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## **World Class** - Rosabeth Moss Kanter 1997-01-03

Shows how to turn globalization into opportunity--to grow new businesses, create new jobs, revitalize regions, and develop international cities of the future.

## **Commitment and Community** - Rosabeth Moss Kanter 1972

What makes some communes work, while others fail? Why is it so difficult to put utopian ideals into practice? Rosabeth Kanter offers a unique analysis of the nature and process of enduring commitment, basing her theory of commitment mechanisms on exhaustive research of nineteenth-century utopias, sharpened by first-hand knowledge of a variety of contemporary groups. The book moves in a lively fashion from Oneida, Brook Farm, and the Shakers to present-day phenomena such as rural communes and Synanon.

## The Oxford Handbook of Sociology and Organization Studies - Paul S. Adler 2009

We live in a society of organisations, organisations which have profound and pervasive effects on our lives at work and beyond. Contemporary society and its organisations are in a period of accelerated, profound change. In this book, leading sociology and organsational scholars consider how 'classic' sociologists can help make sense of change.

## When Giants Learn To Dance - Rosabeth Moss Kanter 1990-07-15

Describes the career challenges produced by corporate reductions and reorganizations of staff, looks at international competition, and tells how to develop a wider range of business skills

## **X-teams** - Deborah Ancona 2007

Why do good teams fail? Often, it's because they are looking inward instead of outward. This book argues that traditional team models are falling short, and what's needed - and what works - is an approach that emphasizes external outreach to stakeholders, extensive ties, expandable tiers, and flexible membership. These new X-teams not only more adaptable, but can also improve an organization's ability to produce creative ideas and execute them-increasing the entrepreneurial and innovative capacity.

## **A Tale of "O"** - Rosabeth Moss Kanter 1986

## **Courage to Lead** - Charles E. Farrell 1994-08

In management, sales, team building, parenting, or relationships, leadership will be the deciding factor for those who win. The inspiring novel is about a woman with extraordinary courage & vision & her attempt, in a strange twist of fate, to show a man how to become a

leader. The most important aspects of leadership: credibility, caring, confrontation, responsibility, & trust are woven throughout a fascinating story with remarkable characters. Although written for adults, this book has been used in a major university business school class on organizational behavior & has gotten extremely high marks for being an easy & enjoyable way to learn the important basics of leadership. Some quotes: "Inspiring Advice"- Teresa Godwin Phelps, author of *The Coach's Wife*... "excellent allegory on courage and leadership"- L.J. Hulber, President & CEO, Day Timers Inc... "Farrell's imaginative novel offers a unique role model"-Rosabeth Moss Kanter, author of *When Giants Learn To Dance*... "a valuable lesson about transforming managers into leaders, & leaders into champions."- Mac Anderson, President & CEO, Successories, Inc. Printed by Edwards Brothers, Ann Arbor, MI. Falcon Books (1-800-932-8693) Fax (803-731-5651).

**Who Says Elephants Can't Dance?** - Louis V. Gerstner 2003-12-16

*Who Says Elephants Can't Dance?* sums up Lou Gerstner's historic business achievement, bringing IBM back from the brink of insolvency to lead the computer business once again. Offering a unique case study drawn from decades of experience at some of America's top companies -- McKinsey, American Express, RJR Nabisco -- Gerstner's insights into management and leadership are applicable to any business, at any level. Ranging from strategy to public relations, from finance to organization, Gerstner reveals the lessons of a lifetime running highly successful companies.

**Men and Women of the Corporation** - Rosabeth Moss Kanter  
2008-08-04

In this landmark work on corporate power, especially as it relates to women, Rosabeth Moss Kanter, the distinguished Harvard management thinker and consultant, shows how the careers and self-images of the managers, professionals, and executives, and also those of the secretaries, wives of managers, and women looking for a way up, are determined by the distribution of power and powerlessness within the corporation. This new edition of her award-winning book has a major new afterward in which the author reviews and analyzes how attitudes

and practices within the corporate power structure have changed in the 1990s.

*Lean and Mean* - Bennett Harrison 1997-07-11

Is big business on its way out? The author shows that the big firm is alive and well and becoming more flexible and efficient. He makes the case that although smaller companies have an important role to play, long term economic growth lies with the country's largest global companies.

*Open-Book Management* - John Case 1996-04-12

"Read even the first chapter of this extraordinary book and you'll find yourself cheering, screaming, jumping up and down with excitement. The companies described in this book are decades ahead of the reengineers -- and you don't need to be a Bill Gates or a Jack Welch to put their ideas into practice today." -- George Gendron, editor in chief, Inc. "Companies that practice open-book management seem to have captured some sort of lightning in a bottle." -- Chris Lee, Training "This book should be required reading in corporate America." -- Chicago Tribune "If you want to give your preconceived notions a good kick in the you-know-where, give Case the opportunity to articulate the merits of open-book management." -- Entrepreneur Open-book management is not so much a technique as a way of thinking, a process that actively involves employees in the financial life of the company. Numerous companies have already found that employees who are informed and aware of the company's financial situation are motivated to seek solutions to problems and assume a greater degree of responsibility for its performance. John Case begins by examining the current competitive climate and the history of established management techniques. He shows how the traditional treatment of workers as "hired hands" with little involvement or responsibility beyond their own area is no longer effective in today's ever more competitive global environment. Case clearly and carefully explains the principles of open-book management: timely sharing of crucial financial information with employees; educating the employees to understand and apply the information; empowering employees to apply the information to their own work; and offering employees a stake in the successful implementation of their ideas. Open-book management will

take different forms at every company, Case notes, but he offers a wide range of suggestions and guidelines for implementing these principles. He concludes with a series of in-depth case studies, featuring companies of various sizes and financial situations that have successfully implemented open-book management. Open-Book Management is the indispensable guide to teaching employees how to think and act like owners.

**The Maverick and His Machine** - Kevin Maney 2003-05-26

The first complete look at one of America's legendary business leaders. This groundbreaking biography by Kevin Maney, acclaimed technology columnist for USA Today, offers fresh insight and new information on one of the twentieth century's greatest business figures. Over the course of forty-two years, Thomas J. Watson took a failing business called The Computer-Tabulating-Recording Company and transformed it into IBM, the world's first and most famous high-tech company. *The Maverick and His Machine* is the first modern biography of this business titan. Maney secured exclusive access to hundreds of boxes of Watson's long-forgotten papers, and he has produced the only complete picture of Watson the man and Watson the legendary business leader. These uncovered documents reveal new information about how Watson bet the company in the 1920s on tabulating machines—the forerunners to computers—and how he daringly beat the Great Depression of the 1930s. The documents also lead to new insights concerning the controversy that has followed Watson: his supposed collusion with Adolf Hitler's Nazi regime. Maney paints a vivid portrait of Watson, uncovers his motivations, and offers needed context on his mammoth role in the course of modern business history. Jim Collins, author of the bestsellers *Good to Great* and *Built to Last*, writes in the Foreword to Maney's book: "Leaders like Watson are like forces of nature—almost terrifying in their release of energy and unpredictable volatility, but underneath they still adhere to certain patterns and principles. The patterns and principles might be hard to see amidst the melee, but they are there nonetheless. It takes a gifted person of insight to highlight those patterns, and that is exactly what Kevin Maney does in this book." *The Maverick and His Machine* also includes

never-before-published photos of Watson from IBM's archives, showing Watson in greater detail than any book ever has before. Essential reading for every businessperson, tech junkie, and IBM follower, the book is also full of the kind of personal detail and reconstructed events that make it a page-turning story for general readers. *The Maverick and the Machine* is poised to be one of the most important business biographies in years. Kevin Maney is a nationally syndicated, award-winning technology columnist at USA Today, where he has been since 1985. He is a cover story writer whose story about IBM's bet-the-company move gained him national recognition. He was voted best technology columnist by the business journalism publication *TJFR*. *Marketing Computers* magazine has four times named him one of the most influential technology columnists. He is the author of Wiley's *MEGAMEDIA SHAKEOUT: The Inside Story of the Leaders and the Losers in the Exploding Communications Industry*, which was a *Business Week* Bestseller. Residence: Clifton, VA . "Watson was clearly a genius with a thousand helpers, yet he managed to build an institution that could transcend the genius."—from the Foreword by Jim Collins "Like all great biographers, Kevin Maney gives us an engaging story . . . his fascinating and definitive book about IBM's founder is replete with amazing revelations and character lessons that resonate today."—Rosabeth Moss Kanter, Harvard Business School, bestselling author of *Evolve!* and *When Giants Learn to Dance*  
*Corporate Diversification* - E. Ralph Biggadike 1979

**The New Spirit of Capitalism** - Luc Boltanski 2005

In this major work, the sociologists Eve Chiapello and Luc Boltanski go to the heart of the changes in contemporary business culture. Via an unprecedented analysis of the latest management texts that have formed the thinking of employers in their organization of business, the authors trace the contours of a new spirit of capitalism. They argue that from the middle of the 1970s onwards, capitalism abandoned the hierarchical Fordist work structure and developed a new network-based form of organization which was founded on employee initiative and autonomy in

the workplace - a 'freedom' that came at the cost of material and psychological security. The authors connect this new spirit with the children of the libertarian and romantic currents of the late 1960s (as epitomised by dressed-down, cool capitalists such as Bill Gates and 'Ben and Jerry') arguing that they practice a more successful and subtle form of exploitation. In a work that is already a classic in Europe, Boltanski and Chiapello show how the new spirit triumphed thanks to a remarkable recuperation of the Left's critique of the alienation of everyday life - a recuperation that simultaneously undermined the power of its social critique.

*Forest: A See to Learn Book* - Kate Moss Gamblin 2019-03-01

*Forest: A See to Learn Book* is the first book in a series of non-fiction picture books for very young children, using lyrical phrasing to encourage a sensitive perception of the natural world and a caring connection with it. Through gentle questions, the text asks young readers to consider what they see and experience in the forest through the seasons — animal tracks, tiny creatures in the soil, birds soaring in the sky above, towering trees, shade and dappled sunlight — drawing local connections alongside those of a global sensibility. Stunningly beautiful illustrations show a child and grownup exploring the forest, appreciating its beauty, learning its secrets and enjoying moments of wonder, all first steps toward developing a lifelong awareness of our interconnectedness to the Earth and our impact on the environment. Key Text Features author's note Correlates to the Common Core State Standards in English Language Arts: CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.K.1 With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text. CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.1.4 Identify words and phrases in stories or poems that suggest feelings or appeal to the senses. CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.1.5 Explain major differences between books that tell stories and books that give information, drawing on a wide reading of a range of text types.

*Managing Change* - Bernard Burnes 2009

"This text is unique in demonstrating clearly the linkages between corporate strategy, organisational behaviour and the management of change. This is an ideal undergraduate text that will also be valuable for

experienced managers on masters programmes." David Buchanan, Professor of Organisational Behaviour, Cranfield School of Management "This is the essential and definitive text on change management. It integrates the vast sweep of organisational theory and practice in a highly readable way. Every student and practitioner must have this." Michael Griffin, Director of Human Resources, King's College Hospital NHS Trust Globalisation. Mergers and Acquisitions. New technologies. New competitors. Rapid growth. Rapid decline. Economic boom. Financial crisis. In order to maximise their success, organisations today need to adapt to a turbulent environment. Yet one of the world's leading consultancies, Bain & Co, claims that the failure rate of change management projects is around 70 per cent. Managing change is not easy. The purpose of this leading textbook is to help you understand and consider the theoretical approaches to change and to make sense of these in the light of practical examples. *Managing Change* is written for students on modules covering management, strategy and organisational change as part of undergraduate and postgraduate programmes.

*Secret Paths* - Terri Apter 1997-01-07

Identifying the renewed sense of self and reassessed goals shared by many middle-aged women, a study addresses the issues associated with menopause from the viewpoints of four female character types

**Studying Organization** - Stewart R Clegg 1999-04-29

In response to the needs of lecturers, the acclaimed *Handbook of Organization Studies* has been made available as two major paperback textbooks. In this, the first of a two-volume paperback edition of the landmark *Handbook of Organization Studies*, editors Stewart Clegg and Cynthia Hardy survey the field of organization studies. *Studying Organization* is an ideal textbook around which to build courses on organization theory and research methodology. Central to the enterprise has been a concern to reflect and honour the manifest diversity of the field, including recognition of the extent to which the very notion of a single field of organization studies is debated. Part One locates the study of organization by reviewing some of the most significant theoretical paradigms to have shaped our understanding. The second part reflects

on the relationships between theory and research in organization studies.

Think Outside The Building - Rosabeth Moss Kanter 2020-02-06

Over a decade ago, renowned innovation expert Rosabeth Moss Kanter co-founded and then directed Harvard's Advanced Leadership Initiative. Her breakthrough work with hundreds of successful professionals and executives, as well as aspiring young entrepreneurs, identifies the leadership paradigm of the future: the ability to "think outside the building" to overcome establishment paralysis and produce significant innovation for a better world. Kanter provides extraordinary accounts of the successes and near-stumbles of purpose-driven men and women from diverse backgrounds united in their conviction that positive change is possible. A former Trader Joe's executive, for example, navigated across business, government, and community sectors to deal with poor nutrition in inner cities while reducing food waste. A concerned European banker used the power of persuasion, not position, to find novel financing for improving the health of the oceans. A Washington couple enticed global partners to join an Uber-like platform to match skilled refugees with talent-hungry companies. A visionary journalist-turned-entrepreneur closed social divides by giving fifty million social media users access to free local education and culture. When traditional approaches are inadequate or resisted, advanced leadership skills are essential. In this book, Kanter shows how people everywhere can unleash their creativity and entrepreneurial adroitness to mobilize partners across challenging cultural, social, and political situations and innovate for a brighter future.

**Rosabeth Moss Kanter on the Frontiers of Management** - Rosabeth Moss Kanter 2003

\* Kanter is highly respected as a management scholar and thinker \*  
Gathers all of Kanter's pioneering work for HBR into one volume \*  
Provides Kanter's own perspective on her seminal works over the last 15 years \*  
The market is craving classic and authoritative ideas from a well respected scholar and practitioner. This book will feed that hunger.  
\* Enforces a single, timeless message: the importance of treating

people as assets, not costs, and providing the tools and conditions that liberate people to use their brainpower to make a difference. \* 20,000 copies sold in hardcover.

The Change Masters - Kanter 1985-04

*Supercorp* - Rosabeth Moss Kanter 2010-10-01

Throughout her extraordinary career, Professor Rosabeth Moss Kanter has always pushed the boundaries through her high-level field research, and her breakthrough ideas with practical applications for a broad audience. One of the world's bestselling business thinkers, her work on leadership and change management has influenced the most enlightened and successful executives and entrepreneurs. *Supercorp*, based on a three-year worldwide research program, provides the answer to a question crucial to both business and society more broadly: as a company grows, how can it avoid becoming a lumbering, corrupt giant? Companies such as IBM, Procter & Gamble, Mexican-based Cemex and Japanese-based Omron provide the models that businesses small and large can use to stay on track, outstrip the competition, and attract and motivate the new generation of talent. And, Professor Kanter provides the evidence of the powerful synergy between the financial success shareholders want and social conscience - it is only these 'vanguard companies' that are big but human, efficient but innovative, global but local, that will succeed in the future.

**Learning Organizations** - John Renesch 2006-02-28

What is a learning organization? What are the advantages of creating one? Why should a company want to become a learning organization? Where does one start? *Learning Organizations: Developing Cultures for Tomorrow's Workplace* contains essays by thirty-nine of the most respected practitioners and scholars of this topic. This definitive collection of essays is rich in concept and theory as well as application and example. Lead authors include Harvard's Rosabeth Moss Kanter, London Business School's Professor Emeritus Charles Handy, and MIT's Fred Kofman and Peter Senge. The thirty-two essays in this comprehensive collection are presented in four main parts: 1. Guiding

Ideas 2. Theories/Methods/Processes 3. Infrastructure 4. Arenas of Practice

**The Transformational Leader** - Noel M. Tichy 1990-06-14

How to transform an organization, based on fascinating, inside stories of major industrial companies and service companies (including Fortune 500 companies), aggressive smaller firms, and European companies.

Provides insights into the styles and philosophies of leaders and executives who have transformed their companies, whether big or small, and offers practical advice on middle management's role in transforming large organizations.

**Leading the Way** - Robert Gandossy 2004-05-10

In *Leading the Way*, Hewitt Associates' business leaders Robert Gandossy and Marc Effron present their findings from the largest research project ever conducted on leadership, the "Top Companies for Leaders." Using data from more than 600 companies around the globe and interviews with senior executives at the top companies, they present a compelling business case for investing in growing leaders. Their stories, examples, and tactics provide tangible, practical tools for leaders everywhere.

**Trying to Get to Heaven** - Dixie Carter 1996-11-05

"has an opinion on just about everything--from the inside scoop on plastic surgery to the importance of etiquette and grooming, from the value of the family to the courage to be yourself. This book is one long conversation that you never want to end. Photos throughout.

**Change Masters** - Rosabeth Moss Kanter 1984

Abstract: This book presents practical information on the conduct of American business and management. The author concentrates on innovation, entrepreneurship, and the development of participative management skills that encourage the use of new ideas arising from within the corporation itself. The organizational structures, corporate cultures, and specific strategies of several major American companies are examined.

**When Giants Learn to Dance** - Rosabeth Moss Kanter 1989

This book provides a comprehensive business strategy in dealing with

the pressing challenges that face companies and careers today. It aims to become the definitive guide to business success in the 1990s. Other books by the author include *Men and Women of the Corporation* and *The Change Masters*.

**Confidence** - Rosabeth Moss Kanter 2006-02-28

From the locker room to the living room to the boardroom—how winners become winners . . . and stay that way. Is success simply a matter of money and talent? Or is there another reason why some people and organizations always land on their feet, while others, equally talented, stumble again and again? There's a fundamental principle at work—confidence—that makes the difference between winning and losing in any competition, be it a high school basketball game or a high-stakes business situation. In *Confidence*, Harvard Business School professor Rosabeth Moss Kanter shows why organizations of all types may be brimming with talent but not be winners. Based on her extraordinary investigation of success and failure in companies such as Continental Airlines and Verizon and sports teams such as the New England Patriots and Philadelphia Eagles, as well as the arenas of education, health care, and politics, Kanter explores a new theory and practice of success and provides people in leadership positions with a prescriptive program for maintaining a winning streak or turning around a downward spiral. Packed with brilliant, practical ideas, *Confidence* provides fresh thinking about success in all facets of life—from the factors that can make or break corporations and governments to the keys for successful relationships in the workplace or at home.

**Challenge of Organizational Change** - Rosabeth Moss Kanter 1992

In an era of increased global competition, of business takeovers, downsizing, restructuring, and even outright failure, intelligent organizational change is the most difficult challenge facing American business. The authors present a comprehensive overview which will be essential for managers.

**Computerworld** - 1989-11-27

For more than 40 years, *Computerworld* has been the leading source of technology news and information for IT influencers worldwide.

Computerworld's award-winning Web site (Computerworld.com), twice-monthly publication, focused conference series and custom research form the hub of the world's largest global IT media network.

**The Age of the Network** - Jessica Lipnack 1994

The Age of the Network offers leaders, managers, and teams a new, practical view of how to think about their companies and reinvent them without losing the value and knowledge that's embedded in their current organization. The Age of the Network delivers a rich array of advice and insights for starting the vital process of creating a networked enterprise. Lipnack and Stamps show managers how to focus on five essential team net (networks of teams) principles which include establishing a clear purpose and creating communication links. Next, they offer a guided tour describing how organizations can turn these principles into practice and evaluate their real potential for creating a networked organization.

**Evolve!** - Rosabeth Moss Kanter 2000

Annotation Beyond Web sites and e-strategy, organizations of all kinds must create and foster dynamic human networks that enable speed, motivate top talent, and engender commitment. Now, referring to an exclusive global survey of over 700 corporations, a bestselling expert on change management takes a provocative look at the human side of the digital era.

**People and Technology in the Workplace** - National Research Council 1991-02-01

Quick introduction of new technology is essential to America's competitiveness. But the success of new systems depends on their acceptance by the people who will use them. This new volume presents practical information for managers trying to meld the best in human and technological resources. The volume identifies factors that are critical to successful technology introduction and examines why America lags behind many other countries in this effort. Case studies document successful transitions to new systems and procedures in manufacturing, medical technology, and office automation—ranging from the Boeing Company's program to involve employees in decision making and process design, to the introduction of alternative work schedules for Mayo Clinic

nurses. This volume will be a practical resource for managers, researchers, faculty, and students in the fields of industry, engineering design, human resources, labor relations, sociology, and organizational behavior.

**The Business Book** - DK 2014-12-19

You can achieve your business dream. Beat the odds as you learn from the best - including Henry Ford, Steve Jobs, and Bill Gates - and turn your idea into an amazing and profitable enterprise. The Business Book helps you over the hurdles facing every new business, such as finding a gap in the market, securing finance, employing people, and creating an eye-catching brand. It is a plain-speaking visual guide to 80 of the most important commerce theories including chaos theory, critical path analysis, market mapping, and the MABA matrix. Its graphics and flow diagrams demystify complicated concepts and explain the ideas of seminal business thinkers, such as Malcolm Gladwell's "tipping point" or Michael Porter's "five forces". It shows that you can succeed with stories of rags-to-riches entrepreneurs, including the founders of Hewlett-Packard, who began their global enterprise from their garage. Whether you are a student, a CEO, or a would-be entrepreneur, The Business Book will inspire you and put you on the inside track to making your goal a reality. Series Overview: Big Ideas Simply Explained series uses creative design and innovative graphics along with straightforward and engaging writing to make complex subjects easier to understand. With over 7 million copies worldwide sold to date, these award-winning books provide just the information needed for students, families, or anyone interested in concise, thought-provoking refreshers on a single subject.

**Career Mastery** - Harry Levinson 1992

Provides practical career management advice, discussing how to develop skills, handle office politics, deal with the boss, control workload, gain promotions, cultivate relationships with co-workers, make job changes, and more

**Thinkers 50: Innovation, Leadership, Management and Strategy (EBOOK BUNDLE)** - Stuart Crainer 2013-09-20

Four E-Books in One The World's Leading Business Minds on Today's

Most Critical Challenges "Thinkers50 is now established as the definitive ranking of global thought leaders." -- Professor Costas Markides, London Business School Innovation used to separate extraordinary companies from average companies. Today, it's making the difference between those that succeed and those that outright fail. Business leaders have no choice: innovate or die. Stuart Crainer and Des Dearlove, creators of Thinkers50, bring you the very latest thinking on the subject of business innovation. Citing the ideas and insights of the world's leading thinkers and business practitioners, the authors present a guide to business innovation that will put you ahead of the competition. Chapters include: Disruptive Innovation Co-creating the Future Opening Up Innovation Innovating Management Leading Innovation Where Innovation Meets Strategy Where Innovation Meets Society Each book in the Thinkers50 series provides authoritative explanations of the concepts, ideas, and practices that are making a difference today, including specific examples and cases drawn from the original sources. "Innovation is where the worlds of business and creativity meet to create new value," Crainer and Dearlove write. Today's customers are more demanding than ever. They want the best, coolest, most advanced product available. If you don't deliver it, your competitor will. Read Thinkers50 Innovation and learn how to apply the best ideas from the brightest minds in business innovation.

**The Handbook of Economic Sociology** - Neil J. Smelser 2010-07-28  
The Handbook of Economic Sociology, Second Edition is the most comprehensive and up-to-date treatment of economic sociology available. The first edition, copublished in 1994 by Princeton University Press and the Russell Sage Foundation as a synthesis of the burgeoning field of economic sociology, soon established itself as the definitive presentation of the field, and has been widely read, reviewed, and adopted. Since then, the field of economic sociology has continued to grow by leaps and bounds and to move into new theoretical and empirical territory. The second edition, while being as all-embracing in its coverage as the first edition, represents a wholesale revamping. Neil Smelser and Richard Swedberg have kept the main overall framework intact, but nearly two-

thirds of the chapters are new or have new authors. As in the first edition, they bring together leading sociologists as well as representatives of other social sciences. But the thirty chapters of this volume incorporate many substantial thematic changes and new lines of research--for example, more focus on international and global concerns, chapters on institutional analysis, the transition from socialist economies, organization and networks, and the economic sociology of the ancient world. The Handbook of Economic Sociology, Second Edition is the definitive resource on what continues to be one of the leading edges of sociology and one of its most important interdisciplinary adventures. It is a must read for all faculty, graduate students, and undergraduates doing work in the field. A thoroughly revised and updated version of the most comprehensive treatment of economic sociology available Almost two-thirds of the chapters are new or have new authors Authors include leading sociologists as well as representatives of other social sciences Substantial thematic changes and new lines of research, including more focus on international and global concerns, institutional analysis, the transition from socialist economies, and organization and networks The definitive resource on what continues to be one of the leading edges of sociology and one of its most important interdisciplinary adventures A must read for faculty, graduate students, and undergraduates doing work in the field

*Transforming the Organization* - Howard W. Oden 1999  
A clear, immediately useful presentation of the radical changes that organizations must accomplish if they are to succeed in transforming themselves into world-class 21st-century competitors.

**Searching for a Corporate Savior** - Rakesh Khurana 2011-09-19  
Corporate CEOs are headline news. Stock prices rise and fall at word of their hiring and firing. Business media debate their merits and defects as if individual leaders determined the health of the economy. Yet we know surprisingly little about how CEOs are selected and dismissed or about their true power. This is the first book to take us into the often secretive world of the CEO selection process. Rakesh Khurana's findings are surprising and disturbing. In recent years, he shows, corporations have

increasingly sought CEOs who are above all else charismatic, whose fame and force of personality impress analysts and the business media, but whose experience and abilities are not necessarily right for companies' specific needs. The labor market for CEOs, Khurana concludes, is far less rational than we might think. Khurana's findings are based on a study of the hiring and firing of CEOs at over 850 of America's largest companies and on extensive interviews with CEOs, corporate board members, and consultants at executive search firms. Written with exceptional clarity and verve, the book explains the basic mechanics of the selection process and how hiring priorities have changed with the rise of shareholder activism. Khurana argues that the

market for CEOs, which we often assume runs on cool calculation and the impersonal forces of supply and demand, is culturally determined and too frequently inefficient. Its emphasis on charisma artificially limits the number of candidates considered, giving them extraordinary leverage to demand high salaries and power. It also raises expectations and increases the chance that a CEO will be fired for failing to meet shareholders' hopes. The result is corporate instability and too little attention to long-term strategy. The book is a major contribution to our understanding of corporate culture and the nature of markets and leadership in general.