

Creating Cool Presentations With Powerpoint

Get up and running with PowerPoint 2016 Does using PowerPoint make you want to pull your hair out? PowerPoint 2016 For Dummies takes the pain out of working with PowerPoint, offering plain-English explanations of everything you need to know to get up and running with the latest version of the software. With full-color illustrations and step-by-step instructions, it shows you how to create and edit slides, import data from other applications, collaborate with other users in the Cloud, add charts, clip art, sound, and video—and so much more. PowerPoint is the world's de facto presentation software, used and supported in over 60 countries. The time has never been better to take advantage of the latest software to make killer PowerPoint presentations. From adding special effects to your presentations to working with master slides and templates, this hands-on friendly guide is the fast and easy way to make PowerPoint work for you. Presented in full color to better illustrate the powerful presentation features of the software Helps you take advantage of all of PowerPoint's new features Available in conjunction with the release of the next version of Microsoft Office Written by bestselling author Doug Lowe If you're a new or inexperienced PowerPoint user who spends more time trying to figure out how the software works than you do actually working on your presentations, PowerPoint 2016 For Dummies is just what you need to gain back hours of your work day and make professional, impactful presentations.

Get up and running fast with the PowerPoint 2019 PowerPoint continues to be the go-to tool for business presentations. The software helps anyone who needs to communicate clearly by creating powerful and effective slideshow presentations featuring data in the form of charts, clip art, sound, and video. You can even use it to create presentations for the Web. In PowerPoint 2019 For Dummies, expert Doug Lowe shows you how to use this popular tool to make show-stopping presentations that will get your message across — and your audience excited. Create a slide presentation with special effects Work with master slides and templates Collaborate with other users in the cloud Add charts, clip art, sound, and video Want to learn to use PowerPoint quickly and efficiently? Look no further!

Get expert techniques and best practices for creating professional-looking documents, slide presentations, and workbooks. And apply these skills as you work with Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, and Excel in Office 2010 or Office for Mac 2011. This hands-on guide provides constructive advice and advanced, timesaving tips to help you produce compelling content that delivers—in print or on screen. Work smarter—and create content with impact! Create your own custom Office themes and templates Use tables and styles to help organize and present content in complex Word documents Leave a lasting impression with professional-quality graphics and multimedia Work with PowerPoint masters and layouts more effectively Design Excel PivotTables for better data analysis and reporting Automate and customize

documents with Microsoft Visual Basic for Applications (VBA) and Open XML Formats Boost document collaboration and sharing with Office Web Apps Your companion web content includes: All the book's sample files for Word, PowerPoint, and Excel Files containing Microsoft Visio samples—Visio 2010 is required for viewing

If you're vexed and perplexed by PowerPoint, pick up a copy of *Fixing PowerPoint Annoyances*. This funny, and often opinionated, guide is chock full of tools and techniques for eliminating all the problems that drive audiences and presenters crazy. There's nothing more discouraging than an unresponsive audience--or worse, one that snickers at your slides. And there's nothing more maddening than technical glitches that turn your carefully planned slide show into a car wreck. Envious when you see other presenters effectively use nifty features that you've never been able to get to work right? Suffer no more! *Fixing PowerPoint Annoyances* by Microsoft PowerPoint MVP Echo Swinford rides to the rescue. Microsoft PowerPoint is the most popular presentation software on the planet, with an estimated 30 million presentations given each day. So no matter how frustrated you get, you're not about to chuck the program in the Recycle Bin. *Fixing PowerPoint Annoyances*, presents smart solutions to a variety of all-too-familiar, real-world annoyances. The book is divided into big categories, with annoyances grouped by topic. You can read it cover to cover or simply jump to the chapter or section most relevant to you. Inside its pages you'll learn how to create your own templates, work with multiple masters and slide layouts, and take advantage of various alignment and formatting tools. You'll also learn how to import Excel data; insert graphics, PDF, and Word content; create, edit, and format organization charts and diagrams; use action settings and hyperlinks to jump to other slides; and add sound, video, and other types of multimedia to spark up your presentations. Entertaining and informative, *Fixing PowerPoint Annoyances* is filled with humorous illustrations and packed with sidebars, tips, and tricks, as well as links to cool resources on the Web.

Presents practical approaches for developing an effective presentation, covering such topics as creating diagrams, displaying data, arranging elements, creating movement, and interacting with slides.

THIRD EDITION: Did you learn PowerPoint in 30 minutes? Join the crowd...most people get no more than a half-hour of training time with PowerPoint before they are tasked with making what is likely to be a first impression of themselves or their company. This book is for earnest presenters and presentation designers who want to escape the perils that entrap so many who turn to PowerPoint for their presentations.

When you're trying to harness the power of PowerPoint, you don't want to wade through lots of background and definitions; you want to make things happen! *Power Point Just the Steps for Dummies* puts your hands and eyes to work immediately so you can finish any PowerPoint project in a flash. Just choose your task, follow the step-by-step instructions and vivid illustrations, and POOF! It's done. In seconds, you'll be: Creating a new presentation Resizing or

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moving an object Duplicating a slide Using the outlining toolbar Adding notes to a slide Printing your presentation Setting up a slide show Working with pictures and clip art Coloring text and objects Modifying the slide master Creating a template Inserting a diagram or chart Adding sound and video And more Whether you're new to PowerPoint, pressed for time, or visually oriented, this get-it-done guide will help make your next PowerPoint presentation look like a work of genius!

This brief book focuses on creating dynamic presentations using Microsoft PowerPoint. It goes beyond the traditional step-by-step manual by exploring specific design techniques that lead to superior PowerPoint presentations. Lessons and exercises are built around Microsoft PowerPoint 2000, to allow students the full benefit of the latest PowerPoint functionality and features, but will also include explanations compatible with PowerPoint '97.

Unlock the amazing story buried in your presentation—and forget boring, bullet-point-riddled slides forever! Guided by communications expert Cliff Atkinson, you'll walk you through an innovative, three-step methodology for increasing the impact of your presentation. Discover how to combine classic storytelling techniques with the power of visual media to create a rich, engaging experience with your audience. Fully updated for PowerPoint 2010, and featuring compelling presentation examples from classroom to boardroom, this book will help transform your presentations—and your business impact!

New and inexperienced PowerPoint users will discover how to use the latest enhancements to PowerPoint 2007 quickly and efficiently so that they can produce unique and informative presentations PowerPoint continues to be the world's most popular presentation software This updated For Dummies guide shows users different ways to create powerful and effective slideshow presentations that incorporate data from other applications in the form of charts, clip art, sound, and video Shares the key features of PowerPoint 2007 including creating and editing slides, working with hyperlinks and action buttons, and preparing presentations for the Web

Whether you are a university professor, researcher at a think tank, graduate student, or analyst at a private firm, chances are that at some point you have presented your work in front of an audience. Most of us approach this task by converting a written document into slides, but the result is often a text-heavy presentation saddled with bullet points, stock images, and graphs too complex for an audience to decipher—much less understand. Presenting is fundamentally different from writing, and with only a little more time, a little more effort, and a little more planning, you can communicate your work with force and clarity. Designed for presenters of scholarly or data-intensive content, Better Presentations details essential strategies for developing clear, sophisticated, and visually captivating presentations. Following three core principles—visualize, unify, and focus—Better Presentations describes how to visualize data effectively, find and use

images appropriately, choose sensible fonts and colors, edit text for powerful delivery, and restructure a written argument for maximum engagement and persuasion. With a range of clear examples for what to do (and what not to do), the practical package offered in *Better Presentations* shares the best techniques to display work and the best tactics for winning over audiences. It pushes presenters past the frustration and intimidation of the process to more effective, memorable, and persuasive presentations.

As a contemporary reflection on current practice, this book tackles the diversity of what 'youth work' means and the challenging yet rewarding job that it is. It offers a meaningful insight into the everyday experiences of a youth worker, written by practitioners themselves. In a clear conversational style, the text analyses the many aspects of youth work, including activities, group life, making conversation and mentoring, alongside practical guidance to advise on working with today's young people. Jeffs and Smith's previous book, *Youth Work* (1988), was a seminal text on working with young people. This successor text, *Youth Work Practice* is its equal in providing an intriguing update for all those studying or working with young people.

A handy resource for beginning, intermediate, or advanced PowerPoint users, this three-panel guide features helpful time-saving hints so that you can get the most out of Microsoft's dynamic presentation software. Written to follow PowerPoint 2010 (and compatible with PowerPoint 2007), this guide includes helpful screen captures and icons, as well as clear and concise instructions.

Textbooks are symbols of centuries-old education. They're often outdated as soon as they hit students' desks. Acting "by the textbook" implies compliance and a lack of creativity. It's time to ditch those textbooks--and those textbook assumptions about learning. In *Ditch That Textbook*, teacher and blogger Matt Miller encourages educators to throw out meaningless, pedestrian teaching and learning practices. He empowers them to evolve and improve on old, standard, teaching methods. *Ditch That Textbook* is a support system, toolbox, and manifesto to help educators free their teaching and revolutionize their classrooms.

Whether it's your ideas for a new product, results from the latest sales promotion, or employee training material, Microsoft's PowerPoint presentation software can make all the difference between a ho-hum presentation and an engaging, informative one. It takes more than software, though, to make your slide, transparency, or electronic presentation a successful one. Here, in *Creating Cool PowerPoint 97 Presentations* you get the techniques used by the experts -- from creating graphics, charts, borders and backgrounds to adding action to complex data and dull statistics, from integrating multimedia clips to producing handouts that are useful to your audience long after the show is over. Plus, *Creating Cool PowerPoint 97 Presentations* includes a bonus CD-ROM containing valuable demonstration slide shows,

clip art and background samplers, and try-out versions of programs such as Photoshop, Painter, Streamline, and Flying Fonts. Get Creating Cool PowerPoint 97 Presentations -- your audience will thank you.

Explains how to effectively utilize the latest version of the integrated software package, covering Word, Excel, Outlook and PowerPoint.

If you're like most people, you've probably created dozens of presentations in your lifetime, and many of these in just under a few hours. But ask yourself: Do you really know how to design a memorable presentation that will stick in your viewers' minds for months, even years to come? The answer is probably no. Most of us have never actually learned the design principles necessary to impact audiences through visual storytelling. Perhaps the closest we have ever come to crafting a visual message is a PowerPoint presentation full of bullet points, overused stock photos and bland color schemes. But these kinds of presentations rarely inspire real change, especially in this new age of visual communication. A good public speaker with a boring slide deck may be able to maintain the attention of an audience for a few minutes, but a good public speaker with a wellplanned and well-designed visual presentation can truly mesmerize an audience. In this book, we'll cover basic design principles and tools you can apply right away to take your slide decks from mediocre to stunning.

Sometimes when things get really bad, surgery is required. Bad Powerpoint* (and boring presentations) are everywhere! it appears that they have almost become the norm and very few people seem to want to talk about it. It doesn't have to be that way. Bad presentations are costly. They can cost money, jobs and reputations, don't let your slides ruin your pitch. In this funny, cut-to-the-chase and down-to-earth book professional speaker Lee Jackson will wean you, and your workplace off bad slides forever. He'll also teach you how good presentation slides can work for you and help you stand out from the crowd. Using these simple techniques we can kill death by bullet-point once and for all. JOIN THE FIGHT TODAY! (N.B. This book is a colour paperback and illustrated with full colour slides.) " Lee takes a clever and refreshing approach to presentation mastery. " Nancy Duarte – author of 'Slide:ology', 'Resonate' and principal of Duarte (creators of the slides/visuals for Academy Award-winning film, 'An Inconvenient Truth') " Powerpoint Surgery is an invaluable resource...and I highly recommend it... " Jeremy Waite – Head of Social Strategy, Adobe EMEA " Lee Jackson takes PowerPoint presentations from boring to brilliant. " Alan Stevens FPSA – Past President Global Speakers Federation and co-author of 'The Exceptional Speaker " ...a masterclass of creating sublime slides & presentations, but be warned, you may never be able to sit through a presentation again without thinking of Lee Jackson! " Geoff Ramm – President 2013 Professional Speaking Association UK and Ireland "Jackson has got a bl***y nerve asking me to write a testimonial for his book. You see, I am a proudly militant Anti-PowerPoint Bigot, but somehow, he has turned the Indefensible into the Indispensable! " Graham Davies – best selling author of 'The Presentation Coach'

Start creating dynamite presentations with PowerPoint 2010 PowerPoint, the number one presentation software, has been revised and improved with the introduction of Microsoft Office 2010. More than 120 million people are using PowerPoint to create business and educational presentations worldwide. Both new and veteran PowerPoint users will improve their skills with the fun and friendly advice in PowerPoint 2010 For Dummies. Bestselling author Doug Lowe makes it easy to grasp the new features and shows you how to create presentations with pizzazz. PowerPoint is used in more than 60 countries to create visual presentations for business and educational settings The newest revision to PowerPoint adds new features, an online version of the software, and improved audiovisual and video editing capabilities This easy-to-follow guide explains how to create and edit slides, import data from other applications, and add charts, clip art,

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sound, and video Also covers working with hyperlinks, creating Web pages with PowerPoint, video editing, and collaboration via online access PowerPoint 2010 For Dummies helps you take full advantage of the enhancements in the new version, so you can create more effective and impressive presentations.

Describes how to improve PowerPoint presentations.

Building PowerPoint Templates Supercharge your PowerPoint® presentations with custom templates and themes! Want to create presentations that are more consistent and cost-effective? Presentations that fully reflect your branding? Then don't settle for Microsoft's "out-of-the-box" templates and themes: create your own! In this easy, hands-on guide, two PowerPoint MVPs teach you every skill and technique you'll need to build the perfect template—from planning and design, through theme building, custom layouts, colors, and deployment. Echo Swinford and Julie Terberg have distilled their immense PowerPoint knowledge into simple, step-by-step techniques you can use right now, whether you're using PowerPoint 2010 or 2007 for Windows, or PowerPoint 2011 for Mac. Well-built templates are the backbone of great presentations—whether building them for your own use or designing for thousands of users, this book will guide you through the process of creating the most effective templates. Important Note: Upgrading from older versions of PowerPoint, such as PowerPoint 2003? Your old templates may no longer work. This book will help you make the transition painlessly! • Plan new templates and themes to maximize their business value for years to come • Understand the differences between templates and themes, and how they work together • Make better choices about color, fonts, and slide layouts • Create efficient templates for individual users, teams, and large organizations • Incorporate Notes and Handout Masters into your presentation templates • Provide example slides and default settings that lead to better presentations • Use Microsoft's little-known Theme Builder to create effects and background styles • Work around hidden quirks in PowerPoint's advanced template and theme features Echo Swinford, a Microsoft PowerPoint MVP since 2000, has been a featured speaker at the Presentatio Summit (formerly PowerPoint Live) since its inception. She is the expert voice and instructor behind PowerPoint 2010 LiveLessons (Video Training), the author of Fixing PowerPoint Annoyances and co-author of The PowerPoint 2007 Complete Makeover Kit. Julie Terberg is a Microsoft PowerPoint MVP and featured speaker at the Presentation Summit. She is the owner of Terberg Design and has been designing presentations since the mid-1980s. She is co-author of Perfect Medical Presentations. As contributing author for Presentations Magazine, she won awards for her Creative Techniques columns.

From one of Inc. magazine's "Coolest College Startups"—the revolutionary three-step method that will transform every presentation into an experience for the audience Rid the world of bad presentations with: Engaging Content + Memorable and Simple Design + Powerful Delivery Together, these create an unforgettable experience for the audience, The Big Fish Experience. Big Fish Presentations spends every day making the incomprehensible compelling; the mundane interesting; and the complex simple. Whether it's a presentation about an idea, a product, a service, a business, or a cause, at its heart, it's a story. The Big Fish Experience will help you tell yours. Learn how to: CAPTIVATE with the power of story, enticing visuals, and infectious enthusiasm INSPIRE with the perfect pitch, a strong message, and a call to action ENGAGE with supreme skill and confidence—and achieve your purpose every time In this practical, step-by-step guide, you'll find proven techniques and expert tips on new presentation tools; innovative ways to deliver your ideas; case studies of presentations, which you can emulate immediately; and ways to recover if things go wrong. Big Fish Presentations works with clients nationwide—from startups to Fortune 100 companies—to turn presentations into experiences by providing copywriting, presentation design, presentation training, and video production, using the latest, most innovative strategies.

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A new handbook not only covers the basics and new features of PowerPoint 2007, but also teaches users how to combine multimedia, animation, and interactivity into a presentation; how to take full advantage of advanced functions; and how to create reusable presentations. Rather than cover each and every option available in PowerPoint, this concise guide takes users through a single presentation and demonstrates the quickest, easiest, most effective way to communicate their ideas, starting with creating a slide and continuing through formatting charts and tables, incorporating sound and video, creating transitions, and adding a bit of panache to the final result. Beginner.

There will always come a time when a person has to make a presentation. Whatever the occasion may be, having visual cues that the audience can look at is much more effective than just talking. This helps increase understanding of the topic and makes them remember it easier. Over the past few years, there is one program that dominates the slideshow presentation scene. This program is PowerPoint by Microsoft. This simple and easy to use program has been the go to software for anyone who wants to make a presentation. This book will introduce Microsoft PowerPoint and its interface. It will also show you the basic steps on how to make a slideshow presentation. Tips and tricks to make your presentation stand out are also included. The following topics are discussed in this book: - PowerPoint and the basics - The interface of PowerPoint - How to make and create presentation - PowerPoint tips and tricks - Preparation and slide design

R Markdown: The Definitive Guide is the first official book authored by the core R Markdown developers that provides a comprehensive and accurate reference to the R Markdown ecosystem. With R Markdown, you can easily create reproducible data analysis reports, presentations, dashboards, interactive applications, books, dissertations, websites, and journal articles, while enjoying the simplicity of Markdown and the great power of R and other languages. In this book, you will learn Basics: Syntax of Markdown and R code chunks, how to generate figures and tables, and how to use other computing languages Built-in output formats of R Markdown: PDF/HTML/Word/RTF/Markdown documents and ioslides/Slidy/Beamer/PowerPoint presentations Extensions and applications: Dashboards, Tufte handouts, xaringan/reveal.js presentations, websites, books, journal articles, and interactive tutorials Advanced topics: Parameterized reports, HTML widgets, document templates, custom output formats, and Shiny documents. Yihui Xie is a software engineer at RStudio. He has authored and co-authored several R packages, including knitr, rmarkdown, bookdown, blogdown, shiny, xaringan, and animation. He has published three other books, Dynamic Documents with R and knitr, bookdown: Authoring Books and Technical Documents with R Markdown, and blogdown: Creating Websites with R Markdown. J.J. Allaire is the founder of RStudio and the creator of the RStudio IDE. He is an author of several packages in the R Markdown ecosystem including rmarkdown, flexdashboard, learnr, and radix. Garrett Grolemund is the co-author of R for Data Science and author of Hands-On Programming with R. He wrote the lubridate R package and works for RStudio as an advocate who trains engineers to do data science with R and the Tidyverse.

Get up and running with this full-color guide to PowerPoint2013! PowerPoint, the number one presentation software, has been revised and improved with the introduction of Microsoft Office2013. With this all-new, full-color book by your side, you will learn how to take full advantage of all of PowerPoint's powerful and dynamic capabilities. Bestselling veteran For Dummies, author Doug Lowe breaks it all down so that you can create a powerful and effective slideshow presentation with the new wide-screen theme and variant that incorporates videos, pictures, and shapes, and allows you to create customized icons using powerful tools. Shows you how to create presentations with pizzazz using the new collection of themes, and then helps you align shapes, textboxes, and graphics Zeroes in on all of PowerPoint's updated features, such as zooming in and out smoothly, switch slides easily (in or out of sequence), and projecting to a second screen Explains how to Place and track comments next to the text you're discussing so everyone can see who replied to whom, and when Highlights ways to work with hyperlinks, create web pages with PowerPoint, video edit, and much more PowerPoint 2013 For Dummies points you to the power of this updated application so that you can create effective and impressive presentations.

Presents lessons on the main features of Microsoft PowerPoint.

How to Learn Microsoft Office PowerPoint Quickly! Have you ever wondered what type of application powers the most of the most of the presentations you have ever seen? Of course, it is PowerPoint. It has been around since 1987, and till date, it offers features for everything you could need in a presentation an even more. Despite all the features that the PowerPoint offers users, lots of people still find it very difficult to deal with. But we believe it doesn't have to be that way because you can create and edit basic presentations in PowerPoint with just a few clicks. For this reason, we decided to lighten your mind about PowerPoint by coming up with a powerful short book titled "how to learn Microsoft Office PowerPoint quickly!" You might probably be thinking about all the fancy animations and features. Of course, it will take some more time to learn them, but this amazing book will get you started. Let's take a quick look at what you start to benefit from this affordable, powerful product. You will learn how to set up your PowerPoint slides, add text and information, create your slideshow and much more Easy to understand step by step guide on how to create a PowerPoint presentation Illustration graphics for better understanding Shortcuts for easy navigations while creating your slides Great navigation index that can be used for reference guides Wow! You need to purchase this book so you can explore some other hidden benefits. We cannot deny the fact that our product does not offer the best and ultimate information about Microsoft PowerPoint. But our main aim is to ensure you learn PowerPoint quickly and make a presentation like a Pro even if it is your first time. We know that almost all institutions in the world now do presentations every day and for you to meet up with the standard and stay in line with your colleagues you need to learn Microsoft PowerPoint as fast as

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This text shows how to create, organize and design effective presentations using PowerPoint.

This tech manual guides you in learning and perfecting your Microsoft PowerPoint Skills so that you can effectively design and deliver a presentation. What You will Learn: *Microsoft PowerPoint Environment *Customizing The Quick Access Toolbar. *Creating a Presentation *Text style and sizes * Types of Slides and their uses *Design and choice of themes *Animation *Presentation Design Tips *Delivering a Presentation *General Tips for Creating and Delivering an Effective Presentation. *Edit a Slide Template Design *Create Custom Slide Sizes *Publish as PDF or XPS *Marketing Your Brand Through PowerPoint Slides. *Slide Show Shortcuts

"This book contains a three step approach to help business professionals create effective presentation visuals. Step 1 is writing a headline that summarizes the message you want the audience to understand and remember from that slide. Step 2 is to select and create an effective visual for the slide. The book focuses on this step because corporate presenters have said they need the most help with this area. The different messages in business presentations are broken down into six categories. The 66 visuals shown are organized into 30 groups and sub-groups under the six categories. Each visual is explained, examples are shown, and tips for creating the visual are given. Step 3 is to focus the audience during the delivery of the slide by using callouts, building the slide piece by piece, and by organizing complex information."--

Second edition of this popular course for young learners - now seven levels including Starter. Perfect preparation for Cambridge English Young Learners: Starters Well-loved by children and teachers the world over, Kid's Box is bursting with bright ideas to inspire you and your pupils. Perfect for general use, the course also fully covers the syllabus of the Cambridge Young Learners English (YLE) tests, preparing your students for success at Starters, Movers and Flyers. Presentation Plus includes interactive whiteboard tools, a fully interactive Pupil's Book and Activity Book, teacher's resources, a multimedia library and access to online teacher training support. This version comes on DVD. It is also available as an iOS or Android mobile application.

A guide to using Microsoft PowerPoint describes how to use stories to create effective business presentations.

A fully updated guide to creating dynamic presentations with PowerPoint 2010 PowerPoint dominates the presentation

landscape. With the changes in PowerPoint 2010, including the availability of an online version, PowerPoint users need this comprehensive reference to make the most of the program. PowerPoint 2010 All-in-One For Dummies features in-depth coverage of the elements and the process involved in creating knockout presentations. Seven minibooks cover all the new 2010 features, providing a great education for beginners and showing PowerPoint veterans lots of new tricks. PowerPoint is the leading presentation software used in business and education; new features in PowerPoint 2010 include an online version and expanded audiovisual capabilities. Seven self-contained minibooks cover getting started; building a presentation; tables, charts, and diagrams; graphics and shapes; adding audio, video, and animation; giving the presentation; and PowerPoint for power users. Explains how to use the interface and tools and shows how to represent data visually for greater impact. Provides important tips on adding the human element when making a presentation. Gives advanced users advice on creating templates, collaboration, automation, and more. PowerPoint 2010 All-in-One For Dummies gets novices up to speed and helps experienced users take their skills to the next level. Learn the Secrets Needed to Master PowerPoint for Training. As a successful facilitator, you know the importance of the resources in your professional toolkit. How you engage your audience and improve learning can be affected by how well you use them. But mastery of PowerPoint evades many. Feedback on presentations can range from “What was the point?” to “That changed my life.” Most, though, fall closer to the former. If you are looking for a guide to the PowerPoint practices that will push your presentations into the latter category, look no further. A Trainer's Guide to PowerPoint: Best Practices for Master Presenters is Mike Parkinson's master class on the art of PowerPoint. While Parkinson wants you to understand how amazing a tool PowerPoint is, he's the first to tell you that there is no magic button to make awesome slides. There are, however, proven processes and tools that deliver successful PowerPoint content each and every time you use them. In this book he shares them, detailing his award-winning PowerPoint process and guiding you through three phases of presentation development—discover, design, and deliver. What's more, Parkinson is a Microsoft PowerPoint MVP—most valuable professional—an honorific bestowed by Microsoft on those with “very deep knowledge of Microsoft products and services.” He shares not only his tips and best practices for presentation success, but also those from several of his fellow MVPs. Parkinson invites you to master PowerPoint as a tool—just like a paintbrush and paint—and to realize that the tool doesn't make the art, you do.

Foreword by Bill Gates. LinkedIn cofounder, legendary investor, and host of the award-winning Masters of Scale podcast reveals the secret to starting and scaling massively valuable companies. What entrepreneur or founder doesn't aspire to build the next Amazon, Facebook, or Airbnb? Yet those who actually manage to do so are exceedingly rare. So what separates the startups that get disrupted and disappear from the ones who grow to become global giants? The secret is

blitzscaling: a set of techniques for scaling up at a dizzying pace that blows competitors out of the water. The objective of Blitzscaling is not to go from zero to one, but from one to one billion –as quickly as possible. When growing at a breakneck pace, getting to next level requires very different strategies from those that got you to where you are today. In a book inspired by their popular class at Stanford Business School, Hoffman and Yeh reveal how to navigate the necessary shifts and weather the unique challenges that arise at each stage of a company's life cycle, such as: how to design business models for igniting and sustaining relentless growth; strategies for hiring and managing; how the role of the founder and company culture must evolve as the business matures, and more. Whether your business has ten employees or ten thousand, Blitzscaling is the essential playbook for winning in a world where speed is the only competitive advantage that matters.

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FOREWORD BY GUY KAWASAKI Presentation designer and internationally acclaimed communications expert Garr Reynolds, creator of the most popular Web site on presentation design and delivery on the Net — presentationzen.com — shares his experience in a provocative mix of illumination, inspiration, education, and guidance that will change the way you think about making presentations with PowerPoint or Keynote. Presentation Zen challenges the conventional wisdom of making "slide presentations" in today's world and encourages you to think differently and more creatively about the preparation, design, and delivery of your presentations. Garr shares lessons and perspectives that draw upon practical advice from the fields of communication and business. Combining solid principles of design with the tenets of Zen simplicity, this book will help you along the path to simpler, more effective presentations.

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