2011-04-27 Electrifying, highly acclaimed, and intensely personal, this new and updated version of Myra Friedman's classic biography of Janis Joplin teems with dramatic insights into Joplin's genius and into the chaotic times that catapulted her to fame as the legendary queen of rock. It is a stunning panorama of the turbulent decade when Joplin's was the rallying voice of a generation that lost itself in her music and found itself in her words. From her small hometown of Port Arthur, Texas, to San Francisco's Haight-Ashbury, from the intimate coffeehouses to the supercharged concert halls, from the glitter of worldwide fame to her tragic end in a Hollywood hotel, here is all the fire and anguish of an immortal, immensely talented, and troubled performer who devoured everything the rock scene had to offer in a fatal attempt to make peace with herself and her era. Yet, in an eloquent introduction recently written by the author, Joplin emerges from her "ugly duckling" childhood as a woman truly ahead of her time, an outrageous rebel, a defiant outcast and artist of incomparable authenticity who, almost in spite of herself, became to so many a symbol of triumph over adversity. This edition also contains an afterword detailing the whereabouts of a large and colorful cast of characters who were part of Joplin's life, as well as "We Remember Janis," a new chapter of poignant and affectionate

anecdotes told by friends.

Paramedic Field Guide Bob Elling 2007-08 This convenient field guide contains all the information that paramedics need at their fingertips in the field-assessment checklists, anatomic illustrations, vital sign ranges, airway management, medication indications and administration, arrhythmias, and other basic information in the form of tables and charts for quick reference. The full-color, spiral-bound guide is divided into sections that follow the U.S. DOT EMT-Paramedic National Standard Curriculum; sections are divided by color-coded tabs to allow rapid retrieval of information when paramedics need it most.

Ellinger'S Modern Banking Law- 4Ed E.P. Ellinger; Eva Lomnicka; Richard Hooley 2007-07-23

Finishing Strong Steve Farrar 2011-02-02 Bestselling author Steve Farrar has good news for the average man: it doesn't matter if you've had a great start in the Christian life, or a rough one. It doesn't matter if you've stumbled time and again, or even fallen flat on your face. What matters most in this all-important race of life is how you finish. According to Farrar, the man who hangs in there for the long haul with his wife, his kids, and his Lord is an exception these days. *Finishing Strong*, now in trade paperback, offers lively use of Scripture, contemporary illustrations, and study questions to equip every reader to be that exception. For the man who wants to climb the character ladder more than the corporate one, this is an essential tool.

Learning to Rank for Information Retrieval and Natural Language Processing, Second Edition Hang Li 2022-05-31 Learning to rank refers to machine learning techniques for training a model in a ranking task. Learning to rank is useful for many applications in information retrieval, natural language processing, and data mining. Intensive studies have been conducted on its problems recently, and significant progress has been made. This lecture gives an introduction to the area including the fundamental problems, major approaches, theories, applications, and future work.

The author begins by showing that various ranking problems in information retrieval and natural language processing can be formalized as two basic ranking tasks, namely ranking creation (or simply ranking) and ranking aggregation. In ranking creation, given a request, one wants to generate a ranking list of offerings based on the features derived from the request and the offerings. In ranking aggregation, given a request, as well as a number of ranking lists of offerings, one wants to generate a new ranking list of the offerings. Ranking creation (or ranking) is the major problem in learning to rank. It is usually formalized as a supervised learning task. The author gives detailed explanations on learning for ranking creation and ranking aggregation, including training and testing, evaluation, feature creation, and major approaches. Many methods have been proposed for ranking creation. The methods can be categorized as the pointwise, pairwise, and listwise approaches according to the loss functions they employ. They can also be categorized according to the techniques they employ, such as the SVM based, Boosting based, and Neural Network based approaches. The author also introduces some popular learning to rank methods in details. These include: PRank, OC SVM, McRank, Ranking SVM, IR SVM, GBRank, RankNet, ListNet & ListMLE, AdaRank, SVM MAP, SoftRank, LambdaRank, LambdaMART, Borda Count, Markov Chain, and CRanking. The author explains several example applications of learning to rank including web search, collaborative filtering, definition search, keyphrase extraction, query dependent summarization, and re-ranking in machine translation. A formulation of learning for ranking creation is given in the statistical learning framework. Ongoing and future research directions for learning to rank are also discussed. Table of Contents: Learning to Rank / Learning for Ranking Creation / Learning for Ranking Aggregation / Methods of Learning to Rank / Applications of Learning to Rank / Theory of Learning to Rank / Ongoing and Future Work

Writer's Guide to Nursing Periodicals Jeanette Daly 2000-06-21 This useful book is a single source

of guidelines required by the editors of 101 nursing journals. The purpose is to provide information about nursing journals for people who are submitting manuscripts for publication.

Leadership Coaching Tony Stoltzfus 2005-06-28 Leadership Coaching is an essential tool for anyone who wants to learn to coach or improve their coaching skills. Written by a top Christian coach trainer, it is filled with real-life stories, practical tools and application exercises that bring coaching techniques to life. Part I is an in-depth look at how coaching fits with the purposes of God. Starting with key biblical concepts about how God builds leaders, this book goes beyond proof-texting to present an integrated, values-based paradigm for leadership coaching. Part II uses a hands-on, interactive approach to show you how to coach. Utilizing the seven key elements of effective coaching as a framework, each facet of the coaching relationship is explained in detail. Then follow-up Master Class sections help you internalize the key concepts and try them out in real life. Leadership coaching is a great introduction to a powerful way of helping others grow.

The Path to Salvation Saint ?eofan (Bishop of Tambov and Shatsk) 1996

Warmed and Bound Pela Via 2011-07-01 From the heart of The Velvet a writing community built around the fervent love of neo-noir fiction comes an original anthology. Stacked with brilliant emerging writers alongside some of the strongest established voices in contemporary literature, WARMED AND BOUND crosses literary boundaries on all sides, to deliver an altogether unique reading experience. Through seemingly opposed conventions, beautiful prose makes a hard impression on the short story form. From a scary love story to a nostalgic thriller, a hardboiled pursuit of salvation to the black humor that is existentialism, WARMED AND BOUND is rogue humility and lovesick noir, where humanity is a dirty puzzle. It 's Velvet Noir. Welcome. Matt Bell Tim Beverstock Blake Butler Vincent Louis Carrella Craig Clevenger Craig Davidson Chris Deal DeLeon DeMicoli Christopher J Dwyer Brian Evenson Sean P Ferguson Amanda Gowin JR Harlan

Gordon Highland Anthony David Jacques Mark Jaskowski Jeremy Robert Johnson Stephen Graham Jones Nik Korpon Gary Paul Libero Kyle Minor Doc O Donnell J David Osborne Rob Parker Bob Pastorella Gavin Pate Cameron Pierce Edward J Rathke Caleb J Ross Bradley Sands Axel Taiari Richard Thomas Brandon Tietz Gayle Towell Paul Tremblay Pela Via Craig Wallwork Nic Young

"The writers of the Velvet are contemporary fiction 's most effective and least self-conscious aesthetic guerrillas . . . The result is fiction at once conceived from high artistic intent and executed with depraved populist energy." Steve Erickson author of Zeroville and The Sea Came in at Midnight

Learning Apache Kafka Second Edition Nishant Garg 2015-02-26 This book is for readers who want to know more about Apache Kafka at a hands-on level; the key audience is those with software development experience but no prior exposure to Apache Kafka or similar technologies. It is also useful for enterprise application developers and big data enthusiasts who have worked with other publisher-subscriber-based systems and want to explore Apache Kafka as a futuristic solution.

Law: A Very Short Introduction Raymond Wacks 2008-03-27 Law underlies our society - it protects our rights, imposes duties on each of us, and establishes a framework for the conduct of almost every social, political, and economic activity. The punishment of crime, compensation of the injured, and the enforcement of contracts are merely some of the tasks of a modern legal system. It also strives to achieve justice, promote freedom, and protect our security. The result is a system that, while it touches all of our daily lives, is properly understood by only a few, with its impenetrable jargon, obsolete procedures, and interminable stream of Byzantine statutes and judgments of the courts. This clear, jargon-free Very Short Introduction aims to redress that balance, as it introduces the essentials of law and legal systems in a lively, accessible, and

stimulating manner. Explaining the main concepts, terms, and processes of the legal system, it focuses on the Western tradition (the common law and the civil law), but also includes discussions of other legal systems, such as customary law and Islamic law. And it looks to the future too, as globalization and rapid advances in technology place increasing strain on our current legal system. 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 Rough Guide to Food George Miller 2009 Attention food lovers - The Rough Guide to Food is here to show you that food can be good for you, good for the planet and taste great, all at the same time! Navigating through the never-ending food maze, the guide asks the hard-boiled questions no one else can answer- 'Is organic really better for you?' and 'what constitutes a healthy diet?' The guide contains shocking facts and figures about our food options and looks at the entire cycle of food from the politics of importing and exporting to genetic modifications, and from pesticide free organic farms to the ethically questionable practices of the Big Four supermarkets. With a plethora of good honest advice and the shattering of harmful myths, the guide also decodes those grub-related catch words like organic, local, wholefoods, vegetarian, vegan, food-intolerance, Fairtrade, sustainability and the worst of all - diet! If you eat food, or are considering eating food, then The Rough Guide to Food can make your experience both pleasurable and nutritional, offering simple choices and good advice, as well as practical tips to eating and shopping that fit with your lifestyle and budget - without resorting to overindulgence, or self-denial!

Like a Splinter in Your Mind Matt Lawrence 2004-07-16 Like a Splinter in Your Mind leads readers

through the myriad of philosophical themes within the Matrix trilogy, helping them to gain a better understanding of the films and of philosophy itself. Offers a way into philosophy through the Matrix films. Covers thirteen of the biggest philosophical questions in thirteen self-sufficient chapters suitable for course use. Demonstrates how each of these questions is illustrated through the events and characters of the films. Considers whether sentient machines are possible, and whether we should expect them to face the same existentialist issues that we do. Familiarises readers with key issues in metaphysics, epistemology, ethics, philosophy of mind, race and gender, existentialism, Taoism and mysticism. Includes a chapter that explains some of the technical elements of the films and confusing aspects of the plot. Also includes a Matrix glossary, and a cast of characters and their related symbolism.