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Off Balance-Matthew Kelly 2011-09-15 The prescriptive follow-up to the New York Times bestseller *The Dream Manager*. One of the major issues in our lives today is work-life balance. Everyone wants it; no one has it. But Matthew Kelly believes that work-life balance was a mistake from the start. Because we don't really want balance. We want satisfaction. Kelly lays out the system he uses with his clients, his team, and himself to find deep, long-term satisfaction both personally and professionally. He introduces us to the three philosophies of our age that are dragging us down. He shows us how to cultivate the energy that will give us enough battery power for everything we need and want to do. And finally, in five clear steps, he shows us how to use his Personal & Professional Satisfaction System to establish and honor our biggest priorities, even if we spend a lot more time on some of the lesser ones.

Off Balance-Dominique Moceanu 2012-06-12 In this searing and riveting New York Times bestseller, Olympic gold medalist Dominique Moceanu reveals the dark underbelly of Olympic gymnastics, the true price of success...and the shocking secret about her past and her family that she only learned years later. At fourteen years old, Dominique Moceanu was the youngest member of the 1996 US Women's Olympic Gymnastics team, the first and only American women's team to take gold at the Olympics. Her pixyish appearance and ferocious competitive drive quickly earned her the status of media darling. But behind the fame, the flawless floor routines, and the million-dollar smile, her life was a series of challenges and hardships. *Off Balance* vividly delineates each of the dominating characters who contributed to Moceanu's rise to the top, from her stubborn father and long-suffering mother to her mercurial coach, Bela Karolyi. Here, Moceanu finally shares the haunting stories of competition, her years of hiding injuries and pain out of fear of retribution from her coaches, and how she hit rock bottom after a public battle with her parents. But medals, murder plots, drugs, and daring escapes aside (all of which figure into Moceanu's incredible journey), the most unique aspect of her life is the family secret that Moceanu discovers, opening a new and unexpected chapter in her adult life. A mysterious letter from a stranger reveals that she has a second sister—born with a physical disability and given away at birth—who has nonetheless followed in Moceanu's footsteps in an astonishing way. A multilayered memoir that transcends the world of sports, *Off Balance* will touch anyone who has ever dared to dream of a better life.

Off Balance-Aileen Erin 2020-02-11 "Off Balance is a rollercoaster ride with love, lots of emotion, character development and daring action.... Anyone who enjoys a book written by Maria V. Snyder or Kristin Cashore will devour her books. I don't read sci-fi often...but Off Balance took my breath away." - Book Dragon "In this bleak world, one spark of hope soon turns into an inferno. And just like a fireball, once this story is ignited, it just doesn't stop." — Maria V. Snyder, New York Times bestselling author of *Navigating the Stars*. From USA Today Bestselling Author Aileen Erin comes the second book in the *Aunare Chronicles* Broken, beaten-down, and plagued by nightmares, Amihanna di Aetes is surrounded by the Aunare race that makes up the other half of her heritage, but she feels alien amongst them. She's not sure which is worse: SpaceTech's overt hatred of Aunare or the Aunare's covert hatred of halfers. She hears their whispers and sees her death reflected in their eyes. Amihanna doesn't know who to trust anymore, but she hasn't survived this long by ignoring the warning signs all around her, especially when her instincts are screaming to either flee or fight. With Amihanna's sudden return, questions arise among the Aunare: who should be blamed for a full-scale war with SpaceTech, how much danger will the war bring, and is Amihanna truly fit to be the next high queen? Honestly, Amihanna wants to forget the politics, her betrothal to Lorne, and the possibility of being queen. Her needs are much more basic. All she wants

is a solid night's sleep where she doesn't wake up screaming with the phantom pain of her skin burning. All she needs is to live without fear of being torn away from her family. All she dreams is a chance at a future instead of constantly fighting for her right to live. And somehow everything leads her back to Lorne. He always seems to know when she's about to break under the pressure. His quiet patience is wearing Amihanna's walls down, and she's terrified of what will happen if they fall. hr "She always catches me off guard with how powerful her books end!...If you're looking for romance, action, and sci-fi, check out this series!" - Reviews by Lenniland "I'm dying for the next one." - Amy, FWISD

Off Balance-Suzanne Gordon 1983 "Behind the glitter and illusions of the ballet world lie the poignant, often shocking realities of a dancer's life. A borderline anorexic dances seven hours a day and completes high school through correspondence courses; she is fifteen years old. A New York dancer performs despite agonizing pain in his shins until a doctor tells him he has eight stress fractures; he is twenty-five. After ten years of professional dancing and twelve years of training at a cost of nearly \$75,000, a dancer is told that she's too old for the company; she is thirty. They love to dance and have made unimaginable sacrifices to achieve what they have. But after two years of intimate conversations with dozens of dancers like these, Suzanne Gordon wonders whether their sacrifices are really necessary. From New York to San Fransisco, from Houston to Chicago, in Europe and in Scandinavia, Gordon explores the inner lives of dancers, revealing for the first time the dreams and realities of the young men and women ballet audiences so admire. .."--Jacket.

Democracy Off Balance-Stefan Braun 2004-01-01 *Democracy Off Balance* offers an unsettling analysis of hate censorship and hate censors as a complex paradox of modern democratic discourse.

Hidden Financial Risk-J. Edward Ketz 2003-08-08 An insider's guide to understanding and eliminating accounting fraud How do these high-profile accounting scandals occur and what could have been done to prevent them. *Hidden Financial Risk* fills that void by examining methods for off balance sheet accounting, with a particular emphasis on special purpose entities (SPE), the accounting ruse of choice at Enron and other beleaguered companies. J. Edward Ketz identifies the incentives for managers to deceive investors and creditors about financial risk and also shows investors how to protect their investments in a world filled with accounting and auditing frauds. J. Edward Ketz, PhD (State College, PA) is MBA Faculty Director and Associate Professor of Accounting at Penn State's Smeal College of Business. He has been cited in the press nearly 300 times since Enron's bankruptcy, including *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and *The Washington Post*. He has a regular column in *Accounting Today*.

Imbalanced Learning-Haibo He 2013-06-07 The first book of its kind to review the current status and future direction of the exciting new branch of machine learning/data mining called imbalanced learning *Imbalanced Learning* focuses on how an intelligent system can learn when it is provided with imbalanced data. Solving imbalanced learning problems is critical in numerous data-intensive networked systems, including surveillance, security, Internet, finance, biomedical, defense, and more. Due to the inherent complex characteristics of imbalanced data sets, learning from such data requires new understandings, principles, algorithms, and tools to transform vast amounts of raw data efficiently into information and knowledge representation. The first comprehensive look at this new branch of machine learning, this book offers a critical review of the problem of imbalanced learning, covering the state of the art in techniques, principles, and real-world applications.

Featuring contributions from experts in both academia and industry, *Imbalanced Learning: Foundations, Algorithms, and Applications* provides chapter coverage on: Foundations of Imbalanced Learning Imbalanced Datasets: From Sampling to Classifiers Ensemble Methods for Class Imbalance Learning Class Imbalance Learning Methods for Support Vector Machines Class Imbalance and Active Learning Nonstationary Stream Data Learning with Imbalanced Class Distribution Assessment Metrics for Imbalanced Learning *Imbalanced Learning: Foundations, Algorithms, and Applications* will help scientists and engineers learn how to tackle the problem of learning from imbalanced datasets, and gain insight into current developments in the field as well as future research directions.

Off Balance Sheet Finance-Ron Paterson 2016-07-27 In recent years the capital markets have developed into ever more complex areas, and banks have competed with each other to develop more sophisticated and innovative methods of financing. The pace of this innovation has often outstripped the development of rules for financial reporting. Off balance sheet finance is one particular area where the standard-setters are only now catching up. The Accounting Standards Board recently published a further exposure draft on the subject. *FRED 4 - Reporting the substance of transactions - and Part 1* discusses in detail how it will affect the accounting treatment of various forms of off balance sheet finance. The exposure draft is reproduced in full in Part 2. *Off Balance Sheet Finance* will be an indispensable guide for bankers, other financiers, accountants and lawyers.

Off Balance-Terez Mertes Rose 2020-10-15 Off balance takes the reader beyond the glitter of the stage to expose the sweat and struggle, amid the mandate to sustain the illusion at all cost.

Unbalanced-Stephen Roach 2014-01-28 "The modern-day Chinese and U.S. economies have been locked in an uncomfortable embrace since the late 1970s. Although the relationship was built on a set of mutual benefits, in recent years it has taken on the trappings of an unstable co-dependence. This insightful book lays bare the pitfalls of the current China-U.S. economic relationship, highlighting disputes over trade policies and intellectual property rights, sharp contrasts in leadership styles, the role of the Internet, and the political economy of social stability. Stephen Roach, a firsthand witness to the Asian financial crisis of the late 1990s and an economics expert who likely knows more about U.S.-China trade than any other Westerner, details how the two economies mirror one another. Co-dependency augments the tensions and suspicions between the two nations, but there is reason to hope for less antagonism and rivalry, the author maintains. In the wake of the 2008 financial crisis, both economies face structural changes that present opportunities for mutual benefit. Roach describes a way out of the escalating tensions of co-dependence and insists that the Next China offers much for the Next America--and vice versa"--

Knocked Off Balance... . Unexpected Events That Change Our Course of Life-Divine Alliance Publishing 2017-11-08 An array of life challenges towards the human experience, yet with a sound wisdom and compassion towards an effective resolve

Losing Balance-

Oola-Troy Amdahl 2017-10-17 Oola is not your typical self-help book. So what is it? Just like its origins from the expression "oh la la!" Oola is a "state of awesomeness." It's when your life is balanced and growing in the 7 key areas of life--Fitness, Finance, Family, Field (career), Faith, Friends, and Fun. Oola is not stale and stuffy advice, it reads more like a collection of kick-ass anecdotes and sincere stories that just happen to have meaningful messages. Co-authors Dave Braun (@OolaSeeker) and Troy Amdahl (@OolaGuru) have been there and done that. What started out in 1997 as a small group of buddies meeting once a year at the Hard Rock in Vegas to set goals for the future has turned into a nationwide phenomenon. Maybe you've seen Dave and Troy traveling the highways and byways of America in their 1970 VW Surf Bus. Covered with colorful Oola stickers, they are carrying the hopes of people, just like you, who are putting their dreams into action, ready to have the OolaLife. You, too, are awesome and designed for greatness and a purpose--LiveOola! Oola has received glowing reviews

from top authors, pro athletes, musicians, industry leaders, and Olympians. Need 7 more reasons to read this book? 1. Learn the three simple steps to balance and grow your life in an unbalanced world. 2. Uncover what blocks you from the life of your dreams and what can get you there faster. 3. Find out what you can learn from a drunken Thai monkey, a black Ninja, and zebra-striped underwear. 4. Why no matter what you have done or have failed to do, you deserve a better life. 5. Become inspired to take the steps, reach your milestones, and achieve your OolaLife. 6. Discover the 7 key areas of life you must balance and grow. 7. Unlock the secrets to taking your life to the next level.

Off-balance Sheet Activities-Joshua Ronen 1990 The objective of *Off-Balance Sheet Activities* is to gain insights into, and propose meaningful solutions to, those issues raised by the current proliferation of off-balance sheet transactions. The book has its origins in a New York University conference that focused on this topic. Jointly undertaken by the Vincent C. Ross Institute of Accounting Research and New York University's Salomon Center for the study of Financial Institutions at the Stern School of Business, the conference brought together academic researchers and practitioners in the field of accounting and finance to address the issues with the broad-mindedness requisite of a group whose approaches to solutions are as different from each other as their respective theoretical and applied approaches to the disciplines of finance and accounting. The essays are divided into two sections. The first covers issues surrounding OBS activities and banking and begins with a brief introduction that places the essays into context. OBS activities and the underinvestment problem, whether loan sales are really OBS, and money demand and OBS liquidity are examined in detail. Section two, which also begins with a brief introduction, focuses on issues of securitized assets and financing. A report on recognition and measurement issues in accounting for securitized assets is followed by three separate discussion essays. Other subjects covered include contract theoretic analysis of OBS financing, the use of OBS financing to circumvent financial covenant restrictions, and debt contracting and financial contracting. The latter two contributions are also followed by discussion essays. This unique collection of papers will prove to be an interesting and valuable tool for accounting and finance professionals as well as for academics involved in these fields. It will also be an important addition to public, college, and university libraries.

Chemically Imbalanced-Joseph E. Davis 2020-03-04 Everyday suffering—those conditions or feelings brought on by trying circumstances that arise in everyone's lives—is something that humans have grappled with for millennia. But the last decades have seen a drastic change in the way we approach it. In the past, a person going through a time of difficulty might keep a journal or see a therapist, but now the psychological has been replaced by the biological: instead of treating the heart, soul, and mind, we take a pill to treat the brain. *Chemically Imbalanced* is a field report on how ordinary people dealing with common problems explain their suffering, how they're increasingly turning to the thin and mechanistic language of the "body/brain," and what these encounters might tell us. Drawing on interviews with people dealing with struggles such as underperformance in school or work, grief after the end of a relationship, or disappointment with how their life is unfolding, Joseph E. Davis reveals the profound revolution in consciousness that is underway. We now see suffering as an imbalance in the brain that needs to be fixed, usually through chemical means. This has rippled into our social and cultural conversations, and it has affected how we, as a society, imagine ourselves and envision what constitutes a good life. Davis warns that what we envision as a neurological revolution, in which suffering is a mechanistic problem, has troubling and entrapping consequences. And he makes the case that by turning away from an interpretive, meaning-making view of ourselves, we thwart our chances to enrich our souls and learn important truths about ourselves and the social conditions under which we live.

Learning from Imbalanced Data Sets-Alberto Fernández 2018-10-22 This book provides a general and comprehensible overview of imbalanced learning. It contains a formal description of a problem, and focuses on its main features, and the most relevant proposed solutions. Additionally, it considers the different scenarios in Data Science for which the imbalanced classification can create a real challenge. This book stresses the gap with standard classification tasks by reviewing the case studies and ad-hoc performance metrics that are applied in this area. It also covers the different approaches that have been traditionally applied to address the binary skewed class distribution. Specifically, it reviews cost-sensitive learning, data-level preprocessing methods and algorithm-level solutions, taking also into account those ensemble-learning solutions that embed any of the former alternatives. Furthermore, it focuses on the extension of the problem for multi-class problems, where the former

classical methods are no longer to be applied in a straightforward way. This book also focuses on the data intrinsic characteristics that are the main causes which, added to the uneven class distribution, truly hinders the performance of classification algorithms in this scenario. Then, some notes on data reduction are provided in order to understand the advantages related to the use of this type of approaches. Finally this book introduces some novel areas of study that are gathering a deeper attention on the imbalanced data issue. Specifically, it considers the classification of data streams, non-classical classification problems, and the scalability related to Big Data. Examples of software libraries and modules to address imbalanced classification are provided. This book is highly suitable for technical professionals, senior undergraduate and graduate students in the areas of data science, computer science and engineering. It will also be useful for scientists and researchers to gain insight on the current developments in this area of study, as well as future research directions.

Balanced and Unbalanced Forces-Jenna Winterberg 2015-05-20 This high-interest informational text will help students gain science content knowledge while building their literacy skills and nonfiction reading comprehension. This appropriately leveled nonfiction science reader features hands-on, simple science experiments. Third grade students will learn about concepts like inertia, gravity, and magnetic and electric forces through this engaging text that is aligned to the Next Generation Science Standards and supports STEM education.

High Fiber Keto-Naomi Whittel 2020-02-25 A female-centric keto diet and jumpstart plan from the New York Times bestselling author of Glow15. Have you tried going keto and found that it has made you feel worse rather than better? Does keto seem to make sense in so many ways yet seem just slightly off in several key ones? What if it's not just you? What if traditional keto diet simply fails to encompass the needs of the female body? Naomi Whittel, the New York Times best-selling author of Glow15, explores how the problem isn't keto, it's fiber. Ninety percent of women are fiber deficient, and when women go the standard keto route, they often lean into animal-based, high-fat, zero-fiber foods, leading to low energy, brain fog, and unnecessary weight gain. Whittel explores the prebiotic fiber sources that work within a keto framework to speed up your metabolism, transform your microbiome, balance your hormones, and keep you feeling full. Included are a 22-day meal plan, movement plan, and delicious, easy-to-make recipes.

The Dream Manager-Matthew Kelly 2007-08-21 A business parable about how companies can achieve remarkable results by helping their employees fulfill their dreams Managing people is difficult. With disengagement and turnover on the rise, many managers are scratching their heads wondering what to do. It's not that we don't dream of being great managers, it's just that we haven't found a practical and efficient way to do it. Until now . . . The fictional company in this remarkable book is grappling with real problems of high turnover and low morale -- so the managers begin to investigate what really drives the employees. What they discover is that the key to motivation isn't necessarily the promise of a bigger paycheck or title, but rather the fulfillment of crucial personal dreams. They also learned that people at every level need to be offered specific kinds of help and encouragement -- or our dreams will forever remain just dreams as we grow dissatisfied with our lives and jobs. Beginning with his important thought that a company can only become the-best-version-of-itself to the extent that its employees are becoming better-versions-of-themselves, Matthew Kelly explores the connection between the dreams we are chasing personally and the way we all engage at work. Tackling head-on the growing problem of employee disengagement, Kelly explores the dynamic collaboration that is unleashed when people work together to achieve company objectives and personal dreams. The power of The Dream Manager is that simply becoming aware of the concept will change the way you manage and relate to people instantly and forever. What's your dream?

Analysis of Variance, Design, and Regression-Ronald Christensen 2018-09-03 Analysis of Variance, Design, and Regression: Linear Modeling for Unbalanced Data, Second Edition presents linear structures for modeling data with an emphasis on how to incorporate specific ideas (hypotheses) about the structure of the data into a linear model for the data. The book carefully analyzes small data sets by using tools that are easily scaled to big data. The tools also apply to small relevant data sets that are extracted from big data. New to the Second Edition Reorganized to focus on unbalanced data Reworked balanced analyses using methods for unbalanced data

Introductions to nonparametric and lasso regression Introductions to general additive and generalized additive models Examination of homologous factors Unbalanced split plot analyses Extensions to generalized linear models R, Minitab®, and SAS code on the author's website The text can be used in a variety of courses, including a yearlong graduate course on regression and ANOVA or a data analysis course for upper-division statistics students and graduate students from other fields. It places a strong emphasis on interpreting the range of computer output encountered when dealing with unbalanced data.

Balance-Glenn Hubbard 2013-05-21 In this groundbreaking book, two economists explain why economic imbalances cause civil collapse—and why America could be next. From the Ming Dynasty to Ottoman Turkey to Imperial Spain, the Great Powers of the world emerged as the greatest economic, political, and military forces of their time—only to collapse into rubble and memory. What is at the root of their demise—and how can America stop this pattern from happening again? A quarter century after Paul Kennedy's Rise and Fall of the Great Powers, Glenn Hubbard and Tim Kane present a bold, sweeping account of why powerful nations and civilizations break down under the heavy burden of economic imbalance. Introducing a profound new measure of economic power, Balance traces the triumphs and mistakes of imperial Britain, the paradox of superstate California, the long collapse of Rome, and the limits of the Japanese model of growth. Most importantly, Hubbard and Kane compare the twenty-first century United States to the empires of old and challenge Americans to address the real problems of our country's dysfunctional fiscal imbalance. Without a new economics and politics of balance, they show the inevitable demise ahead.

Dealing with Imbalanced and Weakly Labelled Data in Machine Learning using Fuzzy and Rough Set Methods-Sarah Vluymans 2018-11-23 This book presents novel classification algorithms for four challenging prediction tasks, namely learning from imbalanced, semi-supervised, multi-instance and multi-label data. The methods are based on fuzzy rough set theory, a mathematical framework used to model uncertainty in data. The book makes two main contributions: helping readers gain a deeper understanding of the underlying mathematical theory; and developing new, intuitive and well-performing classification approaches. The authors bridge the gap between the theoretical proposals of the mathematical model and important challenges in machine learning. The intended readership of this book includes anyone interested in learning more about fuzzy rough set theory and how to use it in practical machine learning contexts. Although the core audience chiefly consists of mathematicians, computer scientists and engineers, the content will also be interesting and accessible to students and professionals from a range of other fields.

Hush, Hush-Lucia Franco 2019-08-09 I knew the rules.Never reveal my true identity.Play the game, give the illusion.Don't get close to the clients. The dark and glamorous lifestyle of the rich and shameless open my eyes to a lavish world of sin and wealth, and a man I can't have. A man I desperately want--James Riviera. We're treading a fine line as we live the ultimate double life until we make a startling discovery that tests both our loyalties. I only had to follow the rules, but rules are meant to be broken.

MATLAB-Kelly Bennett 2014-09-08 MATLAB is an indispensable asset for scientists, researchers, and engineers. The richness of the MATLAB computational environment combined with an integrated development environment (IDE) and straightforward interface, toolkits, and simulation and modeling capabilities, creates a research and development tool that has no equal. From quick code prototyping to full blown deployable applications, MATLAB stands as a de facto development language and environment serving the technical needs of a wide range of users. As a collection of diverse applications, each book chapter presents a novel application and use of MATLAB for a specific result.

Black Buck-Mateo Askaripour 2021-01-05 A New York Times Bestseller A Read with Jenna Today Show Book Club Pick! "Askaripour closes the deal on the first page of this mesmerizing novel, executing a high wire act full of verve and dark, comic energy." —Colson Whitehead, author of The Nickel Boys "A hilarious, gleaming satire as radiant as its author. Askaripour has announced himself as a major talent of the school of Ralph Ellison, Paul Beatty, Fran Ross, and Ishmael Reed. Full of quick pacing, frenetic energy, absurd—yet spot on—twists and turns,

and some of the funniest similes I've ever read, this novel is both balm and bomb." —Nafissa Thompson-Spires, author of *Heads of the Colored People* For fans of *Sorry to Bother You* and *The Wolf of Wall Street*—a crackling, satirical debut novel about a young man given a shot at stardom as the lone Black salesman at a mysterious, cult-like, and wildly successful startup where nothing is as it seems. There's nothing like a Black salesman on a mission. An unambitious twenty-two-year-old, Darren lives in a Bed-Stuy brownstone with his mother, who wants nothing more than to see him live up to his potential as the valedictorian of Bronx Science. But Darren is content working at Starbucks in the lobby of a Midtown office building, hanging out with his girlfriend, Soraya, and eating his mother's home-cooked meals. All that changes when a chance encounter with Rhett Daniels, the silver-tongued CEO of Sumwun, NYC's hottest tech startup, results in an exclusive invitation for Darren to join an elite sales team on the thirty-sixth floor. After enduring a "hell week" of training, Darren, the only Black person in the company, reimagines himself as "Buck," a ruthless salesman unrecognizable to his friends and family. But when things turn tragic at home and Buck feels he's hit rock bottom, he begins to hatch a plan to help young people of color infiltrate America's sales force, setting off a chain of events that forever changes the game. *Black Buck* is a hilarious, razor-sharp skewering of America's workforce; it is a propulsive, crackling debut that explores ambition and race, and makes way for a necessary new vision of the American dream.

Lead with Balance-Donnie Hutchinson 2016-07-07 Valuable Techniques to Living a Balanced Life Has your regular workday started to last over nine hours? Have you been missing important family events to satisfy the boss? Are you regularly skipping healthy meals and trips to the gym just to squeeze more into your day? If so, you're not the only one. Countless individuals struggle with maintaining steady personal and work lives. In *Lead with Balance*, university professor, speaker, and executive consultant Donnie Hutchinson addresses this issue head-on and explains how leaders, employees, and students can properly manage all the important facets of life. A balanced life leads to increased well-being, happiness, satisfaction, and productivity—a win-win for everyone. Through proper time management and focus, anyone can find their life's balance. Don't lose sight of the most significant moments in life. We can all learn from the Millennials. It's time to take action and enjoy living!"

Eat for Life-National Academy of Sciences 1992-01-01 Results from the National Research Council's (NRC) landmark study *Diet and Health* are readily accessible to nonscientists in this friendly, easy-to-read guide. Readers will find the heart of the book in the first chapter: the Food and Nutrition Board's nine-point dietary plan to reduce the risk of diet-related chronic illness. The nine points are presented as sensible guidelines that are easy to follow on a daily basis, without complicated measuring or calculating—and without sacrificing favorite foods. *Eat for Life* gives practical recommendations on foods to eat and in a "how-to" section provides tips on shopping (how to read food labels), cooking (how to turn a high-fat dish into a low-fat one), and eating out (how to read a menu with nutrition in mind). The volume explains what protein, fiber, cholesterol, and fats are and what foods contain them, and tells readers how to reduce their risk of chronic disease by modifying the types of food they eat. Each chronic disease is clearly defined, with information provided on its prevalence in the United States. Written for everyone concerned about how they can influence their health by what they eat, *Eat for Life* offers potentially lifesaving information in an understandable and persuasive way. Alternative Selection, Quality Paperback Book Club

The Kingdom of Matthias-Paul E. Johnson 1995-08-03 In the autumn of 1834, New York City was awash with rumors of a strange religious cult operating nearby, centered around a mysterious, self-styled prophet named Matthias. It was said that Matthias the Prophet was stealing money from one of his followers; then came reports of lascivious sexual relations, based on odd teachings of matched spirits, apostolic priesthoods, and the inferiority of women. At its climax, the rumors transformed into legal charges, as the Prophet was arrested for the murder of a once highly-regarded Christian gentleman who had fallen under his sway. By the time the story played out, it became one of the nation's first penny-press sensations, casting a peculiar but revealing light on the sexual and spiritual tensions of the day. In *The Kingdom of Matthias*, the distinguished historians Paul Johnson and Sean Wilentz brilliantly recapture this forgotten story, imbuing their richly researched account with the dramatic force of a novel. In this book, the strange tale of Matthias the Prophet provides a fascinating window into the turbulent movements of the religious revival known as the Second Great Awakening—movements which swept up great numbers of evangelical Americans and gave rise to new sects like the Mormons. Into this teeming environment walked a down-and-out carpenter named Robert Matthews, who announced himself as Matthias, prophet of the

God of the Jews. His hypnotic spell drew in a cast of unforgettable characters—the meekly devout businessman Elijah Pierson, who once tried to raise his late wife from the dead; the young attractive Christian couple, Benjamin Folger and his wife Ann (who seduced the woman-hating Prophet); and the shrewd ex-slave Isabella Van Wagenen, regarded by some as "the most wicked of the wicked." None was more colorful than the Prophet himself, a bearded, thundering tyrant who gathered his followers into an absolutist household, using their money to buy an elaborate, eccentric wardrobe, and reordering their marital relations. By the time the tensions within the kingdom exploded into a clash with the law, Matthias had become a national scandal. In the hands of Johnson and Wilentz, the strange tale of the Prophet and his kingdom comes vividly to life, recalling scenes from recent experiences at Jonestown and Waco. They also reveal much about a formative period in American history, showing the connections among rapid economic change, sex and race relations, politics, popular culture, and the rich varieties of American religious experience.

Off the Back of a Truck-Nick Braccia 2020-12-01 Unleash your inner Soprano and relive all your favorite moments with this companion guide to the award-winning television series *The Sopranos*. We all know and love *The Sopranos*, one of the most important television dramas to ever hit the small screen, having run for six seasons on HBO. The story of the Italian-American mobster Tony Soprano balancing his family life with his role as the leader of a criminal organization pioneered decades of genre-bending "peak TV." Now, *Off the Back of a Truck* takes you one step further into the world of Tony Soprano and his families, offering an Italian potluck of fresh and fun takes that any true fan can get lost in for hours. *Off the Back of a Truck* includes: -New looks at everyone's favorite episodes, scenes, and characters -All 92 deaths analyzed, evaluated, and ranked -An investigation of true crimes behind the families' schemes -An exploration of movies and shows that inspired *The Sopranos* -Reflections on the use of music, food, and fashion from writers who are also huge fans -A provocative conversation about what happens in the controversial ending This book takes you on a journey through the six seasons you have watched time and time again—but it's organized so you can dip in at any time, at any place. Roam around as though you're in Tony's backyard for a BBQ...

Proceedings of the First International Conference on Advanced Data and Information Engineering (DaEng-2013)-Tutut Herawan 2013-12-14 The proceeding is a collection of research papers presented at the International Conference on Data Engineering 2013 (DaEng-2013), a conference dedicated to address the challenges in the areas of database, information retrieval, data mining and knowledge management, thereby presenting a consolidated view to the interested researchers in the aforesaid fields. The goal of this conference was to bring together researchers and practitioners from academia and industry to focus on advanced on data engineering concepts and establishing new collaborations in these areas. The topics of interest are as follows but are not limited to: • Database theory • Data management • Data mining and warehousing • Data privacy & security • Information retrieval, integration and visualization • Information system • Knowledge discovery in databases • Mobile, grid and cloud computing • Knowledge-based • Knowledge management • Web data, services and intelligence

Balanced Leadership in Unbalanced Times-Robert Pasick 2009-01-01 "Balanced Leadership in Unbalanced Times" is Dr. Robert Pasick's useful new toolbox of leadership strategies for men and women who want to improve their performance at work and in the community. Dr. Pasick is a popular writer, psychologist and leadership coach with many public appearances on radio and TV. You may have seen him on "Oprah." His clients range from veteran Fortune 500 executives to men and women starting their first businesses or stepping into their first professional careers. He understands how hard life is these days for millions of Americans suddenly shifting careers and employers. Dr. Pasick's life-saving advice is that people don't have to merely juggle the competing demands of work, family, community, health and values. We can learn to balance these vital spheres of life and, working with Dr. Pasick's dozens of strategic ideas in this new book, we can become more effective leaders as a result. The core of the book is a series of Coach's Clipboard strategies, inviting readers to start with the most important challenges in your daily life. The book becomes your personal toolbox with space to outline your immediate and long-term goals. In "Balanced Leadership in Unbalanced Times," you'll meet a wise coach who will reduce your stress, raise your spirits and quickly get down to the key choices you can make today.

Never Knew Until You-L. E. Royal 2019-10-07 After the dissolution of her fourteen-year marriage to her cheating ex-wife, forty-year-old college professor Parker Freeman finds herself adrift. Suddenly middle-aged with so much time wasted, she seeks solstice online where she stumbles upon The Pandora Agency--an organization claiming to help individuals find themselves through submission. Encouraged to be a little wild by her best friend, Parker speaks to the agency and sets up a meeting with a female dominant, Miss Diaz. Greeted at the door of an impressive Miami townhouse by a young woman, Parker questions her decision as she waits for the girl's mother. Stunned by the reveal that twenty-four-year old Kristina is in fact the Miss Diaz she has come to meet, she is dragged head first into a new world. Despite Kristina's commitment issues and Parker's shattered confidence, the two enter into a tenuous agreement that sparks Parker's rediscovery of herself. Both are surprised by their compatibility until they stumble across the line from arrangement into relationship, and Kristina calls their time together to an end. When an unexpected catastrophe throws them back together, old demons are finally brought into the light, and both women must decide if letting go of the past is worth the future they could have together.

Off Balance-Suzanne Gordon 1983 An exploration of the ambitions, sacrifices, personal lives, and day-to-day activities of male and female dancers reveals the sometimes shocking realities of the world of ballet

You'll Think of Me-Lucia Franco 2013-08-28 Luke Jackson. With his thick southern drawl and seductive charm, Luke is the country boy everyone adores. He has his future mapped out, but his plans with Olivia are suddenly derailed when she makes a decision that blindsides him, changing the path they both envisioned. As Luke struggles to keep everything in check during a difficult time in his life, he must put his trust in the one person who broke it to begin with. The last time they saw each other, Olivia busted his heart wide open, turning him into the man he is today. When Olivia returns to her roots, just like Luke said she would, he is shocked for more reasons than one. Nine years have passed since they've seen each other, and when their roads collide unexpectedly, Luke can only push his worry and misgivings away for so long. Things are different now—they are strangers—and the rope that once bound Olivia's heart to South Fork, Georgia is pulling her back in, forcing her to remember how it used to be all those years ago.

DIY MFA-Gabriela Pereira 2016 Based on Gabriela Pereira's popular website and course, DIY MFA advocates "knowledge without the college" by providing tools and techniques for serious writers. It combines the three main elements of a traditional Masters in Fine Arts--writing, reading, and community--in one easy-to-access, portable book.

Power Electrical Systems-Faouzi Derbel 2018-07-23 Power Electrical Systems are an indispensable feature of the exploitation and diagnostics of electrical machines and energy resources. The Volume presents extended and peer reviewed papers from the international conference on PES in Barcelona, 2014. Among the topics dealt with are: electrical machines design, voltage and control, automotive power drives, electromagnetic compatibility, monitoring and diagnostics, renewable energy systems. The International Conference on Power Electrical Systems (PES) is a forum for researchers and specialists in different fields of electrical engineering related to Hybrid Renewable Energy Systems (HRES); Power Electronics in Renewable Energy Systems; Topologies and

Control of Power Electronics Converters Used in Renewable Energy Systems; Electric machines modelling and control; Automotive electrical systems; Electric machine design; Monitoring and diagnostics; Special machines; Power systems; Power electronic converters; Renewable energy systems; Variable speed drives; Electromagnetic compatibility; Variable speed generating systems; Transformers.

Oola for Women-Troy Amdahl 2017-05-02 If you haven't heard of the 'Oola phenomenon' yet, it's time to catch up. First, though, you need to understand what it is: Oola is that state of awesomeness you experience when your life is balanced and growing in all the key areas of health and well-being. It can be a noun or a verb. It can be a destination or a feeling. It can be as complex as a life growing and balanced in fitness, finance, family, field, faith, friends, and fun (the 7 F's of Oola), or as simple as a sunset, a quiet book on the beach, or a special moment with a child. It is that place we all shoot for in life. That feeling we experience and that we celebrate in our successes along the way. In short, Oola is cool. Since the first copy of the original book, *Oola: Find balance in an Unbalanced World*, rolled off the presses a few years ago, the Oola Lifestyle has become a literal phenomenon—a dynamic movement. OolaPalooza live events have been routinely sold out since the day they were started, and the Oola message has been taken to countless cities across America and to every major city in the world via 700,000+ Oola fans on social media. In their 1970s VW Surf bus, authors Troy Amdahl and Dave Braun have taken their OolaDream tour on the road, from coast-to-coast, collecting dreams and goals for a balanced life from people who adorn their vehicle with colorful Oola stickers. The OolaGuys know that women are the ultimate multitaskers. While a circus performer might spin seven plates in a single show, women spin seven plates—figuratively—every day. They not only juggle kids, family, and home life, they also juggle work responsibilities, customers and clients, make constant business decisions, handle professional events and so many related activities that it's truly mind-boggling how much a woman can pack into a 24-hour day. In this Oola especially for them, the book shows, through the experiences of 54 inspiring women, how to overcome unexpected hardships, and transform the juggling act of everyday life into a dream lifestyle of simplicity, tranquility, abundance, and opportunity. That's what 'living Oola' means—and it's not only an attainable goal, but a well-deserved reward.

Knowledge Science, Engineering and Management-Hui Xiong 2012-02-24 This book constitutes the proceedings of the 5th International Conference on Knowledge Science, Engineering and Management, KSEM 2011, held in Irvine, CA, USA, in December 2011. The 34 revised full papers presented together with 7 short papers were carefully reviewed and selected from numerous submissions.

Symmetrical Components, as Applied to the Analysis of Unbalanced Electrical Circuits-Charles Frederick Wagner 1982

Learning Statistics with R-Daniel Navarro