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Gives you the confidence to ask the right business questions, make the correct finance decisions and competently speak the language of commerce to your colleagues, managers, customers and stakeholders. The Financial Times Guide to Finance for Non-Financial Managers will show you how to transform seemingly complex financial information and statistics into data that makes sense. And into data that you'll feel confident talking about. You'll learn the language of finance, which will help you better formulate decisions on a day-to-day basis. The book will also help you identify the warning signals and understand key performance indications and ratios. You'll learn how to make better financial decisions, identify ways to increase profits and have increased confidence in approaching capital projects and making sound business decisions.

Everything you need to know to become a first class business trainer, from working out how people learn, to finding out if you can be a trainer, through to showing you the tools and models that will allow you to be a successful educator and teacher. The Financial Times Guide to Business Training shows you how to

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develop, design and deliver outstanding business training. Written by two of the UK's leading business trainers and based on extensive research into what the best trainers say and do, this book:

- Is a single reference for anyone involved in business training whether you are newly qualified or experienced, a freelance trainer or already embedded in learning and development departments
- Provides a comprehensive resource of ideas, tools and approaches
- Will help you improve the quality of all aspects of your training needs, including analysis, planning and delivery
- Reveals the secrets of outstanding business training so that you can improve your reputation and results
- Answers commonly asked questions
- Offers support on your training journey via www.ftguidetobusinesstraining.com

New York Times bestseller! "Few are better positioned to illuminate the vagaries of this transformation than Galloway, a tech entrepreneur, author and professor at New York University's Stern School. In brisk prose and catchy illustrations, he vividly demonstrates how the largest technology companies turned the crisis of the pandemic into the market-share-grabbing opportunity of a lifetime." --The New York Times "As good an analysis as you could wish to read." --The Financial Times

From bestselling author and NYU Business School professor Scott Galloway comes a keenly insightful, urgent analysis of who stands to win and who's at risk to lose in a post-pandemic world

The COVID-19 outbreak has

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turned bedrooms into offices, pitted young against old, and widened the gaps between rich and poor, red and blue, the mask wearers and the mask haters. Some businesses--like home exercise company Peloton, video conference software maker Zoom, and Amazon--woke up to find themselves crushed under an avalanche of consumer demand. Others--like the restaurant, travel, hospitality, and live entertainment industries--scrambled to escape obliteration. But as New York Times bestselling author Scott Galloway argues, the pandemic has not been a change agent so much as an accelerant of trends already well underway. In *Post Corona*, he outlines the contours of the crisis and the opportunities that lie ahead. Some businesses, like the powerful tech monopolies, will thrive as a result of the disruption. Other industries, like higher education, will struggle to maintain a value proposition that no longer makes sense when we can't stand shoulder to shoulder. And the pandemic has accelerated deeper trends in government and society, exposing a widening gap between our vision of America as a land of opportunity, and the troubling realities of our declining wellbeing. Combining his signature humor and brash style with sharp business insights and the occasional dose of righteous anger, Galloway offers both warning and hope in equal measure. As he writes, "Our commonwealth didn't just happen, it was shaped. We chose this path--no trend is

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permanent and can't be made worse or corrected."

Use lean management to improve efficiency, increase customer value, cut waste, and make the most of limited resources! * *In today's economic climate, lean techniques are more valuable than ever: this book will help you understand and apply them. *Covers all of today's most valuable lean tools, showing how to choose amongst them and integrate them into your organization. *Includes expert coverage of lean culture, the technical and 'people' side of lean, and building a 'Lean Roadmap to Transformation. FT Guide to Lean will show you how to use lean management techniques to drive greater efficiency and increase customer value at the same time. Leading lean consultant Andy Brophy introduces each leading tool for implementing lean, helping decision-makers and practitioners decide which tools offer the greatest opportunities, and then successfully integrate them throughout their organizations. Using practical examples drawn from his extensive in-the-trenches experience, Brophy fully explains the principles of lean and lean management, and guides readers through crafting lean strategies and roadmaps that reflect their unique environment and challenges. Topics covered include: * *Lean concepts, the 'five principles of lean,' Hoshin Kanri, and value stream mapping. *5S Workplace Organization, A3 problem solving, Kaizen, Idea Management Systems, Quick Changeover, Kanban, and

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Flow Practices. *Developing lean culture: accountability processes, expectation setting, recognition, coaching, delegation, constructive feedback, and escalation. *Successfully managing both the technical and human issues associated with sustaining lean, from tracking and metrics to engagement and risk taking. Making your capital work hard has never been more important than it is today. Investment trusts, often over looked as an investing vehicle, are a key tool in getting better returns on your money. The Financial Times Guide to Investment Trusts is your concise and jargon free introduction to one of the City's best kept se.

The Financial Times Guide to Leadership is a one-stop shop for professionals at every stage of their leadership journey. Whether you're just starting out or are looking to upgrade your current skills, this practical guide takes you through the core building tools of self-awareness, influence and execution. With thought-provoking exercises and action points throughout, plus handy chapter summaries for when you need to access information, this book is your roadmap to becoming a better leader. This definitive guide to leadership includes: What good leadership looks like How to build your own leadership style Techniques to lead and influence others How to build and execute your vision Everything you need to know to become an authentic and dynamic leader. "My shelves groan under

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stacks of leadership books. But just a very few stand out as solid gold. The Financial Times Guide to Leadership merits inclusion in that select company. There is simply no excuse for not applying its very practical steps. I'd urge you to start or continue your journey here!" Tom Peters, author of *In Search of Excellence* "Finally, a first-class leadership book that focuses on the 'how' and 'what' as well as the 'why' and 'when'. Full of practical steps to take you to the next level." Doug Richard, entrepreneur and founder of School for Startups "Leadership is at the intersection of competence, charisma and the ability to think big for yourself and for others. The Financial Times Guide to Leadership gives you the tools you need to navigate this junction with success." Mercedes Erra, Executive President of Havas Worldwide

The Financial Times Guide to Investing is the definitive introduction to the art of successful stock market investing. Beginning with the very basics of why companies need investors and explaining what investors do, Glen Arnold takes you through the practicalities of buying and selling shares. He describes different types of investment vehicles and advises you how you can be successful at picking companies, understanding their accounts, managing a sophisticated portfolio, measuring performance and risk and setting up an investment club. The second edition of this bestselling introduction to investing explains how the

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financial markets operate, shows you what you need to know to be successful and encourages you to follow and act on your own judgements. Thoroughly updated to help you invest with skill and confidence, new sections include: Online investing, website information and tools including screenshots and virtual portfolios as well as computerised counterparty trading Detailed updating of tax rates and legislation, increases in ISA allowances and revisions to capital gains tax A jargon-busting glossary to help you understand words, phrases and investing concepts Recent Financial Times articles and tables which illustrate and expand on case studies and examples Up-to-date statistics on the returns you can expect on shares and bonds Investing can be profitable and fun and The Financial Times Guide to Investing 2nd edition, explains step-by-step both the essentials of investing as well as describing how the financial markets really work. It details the practicalities of investing, such as how to go about buying shares and describes the variety of financial securities you can buy, from bonds and unit trusts through to exchange traded funds. Exploding the myths that only the wealthy can afford to buy and sell shares and showing you why you can be just as successful trading on your own as you would be by employing a fund manager, this authoritative guide book will help you build a profitable personal financial portfolio. What is investment The rewards of investment Understanding

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stock markets Using the financial media Buying and selling shares Pooled investments Investing in bonds Futures and options Financial spreadbetting Analysing companies and industries Mastering company reports and accounts Key investment ratios and measures Ticks of the accounting trade Managing your portfolio Mergers and takeovers Taxation and investors Measuring performance Investor protection Investment clubs

The FT Guide to Business Coaching shows you everything you need to know about becoming a business coach, from how to find out if you've got what it takes, through the basic tools and models that really work. This book gives you a step-by-step guide to the tools, the market knowledge and the crucial new techniques from psychology you need to become an exceptional business coach. Clear, compelling and comprehensive, covering classic and fresh material from both business and psychology, this is the first book to cover both the critical elements of world-class business coaching. This book takes you through a tried and trusted process developed specifically for senior business leaders. It will help you: Know when to coach and when to lead. Build powerful listening skills. Get to grips with the most useful and up-to-the minute coaching tools and psychological techniques. Calculate if – and crucially, how - you can make a living as a business coach. Decide if, how and when to go for accreditation as a coach.

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and accessible insight into finance theory, applications, and the connections between them. *Covers new financial products and instruments, utilizes newer data, and presents more detailed coverage. *Contains new Q and As, with answers provided on the companion web site. The FT Guide to Understanding Finance, Second Edition is the essential book for all financial professionals and students who want to broaden and deepen their knowledge of both financial concepts and applications. Easy to read and use, it tightly links theory and practice, and guides readers in quickly applying the techniques it presents. This new edition has been thoroughly updated to reflect the latest financial products and instruments, as well as new data. It contains more detailed coverage, plus new Q and As (with answers provided on a companion web site). Coverage includes all these topics, and much more: * *Basic risk and return concepts. *Mean returns, total risk, portfolios, diversification, and systematic risk. *CAPM, cost of capital, and three-factor models. *Downside risk, risk-adjusted returns, and portfolio optimization. *Valuation via dividend discounting, WACC, and other DCF models. *Reverse and relative valuation. *Bond prices, yields, default risk, market risk, duration, and convexity. *NPV and IRR. *Real options and corporate value creation. *Options, futures, forwards, and currencies. *Essential statistical techniques, including normality, non-normality, and regression analysis.

The Financial Times Guide to Banking is a comprehensive introduction to how banks and banking works. Best-selling author Glen Arnold provides you with a foundation for

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understanding the wide variety of activities undertaken by banks. He shows you why these global institutions are so important to consumers and finance professionals alike and explains how their activities impact on everyday life. The Financial Times Guide to Banking will give you: - A thorough understanding of all types of banking from retail through to asset management and investment banking. - An overview of global banking including the worldwide evolution of the sector, the influence of cross-border money flows and the importance of modern banking to international development - Expert knowledge about instruments and markets including debt markets, futures markets and swaps and options - Insight into the crucial importance of central banking and government regulation - Answers to the big questions about monetary policy and interest rates, payment systems and banking success

'Whether a complete novice, or a professional portfolio manager, this book will give you access to the mindset and techniques of the most successful investors of our time and more importantly, it will help you avoid mistakes. The Great Investors will have a permanent place on my desk.' Mark Sheridan, Executive Director, Nomura International PLC Leading investors such as Warren Buffett, Benjamin Graham, Sir John Templeton, George Soros and Anthony Bolton are known throughout the world. How did these people come to be so successful? Which strategies have they used to make their fortunes? And what can you learn from their techniques? In The Great Investors, Glen Arnold succinctly and accurately describes the investment philosophies of the world's

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greatest investors. He explains why they are the best, gives details of their tactics for accumulating wealth, captures the key elements that led to their market-beating successes and teaches you key lessons that you can apply to your own investing strategies. From the foreword: 'There are some very special people who seem to possess an exceptional talent for acquiring wealth. I want to explore not just the past triumphs of these masters, but also the key factors they look for as well as the personality traits that allow them to control emotion and think rationally about where to place funds. How does a master of investment hone skills through bitter experience and triumph to develop their approach to accumulating wealth?' Glen Arnold

The Great Investors is the story of a number of remarkable men: John Templeton, George Soros, Warren Buffett, Benjamin Graham, Philip Fisher, Peter Lynch, Anthony Bolton and John Neff. Whether you're new to investing, have had success in the markets, or you're a professional investor or fund manager, you'll benefit from reading about their proven, and successful, trading philosophies. The Great Investors will show you how to:

- Be a business analyst rather than a security analyst
- Do your homework and develop a broad social, economic and political awareness
- Control emotion so as not to get swept away by the market
- Be consistent in your approach, even when you have bad years
- See the wood for the trees and not over complicate your portfolio
- Learn from your investing
- Be self reliant, stand aside from the crowd and follow your own logic
- Take reasonable risk

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The task-focused, results-oriented guide to leading a team "The Financial Times Essential Guide to Leading Your Team" Explains how teams develop and why your role is crucial Provides a detailed plan to help you lead with confidence Shows you how to put a team together and how to help them achieve better results Gives you clear benchmarks: how to set goals; monitor and improve performance; motivate and develop the team Includes checklists and a personal action plan to help you assess your own development needs With advice that is instantly applicable, for any manager or leader at every level and across all sizes of organisation, this is the one guide you can't do without. "

There is increasing pressure for all of us to take responsibility for our own financial security and wellbeing, but we often overlook how the benefits that come with a job can help us do that. Essential Personal Finance: A Practical Guide for Employees focuses on these valuable work benefits and shows how you can build on this important foundation to achieve financial security and your life goals. This unique book explores how making effective and practical use of these work benefits (such as pension scheme, life cover, sick pay, cheap loans, savings schemes and even financial coaching), means facing up to the behavioural biases we are all plagued with. Given that these can get in the way of even the best intentions, Essential Personal Finance tackles these biases head-on with practical ideas and tips for overcoming or harnessing them for good, and will help you to develop a positive and fruitful relationship with your

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money. With financial stress being a major cause of absenteeism and sick leave, low morale and lost productivity, the advice in this book also offers employers enormous benefits. By empowering employees through financial education and financial awareness, progressive employers will help them feel more in control of their lives, and experience less stress, resulting in higher morale and productivity. Offering a distinctive approach which combines academic insight with practical financial wisdom and tools, this is a must-have book for all employees. It will help you make the most of everything your job has to offer so you can worry less about money and live life to the full.

“Arguably the greatest living travel writer” (Outside magazine), Pico Iyer has called Japan home for more than three decades. But, as he is the first to admit, the country remains an enigma even to its long-term residents. In *A Beginner’s Guide to Japan*, Iyer draws on his years of experience—his travels, conversations, readings, and reflections—to craft a playful and profound book of surprising, brief, incisive glimpses into Japanese culture. He recounts his adventures and observations as he travels from a meditation hall to a love hotel, from West Point to Kyoto Station, and from dinner with Meryl Streep to an ill-fated call to the Apple service center in a series of provocations guaranteed to pique the interest and curiosity of those who don’t know Japan—and to remind those who do of its myriad fascinations.

‘One of the best books on stock market investing that I’ve ever read.’ Christopher Gilchrist, Editor, *The IRS Report* ‘Lucid and perceptive – any intelligent person can

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follow this guide and be on equal terms or better with the best professional money managers.' Dr Peter Johnson, Saïd Business School, Oxford University Is your investment strategy right for you? Could you be making more money? The Financial Times Guide to Selecting Shares that Perform helps you identify the approach to buying and selling shares that is best suited to you. It will help you to align your strategy based on the time and money you have available, taking into account your overall objectives and your attitudes to risk and loss. In this thoroughly updated fifth edition of their bestselling investment classic, Richard Koch and Leo Gough explain 10 distinctive and proven investment techniques for you to choose from. They describe the different tactics needed to succeed in today's market conditions and show you how it can be fun and profitable to try to beat the stock market. The Financial Times Guide to Selecting Shares that Perform gives you: 10 proven approaches to selecting successful shares A quiz to help you identify what kind of investor you are and what strategy is right for you Practical advice to help you trade more confidently on the stock market Examples and explanations of successes and failures Convincing reasons why you should manage your own share portfolio

The critically acclaimed FT Guide to Using the Financial Pages is the most accessible and comprehensive guide to the world of financial information. There is no need to be baffled any longer by intimidating columns of numbers, technical terminology or the complexities of financial markets. This best-selling guide explains where and when to

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find what you want and how to make the best use of the comprehensive range of financial and economic statistics available.

'The most damaging half truth for savers is "performance matters more than expenses". Read this book carefully and the financial services industry will have one fewer easy victim, but you will have a sound base for a lifetime of successful investment.' Martin White, Chair of UK Shareholders Association This is one of those great big books to buy and then tuck away for constant reference. It's a tour through everything from managing a portfolio to establishing a fair intrinsic value for a share. If it moves in the world of investing, it's probably here.' David Stevenson, 'Adventurous Investor' in the Financial Times 'Informative and easy to read, Glen Arnold has produced arguably the most comprehensive book there is today on stock market investing and one that unquestionably will give an edge to any retail investor. This is a must read for anyone serious about investing.' Simon Thompson, Companies Editor, Investors Chronicle The Financial Times Guide to Investing is the definitive introduction to the art of successful stock market investing. Bestselling author Glen Arnold takes you from the basics of what investors do and why companies need them through to the practicalities of buying and selling shares and how to make the most from your money. He describes different types of investment vehicles and advises you on how to be successful at picking companies, understanding their accounts, managing a sophisticated portfolio, measuring performance and risk and setting up an investment

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club. The third edition of this investing classic will give you everything you need to choose your shares with skill and confidence. Thoroughly updated, this edition now includes: - Comprehensive advice about unit trusts and other collective investments - A brand new section on dividend payments and what to watch out for - An expanded jargon-busting glossary to demystify those complex phrases and concepts - Recent Financial Times articles and tables to illustrate and expand on case studies and examples - Detailed updates of changes to tax rates and legislation as well as increases in ISA allowances and revisions to capital gains tax

The Financial Times Guide to Using and Interpreting Company Accounts is designed for the non-accountant manager, investor or entrepreneur who is expected to have financial knowledge but may not have accounting training. Wendy McKenzie approaches the project via three key points: What information will I find in these accounts?; How do I analyse the accounts?; How can I use my analysis? Using publicly available actual accounts, the book begins by covering the 'numbers' from company accounts then moves on to information such as the financial review and then explains the logic of the accounts. To help with the interpreting of the numbers Wendy shows the reader how to understand issues such as cash flow, what this will tell you about a company, how to consider a competitor's accounts and how to perform ratio calculations to help with company analysis.

How smart companies are opening up strategic initiatives to involve front-line

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employees, experts, suppliers, customers, entrepreneurs, and even competitors. Why are some of the world's most successful companies able to stay ahead of disruption, adopting and implementing innovative strategies, while others struggle? It's not because they hire a new CEO or expensive consultants but rather because these pioneering companies have adopted a new way of strategizing. Instead of keeping strategic deliberations within the C-Suite, they open up strategic initiatives to a diverse group of stakeholders—front-line employees, experts, suppliers, customers, entrepreneurs, and even competitors. Open Strategy presents a new philosophy, key tools, step-by-step advice, and fascinating case studies—from companies that range from Barclays to Adidas—to guide business leaders in this groundbreaking approach to strategy. The authors—business-strategy experts from both academia and management consulting—introduce tools for each of the three stages of strategy-making: idea generation, plan formulation, and implementation. These are digital tools (including strategy contests), which allow the widest participation; hybrid digital/in-person tools (including a “nightmare competitor challenge”); a workshop tool that gamifies the business model development process; and tools that help companies implement and sustain open strategy efforts. Open strategy has an astonishing track record: a survey of 200 business leaders shows that although open-strategy techniques were deployed for only 30 percent of their initiatives, those same initiatives generated 50 percent of their revenues and profits. This book offers a roadmap for this kind of success.

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No other book is a comprehensive toolkit of financial issues, instructive, and so easy to read, all at the same time ? this is an easy-to-read guide to the hard-to-understand stuff of business finance. The author regularly gives talks, seminars, and courses for executives and is very aware of their lack of understanding (or their inability to remember) simple but key financial concepts and tools. He is continually asked to recommend a simple book that helps them to refresh key financial concepts and tools. Self-contained: Other than some elementary algebra, no other previous knowledge will be necessary to understand the concepts discussed. Comprehensive: It will contain most or all topics, concepts, and tools that executives can easily forget, find hard to understand, and/or would like to know more about. Simple and easy to read: Many well-educated executives have all but forgotten their finance and are regularly put off by books that are far more academic than they need. This book will be written in a simple and conversational style. Concise with short chapters throughout: This is critical as many executives are put off by long books or never ending chapters. Essential elementary theory and many real-world examples. All concepts and tools will be illustrated with catchy and factual examples. Excel: Spreadsheets have become an inseparable part of working in Finance and this book will show readers how to use Excel to simplify their work. Test Yourself: problems with worked numerical solutions throughout.

Whether you're about to start your own business or have already taken the plunge and

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want to keep on track, make sure you have a copy of The Financial Times Guide to Business Start Up to hand. Updated for all your business needs, this edition covers all the latest legal and financial changes you need to be aware of following the 2018 Budget.

Beginning with the very basics of technical analysis and market price behaviour, this book teaches you how to apply these concepts and principles to your own trading. With this comprehensive and straight talking guide you will soon be using the same successful techniques and formulas as the professionals. Learn how to: Understand those trading systems that will generate high returns Identify price patterns and trends Use the right technical indicators to get the best out of the markets Write and execute a trading plan that increases your chances of beating the market

Do you want to feel more confident about your investment decisions? Do you need to have a better understanding of how the stock markets value a business? Do you want to know what the key ratios are that drive share price performance? The Financial Times Guide to Making the Right Investment Decisions is the insider's guide to how the market examines companies and values shares. It helps you understand the factors that drive long term wealth creation as well as highlighting the key risks that lead to value being destroyed. Originally published as Analysing Companies and Valuing Shares, this new edition has been fully revised and includes a new and easy to follow framework for understanding valuation. Perfect for investors at all levels, it guides you

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through the investment maze, and highlights the key issues you need to consider to invest successfully. The Financial Times Guide to Making the Right Investment Decisions: · Gives you an easy to follow framework to guide your decision-making · Explains clearly and concisely key financial concepts and how they drive valuation · Shows you the key ratios to monitor and how they affect share prices · Illustrates the key risks and warning signals that will help you avoid losses · Identifies the qualities of company management and governance that differentiates winners from losers · Brings the issues and numbers to life with real examples and case studies In a challenging economic and stock market environment, the need to take better informed decisions is vital. This clear, common sense guide provides a comprehensive and accessible framework for understanding the valuation of a business and what drives its share price. Knowing the key numbers, ratios and techniques that professional investors use will help you to reduce your risk and invest more profitably.

YOUR COMPLETE GUIDE TO STRATEGY. PLAIN AND SIMPLE. The FT Guide to Strategy is your unbeatable reference on strategy. It offers an incisive overview of both corporate level and business unit level strategy, an A to Z of the world's leading strategic thinkers and introduces the key strategic tools and techniques you need to develop your own strategy. In one engaging read it leads you through each critical step in creating, delivering and understanding successful strategy. This is the smartest and most readable strategy guide

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available anywhere.

The Financial Times Guide to How the Stock Market Really Works is an introduction to the complex world of the financial markets. Whether you are new to investing, or already have a share portfolio, this is an intelligent guidebook will guide you safely through the often confusing world of investing. Written especially for the ordinary investor, it will provide you with the key strategies you need to make money on the stock market.

"Options, Plain and Simple" is a practical, down-to-earth guide to options and options strategies for private investors and professionals. Stocks, bonds, commodities, contracts, options pricing and trading as well as effective strategies are discussed. Stories, trading scenarios and worked examples will lead investors through the concepts with one eye on the realities of the market.

The Financial Times Guide to Options, will introduce you to the instruments and markets of options, giving you the confidence to trade successfully. Options are explained in real-life terminology, using every-day examples and accessible language. Introducing three key options markets – stocks, bonds and commodities, the book explains options contracts from straight vanilla options to strangles and butterflies and covers the fundamentals of options pricing and trading Originally published as Options Plain and Simple , this new edition

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includes: How the options industry operates and how basic strategies have evolved Risk management and how to trade safely Inclusion of new products such as exchange traded funds A glossary of key words and further reading Addition of market scenarios and examples Like all investment strategies, options offer potential return while incurring potential risk. The advantage of options trading is that risk can be managed to a greater degree than with outright buying or selling. The Financial Times Guide to Options is a straightforward and practical introduction to the fundamentals of options. It includes only what is essential to basic understanding and presents options theory in conventional terms, with a minimum of jargon. This thorough guide will give you a basis from which to trade most of the options listed on most of the major exchanges. The Financial Times Guide to Options includes: Options in everyday life The basics of calls The basics of puts Pricing and behaviour Volatility and pricing models The Greeks and risk assessment: delta Gamma and theta Vega Call spreads and put spreads, or one by one directional spreads One by two directional spreads Combos and hybrid spreads for market direction Volatility spreads Combining straddles and strangles for reduced risk Combining call spreads and put spreads The covered write, the calendar spread and the diagonal spread The interaction of the Greeks Options performance based on cost Trouble shooting and common problems Volatility

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skews Futures, synthetics and put-call parity Conversions, reversals, boxes and options arbitrage

New technologies are shaking the foundations of traditional finance. Leading economist Eswar Prasad foresees the end of cash, as central banks develop their own digital currencies to compete with Bitcoin and Facebook's Diem. Money and finance are on the verge of dramatic transformations that will reshape their roles in the lives of ordinary people.

'A great, practical guide to all aspects of networking – stuffed with lots of quick and easy tips to help you leverage the power of your network.' Ivan Misner, NY Times bestselling author and founder of BNI and Referral Institute 'This practical and easy-to-read book will quickly get you the results you need from your network.' Charlie Lawson, BNI UK and Ireland national director 'A “must read” for anyone wanting to use the power of face-to-face AND online networking to generate career and business success.' Andy Lopata, author of Recommended and And Death Came Third Up to 80 per cent of opportunities come from people who already know you, so the more people you know, the more chance you have of winning the new business or career you want. The Financial Times Guide to Business Networking is your definitive introduction to a joined-up networking strategy that really works. This award-winning book has now been fully updated

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to include new chapters on generating referrals and boosting your confidence when networking, as well as the latest advice on social networking sites. Successfully combine online and offline networking techniques Develop the best networking approaches and behaviours Make a great first impression, build rapport and generate strong business relationships Talk to the right people, have productive conversations and effectively work a room

“The Financial Times Guide to Business Development is inspirational. It is easy to read, hard to put down and there are absolute gems on every page. Read it and get fired up.” Jonathan Straight, Chief Executive of Straight plc, Ernst and Young Entrepreneur of the Year 2006 “Ian’s insights into how business is getting it wrong, act as a powerful catalyst to help businesses of all sizes improve and develop in a tough climate.” Len Tingle, BBC Political Editor, Yorkshire, veteran BBC broadcaster and writer on business issues. “... an interesting and insightful book that breaks down ‘what good businesses do’, in a format that is easy to understand. A really good read.” Gary Brook, Head of Corporate Communication, Leeds Building Society “This is a game changer for any business wishing to grow and develop.” Viv Williams, CEO, 360 Legal Group “If you have a business that needs a boost, then it shows how anyone can become a ninja at business development.” Heather Townsend, author of The Financial

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Times Guide To Business Networking What do we have to do to be more successful? How do we attract new customers and clients? How do we work more effectively with the customers or clients we already have? How do we generate more profit? By the time you have read and digested the 650+ tips, tools, techniques and strategic questions in this book you will have the answers to all of these questions. You will also know what to do to get bigger and better results. “I am 100% confident that you will find the book engaging, provocative and informative and that, if you follow the steps, you will automatically experience massive improvements in your business development results.” – Ian Cooper

Learn how to evaluate any investment fund before deciding where to place your money so you can ensure you generate more wealth and protect your cash. This valuable guide will help you make the right investment decisions by:

- Explaining the procedures that should be followed before investing money anywhere.
- Helping you cut through marketing language to get a real sense of how risky a company’s strategy may be.
- Showing you what questions to ask of investment fund managers so you’re more comfortable investing in a company.
- Showing you how to recognise the warning signs of risky investments.

This book will also help you identify companies who consistently deliver high returns, thereby allowing you to generate more wealth by investing in successful, and stable,

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funds.

Includes worked examples and glossary, latest financial information, new international focus of how to use electronic pages and services.

A comprehensive and practical guide to investment trusts. These investment vehicles have been underused by investors in the past, but that is set to change now that the Retail Distribution Review has banned commissions and put investment trusts on a level playing field. The book explains what investment trusts are and focuses on how to construct and run a trust portfolio. It offers investors, both experienced and novice, a concise and jargon free guide to these lucrative investment vehicles.

Learn how to make your company more efficient, increase customer value with less work and make better use of your organisation's resources by implementing a Lean management strategy. The Financial Times Guide to Lean is a guide to the tools that are used to implement Lean, showing you how to apply Lean practices fully into your organisation or company. This book offers a comprehensive and objective look at lean strategy and how it can be tailored for different companies.

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