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Popular Science gives our readers the information and tools to improve their technology and their world. The core belief that Popular Science and our readers share: The future is going to be better, and science and technology are the driving forces that will help make it better.

Working Mother - 2002-10

The magazine that helps career moms balance their personal and professional lives.

Cómo Ayudar a Su Hijo Durante Los Primeros Años de la Adolescencia - 2008

The Glass Castle - Jeannette Walls 2007-01-02

A triumphant tale of a young woman and her difficult childhood, *The Glass Castle* is a remarkable memoir of resilience, redemption, and a revelatory look into a family at once deeply dysfunctional and wonderfully vibrant. Jeannette Walls was the second of four children raised by anti-institutional parents in a household of extremes.

Never Let Me Go - Sachin Garg 2012

The Most Dangerous Game - Richard Connell 2020-04-21

From one of America's most popular short story writers and an Academy Award nominee: the O. Henry Award-winning tale that inspired the movie *The Hunt*. A subject of mysterious rumors and superstition, the deserted Caribbean Island was shrouded in an air of peril. To Sanger Rainsford, who fell off a yacht and washed up on its shores, the abandoned isle was a welcome paradise. But unknown to the big-game hunter, a predator lurked in its lush jungles—one more dangerous than any he had ever encountered: a human. First published in 1924, this suspenseful tale "has inspired serial killers, films and stirred controversy in schools. A century on, the story continues to thrill" (*The Telegraph*). "[A] tense, relentless story of man-against-man adventure, in which the hunter Sanger Rainsford learns, at the hands of General Zaroff, what it means to be hunted." —*Criterion*

The Dream of the Decade - Afshin Rattansi 2005-09-28

A quartet following the lives and themes that dominated living in Britain and America in the 1980s, examining the growth of finance, property, media and terrorism.

Computer Networking: A Top-Down Approach Featuring the Internet, 3/e - James F. Kurose 2005

Shattered Sword - Jonathan Parshall 2011

Many consider the Battle of Midway to have turned the tide of the Pacific War. It is without question one of the most famous battles in history. Now, for the first time since Gordon W. Prange's bestselling "Miracle at Midway," Jonathan Parshall and Anthony Tully offer a new interpretation of this great naval engagement. Unlike previous accounts, "Shattered Sword" makes extensive use of Japanese primary sources. It also corrects the many errors of Mitsuo Fuchida's "Midway: The Battle That Doomed Japan," an uncritical reliance upon which has tainted every previous Western account. It thus forces a major, potentially controversial reevaluation of the great battle. The authors examine the battle in detail and effortlessly place it within the context of the Imperial Navy's doctrine and technology. With a foreword by leading WWII naval historian John Lundstrom, "Shattered Sword" will become an indispensable part of any military buff's library. Winner of the 2005 John Lyman Book Award for the "Best Book in U.S. Naval History" and cited by "Proceedings" as one of its "Notable Naval Books" for 2005."

Postwar - Tony Judt 2006-09-05

Finalist for the Pulitzer Prize • Winner of the Council on Foreign Relations Arthur Ross Book Award • One of the New York Times' Ten Best Books of the Year "Impressive . . . Mr. Judt writes with enormous authority." —*The Wall Street Journal* "Magisterial . . . It is, without a

doubt, the most comprehensive, authoritative, and yes, readable postwar history." —*The Boston Globe* Almost a decade in the making, this much-anticipated grand history of postwar Europe from one of the world's most esteemed historians and intellectuals is a singular achievement. Postwar is the first modern history that covers all of Europe, both east and west, drawing on research in six languages to sweep readers through thirty-four nations and sixty years of political and cultural change—all in one integrated, enthralling narrative. Both intellectually ambitious and compelling to read, thrilling in its scope and delightful in its small details, *Postwar* is a rare joy. Judt's book, *Ill Fares the Land*, republished in 2021 featuring a new preface by bestselling author of *Between the World and Me* and *The Water Dancer*, Ta-Nehisi Coates.

House of Leaves - Mark Z. Danielewski 2000-03-07

"A novelistic mosaic that simultaneously reads like a thriller and like a strange, dreamlike excursion into the subconscious." —*The New York Times* Years ago, when *House of Leaves* was first being passed around, it was nothing more than a badly bundled heap of paper, parts of which would occasionally surface on the Internet. No one could have anticipated the small but devoted following this terrifying story would soon command. Starting with an odd assortment of marginalized youth -- musicians, tattoo artists, programmers, strippers, environmentalists, and adrenaline junkies -- the book eventually made its way into the hands of older generations, who not only found themselves in those strangely arranged pages but also discovered a way back into the lives of their estranged children. Now this astonishing novel is made available in book form, complete with the original colored words, vertical footnotes, and second and third appendices. The story remains unchanged, focusing on a young family that moves into a small home on Ash Tree Lane where they discover something is terribly wrong: their house is bigger on the inside than it is on the outside. Of course, neither Pulitzer Prize-winning photojournalist Will Navidson nor his companion Karen Green was prepared to face the consequences of that impossibility, until the day their two little children wandered off and their voices eerily began to return another story -- of creature darkness, of an ever-growing abyss behind a closet door, and of that unholy growl which soon enough would tear through their walls and consume all their dreams.

The End of Poverty - Jeffrey D. Sachs 2006-02-28

"Book and man are brilliant, passionate, optimistic and impatient . . . Outstanding." —*The Economist* The landmark exploration of economic prosperity and how the world can escape from extreme poverty for the world's poorest citizens, from one of the world's most renowned economists Hailed by *Time* as one of the world's hundred most influential people, Jeffrey D. Sachs is renowned for his work around the globe advising economies in crisis. Now a classic of its genre, *The End of Poverty* distills more than thirty years of experience to offer a uniquely informed vision of the steps that can transform impoverished countries into prosperous ones. Marrying vivid storytelling with rigorous analysis, Sachs lays out a clear conceptual map of the world economy. Explaining his own work in Bolivia, Russia, India, China, and Africa, he offers an integrated set of solutions to the interwoven economic, political, environmental, and social problems that challenge the world's poorest countries. Ten years after its initial publication, *The End of Poverty* remains an indispensable and influential work. In this 10th anniversary edition, Sachs presents an extensive new foreword assessing the progress of the past decade, the work that remains to be done, and how each of us can help. He also looks ahead across the next fifteen years to 2030, the United Nations' target date for ending extreme poverty, offering new insights and recommendations.

Dark Voyage - Alan Furst 2004-08-03

"In the first nineteen months of European war, from September 1939 to March of 1941, the island nation of Britain and her allies lost, to U-boat, air, and sea attack, to mines and maritime disaster, one thousand five hundred and ninety-six merchant vessels. It was the job of the Intelligence Division of the Royal Navy to stop it, and so, on the last day

of April 1941 . . ." May 1941. At four in the morning, a rust-streaked tramp freighter steams up the Tagus River to dock at the port of Lisbon. She is the Santa Rosa, she flies the flag of neutral Spain and is in Lisbon to load cork oak, tinned sardines, and drums of cooking oil bound for the Baltic port of Malmö. But she is not the Santa Rosa. She is the Noordendam, a Dutch freighter. Under the command of Captain Eric DeHaan, she sails for the Intelligence Division of the British Royal Navy, and she will load detection equipment for a clandestine operation on the Swedish coast—a secret mission, a dark voyage. A desperate voyage. One more battle in the spy wars that rage through the back alleys of the ports, from elegant hotels to abandoned piers, in lonely desert outposts, and in the souks and cafés of North Africa. A battle for survival, as the merchant ships die at sea and Britain—the last opposition to Nazi Germany—slowly begins to starve. A voyage of flight, a voyage of fugitives—for every soul aboard the Noordendam. The Polish engineer, the Greek stowaway, the Jewish medical officer, the British spy, the Spaniards who fought Franco, the Germans who fought Hitler, the Dutch crew itself. There is no place for them in occupied France; they cannot go home. From Alan Furst—whom The New York Times calls America's preeminent spy novelist—here is an epic tale of war and espionage, of spies and fugitives, of love in secret hotel rooms, of courage in the face of impossible odds. *Dark Voyage* is taut with suspense and pounding with battle scenes; it is authentic, powerful, and brilliant.

Ebony - 2005-11

EBONY is the flagship magazine of Johnson Publishing. Founded in 1945 by John H. Johnson, it still maintains the highest global circulation of any African American-focused magazine.

Too Much Drama - Debra Phillips 2005-04

Donneeka LeBeau, a beautiful, intelligent, and successful executive at the Diva Four Cosmetics company, is confronted by the romantic machinations and intrigues of her matchmaking mother, Adeena, who is out to set her daughter up with Braxton Dupree, the most eligible bachelor in town. Original. 15,000 first printing.

Infinite Jest - David Foster Wallace 2009-04-13

A gargantuan, mind-altering comedy about the Pursuit of Happiness in America Set in an addicts' halfway house and a tennis academy, and featuring the most endearingly screwed-up family to come along in recent fiction, *Infinite Jest* explores essential questions about what entertainment is and why it has come to so dominate our lives; about how our desire for entertainment affects our need to connect with other people; and about what the pleasures we choose say about who we are. Equal parts philosophical quest and screwball comedy, *Infinite Jest* bends every rule of fiction without sacrificing for a moment its own entertainment value. It is an exuberant, uniquely American exploration of the passions that make us human - and one of those rare books that renew the idea of what a novel can do. "The next step in fiction...Edgy, accurate, and darkly witty...Think Beckett, think Pynchon, think Gaddis. Think." --Sven Birkerts, *The Atlantic*

The First Element - Mark Regan 2005-10

The fuel cell. After years of costly research and testing the technology is finally ready for market, and promises to be the savior of a world quickly depleting its natural resources. The fuel cell has proven to be an affordable, renewable and environmentally friendly means of feeding the world's voracious hunger for energy. With concern growing throughout the industrialized world about the continued stability of crude oil supplies and no end in sight to soaring gasoline prices, the fuel cell's entrance onto the world stage as a means for powering automobiles could not have come at a better time. Or could it? The CEOs of the world's three largest oil companies don't necessarily embrace the idea of the fuel cell replacing the internal combustion engine. Realizing that they are on the verge of losing billions in revenue, they decide to take action.

Landscape - Donna Cousins 2005-07-28

Mark folded the tarp and carried it and the locked box into the potting shed. He laid the tarp on a shelf and sat on the overturned clay pot Fred had used as a stool. Rubbing his eyes he stared bleakly at the old metal file that held the seeds of something too awful to imagine. Nothing had prepared him for this. At the peak of a high-powered corporate career, Mark Grant enjoys position, prestige, and a loving family. His world is shaken when he abruptly loses the job that has been the focus of his life. He starts anew as the owner of a small but profitable landscape business and—just when he seems to have regained his balance—discovers that the company he owns is part of a vast network that threatens not only his livelihood, but the very lives of his family, friends, and countless other innocent victims. He begins to collect evidence of illegally dumped

biohazardous waste to present to the Department of Environmental Health, but the risk of exposing the illicit activity intensifies when the criminals threaten his daughter's life. Will Mark be able to stop an environmental disaster and, at the same time, save his family and his business?

The Contemporary Parallel Bible - Oxford University Press 2005-02
Features complete texts of both the New King James version and New International version set side-by-side to enable readers to compare words and phrases.

Maynard S. Bird - Rosebird Waterman 2005-03

In 1897, Maynard Bird, of Rockland, Maine, was visiting an insurance client, Fred Hall, on the island of Vinalhaven at the mouth of the Penobscot River. "You know, Maynard," Fred was saying, "staying in touch with the mainland is getting more important every day. I was thinking on how we might go about getting some telephone service out here." "Let me look into it, Fred," Maynard responded. These sentences were enough to start him on one of his Adventures. Born four years after the Civil War, Maynard saw life as a series of adventures. He was uniquely equipped, through his quick, mathematically analytical mind, and his adventurous spirit, to take advantage of an era of great commercial, industrial and technological innovation. At 24 he started his own insurance brokerage, founded the Knox County Telephone Company, a local bank and a successful investment brokerage. At fifty he met and married a beautiful concert singer. After her tragic death, he left Maine and resumed his career in New York. The Depression found him still affluent, but the final loss of his third wife left him alone bereft of her support. He died at 91, his resources largely depleted; too proud to admit his need to those who cared.

Accelerando - Charles Stross 2005-07-05

The Singularity. It is the era of the posthuman. Artificial intelligences have surpassed the limits of human intellect. Biotechnological beings have rendered people all but extinct. Molecular nanotechnology runs rampant, replicating and reprogramming at will. Contact with extraterrestrial life grows more imminent with each new day. Struggling to survive and thrive in this accelerated world are three generations of the Macx clan: Manfred, an entrepreneur dealing in intelligence amplification technology whose mind is divided between his physical environment and the Internet; his daughter, Amber, on the run from her domineering mother, seeking her fortune in the outer system as an indentured astronaut; and Sirhan, Amber's son, who finds his destiny linked to the fate of all of humanity. For something is systematically dismantling the nine planets of the solar system. Something beyond human comprehension. Something that has no use for biological life in any form...

Head First Java - Kathy Sierra 2005-02-09

Learning a complex new language is no easy task especially when it's an object-oriented computer programming language like Java. You might think the problem is your brain. It seems to have a mind of its own, a mind that doesn't always want to take in the dry, technical stuff you're forced to study. The fact is your brain craves novelty. It's constantly searching, scanning, waiting for something unusual to happen. After all, that's the way it was built to help you stay alive. It takes all the routine, ordinary, dull stuff and filters it to the background so it won't interfere with your brain's real work—recording things that matter. How does your brain know what matters? It's like the creators of the *Head First* approach say, suppose you're out for a hike and a tiger jumps in front of you, what happens in your brain? Neurons fire. Emotions crank up. Chemicals surge. That's how your brain knows. And that's how your brain will learn Java. *Head First Java* combines puzzles, strong visuals, mysteries, and soul-searching interviews with famous Java objects to engage you in many different ways. It's fast, it's fun, and it's effective. And, despite its playful appearance, *Head First Java* is serious stuff: a complete introduction to object-oriented programming and Java. You'll learn everything from the fundamentals to advanced topics, including threads, network sockets, and distributed programming with RMI. And the new, second edition focuses on Java 5.0, the latest version of the Java language and development platform. Because Java 5.0 is a major update to the platform, with deep, code-level changes, even more careful study and implementation is required. So learning the *Head First* way is more important than ever. If you've read a *Head First* book, you know what to expect—a visually rich format designed for the way your brain works. If you haven't, you're in for a treat. You'll see why people say it's unlike any other Java book you've ever read. By exploiting how your brain works, *Head First Java* compresses the time it takes to learn and retain—complex information. Its unique approach not only shows you what you need to

know about Java syntax, it teaches you to think like a Java programmer. If you want to be bored, buy some other book. But if you want to understand Java, this book's for you.

The Epilepsies - Chrysostomos P. Panayiotopoulos 2005

The Epilepsies: Seizures, Syndromes and Management is the latest work from one of the world's leading experts and offers an exhaustive account of the classification and management of epileptic disorders. In thirteen chapters, Dr Panayiotopoulos gives clear and didactic guidance on the diagnosis, treatment and ongoing management of the full spectrum of epileptic syndromes with an insight and perception that only he can bring to the subject. This text is published in full colour throughout and is complemented by a pharmacopoeia and CD ROM with patient video-EEGs. An attractive, clear page layout and the accompanying supplementary material help the reader to easily identify the key components of each disorder, syndrome and seizure. Drawing on the author's outstanding collection of video-EEGs the accompanying CD ROM is cross-referenced within the text thus providing the reader with both a clinical and visual description of the various epileptic disorders and further aiding diagnosis.

Safe Management of Wastes from Health-care Activities - A. Prüss 1999

Working Mother - 2002-10

The magazine that helps career moms balance their personal and professional lives.

HBR's 10 Must Reads on Managing People, Vol. 2 (with bonus article "The Feedback Fallacy" by Marcus Buckingham and Ashley Goodall) - Harvard Business Review 2020-03-24

Are you a good boss—or a great one? Get more of the management ideas you want, from the authors you trust, with HBR's 10 Must Reads on Managing People (Vol. 2). We've combed through hundreds of Harvard Business Review articles and selected the most important ones to help you master the innumerable challenges of being a manager. With insights from leading experts including Marcus Buckingham, Michael D. Watkins, and Linda Hill, this book will inspire you to: Draw out your employees' signature strengths Support a culture of honesty and civility Cultivate better communication and deeper trust among global teams Give feedback that will help your people excel Hire, reward, and tolerate only fully formed adults Motivate your employees through small wins Foster collaboration and break down silos across your company This collection of articles includes "Are You a Good Boss—or a Great One?," by Linda A. Hill and Kent Lineback; "Let Your Workers Rebel," by Francesca Gino; "The Feedback Fallacy," by Marcus Buckingham and Ashley Goodall; "The Power of Small Wins," by Teresa M. Amabile and Steven J. Kramer; "The Price of Incivility," by Christine Porath and Christine Pearson; "What Most People Get Wrong About Men and Women," by Catherine H. Tinsley and Robin J. Ely; "How Netflix Reinvented HR," by Patty McCord; "Leading the Team You Inherit," by Michael D. Watkins; "The Overcommitted Organization," by Mark Mortensen and Heidi K. Gardner; "Global Teams That Work," by Tsedal Neeley; "Creating the Best Workplace on Earth," by Rob Goffee and Gareth Jones.

An Introduction to Language and Linguistics - Ralph Fasold 2006-03-06

This accessible textbook is the only introduction to linguistics in which each chapter is written by an expert who teaches courses on that topic, ensuring balanced and uniformly excellent coverage of the full range of modern linguistics. Assuming no prior knowledge the text offers a clear introduction to the traditional topics of structural linguistics (theories of sound, form, meaning, and language change), and in addition provides full coverage of contextual linguistics, including separate chapters on discourse, dialect variation, language and culture, and the politics of language. There are also up-to-date separate chapters on language and the brain, computational linguistics, writing, child language acquisition, and second-language learning. The breadth of the textbook makes it ideal for introductory courses on language and linguistics offered by departments of English, sociology, anthropology, and communications, as well as by linguistics departments.

Social Science Research - Anol Bhattacharjee 2012-04-01

This book is designed to introduce doctoral and graduate students to the process of conducting scientific research in the social sciences, business, education, public health, and related disciplines. It is a one-stop, comprehensive, and compact source for foundational concepts in behavioral research, and can serve as a stand-alone text or as a supplement to research readings in any doctoral seminar or research methods class. This book is currently used as a research text at universities on six continents and will shortly be available in nine different languages.

Crack the Case - David Ohrvall 2006-09

Alexander Hamilton - Henry Cabot Lodge 1882

Outliers - Malcolm Gladwell 2008-11-18

From the bestselling author of *Blink* and *The Tipping Point*, Malcolm Gladwell's *Outliers: The Story of Success* overturns conventional wisdom about genius to show us what makes an ordinary person an extreme overachiever. Why do some people achieve so much more than others? Can they lie so far out of the ordinary? In this provocative and inspiring book, Malcolm Gladwell looks at everyone from rock stars to professional athletes, software billionaires to scientific geniuses, to show that the story of success is far more surprising, and far more fascinating, than we could ever have imagined. He reveals that it's as much about where we're from and what we do, as who we are - and that no one, not even a genius, ever makes it alone. *Outliers* will change the way you think about your own life story, and about what makes us all unique. 'Gladwell is not only a brilliant storyteller; he can see what those stories tell us, the lessons they contain' *Guardian* 'Malcolm Gladwell is a global phenomenon ... he has a genius for making everything he writes seem like an impossible adventure' *Observer* 'He is the best kind of writer - the kind who makes you feel like you're a genius, rather than he's a genius' *The Times*

A Guide for ensuring inclusion and equity in education - UNESCO 2017-06-05

Information Theory, Inference and Learning Algorithms - David J. C. MacKay 2003-09-25

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A Little History of the World - E. H. Gombrich 2014-10-01

E. H. Gombrich's *Little History of the World*, though written in 1935, has become one of the treasures of historical writing since its first publication in English in 2005. The Yale edition alone has now sold over half a million copies, and the book is available worldwide in almost thirty languages. Gombrich was of course the best-known art historian of his time, and his text suggests illustrations on every page. This illustrated edition of the *Little History* brings together the pellucid humanity of his narrative with the images that may well have been in his mind's eye as he wrote the book. The two hundred illustrations—most of them in full color—are not simple embellishments, though they are beautiful. They emerge from the text, enrich the author's intention, and deepen the pleasure of reading this remarkable work. For this edition the text is reset in a spacious format, flowing around illustrations that range from paintings to line drawings, emblems, motifs, and symbols. The book incorporates freshly drawn maps, a revised preface, and a new index. Blending high-grade design, fine paper, and classic binding, this is both a sumptuous gift book and an enhanced edition of a timeless account of human history.

Report of the National Reading Panel : Teaching Children to Read : an Evidence-based Assessment of the Scientific Research Literature on Reading and Its Implications for Reading Instruction - National Reading Panel (U.S.) 2000

Vesuvius Club - Mark Gatiss 2005-10-11

Meet Lucifer Box: Equal parts James Bond and Sherlock Holmes, with a twist of Monty Python and a dash of Austin Powers, Lucifer has a charming countenance and rapier wit that make him the guest all hostesses must have. And most do. But few of his conquests know that Lucifer is also His Majesty's most daring secret agent, at home in both London's Imperial grandeur and in its underworld of despicable vice. So when Britain's most prominent scientists begin turning up dead, there is only one man his country can turn to for help. Following a dinnertime assassination, Lucifer is dispatched to uncover the whereabouts of missing agent Jocelyn Poop. Along the way he will give art lessons, be attacked by a poisonous centipede, bed a few choice specimens, and travel to Italy on business and pleasure. Aided by his henchwoman Delilah; the beautiful, mysterious, and Dutch Miss Bella Pok; his boss, a dwarf who takes meetings in a lavatory; grizzled vulcanologist Emmanuel Quibble; and the impertinent, delicious, right-hand-boy Charlie Jackpot, Lucifer Box deduces and seduces his way from his elegant townhouse at Number 9 Downing Street (somebody has to live there) to the ruined city of Pompeii, to infiltrate a highly dangerous secret society that may hold the fate of the world in its clawlike grip—the Vesuvius Club.

Active Liberty - Stephen Breyer 2007-12-18

A brilliant new approach to the Constitution and courts of the United

States by Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer. For Justice Breyer, the Constitution's primary role is to preserve and encourage what he calls "active liberty": citizen participation in shaping government and its laws. As this book argues, promoting active liberty requires judicial modesty and deference to Congress; it also means recognizing the changing needs and demands of the populace. Indeed, the Constitution's lasting brilliance is that its principles may be adapted to cope with unanticipated situations, and Breyer makes a powerful case against treating it as a static guide intended for a world that is dead and gone. Using contemporary examples from federalism to privacy to affirmative action, this is a vital contribution to the ongoing debate over the role and power of our courts.

Results - Bruce A. Pasternack 2005-10-18

Every company has a personality. Does yours help or hinder your results? Does it make you fit for growth? Find out by taking the quiz that's helped 50,000 people better understand their organizations at OrgDNA.com and to learn more about Organizational DNA. Just as you can understand an individual's personality, so too can you understand a company's type—what makes it tick, what's good and bad about it. *Results* explains why some organizations bob and weave and roll with the punches to consistently deliver on commitments and produce great results, while others can't leave their corner of the ring without tripping on their own shoelaces. Gary Neilson and Bruce Pasternack help you identify which of the seven company types you work for—and how to keep what's good and fix what's wrong. You'll feel the shock of recognition ("That's me, that's my company") as you find out whether your organization is:

- Passive-Aggressive ("everyone agrees, smiles, and nods, but nothing changes"): entrenched underground resistance makes getting anything done like trying to nail Jell-O to the wall
- Fits-and-Starts ("let 1,000 flowers bloom"): filled with smart people pulling in different directions
- Outgrown ("the good old days meet a brave new world"): reacts slowly to market developments, since it's too hard to run new ideas up the flagpole
- Overmanaged ("we're from corporate and we're here to help"): more

reporting than working, as managers check on their subordinates' work so they can in turn report to their bosses

- Just-in-Time ("succeeding, but by the skin of our teeth"): can turn on a dime and create real breakthroughs but also tends to burn out its best and brightest
- Military Precision ("flying in formation"): executes brilliant strategies but usually does not deal well with events not in the playbook
- Resilient ("as good as it gets"): flexible, forward-looking, and fun; bounces back when it hits a bump in the road and never, ever rests on its laurels

For anyone who's ever said, "Wow, that's a great idea, but it'll never happen here" or "Whew, we pulled it off again, but I'm tired of all this sprinting," *Results* provides robust, practical ideas for becoming and remaining a resilient business. Also available as an eBook From the Hardcover edition.

[World Investment Report 2020](#) - United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) 2020-07-15

The 30th edition of the World Investment Report looks at the prospects for foreign direct investment and international production during and beyond the global crisis triggered by the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic. The Report not only projects the immediate impact of the crisis on investment flows, but also assesses how it could affect a long-term structural transformation of international production. The theme chapter of the Report reviews the evolution of international production networks over the past three decades and examines the configuration of these networks today. It then projects likely course changes for the next decade due to the combined effects of the pandemic and pre-existing megatrends, including the new industrial revolution, the sustainability imperative and the retreat of laissez faire policies. The system of international production underpins the economic growth and development prospects of most countries around the world. Governments worldwide will need to adapt their investment and development strategies to a changing international production landscape. At the request of the UN General Assembly, the Report has added a dedicated section on investment in the Sustainable Development Goals, to review global progress and propose possible courses of action.