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Hospitals have always felt pressure to provide excellent clinical care. And now that the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act has been signed into law, that pressure has intensified. Increasingly, hospitals will face financial consequences for failing to live up to patient expectations of quality care. HCAHPS results are directly linked to reimbursement. But they're also a barometer for measuring clinical performance and quality improvement. When hospitals raise their HCAHPS results, they also have fewer falls, lower infection rates, fewer readmissions - all the factors that impact reimbursement. The HCAHPS Handbook is a practical resource filled with actionable tips proven to help hospitals improve patient perception of care. Because it's broken down by HCAHPS composites, readers can zero in on the parts of the survey that need attention. And the book provides a few carefully targeted tactics they can use to improve the results on each question. Best of all, these tactics are foundational. They build on what most hospitals (particularly those that have implemented Studer Group's Evidence Based Leadership framework) are already doing. It's about working smarter, not harder. And ultimately, it's about hardwiring the behaviors and processes that lead to consistent excellence - and creating a culture of always.

The corporate world is filled with men and women who have worked hard to reach

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upper level management. They're intelligent, skilled, and even charismatic. But only a handful of them will ever reach the pinnacle and as executive coach Marshall Goldsmith shows in this book, subtle nuances make all the difference. These are small transactional flaws performed by one person against another that, using Goldsmith's straightforward, jargonfree advice, are easy behaviors to change. EDITORIAL REVIEWS: From Publishers Weekly Goldsmith, an executive coach to the corporate elite, pinpoints 20 bad habits that stifle already successful careers as well as personal goals like succeeding in marriage or as a parent. Most are common behavioral problems, such as speaking when angry, which even the author is prone to do when dealing with a teenage daughter's belly ring. Though Goldsmith deals with touchy-feely material more typical of a self-help book such as learning to listen or letting go of the past his approach to curing self-destructive behavior is much harder-edged. For instance, he does not suggest sensitivity training for those prone to voicing morale-deflating sarcasm. His advice is to stop doing it. To stimulate behavior change, he suggests imposing fines (e.g., \$10 for each infraction), asserting that monetary penalties can yield results by lunchtime. While Goldsmith's advice applies to everyone, the highly successful audience he targets may be the least likely to seek out his book without a direct order from someone higher up. As he points out, they are apt to attribute their success to their bad behavior. Still, that may allow the less successful to gain ground by improving their people skills first. (Jan. 2) Copyright (c) Reed Business

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Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition. From Booklist By now, the CEO as celebrity is old hat. (Just start counting the books from former company heads.) That goes for the executive-recruiter-cum-president-makers. What has yet to be explored--until now--is the celebrity business coach, the individual who helps C-level executives correct flaws, whether invisible or public. A frequent interviewee in major business magazines like Fortune, Goldsmith, with the sage help and advice of his collaborator Reiter, pens a self-help career book, filled with disguised anecdotes and candid dialogue, all soon slated for bestsellerdom. His steps in coaching for success are simple, honest, without artifice: gather feedback from appropriate colleagues and cohorts, determine which behaviors to change (and remember, Goldsmith specifically focuses on behavior, not skills or knowledge), apologize, advertise, listen, thank, follow up, and practice feed-forward. Admittedly, this shrewd organizational psychologist only works with leaders he knows will listen, follow advice, and change--especially considering that he doesn't receive fees until improvements are secure and visible. On the other hand, these are words and processes anyone will benefit from, whether wannabe manager or senior executive. Barbara Jacobs Copyright (c) American Library Association. All rights reserved --This text refers to the Hardcover edit

Organizations around the world are using Lean to redesign care and improve processes in a way that achieves and sustains meaningful results for patients, staff,

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physicians, and health systems. Lean Hospitals, Third Edition explains how to use the Lean methodology and mindsets to improve safety, quality, access, and morale while reducing costs, increasing capacity, and strengthening the long-term bottom line. This updated edition of a Shingo Research Award recipient begins with an overview of Lean methods. It explains how Lean practices can help reduce various frustrations for caregivers, prevent delays and harm for patients, and improve the long-term health of your organization. The second edition of this book presented new material on identifying waste, A3 problem solving, engaging employees in continuous improvement, and strategy deployment. This third edition adds new sections on structured Lean problem solving methods (including Toyota Kata), Lean Design, and other topics. Additional examples, case studies, and explanations are also included throughout the book. Mark Graban is also the co-author, with Joe Swartz, of the book Healthcare Kaizen: Engaging Frontline Staff in Sustainable Continuous Improvements, which is also a Shingo Research Award recipient. Mark and Joe also wrote The Executive's Guide to Healthcare Kaizen.

Building on the revolutionary Institute of Medicine reports To Err is Human and Crossing the Quality Chasm, Keeping Patients Safe lays out guidelines for improving patient safety by changing nurses'™ working conditions and demands. Licensed nurses and unlicensed nursing assistants are critical participants in our national effort to protect patients from health care errors. The nature of the activities nurses typically

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perform " monitoring patients, educating home caretakers, performing treatments, and rescuing patients who are in crisis " provides an indispensable resource in detecting and remedying error-producing defects in the U.S. health care system. During the past two decades, substantial changes have been made in the organization and delivery of health care " and consequently in the job description and work environment of nurses. As patients are increasingly cared for as outpatients, nurses in hospitals and nursing homes deal with greater severity of illness. Problems in management practices, employee deployment, work and workspace design, and the basic safety culture of health care organizations place patients at further risk. This newest edition in the groundbreaking Institute of Medicine Quality Chasm series discusses the key aspects of the work environment for nurses and reviews the potential improvements in working conditions that are likely to have an impact on patient safety. Virtual Teams That Work offers a much-needed, comprehensive guidebook for business leaders and managers who want to create the organizational conditions that will help virtual teams thrive. Each chapter in this important book focuses on best practices and includes case studies and illustrative examples from a wide variety of companies, including British Petroleum, Lucent Technologies, Ramtech, SoftCo, and Whirlpool Corporation. These real-life examples demonstrate how the principles identified in the book play out within virtual teams. Virtual Teams That Work shows how organizations can put in place the structure to help team members who speak different

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languages and have different cultural values develop effective ways of communicating when there is little opportunity for the members to meet face-to-face. The authors also reveal how organizations can implement performance management and reward systems that will motivate team members to cooperate across multiple boundaries. And they offer the information to determine which technologies best fit a variety of virtual-team tasks and the level of information technology support needed.

To make health care a better place for employees to work, physicians to practice medicine, and patients to receive care.

Vaccinate children against deadly pneumococcal disease, or pay for cardiac patients to undergo lifesaving surgery? Cover the costs of dialysis for kidney patients, or channel the money toward preventing the conditions that lead to renal failure in the first place? Policymakers dealing with the realities of limited health care budgets face tough decisions like these regularly. And for many individuals, their personal health care choices are equally stark: paying for medical treatment could push them into poverty. Many low- and middle-income countries now aspire to universal health coverage, where governments ensure that all people have access to the quality health services they need without risk of impoverishment. But for universal health coverage to become reality, the health services offered must be consistent with the funds available—and this implies tough everyday choices for policymakers that could be the difference between life and death for those affected by any given condition or disease. The situation is

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particularly acute in low- and middle income countries where public spending on health is on the rise but still extremely low, and where demand for expanded services is growing rapidly. *What's In, What's Out: Designing Benefits for Universal Health Coverage* argues that the creation of an explicit health benefits plan—a defined list of services that are and are not available—is an essential element in creating a sustainable system of universal health coverage. With contributions from leading health economists and policy experts, the book considers the many dimensions of governance, institutions, methods, political economy, and ethics that are needed to decide what's in and what's out in a way that is fair, evidence-based, and sustainable over time.

In healthcare, even the way we change has changed. Quint Studer's new book helps you hardwire the skills you need to perform at a higher level continuously.

Sponsored by the Picker/Commonwealth Program for Patient-Centered Care In this comprehensive, research-based look at the experiences and needs of patients, the authors explore models of care that can make hospitalization more humane. *Through the Patient's Eyes* provides insights into why some hospitals are more patient-centered than others; how physicians can become more involved in patient-centered quality efforts; and how patient-centered quality can be integrated into health care policy, standards, and regulations. The authors show how, by bringing the patient's perspective to the design and delivery of health services, providers can improve their ability to meet patient's needs and enhance the quality of care.

Health Informatics (HI) focuses on the application of Information Technology (IT) to the field of

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medicine to improve individual and population healthcare delivery, education and research. This extensively updated fifth edition reflects the current knowledge in Health Informatics and provides learning objectives, key points, case studies and references.

National Advisory Committee on Creative and Cultural Education was established in 1998 "to make recommendations to the Secretaries of State on the creative and cultural development of young people through formal and informal education: to take stock of current provision and to make proposals for principles, policies and practice" (-- p. 4). This is its report.

LONGLISTED FOR THE GUARDIAN NOT THE BOOKER PRIZE One family, one town, devastated by one tragic event. Can you ever know what those closest to you are really capable of? When Stephen gets a phone call to say his mother isn't well, he knows he must go to her straight away. But he dreads going back there. He has never been able to understand why his mother chose to stay in the town he grew up in, after everything that happened. One day's tragic events years before had left no one living there untouched. Stephen's own dark memories are still poisoning his life, as well as his marriage. Perhaps now is the time to go back and confront the place and the people of his shattered childhood. But will he ever be able to understand the crime that punctured their lives so brutally? How can a community move on from such a terrible legacy?

So much of a medical organization's success rides on the leadership, conduct, and performance of its physicians. How does a health care organization engage its physicians to lead by example? And how does a physician—in the midst of 25 appointments, 30 phone messages, hospital rounds, and the details of “managing” a clinical practice—do what needs to be done to foster satisfaction and loyalty among patients? Practicing Excellence eloquently

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answers these questions. Stephen C. Beeson, MD, has created a brilliant guide to implementing physician leadership and behaviors that will create a high-performance workplace built on collaboration, commitment, purpose, and making a difference in the lives of the patients it serves.

In this new book, Jacqueline Davies and Jeremy Kourdi argue that organizations are failing to realize the simple truth about talent: they are misunderstanding their people, making flawed choices and allowing the true potential of their workforce to go unused and unfulfilled. Understanding the truth about talent in all its forms is a vital step in developing an organization and ensuring long-term, sustainable success. A core part of their thesis is that organizations should recognize that people at different stages of their career and with different experiences and aspirations need to be developed and engaged in different ways. The book provides a practical guide explaining how to segment the workforce, why, what to expect when you do, and how to ensure that this approach succeeds.

FROM THE NEW YORK TIMES AND WALL STREET JOURNAL BESTSELLER Americans enjoy the finest healthcare delivery system in the world, but most people will tell you that we still have a long way to go. Far too frequently, patients leave the doctor's office or hospital feeling confused, angry, or neglected. Healthcare leaders recognize this problem, but in their focus on patients (and sometimes financials), they often overlook the true key to lasting patient loyalty and satisfaction: their employees. *Patients Come Second* shakes up the traditional healthcare model, arguing that in order to care for and retain patients, leaders must first create exceptional teams and find ways to engage nurses, administrative staff, physicians, supervisors, and even housekeeping staff and switchboard operators. By connecting

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employees' work with a higher purpose and equipping them with the tools to become leaders themselves, patient care can be dramatically transformed. And with continuing healthcare changes on the horizon and ever-rising pressure to acquire and keep patients, doing so now is more important than ever. Britt Berrett, president of an 898-bed hospital, and Paul Spiegelman, founder and CEO of a successful patient-experience company, are the perfect guides to the changes needed in healthcare leadership. With a rich combined experience in their field, they have filled each chapter with an abundance of engaging, insightful stories and write with a humor and friendliness that balances and enhances the urgency of their message.

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No one has ever faced a healthcare crisis as dire as the one that confronted Florence Nightingale at the Scutari Barrack Hospital, yet despite the challenges over a 2-year period she defined the nursing profession and created a blueprint for the hospital as we know it today. Now she returns to Memorial Medical Center to help the leadership team foster a stronger culture of ownership. In this heartwarming and thought-provoking story you will learn: -Why no one ever checks the oil in a rental car, and proven strategies to foster a culture of ownership - Why a culture of ownership requires people who are Emotionally Positive, Self Empowered, and Fully Engaged (the 3 commitments of The Florence Challenge) - Why you need a blueprint for the Invisible Architecture of your organization and how to use a construction metaphor to create one - The 8

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essential characteristics of a culture of ownership - How to use The Pickle Pledge to help people confront toxic emotional negativity and promote a more positive and productive workplace attitude - How the 7 promises of The Self-Empowerment Pledge can help you foster a more empowering culture With more than 200,000 copies in circulation in more than 500 hospitals and healthcare organizations, The Florence Prescription is the gift to your people that is also an investment in your organization. The Florence Challenge website includes a wealth of resources to help you optimize the impact of this book including leader's guide, PowerPoint study guide, webinar, and downloadable Florence Challenge Certificate of Commitment."

Are your HCAHPS results on track? Our revised and updated version of The HCAHPS Handbook includes the newest information and the latest tactics that enable you to provide the exceptional quality of care your patients expect and deserve. With fresh evidence harvested from organizations across the nation, The HCAHPS Handbook shares proven strategies for moving metrics on all HCAHPS questions, and more importantly, how to successfully deploy the tactics that will have a lasting impact on patients and the experience of care.

Every community wants to become a great place to live and work. The why is no mystery: We want to create a place our children and grandchildren will want to

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be. We also know the what: We need to attract investments, provide good jobs, and create lively downtowns where citizens will want to work, live, shop and play. What's usually missing is the how. In *Building a Vibrant Community*, Quint Studer addresses all three aspects, but mainly focuses on the last one. How can your community get from where it is now to where it wants to be?

Improving our nation's healthcare system is a challenge which, because of its scale and complexity, requires a creative approach and input from many different fields of expertise. Lessons from engineering have the potential to improve both the efficiency and quality of healthcare delivery. The fundamental notion of a high-performing healthcare system--one that increasingly is more effective, more efficient, safer, and higher quality--is rooted in continuous improvement principles that medicine shares with engineering. As part of its Learning Health System series of workshops, the Institute of Medicine's Roundtable on Value and Science-Driven Health Care and the National Academy of Engineering, hosted a workshop on lessons from systems and operations engineering that could be applied to health care. Building on previous work done in this area the workshop convened leading engineering practitioners, health professionals, and scholars to explore how the field might learn from and apply systems engineering principles in the design of a learning healthcare system. *Engineering a Learning Healthcare*

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System: A Look at the Future: Workshop Summary focuses on current major healthcare system challenges and what the field of engineering has to offer in the redesign of the system toward a learning healthcare system.

The same qualities that make nursing so deeply rewarding can also make it a challenge, over time, to sustain your energy and passion. Learn to maintain and recapture those elusive qualities.

Your quick and easy guide to chess Kings, queens, knights—does chess seem like a royal pain to grasp? Taking the intimidation out of this age-old pastime, Chess For Dummies, 4th Edition is here to help beginners wrap their minds around the rules of the game, make sense of those puzzling pieces, and start playing chess like a champ. From using the correct chess terminology to engaging in the art of the attack, you'll get easy-to-follow, step-by-step explanations that demystify the game—and give you an extra edge. Chess isn't a game you can master—it's an activity that requires patience, strategy, and constant learning. But that's all part of the fun and challenge! Whether you're playing chess online, in a tournament, or with a family member or friend, this hands-on guide gets you familiar with the game and its components, giving you the know-how to put the principles of play into action from the opening to the endgame. Grasp the principles of play and the nuances of each phase of the

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game Familiarize yourself with the pieces and the board Pick the perfect chess board and set Know each of the pieces and their powers If you find yourself in a stalemate before you even begin a game, this friendly book helps you put your chess foot forward!

Praise for Results That Last "Quint Studer is a superb communicator with a deep belief in the power of relationships. His informal tone, sense of humor, and real-world stories bring his business principles to life. Results That Last has a vital, optimistic quality that will keep readers re-reading long after other leadership books have been relegated to a dark corner of the shelf." --Nido Qubein, author of How to Get Anything You Want; President, High Point University; Chairman, Great Harvest Bread Company; and founder, National Speakers Association Foundation "Results That Last is long overdue and fills a big gap in effective business management. There are legions of books that show us the way to achieve successful results in business, but very few that teach us how to institutionalize success. In reality, achieving success is the easy part. The real challenge is to achieve results that last. Quint Studer not only proves it is possible to hardwire a culture for lasting results, but lays out a simple, logical, and effective way to do so. Anyone who wants to make success a habit needs to read this book." --Bob MacDonald, former CEO, Allianz Life of North America and

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author of *Beat the System: 11 Secrets to Building an Entrepreneurial Culture in a Bureaucratic World* "I have always been fascinated by how the various parts of an organization work together to achieve strategic objectives. In *Results That Last*, Quint Studer explores the complex subject of performance improvement in a fresh, readable, and easy-to-grasp way. By standardizing certain business practices and leader behaviors, any company in any field can create an environment that allows it to achieve and sustain long-term results." --David F. Giannetto, coauthor of *The Performance Power Grid: The Proven Method to Create and Sustain Superior Organizational Performance*

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Legendary leadership and elite performance expert Robin Sharma introduced The 5am Club concept over twenty years ago, based on a revolutionary morning routine that has helped his clients maximize their productivity, activate their best health and bulletproof their serenity in this age of overwhelming complexity. Now, in this life-changing book, handcrafted by the author over a rigorous four-year period, you will discover the early-rising habit that has helped so many accomplish epic results while upgrading their happiness, helpfulness and feelings of aliveness. Through an enchanting—and often amusing—story about two struggling strangers who meet an eccentric tycoon who becomes their secret mentor, *The 5am Club* will walk you through: How great geniuses, business titans and the world's wisest people start their

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mornings to produce astonishing achievements A little-known formula you can use instantly to wake up early feeling inspired, focused and flooded with a fiery drive to get the most out of each day A step-by-step method to protect the quietest hours of daybreak so you have time for exercise, self-renewal and personal growth A neuroscience-based practice proven to help make it easy to rise while most people are sleeping, giving you precious time for yourself to think, express your creativity and begin the day peacefully instead of being rushed “Insider-only” tactics to defend your gifts, talents and dreams against digital distraction and trivial diversions so you enjoy fortune, influence and a magnificent impact on the world Part manifesto for mastery, part playbook for genius-grade productivity and part companion for a life lived beautifully, *The 5am Club* is a work that will transform your life. Forever.

Learn how you can tackle everyday leadership challenges regardless of your title, position, or authority with this insightful resource A book about leadership for people who are not in formal or hierarchical leadership positions, *Everyday People, Extraordinary Leadership* provides readers with a comprehensive and practical approach to addressing leadership challenges, no matter the setting or circumstance. Esteemed scholars and sought-after consultants Jim Kouzes and Barry Posner adapt their trademark *The Five Practices of Exemplary Leadership*® framework to today’s more horizontal workplace, showing people that leadership is not about where you are in the organization; it’s about how you behave and what you do. *Everyday People, Extraordinary Leadership* draws on the authors’ deep well of research and practical experience to cover key subjects: The essence of making a difference in any role, setting, or situation The difference between positions of authority and leadership The importance of self-development in leadership development This book is perfectly applicable and accessible for

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anyone who wants to improve their own leadership potential and who isn't yet in an official leadership role. Everyday People, Extraordinary Leadership offers authoritative new insights, original case studies and examples, and practical guidance for those individuals who want to make a difference. You supply the will, and this book will supply the way.

Engineers want to get employed and stay employed. "An Engineer's Guide to Solving Problems" targets engineering students and recent graduates. The transition from engineering school to real world problem solver can be rough. Suddenly, there is not just one correct response for a problem. There might be an infinite number of correct solutions, where some are simply better than others. Some problems are so layered and twisted that their solutions seem absurdly complex. Arm yourself for success with the methods in this book: * The Five Questions every problem solver must answer. * The best and worst ways to communicate your ideas. * New ways to see what other observers miss. * Mastering the right tools. * Six warnings to heed when you think you have a solution. * Critical challenge questions you must answer before you declare victory. Employers and customers cherish engineers who consistently meet their toughest challenges. This book delivers simple methods, practical advice, and entertaining stories to help you sharpen your skills. This book is intended for mature readers. The author occasionally uses strong language to humorous effect or makes references not intended for children. The Second Edition includes some updates plus a new cover and shorter title. The first edition was originally published as "The Dog Barks When the Phone Rings: An Engineer's Guide to Solving Problems."

This new book provides a comprehensive and refreshing insight into the more advanced topic of operations strategy. It builds on concepts from strategic management, operations

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management, marketing, and human resources. A three-part organization covers the nature, content, and process of operations strategy. For practicing managers.

An approach to designing health care that explores how social factors and social identity determine health and recovery.

A concise survey of the culture and civilization of mankind, *The Lessons of History* is the result of a lifetime of research from Pulitzer Prize–winning historians Will and Ariel Durant. With their accessible compendium of philosophy and social progress, the Durants take us on a journey through history, exploring the possibilities and limitations of humanity over time. Juxtaposing the great lives, ideas, and accomplishments with cycles of war and conquest, the Durants reveal the towering themes of history and give meaning to our own.

Introduction to Healthcare Quality Management, Second Edition, explains the basic principles and techniques of quality management in healthcare. This second edition features a new chapter devoted exclusively to the use of high-reliability concepts that help organizations achieve safety, quality, and efficiency goals. By using this easy-to-read book, complete with helpful charts and diagrams, your students will examine a range of topics, from measuring performance to creating high-quality services that result in satisfied customers. The book is packed with practical examples and case studies that apply quality concepts and tools to real-life situations. Each chapter contains a list of key words and a glossary to help students understand the vocabulary of healthcare quality management. As an added bonus to this edition, each chapter includes an expanded list of websites to find additional resources to customize and enhance your education. Your students will learn about the following topics: Quality characteristics most important to healthcare stakeholders, including payers and

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consumers Regulatory mandates and accreditation standards that influence healthcare quality activities Proper techniques for gathering and effectively analyzing healthcare performance measurement data New technology-based services that will improve the patient experience Key tactics and strategies that organizational leaders and improvement project teams must implement to accomplish quality goals Methods for redesigning healthcare processes to achieve more reliable performance Patient safety initiatives that reduce harmful medical errors Resource management activities that improve continuity of care and prevent service over and underuse Organizational factors that affect quality management and performance reliability. Instructor resources include a test bank, PowerPoint slides, and answers to in-book questions. A transition guide is available in the tab above.

In *The Slow Professor*, Maggie Berg and Barbara K. Seeber discuss how adopting the principles of the Slow movement in academic life can counter the erosion of humanistic education.

SWEET, SAVORY, DELICIOUS. Think you have to give up baking on a low carb or keto diet? Think again! Grab an apron and your favorite mixing bowl and get ready to dive in as Carolyn Ketchum brings her passion for low-carb baking to life in *The Ultimate Guide to Keto Baking*. The creator of the popular blog *All Day I Dream About Food* and the author of several beloved cookbooks, Carolyn is famous for her delectable recipes for low-carb baked goods. With this comprehensive cookbook dedicated to ketogenic baking, you too can create mouthwatering baked goods that will satisfy every craving while maintaining your healthy lifestyle. Your family and friends

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may not even realize that these recipes are keto! Carolyn Ketchum's mission is to prove to the world that special diets need not be boring or restrictive. When gestational diabetes forced her to begin watching her carb intake, she channeled her passion for baking and cooking into creating low-carb versions of her favorite treats. It's astonishing what you can do with a bag of almond flour, a stick of butter, and a willingness to experiment. The Ultimate Guide to Keto Baking is an astoundingly comprehensive resource for baking without sugar, wheat flour, or other high-carb ingredients. Carolyn has spent years honing her low-carb baking techniques, and in this book she shares all her secrets. In addition to an extensive review of low-carb baking ingredients and tools, she includes more than 150 thoroughly tested recipes for sweet and savory baked goods, from everyday cookies to special occasion cakes and pies to breads, crackers, and even pizza. Sample Recipes Include: • Chocolate Mayonnaise Layer Cake • Marble Cheesecake • Dairy-Free Chocolate Chip Skillet Cookie • Key Lime Pie Bars • Maple-Glazed Donuts • Cheddar Garlic Drop Biscuits • Chewy Keto Bagels • Tomato Ricotta Tart • Summer Berry Cobbler No matter what you want to bake, The Ultimate Guide to Keto Baking has you covered with a wide variety of sweet and savory treats. With this comprehensive cookbook, you can create mouthwatering low-carb goodies that will satisfy every craving while nourishing your body, mind, and soul.

Adulting (verb): To do grown-up things and have responsibilities such as a working full

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time, paying rent, or owning a car. Basic life skills go mostly untaught in classrooms, so graduates are on their own to figure out how to live successfully in the world. Without any guidance, where do you start? *Adulting 101* is a clever, practical, and timely guide to show how to: Find a job and be wildly successful at work Buy the items you need as an adult (apartment, car, insurance) Set goals, prioritize, and get work done Communicate professionally and effectively Save and invest wisely Navigate personal and professional relationships Avoid the common mistakes of being out on your own And much, much more This book will give you what you need to succeed and make a real impact, inspiring you to change the world and be the person you were meant to be.

In *101 Answers to Questions Leaders Ask*, Quint Studer offers practical, prescriptive solutions to some of the many questions he's received from health care leaders around the country since the debut of "Ask Quint" on the Studer Group website more than four years ago. Informed by best practices in a national learning lab of health care organizations, Quint shares his insights on how to deliver excellent patient care, engage employees, and improve physician relations for access, growth and strong financial performance. In short, Quint's answers accelerate the leadership learning curve. Questions are organized by topic, making the book valuable as a reference point for specific issues or on-the-spot problem-solving.

The health care industry in the U.S. is peculiar. We spend close to 18% of our GDP on

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health care, yet other countries get better results—and we don't know why. To date, we still lack widely accepted answers to simple questions, such as "Would requiring everyone to buy health insurance make us better off?" Drawing on behavioral economics as an alternative to the standard tools of health economics, author Douglas E. Hough seeks to more clearly diagnose the ills of health care today. A behavioral perspective makes sense of key contradictions—from the seemingly irrational choices that we sometimes make as patients, to the incongruous behavior of physicians, to the morass of the long-lived debate surrounding reform. With the new health care law in effect, it is more important than ever that consumers, health care industry leaders, and the policymakers who are governing change reckon with the power and sources of our behavior when it comes to health.

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