

Flipnosis The Art Of Splitsecond Persuasion

Julien Benda's classic study of 1920s Europe resonates today. The "treason of the intellectuals" is a phrase that evokes much but is inherently ambiguous. The book bearing this title is well known but little understood. This edition is introduced by Roger Kimball. From the time of the pre-Socratics, intellectuals were a breed apart. They were non-materialistic knowledge-seekers who believed in a universal humanism and represented a cornerstone of civilized society. According to Benda, this all began to change in the early twentieth century. In Europe in the 1920s, intellectuals began abandoning their attachment to traditional philosophical and scholarly ideals, and instead glorified particularisms and moral relativism. The "treason" of which Benda writes is the betrayal by the intellectuals of their unique vocation. He criticizes European intellectuals for allowing political commitment to insinuate itself into their understanding of the intellectual vocation, ushering the world into "the age of the intellectual organization of political hatreds." From the savage flowering of ethnic and religious hatreds in the Middle East and throughout Europe today to the mendacious demand for political correctness and multiculturalism on college campuses everywhere in the West, the treason of the intellectuals continues to play out its unedifying drama.

An Italian ethnobotanist explores the remarkable propensity of wild animals to seek out and use psychoactive substances. • Throws out behaviorist theories that claim animals have no consciousness. • Offers a completely new understanding of the role psychedelics play in the development of consciousness in all species. • Reveals drug use to be a natural instinct. From caffeine-dependent goats to nectar addicted ants, the animal kingdom offers amazing examples of wild animals and insects seeking out and consuming the psychoactive substances in their environments. Author Giorgio Samorini explores this little-known phenomenon and suggests that, far from being confined to humans, the desire to experience altered states of consciousness is a natural drive shared by all living beings and that animals engage in these behaviors deliberately. Rejecting the Western cultural assumption that using drugs is a negative action or the result of an illness, Samorini opens our eyes to the possibility that beings who consume psychedelics--whether humans or animals--contribute to the evolution of their species by creating entirely new patterns of behavior that eventually will be adopted by other members of that species. The author's fascinating accounts of mushroom-loving reindeer, intoxicated birds, and drunken elephants ensure that readers will never view the animal world in quite the same way again.

Whatever you do in life, whatever you hope to achieve, Brilliant Influence will help you get there – with the power of influence. It shows you how to build the support, trust and respect you need to propel your life forwards to take on challenge after challenge. Based on over twenty years of influencing experience, the author combines psychological principles with case studies and examples to show you how to: - Use body language and appearance to establish instant rapport. - Select words to gain lasting trust and respect. - Understand how people make decisions so you get a 'yes', every time. - Know how to apply a 'win-win' negotiation approach, so you never lose. The author has an active website: www.mikeclayton.co.uk, a blog: Shift Happens! At: www.mikeclayton.wordpress.com and Twitter: @mikeclayton01

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Twenty-seven of America's best science and nature essays of 2013, selected by the author of The Emperor of All Maladies and the #1 New York Times bestseller, The Gene. Pulitzer Prize-winning author Siddhartha Mukherjee, a leading cancer physician and researcher, selects the year's top science and nature writing from journalists who dive into their fields with curiosity and passion, delivering must-read articles

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from a wide array of fields. The Best American Science & Nature Writing 2013 includes: “The T-Cell Army” by Jerome Groopman “The Artificial Leaf” by David Owen “The Life of Pi, and Other Infinities” by Natalie Angier “Altered States” by Oliver Sacks “Recall of the Wild” by Elizabeth Kolbert “Super Humanity” by Robert M. Sapolsky “Can a Jellyfish Unlock the Secret of Immortality?” by Nathaniel Rich Contributors also include: J. B. Mackinnon · Benjamin Hale · Tim Zimmermann · David Deutsch and Artur Ekert · Michael Moyer · Sylvia A. Earle · John Pavlus · Michelle Nijhuis · Rick Bass · Michael Specter · Alan Lightman · David Quammen · Keith Gessen · Steven Weinberg · Gareth Cook · Katherine Harmon · Stephen Marche · Mark Bowden · Kevin Dutton

From the fight for survival against the ferocious Red Army and the icy, shell-ravaged wastes of the vicious Russian winter, to the bloodiest battles on the Eastern Front, Sven Hassel's gripping novels are based on his own experiences in the German army. Convicted of deserting the German army, Sven Hassel was sent to a punishment regiment on the Russian Front. He and his comrades were regarded as little more than dispensable killing-machines, cannon fodder for Hitler's war. His unflinching narrative takes us to the most extreme outposts of war, where soldiers face an inferno of blood and butchery. THE SVEN HASSEL COLLECTION includes all 14 books in Sven Hassel's series and exclusive extra material.

Haing Ngor's memoir of life under the communist Khmer Rouge regime in Cambodia.

An “entertaining” look at the psychology and neuroscience behind the act of influencing others (Kirkus Reviews). People try to persuade us every day. From the news to the Internet to coworkers and family, everyone and everything wants to influence our thoughts in some way. And in turn, we hope to persuade others. Understanding the dynamics of persuasion can help us to achieve our own goals—and resist being manipulated by those who don't necessarily have our best interests at heart. Psychologist Kevin Dutton has identified a powerful strain of immediate, instinctual persuasion, a method of influence that allows people to disarm skepticism, win arguments, and close deals. With a combination of astute methods and in-depth research in the fields of psychology and neuroscience, Dutton's fascinating and provocative book: Introduces the natural super-persuaders in our midst: Buddhist monks, magicians, advertisers, con men, hostage negotiators, and even psychopaths. Reveals which hidden pathways in the brain lead us to believe something even when we know it's not true. Explains how group dynamics can make us more tolerant or deepen our extremism. Illuminates the five elements of SPICE (simplicity, perceived self-interest, incongruity, confidence, and empathy) for instantly effective persuasion. “[Split-Second Persuasion] offers some powerful insights into the art and science of getting people to do what you want.” —New Scientist

Start with No offers a contrarian, counterintuitive system for negotiating any kind of deal in any kind of situation—the purchase of a new house, a multimillion-dollar business deal, or where to take the kids for dinner. Think a win-win solution is the best way to make the deal? Think again. For years now, win-win has been the paradigm for business negotiation. But today, win-win is just the seductive mantra used by the toughest negotiators to get the other side to compromise unnecessarily, early, and often. Win-win negotiations play to your emotions and take advantage of your instinct and desire to make the deal. Start with No introduces a system of decision-based negotiation that teaches you how to understand and control these emotions. It teaches you how to ignore the siren call of the final result, which you can't really control, and how to focus instead on the activities and behavior that you can and must control in order to

successfully negotiate with the pros. The best negotiators: * aren't interested in "yes"—they prefer "no" * never, ever rush to close, but always let the other side feel comfortable and secure * are never needy; they take advantage of the other party's neediness * create a "blank slate" to ensure they ask questions and listen to the answers, to make sure they have no assumptions and expectations * always have a mission and purpose that guides their decisions * don't send so much as an e-mail without an agenda for what they want to accomplish * know the four "budgets" for themselves and for the other side: time, energy, money, and emotion * never waste time with people who don't really make the decision Start with No is full of dozens of business as well as personal stories illustrating each point of the system. It will change your life as a negotiator. If you put to good use the principles and practices revealed here, you will become an immeasurably better negotiator.

Rainmakers are not born. They are made. And Jeffrey Fox's powerful How to Become a Rainmaker will get you there. Now Updated and with New Success Tips! Filled with smart tips given in the Fox signature style, counter-intuitive, controversial, and practiced, this hard-hitting collection of sales advice shows readers how to woo, pursue, and finally win any customer. In witty, succinct chapters, Fox offers surprising, daring, and totally practical wisdom that will help readers rise above the competition in any company in any field. A terrific resource for CEOs, as well as anyone looking to distinguish themselves in sales--be it books, cars, or real estate--How to Become a Rainmaker offers the opportunity to rise above the competition in any company, in any field.

The authors argue against the aggressive selling of ideas and instead emphasize listening, genuine engagement and commitment to a lasting business relationship in order to get someone to come around to one's way of thinking.

One of the funniest, rudest and most useful books you'll ever read What questions would you ask a doctor at a comedy gig? Is it healthy to sleep with a pet? Is horse riding riskier than ecstasy? Do love eggs need to be fitted? Do unlucky beds exist? Do doctors ever pretend to hear noises with a stethoscope? Should I hand-wash my merkin? What's the best sexual position for losing weight? Has everyone had more sex than me? Should I have Scrabble before marriage? What should I do if someone dies on me during sex? GP and comedian Phil Hammond has collected two hundred and fifty of life's quirkiest queries from audiences across the UK. Open wide for the finest answers to the most bizarre questions, ranging from tongue in cheek to absolutely filthy... yet surprisingly useful. 'One of the most entertainingly subversive people on the planet' The Guardian

Neuroscience has made astounding progress in the understanding of the brain. What should we make of its claims to go beyond the brain and explain consciousness, behaviour and culture? Where should we draw the line? In this brilliant critique Raymond Tallis dismantles "Neuromania", arising out of the idea that we are reducible to our brains and

"Darwinitis" according to which, since the brain is an evolved organ, we are entirely explicable within an evolutionary framework. With precision and acuity he argues that the belief that human beings can be understood in biological terms is a serious obstacle to clear thinking about what we are and what we might become. Neuromania and Darwinitis deny human uniqueness, minimise the differences between us and our nearest animal kin and offer a grotesquely simplified account of humanity. We are, argues Tallis, infinitely more interesting and complex than we appear in the mirror of biology. Combative, fearless and thought-provoking, *Aping Mankind* is an important book and one that scientists, cultural commentators and policy-makers cannot ignore. This Routledge Classics edition includes a new preface by the Author. This book sets out a systematic way to understand who you need to influence, how to evaluate the priority you give to each person, what tactics will work the best, and how to plan and execute your campaign. It provides powerful tools and processes which use the psychology of influence and grounds them in experience of managing projects and change. Are you optimistic or pessimistic? Glass half-full or half-empty? Do you look on the bright side or turn towards the dark? These are easy questions for most of us to answer, because our personality types are hard-wired into our brains. As pioneering psychologist and neuroscientist Elaine Fox has discovered, our outlook on life reflects our primal inclination to seek pleasure or avoid danger—inclinations that, in many people, are healthily balanced. But when our “fear brain” or “pleasure brain” is too strong, the results can be disastrous, as those of us suffering from debilitating shyness, addiction, depression, or anxiety know all too well. Luckily, anyone suffering from these afflictions has reason to hope. Stunning breakthroughs in neuroscience show that our brains are more malleable than we ever imagined. In *Rainy Brain, Sunny Brain*, Fox describes a range of techniques—from traditional cognitive behavioral therapy to innovative cognitive-retraining exercises—that can actually alter our brains’ circuitry, strengthening specific thought processes by exercising the neural systems that control them. The implications are enormous: lifelong pessimists can train themselves to think positively and find happiness, while pleasure-seekers inclined toward risky or destructive behavior can take control of their lives. Drawing on her own cutting-edge research, Fox shows how we can retrain our brains to brighten our lives and learn to flourish. With keen insights into how genes, life experiences and cognitive processes interleave together to make us who we are, *Rainy Brain, SunnyBrain* revolutionizes our basic concept of individuality. We learn that we can influence our own personalities, and that our lives are only as “sunny” or as “rainy” as we allow them to be. Danger was forgotten, death was forgotten, the war was forgotten. They only knew they had to kill... The figures in khaki were no longer soldiers, no longer men. Sven Hassel and his comrades are once more hurled into the ferocity of the frontline. The Eastern Front is a sight of unprecedented destruction. The soldiers there - the tank battalions of Hitler's penal regiments - are considered expendable by the German high command. Treated like animals, they learn to live like

animals, to fight like beasts. The only other option is to die a bloody death... This is a gripping testament to the soldiers sacrificed on the Russian Front.

The handbook for improving morale by managing, disciplining and motivating your students This second edition of the bestselling book includes practical suggestions for arranging your classroom, talking to students, avoiding the misbehavior cycle, and making your school a place where students learn and teachers teach. The book also contains enlivening Q&A from teachers, letters from students, and tips for grading. This new edition has been expanded to include coverage of the following topics: discipline, portfolio assessments, and technology in the classroom. Includes engaging questions for reflection at the end of each chapter Johnson is the author of The New York Times bestseller Dangerous Minds (originally My Posse Don't Do Homework) Contains a wealth of practical tools that support stellar classroom instruction This thoroughly revised and updated edition contains comprehensive advice for both new and experienced teachers on classroom management, discipline, motivation, and morale.

Negotiation Booster is the ultimate guide to winning negotiations through self-empowerment. To successfully conclude a business conversation, negotiation skills and tactics are not enough. If you enter a negotiation with fear, self-doubt or lack of conviction, you will not win no matter how well tactically you have been trained. Negotiation Booster is a novel approach leveraging the task related aspects of a negotiation with the underlying factors, such as emotions, ego, and stress. Negotiation Booster is the ultimate guide to winning negotiations through self-empowerment. By bridging the strategic aspects with a self-management booster, the book will help you develop strategies for thriving in your negotiations. Negotiation Booster draws from interdisciplinary sources. It equips the reader with cutting-edge insights into the key negotiation concepts, fundamental negotiation strategies, communication skills, perception and impression management techniques, the determinants of desired outcomes, and the issues that negotiators face internally and externally in the negotiation process.

Get the secrets of success in this bestseller that can change life for the better. Claiming that the world is a giant negotiating table, renowned negotiator Cohen teaches the art of negotiation with dozens of concrete examples. A manual for verbal self-defense explains how to transform hostility, eliminate aggression, handle tormenters, control emotion, and promote harmonious conversation.

Most people know what management is but often people have vague ideas about Managerialism. This book introduces Managerialism and its ideology as a colonising project that has infiltrated nearly every eventuality of human society. A noted attorney gives detailed instructions on winning arguments, emphasizing such points as learning to speak with the body, avoiding being blinding by brilliance, and recognizing the power of words as a weapon. Reprint.

From the malign but fascinating powers of psychopaths, serial killers and con men to the political genius of Winston Churchill - via the grandmasters of martial arts, Buddhist monks, magicians, advertisers, salesmen, CEOs and frogs that mug each other - this book explores what science can teach us about the techniques of persuasion.

Winning the traditional Christmas dinner political debate has never been so easy. Based on the 'Briefings' columns that appear in every issue of The Week, here is a book that addresses the key issues of our day and breaks them down into bite-sized questions and answers. Each one takes minutes to read yet provides objective and meticulously researched perspectives on the major matters of our times. How did Darwin change the world? What exactly is Sharia law? Which was the world's worst industrial accident? Is computer hacking getting more serious? Can Aspirin cure cancer? What was the legacy of the Iran-Iraq war? Ranging across a wide array of subjects - from medicine, science and politics, to history, geography and finance - about which we are often less informed than we would like, this is a fascinating book to dip into. We would all like to be better informed. Here is a book that makes it easy.

In this madcap journey, a bestselling journalist investigates psychopaths and the industry of doctors, scientists, and everyone else who studies them. The Psychopath Test is a fascinating journey through the minds of madness. Jon Ronson's exploration of a potential hoax being played on the world's top neurologists takes him, unexpectedly, into the heart of the madness industry. An influential psychologist who is convinced that many important CEOs and politicians are, in fact, psychopaths teaches Ronson how to spot these high-flying individuals by looking out for little telltale verbal and nonverbal clues. And so Ronson, armed with his new psychopath-spotting abilities, enters the corridors of power. He spends time with a death-squad leader institutionalized for mortgage fraud in Cocksackie, New York; a legendary CEO whose psychopathy has been speculated about in the press; and a patient in an asylum for the criminally insane who insists he's sane and certainly not a psychopath. Ronson not only solves the mystery of the hoax but also discovers, disturbingly, that sometimes the personalities at the helm of the madness industry are, with their drives and obsessions, as mad in their own way as those they study. And that relatively ordinary people are, more and more, defined by their maddest edges.

Psychopath. The word conjurs up images of serial killers, rapists, suicide bombers, gangsters. But think again: you could probably benefit from being a little more psychopathic yourself. Psychologist Kevin Dutton has made a speciality of psychopathy, and is on first-name terms with many notorious killers. But unlike those incarcerated psychopaths, and all those depicted in movies and crime fiction, most are not violent, he explains. In fact, says Prof Dutton, they have a lot of good things going for them.

Psychopaths are fearless, confident, charismatic and focused--qualities tailor-made for success in today's society. The Wisdom of Psychopaths is an intellectual rollercoaster ride that combines lightning-hot science with unprecedented access to secret monasteries, Special Forces training camps, and high-security hospitals. In it, you will meet serial killers, war heroes, financiers, movie stars and attorneys--and discover that beneath the hype and popular characterization, psychopaths have something to

teach us. Like the knobs on a mixing deck, psychopathy is graded. And finding the right combination of psychopathic traits, sampled and mixed at carefully calibrated volumes, can put us ahead of the game.

INTERNATIONAL BEST SELLING AUTHOR OF BRAVO TWO ZERO IN HIS EXPLOSIVE TRUE STORY "A gripping account of special forces at work . . . a tremendous adventure story."—Daily Telegraph "The best account yet of the SAS in action."—Sunday Times From the SAS soldier who invented the modern military memoir comes a storming battering ram of thrill-packed, unforgettable drama. Never-before-revealed covert operations and heartbreaking human stories combine to create a new classic and a book that takes us back to where it all began... SEVEN TROOP is Andy McNab's gripping account of the time he served in the company of a remarkable band of brothers – from the day, freshly badged, he joined them in the Malayan jungle, to the day, ten years later, when he handed in his sand-coloured beret and started a new life. The things they saw and did during that time would take them all to breaking point – and some beyond – in the years that followed. He who dares doesn't always win...

"Paying tribute to the soldiers he served with for 10 years, he tells the poignant story of five brave men of whom, tragically, he is the only one still alive." - News of the World "Brutal, touching, and humorous, this book recounts McNab's time in the SAS's Air Troop. It made me realise that he can fight as well as write. Treading in the footsteps of Sassoon, Brooke and Owen he pretty much founded the genre of the modern military memoir." Professor Kevin Dutton, University of Oxford _____ What people are saying about SEVEN TROOP: ????? "From the heart of a true warrior" ????? "Seven Troop is yet another well written account of SAS actions on a much more personal scale, literally "a day in the life" thereof." ????? "What he does differently in this book compared to his two others is describe the costs of being SAS. How he and others react to the deaths of their friends when they are killed on operations, the political decision making of the higher ups that override tactical common sense, being a small cog in a big machine and ultimately not being very valued by SAS headquarters."

"For a popular television series, Undercover Boss has an unusual knack for raising deep and weighty questions." —Forbes On February 7, 2010 the CBS television series Undercover Boss USA premiered to a staggering 38.6 million viewers, the largest post-Super Bowl audience for a new series and the most-watched premiere episode of any reality series in the history of television. Now, for the first time, the bosses and employees featured on Undercover Boss share the lessons they learned as well as the formative experiences that resulted from being on the show. Show creators and executive producers Stephen Lambert and Eli Holzman reveal how they came up with the idea for the show, how they got a major network on board, and of course, how they found a dynamic, charismatic group of bosses willing to go undercover—on camera—in this thoroughly new experiment. Featuring all-new interviews and insights with the bosses and employees of the nine businesses featured on Season 1 of the show, as well producers' notes on what you didn't see behind the scenes, this book is a must-have for fans of the show everywhere.

Juliet and Redfield, two confused, star-crossed cousins, help each other find a sense of purpose and identity as they journey together across the country in search of the baby Juliet gave up for adoption

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Three former CIA officers share their techniques for lie detection, outlining methods for identifying deceptiveness as revealed by verbal and non-verbal behaviors from facial expressions and grooming gestures to invoking religion and using qualifying language. Each world faith tradition has its own distinctive relationship with science, and the science-religion dialogue benefits from a greater awareness of what this relationship is. In this book, members of the International Society for Science and Religion (ISSR) offer international and multi-faith perspectives on how new discoveries in science are met with insights regarding spiritual realities. The essays reflect the conviction that “religion and science each proceed best when they’re pursued in dialogue with each other, and also that our fragmented and divided world would benefit more from a stronger dialogue between science and religion.” In Part One, George F. R. Ellis, John C. Polkinghorne, and Holmes Rolston III, each a Templeton Prize winner, discuss their views on why the science and religion dialogue matters. They are joined in Part Two by distinguished theologians Fraser Watts and Philip Clayton, who place the dialogue in an international context; John Polkinghorne’s inaugural address to the ISSR in 2002 is also included. In Part Three, five members of the ISSR look at the distinctive relationships of their faiths to science: •Carl Feit on Judaism •Munawar Anees on Islam •B.V. Subbarayappa on Hinduism •Trinh Xuan Thuan on Buddhism •Heup Young Kim on Asian Christianity George Ellis, the recently elected second president of ISSR, summarizes the contributions of his colleagues. Ronald Cole-Turner then concludes the book with a discussion of the future of the science and religion dialogue.

This book presents the latest research, conducted by leading philosophers and scientists from various fields, on the topic of top-down causation. The chapters combine to form a unique, interdisciplinary perspective, drawing upon George Ellis’s extensive research and novel perspectives on topics including downwards causation, weak and strong emergence, mental causation, biological relativity, effective field theory and levels in nature. The collection also serves as a Festschrift in honour of George Ellis’ 80th birthday. The extensive and interdisciplinary scope of this book makes it vital reading for anyone interested in the work of George Ellis and current research on the topics of causation and emergence.

The original Go MAD® book, this title is a great introduction to the Go MAD® Framework. Each of the seven principles are explained in-depth and related to practical examples. Guaranteed to leave you inspired and hungry to put the knowledge into practice!

Over thirty different examples of situations and ideas to show you how you can change your approach and change your life . . . Looking to nail an INTERVIEW? Want to make a better first impression on a DATE? Trying to make your MONEY go further? Bet you never thought being a bit more PSYCHOPATH could be the answer. Time to grab that bullsh*t by the horns! Dr KEVIN DUTTON studies psychopaths and his latest subject is SAS hero ANDY MCNAB. Andy’s a bit different, he’s a GOOD PSYCHOPATH. He can control qualities like decisiveness, ruthlessness and fearlessness to get the BEST out of himself and life. Together, this unlikely duo has established what they call the SEVEN DEADLY WINS, the good psychopathic quirks that can help make you more SUCCESSFUL. And now it’s time to put their theories to the test. SORTED! THE GOOD PSYCHOPATH’S GUIDE TO BOSSING YOUR LIFE offers a new approach to the everyday to help you get more out of life than it gets out of you.

A compelling journey into the science and behavior of psychopaths, written by the leading scientist in the field of criminal psychopathy. We know of psychopaths from chilling headlines and stories in the news and movies—from Ted Bundy and John Wayne Gacy, to Hannibal Lecter

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and Dexter Morgan. As Dr. Kent Kiehl shows, psychopaths can be identified by a checklist of symptoms that includes pathological lying; lack of empathy, guilt, and remorse; grandiose sense of self-worth; manipulation; and failure to accept one's actions. But why do psychopaths behave the way they do? Is it the result of their environment—how they were raised—or is there a genetic component to their lack of conscience? This is the question Kiehl, a protégé of famed psychopath researcher Dr. Robert Hare, was determined to answer as he began his career twenty years ago. To aid in his quest to unravel the psychopathic mind, Kiehl created the first mobile functional MRI scanner to study psychopaths in prison populations. The brains of more than five hundred psychopaths and three thousand other offenders have been scanned by Kiehl's laboratory—the world's largest forensic neuroscience repository of its kind. Over the course of *The Psychopath Whisperer*, we follow the scientific bread crumbs that Kiehl uncovered to show that the key brain structures that correspond with emotional engagement and reactions are diminished in psychopaths, offering new clues to how to predict and treat the disorder. In *The Psychopath Whisperer*, Kiehl describes in fascinating detail his years working with psychopaths and studying their thought processes—from the remorseless serial killers he meets with behind bars to children whose behavior and personality traits exhibit the early warning signs of psychopathy. Less than 1 percent of the general population meets the criteria for psychopathy. But psychopaths account for a vastly outsized proportion of violent crimes. And as Kiehl shows, many who aren't psychopaths exhibit some of the behaviors and traits associated with the condition. What do you do if you discover your roommate, or boss, or the person you are dating has traits that define a psychopath? And what does having a diminished limbic region of the brain mean for how the legal system approaches crimes committed by psychopaths? A compelling narrative of cutting-edge science, *The Psychopath Whisperer* will open your eyes on a fascinating but little understood world, with startling implications for society, the law, and our personal lives.

Since its creation in 1894 by Joseph Snell Wood, the Society of Women Writers & Journalists has attracted the company of many famous women writers, journalists, poets and playwrights. From its early days when at least 200 women applied to join, the Society has expanded to become a world-renowned body, with members both in the United Kingdom and abroad. To celebrate the centenary of the birth of the SWWJ's much-loved President of twenty-two years, Joyce Grenfell, the Society's archivist, Sylvia Kent, reveals the long and fascinating history of the Society. Not only is the evolution of the Society fully explored, but also the lives of many of its members have been thoroughly researched to paint a vivid picture of how the Society has gone from strength to strength. Accompanied by images of the Society's members, both past and present, this book will interest not only members of the SWWJ, but is a must-read for women writers everywhere.

A groundbreaking and timely book about how evolutionary biology can explain our black-and-white brains, and a lesson in how we can escape the pitfalls of binary thinking. Several million years ago, natural selection equipped us with binary, black-and-white brains. Though the world was arguably simpler back then, it was in many ways much more dangerous. Not coincidentally, the binary brain was highly adept at detecting risk: the ability to analyze threats and respond to changes in the sensory environment—a drop in temperature, the crack of a branch—was essential to our survival as a species. Since then, the world has evolved—but we, for the most part, haven't. Confronted with a panoply of shades of gray, our brains have a tendency to “force quit:” to sort the things we see, hear, and experience into manageable but simplistic categories. We stereotype, pigeon-hole, and, above all, draw lines where in reality there are none. In our modern, interconnected world, it might seem like we are ill-equipped to deal with the challenges we face—that living with a binary brain is like trying to navigate a teeming city center with a map that shows only highways. In *Black-and-White Thinking*, the renowned psychologist Kevin Dutton pulls back the curtains of the mind to reveal a new way of thinking about a problem as old as humanity itself. While our instinct for categorization often

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leads us astray, encouraging polarization, rigid thinking, and sometimes outright denialism, it is an essential component of the mental machinery we use to make sense of the world. Simply put, unless we perceived our environment as a chessboard, our brains wouldn't be able to play the game. Using the latest advances in psychology, neuroscience, and evolutionary biology, Dutton shows how we can optimize our tendency to categorize and fine-tune our minds to avoid the pitfalls of too little, and too much, complexity. He reveals the enduring importance of three "super categories"—fight or flight, us versus them, and right or wrong—and argues that they remain essential to not only convincing others to change their minds but to changing the world for the better. Black-and-White Thinking is a scientifically informed wake-up call for an era of increasing extremism and a thought-provoking, uplifting guide to training our gray matter to see that gray really does matter.

This text explores the factors that have made Silicon Valley such a fertile breeding ground for new technologies and new firms. It looks at how its pioneering achievements began and the forces that have propelled its unprecedented growth.

Vivimos en un mundo dividido. Miremos donde miremos, nuestras mentes cuadrículadas trazan líneas fronterizas. Es propio del ser humano clasificar, discriminar y enmarcarlo todo en un pensamiento binario: blanco o negro, luz u oscuridad, ellos o nosotros. Este instinto de ordenar y categorizar erosiona nuestra capacidad para ver la variedad infinita de colores que definen el mundo. En lugar de relacionarnos con quienes son diferentes, solemos vincularnos con quienes son parecidos a nosotros; en vez de desafiar nuestra visión de las cosas, básicamente nos esforzamos en afianzar lo que creemos. El resultado es que las posturas y creencias polarizadas son cada vez mayores y más peligrosas: el Estado Islámico, la ultraderecha, el Brexit, Trump... Blanco o negro es una llamada de alarma. En medio de una ola creciente de intolerancia cultural y extremismo político, y después de una pandemia global, este libro nos muestra que, al observar nuestra historia evolutiva y comprender el funcionamiento binario del cerebro, podremos superar la tendencia a agrupar, etiquetar y encasillar todo lo que nos rodea, y entonces tomaremos decisiones mucho más sutiles y menos radicales.

An enlightening and entertaining look at how to use your inner psychopath to get the most out of LIFE. What is a good psychopath? And how can thinking like one help you to be the best that you can be? Professor Kevin Dutton has spent a lifetime studying psychopaths. He first met SAS hero Andy McNab during a research project. What he found surprised him. McNab is a diagnosed psychopath but he is a GOOD PSYCHOPATH. Unlike a BAD PSYCHOPATH, he is able to dial up or down qualities such as ruthlessness, fearlessness, conscience and empathy to get the very best out of himself -- and others -- in a wide range of situations. Drawing on the combination of Andy McNab's wild and various experiences and Professor Kevin Dutton's expertise in analysing them, together they have explored the ways in which a good psychopath thinks differently and what that could mean for you. What do you really want from life, and how can you develop and use qualities such as charm, coolness under pressure, self-confidence and courage to get it? The Good Psychopath's Guide to Success gives you a unique and entertaining road-map to self-fulfillment both in your personal life and your career.

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