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Radical Value - Mark Boundy 2020-02-20
We all want to be customer centric...but most of us struggle with that vague term, and how to

measure it. Radical Value reveals that the measurable, trackable, trainable thing you really seek --at the core of customer centricity--is

customer-perceived value. Radical Value breaks through the confusing tangle of sales performance solutions available today. There's radical simplicity -and radical power -- in focusing everything your company does on customer value. Radically flipping the 10% of today's training/coaching effort currently devoted to value: the thing that moves 90+% of customer decisions. Radically re-thinking how -- and how widely - we engage customers who are more distracted and siloed than ever, causing buying decisions to dissolve into a confused mess favoring "no decision". Radically re-thinking how we organize our companies, often every bit as siloed as our customers, where one role "sells", while many serve customers but never relay value discoveries they make almost daily. Radical Value doesn't stop at high-level theory, but provides intuitive, easy-to-implement tools that should integrate into your existing systems and workflows, implementing radical value focus. Sellers will learn how to sell and

price to value. Marketers will master outcome-based messaging. Product/ service managers will gain insights into current customer outcomes...and guide more powerful future innovations. Executives will be able to form value-based feedback loops between every function in their companies.

CustomerCentric Selling, Second Edition - Michael T. Bosworth 2010-01-08

The Web has changed the game for your customers— and, therefore, for you. Now, CustomerCentric Selling, already recognized as one of the premier methodologies for managing the buyer-seller relationship, helps you level the playing field so you can reach clients when they are ready to buy and create a superior customer experience. Your business and its people need to be “CustomerCentric”—willing and able to identify and serve customers’ needs in a world where competition waits just a mouse-click away. Traditional wisdom has long held that selling means convincing and persuading

buyers. But today's buyers no longer want or need to be sold in traditional ways. CustomerCentric Selling gives you mastery of the crucial eight aspects of communicating with today's clients to achieve optimal results: Having conversations instead of making presentations Asking relevant questions instead of offering opinions Focusing on solutions and not only relationships Targeting businesspeople instead of gravitating toward users Relating product usage instead of relying on features Competing to win—not just to stay busy Closing on the buyer's timeline (instead of yours) Empowering buyers instead of trying to "sell" them What's more, CustomerCentric Selling teaches and reinforces key tactics that will make the most of your organization's resources. Perhaps you feel you don't have the smartest internal systems in place to ensure an ideal workflow. (Perhaps, as is all too common, you lack identifiable systems almost entirely.) From the basics—and beyond—of strategic budgeting and negotiation

to assessing and developing the skills of your sales force, you'll learn how to make sure that each step your business takes is the right one. [Info We Trust](#) - RJ Andrews 2019-01-03 How do we create new ways of looking at the world? Join award-winning data storyteller RJ Andrews as he pushes beyond the usual how-to, and takes you on an adventure into the rich art of informing. Creating Info We Trust is a craft that puts the world into forms that are strong and true. It begins with maps, diagrams, and charts — but must push further than dry defaults to be truly effective. How do we attract attention? How can we offer audiences valuable experiences worth their time? How can we help people access complexity? Dark and mysterious, but full of potential, data is the raw material from which new understanding can emerge. Become a hero of the information age as you learn how to dip into the chaos of data and emerge with new understanding that can entertain, improve, and inspire. Whether you call

the craft data storytelling, data visualization, data journalism, dashboard design, or infographic creation — what matters is that you are courageously confronting the chaos of it all in order to improve how people see the world. Info We Trust is written for everyone who straddles the domains of data and people: data visualization professionals, analysts, and all who are enthusiastic for seeing the world in new ways. This book draws from the entirety of human experience, quantitative and poetic. It teaches advanced techniques, such as visual metaphor and data transformations, in order to create more human presentations of data. It also shows how we can learn from print advertising, engineering, museum curation, and mythology archetypes. This human-centered approach works with machines to design information for people. Advance your understanding beyond by learning from a broad tradition of putting things “in formation” to create new and wonderful ways of opening our eyes to the world. Info We Trust

takes a thoroughly original point of attack on the art of informing. It builds on decades of best practices and adds the creative enthusiasm of a world-class data storyteller. Info We Trust is lavishly illustrated with hundreds of original compositions designed to illuminate the craft, delight the reader, and inspire a generation of data storytellers.

Love and Selling - Dan Smaida 2016-06-17

Let's face it: there's a lot of sucky selling going on in the world today. Sellers have been trained to use artificial tactics in pursuit of the sale. Like a woman in a bar bracing for another cheesy, tired pickup line, customers are now warier than ever. In "Love and Selling," Dan Smaida uses the Lens of Love to call out all those cheesy, cringe-worthy 'tactics' and offer more authentic alternatives. The book uses the simple lessons we all understand about love and relationships to transform the way we think about selling. No 'sales processes,' no seller-centric models, just tried-and-true behaviors that work in business . . .

. and in love. When sellers ditch the tricks and focus on developing true relationships, they create real partnerships with customers, enjoy their jobs more, and see better results.

Driving Customer Equity - Valarie A. Zeithaml
2001-02-21

In their efforts to become more customer-focused, companies everywhere find themselves entangled in outmoded systems, metrics, and strategies rooted in their product-centered view of the world. Now, to ease this shift to a customer focus, marketing strategy experts Roland T. Rust, Valarie A. Zeithaml, and Katherine N. Lemon have created a dynamic new model they call "Customer Equity," a strategic framework designed to maximize every firm's most important asset, the total lifetime value of its customer base. The authors' Customer Equity Framework yields powerful insights that will help any business increase the value of its customer base. Rust, Zeithaml, and Lemon introduce the three drivers of customer

equity -- Value Equity, Brand Equity, and Retention Equity -- and explain in clear, nontechnical language how managers can base their strategies on one or a combination of these drivers. The authors demonstrate in this breakthrough book how managers can build and employ competitive metrics that reveal their company's Customer Equity relative to their competitors. Based on these metrics, they show how managers can determine which drivers are most important in their industry, how they can make efficient strategic trade-offs between expenditures on these drivers, and how to project a financial return from these expenditures. The final section devotes two chapters to the Customer Pyramid, an approach that segments customers based on their long-term profitability, and an especially important chapter examines the Internet as the ultimate Customer Equity tool. Here the authors show how companies such as Intuit.com, Schwab.com, and Priceline.com have used more than one or

all three drivers to increase Customer Equity. In this age of one-to-one marketing, understanding how to drive Customer Equity is central to the success of any firm. In particular, Driving Customer Equity will be essential reading for any marketing manager and, for that matter, any manager concerned with growing the value of the firm's customer base.

The Convenience Revolution - Shep Hyken
2018-10-02

Convenience is King When you make it easier for customers to do business with you, they will reward you with their money, their loyalty, and their referrals. There's a reason they call it a convenience store - because it's convenient! When you have to pick up a gallon of milk, would you rather stop by a large supermarket or a 7-Eleven? Customers who shop at convenience stores know the selection is smaller and the prices are often higher...yet they still come in droves because of the ease of purchase. What about the minibar in your hotel room? That's

convenient too...but the convenience comes at a cost. Did you ever stop to think that the same \$5.00 can of Coca-Cola in the hotel's mini-fridge can be bought down the hall from the vending machine for just \$1.25? Yet even with that can of Coke being four times more expensive, hotels are restocking minibars every day. Customers will pay for convenience. And they'll choose to do more business over time with the people and companies that make their lives more convenient! Whether you're trying to out-service a competitor or disrupt an entire industry, creating less friction and being more convenient for your customers should be your strategy. When you raise the convenience bar, you create the next level of amazing customer experience. This book shows you how to leverage convenience as a powerful way to differentiate yourself from your competition. You'll learn six compelling strategies, supported by numerous examples and case studies that will fuel your plan to create a focus on convenience for your

customers. The value proposition is both simple and profound: when you reduce friction and make it easier for customers to do business with you, they'll reward you with their money, their loyalty, and their referrals. That's the advantage of being a part of The Convenience Revolution.

Innovation Prowess - George S. Day

2013-04-16

A framework for achieving superior rates of organic growth Achieving superior growth through innovation is a top strategic priority for all companies. Yet most management teams struggle to reach their firm's ambitious growth targets and suffer slow growth. What distinguishes these growth laggards from growth leaders like IBM, Nike, LEGO, American Express, Amazon, and Samsung that realize their full potential for growth? Wharton professor George S. Day shows that growth leaders use their innovation prowess to accelerate their growth at a faster rate. In this essential guide, Day reveals how to build this

prowess by combining discipline in growth-seeking activities with an organizational ability to innovate. Day shows managers how to set a growth strategy that is realistic while still stretching the organization; search for the best growth opportunities along the full spectrum of 14 growth pathways; aim their growth-seeking activities toward the creation of new customer value; learn to profit from the uncertainty of innovation by successfully assessing and containing risk; build the organizational muscle to implement an ambitious growth strategy; and move faster from ideas to impact. With the strategies, processes, and methods discussed in Innovation Prowess, leaders can build a tested and comprehensive strategy for driving organic growth year after year. The Wharton Executive Essentials Series The Wharton Executive Essentials series from Wharton Digital Press brings the ideas of the Wharton School's thought leaders to you wherever you are. Inspired by Wharton's Executive Education program, each

book is authored by globally renowned faculty and offers a quick-reading, penetrating, and comprehensive summary of the knowledge leaders need to excel in today's competitive business environment and capture tomorrow's opportunities.

Database Marketing - Robert C. Blattberg
2010-02-26

Database marketing is at the crossroads of technology, business strategy, and customer relationship management. Enabled by sophisticated information and communication systems, today's organizations have the capacity to analyze customer data to inform and enhance every facet of the enterprise—from branding and promotion campaigns to supply chain management to employee training to new product development. Based on decades of collective research, teaching, and application in the field, the authors present the most comprehensive treatment to date of database marketing, integrating theory and practice.

Presenting rigorous models, methodologies, and techniques (including data collection, field testing, and predictive modeling), and illustrating them through dozens of examples, the authors cover the full spectrum of principles and topics related to database marketing. "This is an excellent in-depth overview of both well-known and very recent topics in customer management models. It is an absolute must for marketers who want to enrich their knowledge on customer analytics." (Peter C. Verhoef, Professor of Marketing, Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Groningen) "A marvelous combination of relevance and sophisticated yet understandable analytical material. It should be a standard reference in the area for many years." (Don Lehmann, George E. Warren Professor of Business, Columbia Business School) "The title tells a lot about the book's approach—though the cover reads, "database," the content is mostly about customers and that's where the real-world action

is. Most enjoyable is the comprehensive story - in case after case - which clearly explains what the analysis and concepts really mean. This is an essential read for those interested in database marketing, customer relationship management and customer optimization." (Richard Hochhauser, President and CEO, Harte-Hanks, Inc.) "In this tour de force of careful scholarship, the authors canvass the ever expanding literature on database marketing. This book will become an invaluable reference or text for anyone practicing, researching, teaching or studying the subject." (Edward C. Malthouse, Theodore R. and Annie Laurie Sills Associate Professor of Integrated Marketing Communications, Northwestern University)

Customer Centricity - Peter Fader 2020-05-26
A powerful call to action, Wharton professor Peter Fader's book, *Customer Centricity*, upends some of our most fundamental beliefs about customer service, customer relationship management, and customer lifetime value. Fader

advocates that in the world of customer centricity, there are good customers ... and then there is pretty much everybody else.

The Customer Culture Imperative: A Leader's Guide to Driving Superior Performance - Linden Brown 2013-12-06

What do Toyota, Apple, and Zappos have in common? CUSTOMER-CENTRIC CULTURE And now, with this research-based method, you can replicate their success with your business Based on more than 60 studies and the authors' three-year proprietary research project with more than 100 companies, *The Customer Culture Imperative* demonstrates that organizations exhibiting a strong "customer-centric culture" do, in fact, produce superior business performance. It provides diagnostic tools and a roadmap for effective implementation, designed to make cultural change concrete and actionable in any organization. Dr. Linden R. Brown is chairman and co-founder of MarketCulture Strategies Inc. Christopher Brown is the former

marketing director for Hewlett-Packard for the South Pacific and is presently a Silicon Valley-based sales and marketing consultant.

The Age of Customer Equity: Data-Driven Strategies to Build a Sustainable Company -

Allison Hartsoe 2021-10-19

Every Customer Is Unique For many companies, large and small, customer data is a noisy mess. There are problems across the ecosystem from partners to page views and from KPIs to campaign tracking. The biggest problem is not the technical data silos but our inability to hear the humans behind the data, In The Age of Customer Equity, Allison Hartsoe helps you cut through the noise and gives you the tools you need to humanize your data to connect to the right customers at the right time. Interviews with customer-centric data leaders and case studies shine a light on the successes and struggles of data analytics leadership to give you a sense of reality and arm your strategic thinking. Hartsoe teaches you how to: Uncover

customer behavior, identify opportunities to amplify marketing ROI, and optimize your opportunity costs Alight your teams to clear hurdles and create long-term 9- and 10-figure gains Spot the largest vulnerabilities in your company, diagnose what you need, and build a journey to a more powerful customer-centric future

Customer Obsessed - Eric Berridge 2016-09-13

Optimize the customer experience via the cloud to gain a powerful competitive advantage Customer Obsessed looks at customer experience through the lens of the cloud to bring you a cutting-edge handbook for customer experience. Cloud technology has been hailed as a game-changer, but a recent IDC report shows that it accounts for less than three percent of total IT spending; why are so many companies neglecting such an enormous asset? This book provides a high-level overview of how the cloud can give you a competitive advantage. You'll learn how to integrate cloud technology into

sound customer experience strategy to achieve unprecedented levels of success. More than just a state-of-the-field assessment, this book offers a set of concrete actions you can take today to leverage cloud computing into technical innovation and better business outcomes at all levels of your organization. You'll examine the many factors that influence the customer experience, and emerge with the insight to fine-tune your approach using the power of the cloud. What kind of advantage is your company leaving on the table? This book guides you through the key drivers of customer success to help you optimize your approach and leverage the future of global technology. Learn the keys to competitive advantage in the digital era Gain insight into each element that affects customer experience Harness the power of the cloud to achieve customer success Follow a prescriptive framework for optimizing customer experience We are in the golden age of IT innovation, but the majority of companies haven't even adopted

cloud technology, much less begun to utilize its full business capabilities. Jump into the gap now, and reap the benefits as other struggle to catch up. Customer Obsessed gives you the guidance you need to achieve sustainable success in today's digital world.

Customer Equity - Robert C. Blattberg 2001

What's a customer worth? The company that can answer this question precisely is the company with an edge in the customer-based, technology - and information - intensive economy of today. But how can an asset as intangible as customer value be measured? This book provides a solution: a fully developed, highly practical new marketing system for measuring and managing customer value as a financial asset - a system uniquely suited to today's rapidly changing, increasingly digital marketplace. Along with strategic and tactical guidance, Customer Equity provides precise metrics for evaluating a business more effectively and improving performance - the "activity-based management"

of a company's marketplace. The authors present a new framework for structuring go-to-market activities that links those activities to useful metrics and allows better-informed marketing decisions.

Connected Strategy - Nicolaj Siggelkow
2019-04-30

Business Models for Transforming Customer Relationships What if there were a way to turn occasional, sporadic transactions with customers into long-term, continuous relationships--while simultaneously driving dramatic improvements in operational efficiency? What if you could break your existing trade-offs between superior customer experience and low cost? This is the promise of a connected strategy. New forms of connectivity--involving frequent, low-friction, customized interactions--mean that companies can now anticipate customer needs as they arise, or even before. Simultaneously, enabled by these technologies, companies can create new business models that deliver more value to

customers. Connected strategies are win-win: Customers get a dramatically improved experience, while companies boost operational efficiency. In this book, strategy and operations experts Nicolaj Siggelkow and Christian Terwiesch reveal the emergence of connected strategies as a new source of competitive advantage. With in-depth examples from companies operating in industries such as healthcare, financial services, mobility, retail, entertainment, nonprofit, and education, Connected Strategy identifies the four pathways--respond-to-desire, curated offering, coach behavior, and automatic execution--for turning episodic interactions into continuous relationships. The authors show how each pathway creates a competitive advantage, then guide you through the critical decisions for creating and implementing your own connected strategies. Whether you're trying to revitalize strategy in an established company or disrupt an industry as a startup, this book will help you:

Reshape your connections with your customers
Find new ways to connect with existing suppliers while also activating new sources of capacity
Create the right revenue model
Make the best technology choices to support your strategy
Integrating rich examples, how-to advice, and practical tools in the form of "workshop chapters" throughout, this book is the ultimate resource for creating competitive advantage through connected relationships with your customers and redefined connections in your industry.

Designing the Customer-Centric

Organization - Jay R. Galbraith 2011-01-06
Designing the Customer-Centric Organization offers today's business leaders a comprehensive customer-centric organizational model that clearly shows how to put in place an infrastructure that is organized around the demands of the customer. Written by Jay Galbraith (the foremost expert in the field of organizational design), this important book

includes a tool that will help determine how customer-centric an organization is- light-level, medium-level, complete-level, or high-level- and it shows how to ascertain the appropriate level for a particular institution. Once the groundwork has been established, the author offers guidance for the process of implementing a customer-centric system throughout an organization. Designing the Customer-Centric Organization includes vital information about structure, management processes, reward and management systems, and people practices. [Profit By Design](#) - Mark Hocknell 2019-11-30
Stop closing sales. Start opening relationships. It's time to design your business for profit. Management practices from last century are no longer enough to grow your business. This book spells out a formula you can use to take a deliberate approach to building a profitable customer portfolio. *Customer-Centric Cost Reduction* - Maurice Fitzgerald 2017-04-25

Reduce costs and keep all your customers. It is possible! We will show you how. You want your company to perform better. You want to reduce costs. You may even be desperate to reduce costs. But when you reduce costs, customers feel it, right? If you cut costs and lose customers, you will need to cut costs again. And again. Soon there will be nothing left to cut. And no customers. I call this the corporate death spiral. I have seen it happen. You may have seen it happen. You may be going through it. It does not have to be that way. It does not matter whether you need to cut costs to have money to invest, or simply because you have a profit crunch. No matter what your reason, it can be done without negative customer impact. Some cost reductions may even improve things for customers, making them more loyal. But how? Customer-centric Cost Reduction is a simple but revolutionary concept. I explain how to accurately identify things of little importance to customers. These are the cost reduction priorities. For most

companies, there are lots of them. They fall into just a few categories, each of which needs to be addressed in specific ways. Imagine a world where you reduce costs faster than your competitors. You wind up with more money to invest in growth than your competitors could ever dream of. You can fund your new ideas. Your competitors can't. This book explains how to do it. It also explains how not to do it. Here is the most common way companies reduce costs (Don't do this) Your CEO (let's call him Bob) is worried about cost. The board wants the share price to go up. He wants a bigger bonus. So do the others on the leadership team. Bob thinks of himself as a fair person. He wants his cost reduction to be seen as fair by everyone. Easy! Here is what he writes to all of the employees: ..". and in the interest of fairness, I am asking every business and function in the company to reduce costs by 15%. It will be hard. We all need to work together to make it happen..." Let me be clear about this. Bob is an idiot! He makes no

distinction between things that matter to customers and those that do not. This is how you start the corporate death spiral. This is how to go out of business. A real world example of how not to do it I remember walking along with the head of HP in EMEA. His phone rang. It was the CEO of a large Dutch multinational. He was not happy. They had outsourced their internal PC help desk to us. To reduce cost, we had eliminated Dutch as a supported language. Nobody had told the CEO. He had just phoned the help desk. He got a nasty surprise. This did not turn out all that well for us. Enough said! Customer-centric Cost Reduction is both informative and entertaining. The methodology, anecdotes and examples are accompanied by my brother's memorable drawings that drive home many key points. I particularly like the one about the CEO announcing a company-wide travel freeze from the comfort of his corporate jet. (Don't do this either!) About the authors Maurice started his career with an Industrial Engineering

degree and a stopwatch in his hand in a Wrangler clothing factory. He has implemented many major cost reduction initiatives for four multinationals right up to his time as VP of Customer Experience for HP Software. Peter is an artist, web designer, and Oxford-educated Doctor in Cognitive Psychology. The unusual combination of authors has produced a cost-reduction book that is unlike any other you will read. It combines current management thinking with behavioral economics theory and some striking illustrations. And in conclusion As we say in the book, "There are just 3.5 ways of reducing cost." You are just one or two clicks from finding out what they are. You know what to do now.

Woo, Wow, and Win - Thomas A. Stewart
2016-11-29

In this pioneering guide, two business authorities introduce the new discipline of Service Design and reveal why trying new strategies for pleasing customers isn't enough to

differentiate your business—it needs to be designed for service from the ground up. Woo, Wow, and Win reveals the importance of designing your company around service, and offers clear, practical strategies based on the idea that the design of services is markedly different than manufacturing. Bestselling authors and business experts Thomas A. Stewart and Patricia O’Connell contend that most companies, both digital and brick-and-mortar, B2B or B2C; are not designed for service—to provide an experience that matches a customer’s expectations with every interaction and serves the company’s needs. When customers have more choices than ever before, study after study reveals that it’s the experience that makes the difference. To provide great experiences that keep customers coming back, businesses must design their services with as much care as their products. Service Design is proactive—it is about delivering on your promise to customers in accordance with your strategy, not about

acceding to customer dictates. Woo, Wow, and Win teaches you how to create "Ahhh" moments when the customer makes a positive judgment, and to avoid "Ow" moments—when you lose a sale or worse, customer trust. Whether you’re giving a haircut, selling life insurance, or managing an office building, your customer is as much a part of your business as your employees are. Together, you and customers create a bank of trust; fueled by knowledge of each other’s skills and preferences. This is Customer Capital, the authors explain, and it is jointly owned. But it’s up to you to manage it profitably. Innovative yet grounded in real world examples, Woo, Wow, and Win is the key strategy for winning customers—and keeping them.

Handbook of Marketing Decision Models -
Berend Wierenga 2008-09-05

Marketing models is a core component of the marketing discipline. The recent developments in marketing models have been incredibly fast with information technology (e.g., the Internet),

online marketing (e-commerce) and customer relationship management (CRM) creating radical changes in the way companies interact with their customers. This has created completely new breeds of marketing models, but major progress has also taken place in existing types of marketing models. Handbook of Marketing Decision Models presents the state of the art in marketing decision models. The book deals with new modeling areas, such as customer relationship management, customer value and online marketing, as well as recent developments in other advertising, sales promotions, sales management, and competition are dealt with. New developments are in consumer decision models, models for return on marketing, marketing management support systems, and in special techniques such as time series and neural nets.

Handbook on Customer Centricity - Robert W. Palmatier 2019

Drawing on the expertise of leading marketing

scholars, this book provides managers and researchers with insights into the fundamentals of customer centricity and how firms can develop it. Customer centricity is not just about segmentation or short-term marketing tactics. Rather, it represents an organization-wide philosophy that focuses on the systematic and continuous alignment of the firm's internal architecture, strategy, capabilities, and offerings with external customers.

Listen Or Die - Sean McDade Phd 2018-05-22

In this interconnected world dominated by social media, consumers' voices are broadcast louder and wider than ever before. Companies are faced with the choice to either listen to their customers and thrive...or eventually die. No matter what industry you're in, you need to deliver an exceptional experience to customers that will make them want to shout your name from the rooftops! In Listen Or Die, customer experience expert Sean McDade presents 40 quick, easy-to-use best practices for creating an

exemplary Voice of Customer (VoC) program. With advice on every step of the process—from understanding customer centricity to rallying executive support to asking customers the right questions—Sean gives you the tools you need to build a VoC program that delivers ROI, turning customer feedback into gold. In just a few hours, you'll learn how to develop a competitive edge by managing your customer experience to drive real, impactful business results. It's time to go beyond average, become truly customer-centric, and take your business to extraordinary new levels.

Customer Understanding - Annette Franz

2019-09-03

Struggling to ensure that the customer is at the center of all your business does? This book is your guide to putting the "customer" in customer experience. Not sure what that means? Well, for starters, too many executives believe they are delighting their customers. Why wouldn't they think that?! When they focus on growth, those

customer acquisition numbers are pretty sweet, but they don't tell the real story. Prioritizing customer retention is critical. But you can't just throw technology at it, give it some lip service, and call it a day. Retention is hard work! You've got to understand who your customers are and what problems they are trying to solve or what jobs they are trying to do. Then you've got to use that understanding to design an experience that helps customers achieve their goals. That's the key to putting the customer in customer experience! Ultimately, you need to bring the customer voice into all meetings, decisions, processes, and designs. The customer must be at the center of all you do. After all, it's all about the customer! In this book, I cover the three approaches to customer understanding: surveys and data, personas, and journey mapping. I could've written the whole book about journey mapping, but there's so much more to building a customer-centric business than journey mapping. The culture must first be deliberately

designed to put the customer at the heart of the business. And all foundational elements of a CX transformation must be in place to make that happen. With that knowledge, read this book and: Learn about the three approaches you must use to understand your customers, why you must use them, and how they work together. Create an action plan to ensure insights gleaned from these three approaches are implemented in your organization. Develop and assign personas to your customers in order to better understand their needs, goals, problems to solve, and jobs to be done. Learn the difference between touchpoint maps and journey maps and how touchpoint maps can still be a valuable asset in your customer experience toolbox. Understand why journey mapping is called the backbone of customer experience management - and how to make it so in your organization. Set up and facilitate your own current-state and future-state journey mapping workshops with customers. Set up and facilitate service blueprint workshops

with internal stakeholders. Find out how to put the customer at the heart of your business. And more!

The Customer Centricity Playbook - Peter Fader
2018-10-30

A 2019 Axiom Business Award winner. In *The Customer Centricity Playbook*, Wharton School professor Peter Fader and Wharton Interactive's executive director Sarah Toms help you see your customers as individuals rather than a monolith, so you can stop wasting resources by chasing down product sales to each and every consumer.

Walking the Talk - Carolyn Taylor 2015-09-24

A new, fully revised edition. The culture of an organisation can mean the difference between success and failure. Leaders cast long shadows, and if you want to change the culture you have to walk the talk. This book shows you how.

Walking the Talk covers everything from measuring corporate culture to changing people's behaviour (including your own) and describes in detail six archetypes of company

culture: Achievement, Customer-Centric, One-Team, Innovative, People-First and Greater-Good. Packed with fascinating examples and case histories, and drawing extensively on Carolyn Taylor's twenty years' experience of building great cultures, it will give you the confidence to build a culture of success in your own organisation.

The Customer of the Future - Blake Morgan
2019-10-29

With emerging technology transforming customer expectations, it's important to keep a laser focus on the experience companies provide their customers. Tomorrow's customers need to be targeted today! Customer experience futurist Blake Morgan outlines ten easy-to-follow customer experience guidelines that integrate emerging technologies with effective strategies to combat disconnected processes, silo mentalities, and a lack of buyer perspective. The Customer of the Future explains how today's customers are already demanding frictionless,

personalized, on-demand experiences from their products and services, and companies that don't adapt to these new expectations won't last. This book prepares your organization for these increasing demands by helping you do the following: Learn the ten defining strategies for a customer experience-focused company.

Implement new techniques to shift the entire company from being product-focused to being customer-focused. Gain insights through case studies and examples on how the world's most innovative companies are offering new and compelling customer experiences. Tomorrow's customers will insist on experiences that make their lives significantly easier and better. Craft a leadership development and culture plan to create lasting change at your organization!

Mastering Marketing - John H Watson
2020-01-31

Mastering Marketing is a step-by-step guide for startup entrepreneurs, small business owners and anyone looking for a "big picture"

understanding of marketing. The goal is to empower you to understand marketing and business development as a system. The purpose being to give you greater control and a logical sequence to follow; so you take on the right things in the right order. Mastering Marketing divides the process into three developmental stages; Design, Build and Grow. Each stage contains a set of marketing objectives or Ways of Being to master. In all, there are 20 Ways of Being to develop your relationships and earnings growth program.

Global Brand Power - Barbara E. Kahn
2013-03-05

The branding bible for today's globalized world Today, brands have become even more important than the products they represent: their stories travel with lightning speed through social media and the Internet and across countries and diverse cultures. A brand must be elastic enough to allow for reasonable category and product-line extensions, flexible enough to

change with dynamic market conditions, consistent enough so that consumers who travel physically or virtually won't be confused, and focused enough to provide clear differentiation from the competition. Strong brands are more than globally recognizable; they are critical assets that can make a significant contribution to your company's bottom line. In Global Brand Power, Kahn brings brand management into the 21st century, addressing how branding contributes to the purchase process and how to position a strong global brand, from identifying the appropriate competitive set, offering a sustainable differential advantage, and targeting the right strategic segment. This essential guide also covers how customer ownership of your brand affects marketing strategy, methods for assessing brand value, how to manage a brand for long-term profitability, effective brand communications and repositioning strategies, and how to manage a brand in a world of total transparency—where one slip-up can go around

the world via social media instantaneously. Filled with stories about how Coca-Cola, The Estée Lauder Companies Inc., Marriott, Apple, Starbucks, Campbell Soup Company, Southwest Airlines, and celebrities like Lady Gaga are leveraging their brands, Global Brand Power is the only book you will need to implement an effective brand strategy for your firm.

Digital Enterprise Transformation - Axel Uhl
2016-04-22

The integration of technological innovations, such as In-Memory Analytics, Cloud Computing, Mobile Connectivity, and Social Media, with business practice can enable significant competitive advantage. In order to embrace recent challenges and changes in the governance of IT strategies, SAP and its think tank - the Business Transformation Academy (BTA) - have jointly developed the Digital Capability Framework (DCF). Digital Enterprise Transformation: A Business-Driven Approach to Leveraging Innovative IT by Axel Uhl and Lars

Alexander Gollenia outlines the DCF which comprises six specific capabilities: Innovation Management, Transformation Management, IT Excellence, Customer Centricity, Effective Knowledge Worker, and Operational Excellence. In cooperation with the University of Applied Sciences and Arts Northwestern Switzerland, University of St. Gallen (Switzerland), Queensland University of Technology (Australia), University of Liechtenstein (Principality of Liechtenstein), and Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (Germany), SAP and the BTA have been validating each capability and the corresponding maturity models based on analyzing several 'lighthouse' case studies comprising: SAMSUNG, IBM, Finanz Informatik, The Walt Disney Company, Google Inc., HILTI AG. Digital Enterprise Transformation presents how these companies take advantage of innovative IT and how they develop their digital capabilities. On top the authors also develop and present a range of novel yet hands-on Digital

Use Cases for a number of different industries which have emerged from innovative technological trends such as: Big Data, Cloud Computing, 3D Printing and Internet of Things.

The Power of Customer Experience - Martin Newman 2021-05-25

Refocus on the customer to outstrip your competition and increase profitability, with invaluable insight into the direct correlation between customer-centricity and shareholder value - proven by today's most successful companies.

Bold - Shaun Smith 2011-04-03

More than ever before business success depends on standing out from the crowd and delivering authentic experiences that turn your customers into advocates for your business. BOLD tells the stories of 14 companies that prove that brand building is now about completely rethinking the customer experience and redefining the relationship you have with your customers. Each inspiring story is told by the executives involved

who were brave enough to pursue audacious goals, challenge industry norms and win. Winner of the E-book category of the CMI Management Book of the Year Awards (2011/12), BOLD puts the spotlight on Virgin Galactic, Innocent, O2, Air Asia X, Chilli Beans, Six Senses Resorts and Spas, Burberry, BBH, The Geek Squad, TNT Express, JCB, WWF, Umpqua Bank and Zappos.com. These inspiring case studies demonstrate that putting purpose before profit, going way beyond what customers expect and relentlessly differentiating themselves from everyone else - in other words, being bold in thought, bold in execution and bold in measuring their success in new ways - pays off.

Inducing Customer Centricity - Mohamed Zairi 2019

Customer centricity focuses on understanding customers' needs and preferences and on adapting an organisation's service delivery processes to accommodate and satisfy those preferences in order to enhance customer

loyalty - which results in increased growth and profitability. The fundamental principle underlying customer centricity is a recognition that customers - and their needs, wants, and aspirations - differ and are not static. Organisations that adopt a customer centric strategy improve their position through deeper understanding of their customers' needs. The result is a unique competitive advantage that insulates against disruptive threats. The more customer centric an organisation is, the more time its competitors need to respond to its moves and the more likely it is to bring in new customers (PWC, 2011). There are challenges associated with customer centricity. The first challenge to become a customer centric organisation is to identify genuine needs of customers. This includes knowing how to meet these needs. Most of the time, customers do not know what sort of products/services is most suitable for them and this becomes the key role for organisations to match their

products/services with customer needs. The second challenge is to develop the ability to apply this understanding to their offerings and operationalising these needs throughout the customer experience lifecycle. The third challenge is to overcome the constraints of product centric organisational structures, processes, and systems and facilitating customers' needs and delivery of services. This can be rectified by enabling employees with the right insight into the customer needs and analytics, and decision tools can unlock tremendous value in the customer base. The next challenge is catching up with changing customers' needs. In a fast paced business environment, where customer needs rapidly change, innovation is a key to success for any organisation. Organisations move away from closed-innovation and increasingly adopt dynamic open-innovation. To succeed, organisations do not rely just on employees' innovative thinking but seeking fresh ideas

beyond organisation's boundaries within customers and other external stakeholders. By looking closely into the above challenges, it becomes clear that customer centricity has several pillars such as human resource management, customer relationship management, service/product development etc. To master customer centricity organisations should perform well in all pillars. They should have the right employees with the right skills and competencies to delivery unique customer experience. Employees should become truly engaged and empowered. Organisations should put customers at the heart of everything they do. They should be truly engaged and empowered. Services should be designed and developed to meet customer needs. Service/product's quality should be defined from the customers' point of view and hence customers' perception measurement becomes crucial. Customer centricity encourages organisations to focus on the lifetime value of customers rather than short

term profitability. Customer Lifetime Value (CLV) shows to what extent a customer has already contributed to the profitability of the organisation in the past and how much it is expected to contribute to the future profitability of the business. Two factors will determine the customer's potential and actual value to the provider over the course of the entire relationship. One is the way the customer's needs and propensity to spend change over time. The other is how well the provider anticipates, monitors, and responds to ongoing change in the customer's viewpoint with appropriate service propositions. So, after acquiring the customer, the responsibility is to make sure the always offers the right services through the right channel at a price that this customer regards as reasonable and in the manner in which the customer wants to interact with organisation.

Customer Centricity - Peter Fader 2011

Not all customers are created equal. Despite what the tired old adage says, the customer is

not always right. Not all customers deserve your best efforts: in the world of customer centricity, there are good customers...and then there is pretty much everybody else. Upending some of our most fundamental beliefs, renowned behavioral data expert Peter Fader, Co-Director of The Wharton Customer Analytics Initiative, helps businesses radically rethink how they relate to customers. He provides a roadmap for revamping your organization, performance metrics, and product development in order to make sure you meet the needs of your most valuable customers. In Wharton Executive Education Customer Centricity Essentials, you will learn how the strategies underlying customer centricity can help your company gain a competitive advantage in today's challenging business environment; how to calculate what customers are really worth, individually and collectively; how you can use customer-centric perspectives to make smarter, more strategic decisions for your company; how the well-

intended idea of customer relationship management lost its way and what your company can do to put it back on track and use it productively; and why Walmart, Costco, Starbucks, Apple, Nordstrom, and other companies may be leaving money on the table--and how you can avoid that pitfall.

[Graph Algorithms](#) - Mark Needham 2019-05-16
Discover how graph algorithms can help you leverage the relationships within your data to develop more intelligent solutions and enhance your machine learning models. You'll learn how graph analytics are uniquely suited to unfold complex structures and reveal difficult-to-find patterns lurking in your data. Whether you are trying to build dynamic network models or forecast real-world behavior, this book illustrates how graph algorithms deliver value—from finding vulnerabilities and bottlenecks to detecting communities and improving machine learning predictions. This practical book walks you through hands-on

examples of how to use graph algorithms in Apache Spark and Neo4j—two of the most common choices for graph analytics. Also included: sample code and tips for over 20 practical graph algorithms that cover optimal pathfinding, importance through centrality, and community detection. Learn how graph analytics vary from conventional statistical analysis Understand how classic graph algorithms work, and how they are applied Get guidance on which algorithms to use for different types of questions Explore algorithm examples with working code and sample datasets from Spark and Neo4j See how connected feature extraction can increase machine learning accuracy and precision Walk through creating an ML workflow for link prediction combining Neo4j and Spark

Customer Innovation - Marion Debruyne
2014-05-03

A new set of organizations has discovered a new formula: they combine customer-centricity with innovative power. These organizations have

created a completely outside-in approach to the market. Not driven by what they're good at, they start with the market and design their strategy around it, replacing practices of the past with a new set of capabilities which enable them to be ahead of the curve in discovering new market opportunities. Whereas the traditional value chain model regards the market as the end-outcome of the efforts of the organization, the reversed value chain model starts there. The customer is the starting point and the value chain is the result of understanding customer needs and requirements. Customer Innovation presents this unique case for developing the outside-in organization to drive your business success, combining market orientation with innovation to enable actionable positive change in the way your company does business. Winner of the Innovation and Entrepreneurship category of the 2015 CMI Management Book of the Year Awards, Customer Innovation provides every business with the framework it needs to combine

customer focus with innovation to achieve success. It is packed with real world examples from a range of leading global companies including Disney, Coca-Cola, LEGO, Eurex, Netflix, KLM, Carglass, Komatsu, Callebaut and more to help you put market awareness at the heart of your business.

The Big Data-Driven Business - Russell Glass
2014-11-06

Get the expert perspective and practical advice on big data *The Big Data-Driven Business: How to Use Big Data to Win Customers, Beat Competitors, and Boost Profits* makes the case that big data is for real, and more than just big hype. The book uses real-life examples—from Nate Silver to Copernicus, and Apple to Blackberry—to demonstrate how the winners of the future will use big data to seek the truth. Written by a marketing journalist and the CEO of a multi-million-dollar B2B marketing platform that reaches more than 90% of the U.S. business population, this book is a comprehensive and

accessible guide on how to win customers, beat competitors, and boost the bottom line with big data. The marketplace has entered an era where the customer holds all the cards. With unprecedented choice in both the consumer world and the B2B world, it's imperative that businesses gain a greater understanding of their customers and prospects. Big data is the key to this insight, because it provides a comprehensive view of a company's customers—who they are, and who they may be tomorrow. *The Big Data-Driven Business* is a complete guide to the future of business as seen through the lens of big data, with expert advice on real-world applications. Learn what big data is, and how it will transform the enterprise. Explore why major corporations are betting their companies on marketing technology. Read case studies of big data winners and losers. Discover how to change privacy and security, and remodel marketing. Better information allows for better decisions, better targeting, and better reach. Big

data has become an indispensable tool for the most effective marketers in the business, and it's becoming less of a competitive advantage and more like an industry standard. Remaining relevant as the marketplace evolves requires a full understanding and application of big data, and *The Big Data-Driven Business* provides the practical guidance businesses need.

Hooked on Customers - Robert G. Thompson
2014

"Talk is cheap." A cliché, perhaps, but the idea that what we do is more important than what we say is a fundamental truth. It applies in our personal lives and can extend into our professional work, too. Learning to let your actions do the talking can be revolutionary to a company that struggles to create enduring customer relationships. People who own, operate, manage, or otherwise lead a company are always looking for ways to improve productivity, beat the competition, and ensure long-term success. Learning how to put words

and ideas into action can be a key to success in the business world. *Hooked on Customers* is not about finding the right words, whether labeled as a "strategy" or not. It is an insightful, highly informative book that propels businesses into action. It explores successful customer-centric businesses, examines the ways they execute their strategies, and provides practical recommendations for business leaders to more effectively outperform their competition. A must-have for any business leader who wants to have a healthy relationship with customers, this book avoids the pitfalls that often plague others that offer business advice. Frequently, company leaders turn to consultants and other resources to recommend strategies that sound great but ultimately don't have any real meaning because they are a series of words without a tie to actions. Combining his own professional experiences working as a CEO with his extensive research and expertise as an international authority on customer-centricity, author Robert

Thompson has identified the five routine organizational habits successful customer-centric businesses use when executing strategy. Legendary leading customer-centric businesses: LISTEN to their customers' values and feedback. THINK about the implications of fact-based decisions on customers EMPOWER employees with the freedom they need to please customers CREATE new value for customers, without being asked DELIGHT customers by exceeding their expectations Crucial to Thompson's discussion of these habits is the premise that there are no quick fixes. Customer-centricity takes time, determination, and company-wide commitment. It must be maintained and constantly pursued to ensure that it becomes part of the fabric of a business. In the end, the results are well worth it. Hooked on Customers helps leaders understand, adopt, and implement the five crucial habits that enable companies to not only survive in highly competitive, overcrowded markets but to dominate them, creating a legacy

of success and inspiration along the way.

The Good Jobs Strategy - Zeynep Ton 2014 Explains how today's workers are a company's greatest asset and should be treated as such and discusses the flaws in the trend that sent service, manufacturing and retail sector jobs overseas in an effort to stay competitive through reduced wages and benefits. 25,000 first printing.

The Customer-Centric Blueprint - Doug Leather 2013-07

Book Description: Our world is undergoing rapid transformation. In this tide of change and upheaval, customers are stepping into their power and making demands the likes of which have never been seen before. Building sustainable competitive advantage and leading a superior 21st century organisation requires a new approach - placing your customer at the heart of everything you do, implementing a customer-centric business model and boldly leading your organisation through the

transformational journey required. Using the REAP Customer-Centric Organisation Blueprint(r) as an architecture, this book explores all the interconnected components of a truly customer-centric business model and how you can apply its principles practically and with tangibly significant business results. It will support you to strategize, plan and operationalise the future in order to create, deliver and capture value, whilst delivering sustainable, superior business performance.

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understanding, best practice application, customer experience, business models and business performance improvement. The primary focus of his client work today is in helping people in businesses think, and work differently together to understand the importance of customer asset management, assessing the maturity of customer management capability and then conceiving, planning, developing/repairing, driving and measuring strategy and programmes for the 21st Century Organisatio

Financial Literacy for Managers - Richard A. Lambert 2012-05-15

The language of business In order to understand how your business is performing right now and to evaluate, assess, and devise new strategies to boost future performance, you need information. Financial statements are a critical source of the information you need. In direct and simple terms, Richard A. Lambert, Miller-Sherrerd Professor of Accounting at the Wharton School

of the University of Pennsylvania, demystifies financial statements and concepts and shows you how you can apply this information to make better business decisions for long-term profit. You will learn to use and interpret financial data; find out what we can learn from Pepsi, Krispy Kreme, General Motors, and other companies; learn how to evaluate investment strategies; and apply your financial know-how to develop a coherent business strategy.

Customer Centricity - Peter Fader 2012

A powerful call to action, *Customer Centricity* upends some of our most fundamental beliefs about customer service, customer relationship management, and customer lifetime value NOT ALL CUSTOMERS ARE CREATED EQUAL Despite what the tired old adage says, the customer is not always right. Not all customers deserve your best efforts: In the world of customer centricity, there are good customers...and then there is pretty much everybody else. In *Customer Centricity*, Wharton

professor Peter Fader, coauthor of the follow-up book *The Customer Centricity Playbook*, helps businesses radically rethink how they relate to customers. He provides insights to help you understand: Why customer centricity is the new model for success and product centricity must be ushered out How the ideas of brand equity and customer equity help us understand what kinds of companies naturally lend themselves to the customer-centric model and which ones don't Why the traditional models for determining the value of individual customers are flawed How executives can use customer lifetime value (CLV) and other customer-centric data to make smarter decisions about their companies How the well-intended idea of customer relationship management (CRM) lost its way-and how your company can properly put CRM to use *Customer Centricity* will help you realign your performance metrics, product development, customer relationship management and organization in order to make sure you focus

directly on the needs of your most valuable customers and increase profits for the long term. ALSO AVAILABLE: Once Fader convinces you of the value of customer centricity in this book, *The Customer Centricity Playbook*, with Sarah Toms, will show you where to get started. "Reveals how to increase profits from your best customers, find more like them, and avoid over-investing in the rest....Decidedly accessible and absolutely necessary." -Jim Sterne, Founding President and Chairman, Digital Analytics Association "Perfect read...It's short (60-90 minutes), clear, and the best summary I've read of why companies should rethink their approach to customers." -Andrew McFarland, SVP, Chief Customer Officer, Black Box "Knowing what your customers are worth is the secret to focusing your time and money where it makes the most difference. You can't be

all things to all people, so you need to learn to find out who really matters to your success. Fader makes it clear with great ideas and a readable style." -Andy Sernovitz, author, *Word of Mouth Marketing* THE WHARTON EXECUTIVE ESSENTIALS SERIES The Wharton Executive Essentials series from Wharton Digital Press brings the ideas of the Wharton School's thought leaders to you wherever you are. Inspired by Wharton's Executive Education program, each book is authored by globally renowned faculty and filled with real-life business examples and actionable advice. Wharton Executive Essentials guides offer a quick-reading, penetrating, and comprehensive summary of the knowledge leaders need to excel in today's competitive business environment and capture tomorrow's opportunities.