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Schools Betrayed Apr 29 2022 The problems commonly associated with inner-city schools were not nearly as pervasive a century ago, when black children in most northern cities attended school alongside white children. In *Schools Betrayed*, her innovative history of race and urban education, Kathryn M. Neckerman tells the story of how and why these schools came to serve black children so much worse than their white counterparts. Focusing on Chicago public schools between 1900 and 1960, Neckerman compares the circumstances of blacks and white immigrants, groups that had similarly little wealth and status yet came to gain vastly different benefits from their education. Their divergent educational outcomes, she contends, stemmed from Chicago officials' decision to deal with rising African American migration by segregating schools and denying black students equal resources. And it deepened, she shows, because of techniques for managing academic failure that only reinforced inequality. Ultimately, these tactics eroded the legitimacy of the schools in Chicago's black community, leaving educators unable to help their most disadvantaged students. *Schools Betrayed* will be required reading for anyone who cares about urban education.

Making Roots Feb 25 2022 When Alex Haley's book *Roots* was published by Doubleday in 1976 it became an immediate bestseller. The television series, broadcast by ABC in 1977, became the most popular miniseries of all time, captivating over a hundred million Americans. For the first time, Americans saw slavery as an integral part of the nation's history. With a remake of the series in 2016 by A&E Networks, *Roots* has again entered the national conversation. In *Making Roots*, Matthew F. Delmont looks at the importance, contradictions, and limitations of mass culture and examines how *Roots* pushed the boundaries of history. Delmont investigates the decisions that led Alex Haley, Doubleday, and ABC to invest in the story of Kunta Kinte, uncovering how Haley's original, modest book proposal developed into an unprecedented cultural phenomenon.

Hoop Roots Sep 30 2019 The author recalls his experiences playing basketball with whites and African Americans in the Homewood section of Pittsburgh, describing how African Americans slowly but surely changed the nature of the sport.

Medical Device Use Error Dec 26 2021 *Medical Device Use Error: Root Cause Analysis* offers practical guidance on how to methodically discover and explain the root cause of a use error—a mistake that occurs when someone uses a medical device.

Covering medical devices used in the home and those used in clinical environments, the book presents informative case studies about the use errors

Root Cause Analysis Jan 27 2022 Although there are many books on root cause analysis (RCA), most concentrate on team actions such as brainstorming and using quality tools to discuss the failure under investigation. These may be necessary steps during RCA, but authors often fail to mention the most important member of an RCA team—the failed part. *Root Cause Analysis: A Step-By-Step Guide to Using the Right Tool at the Right Time* provides authoritative guidance on how to empirically investigate quality failures using scientific method in the form of cycles of plan-do-check-act (PDCA), supported by the use of quality tools. Focusing on the use of proven quality tools to empirically investigate issues, the book starts by describing the theoretical background behind using the scientific method and quality tools for RCA. Next, it supplies step-by-step instructions for performing RCA with the tools discussed in the first section. The book's clear examples illustrate how to integrate PDCA with the scientific method and quality tools when investigating real-world quality failures. This RCA guide provides root cause investigators with a tool kit for the quick and accurate selection of the appropriate tool during a root cause investigation. It includes an appendix with a guide to tool selection based on the intended use of the tool. There is also an appendix that defines the terminology used in the book. After reading this book, you will understand how to integrate the scientific method, quality tools, and statistics, in the form of exploratory data analysis, to build a picture of the actual situation under investigation that will lead you to the true root cause of an event. The tools and concepts presented in the text are appropriate for professionals in both the manufacturing and service industries.

Root Cause Failure Analysis May 19 2021

Lubrication Degradation Aug 10 2020 This book combines the topics of Root Cause Analysis (RCA) and Lubrication Degradation Mechanisms (LDM) with the goal of allowing the reader to develop the disciplined thought process for getting to the root causes of each of the degradation mechanisms. This new way of thinking can be applied to other areas within their facility to mitigate or eliminate any future recurrence. *Lubrication Degradation: Getting into the Root Causes* strives to break down the complex topic of Lubrication Degradation into its six most common failure mechanisms. It presents the mechanisms as manageable components and then teaches the reader how to identify the typical root causes associated with each failure mechanism. The main aim of this book is to get the audience to look past the physical root causes and really unearth the underlying human and/or systemic roots to prevent recurrence of these types of failures. The book offers a field-proven and practical root cause analysis approach. An ideal practical book for industry professionals involved with Plant Operations, Engineering, Management, Maintenance, Reliability, Quality, and also useful for Technicians.

Talented Teenagers Dec 06 2022 The findings in this book are the results of a monumental five-year study of a group of exceptionally talented teenagers, examining the role that personality traits, family interactions, education, and the social environment play in a young person's motivation to develop his or her talent. *Diagrams*.

Our Hispanic Roots Oct 24 2021 The Hispanic contribution to the making of the United States has been blatantly glossed over by most historians for the past three hundred years, despite the gallant effort of a handful of them who sought to do justice and set the record straight. This misrepresentation of the historical facts has rendered a whole nation to become oblivious to its true beginnings and formation, crippling its character and jeopardizing its future. This book, based on established and undisputed historical records, is a new attempt to bring out the whole truth, to make us realize how this nation really came into being. The making of present-day United States did not begin in 1607, nor was it confined to thirteen unsettled colonies barely occupying a minute portion of a vast continent. We need to set the historical clock back and then forward, from 1513 on through well past 1776, and give due credit to Spain and other Hispanic countries, such as Mexico, for laying down many of the foundations that made us what we are today. We need also to be proud of our Hispanic heritage, and trumpet it with equal fervor and appreciation as we do it with other less deserving ones. It is only then that we would be able to define our character both as a nation and as a people.

Root Cause Failure Analysis Aug 22 2021 *Root Cause Failure Analysis* Provides the knowledge and failure analysis skills necessary for preventing and investigating process equipment failures Process equipment and piping systems are essential for plant availability and performance. Regularly exposed to hazardous service conditions and damage mechanisms, these critical plant assets can result in major failures if not effectively monitored and assessed—potentially causing serious injuries and significant business losses. When used proactively, *Root Cause Failure Analysis (RCFA)* helps reliability engineers inspect the process equipment and piping system before any abnormal conditions occur. RCFA is equally important after a failure happens: it determines the impact of a failure, helps control the resultant damage, and identifies the steps for preventing future problems. *Root Cause Failure Analysis: A Guide to Improve Plant Reliability* offers readers clear understanding of degradation mechanisms of process equipment and the concepts needed to perform industrial RCFA investigations. This comprehensive resource describes the methodology of RCFA and provides multiple techniques and industry practices for identifying, predicting, and evaluating equipment failures. Divided into two parts, the text first introduces *Root Cause Analysis*, explains the failure analysis process, and discusses the management of both human and latent error. The second part focuses on failure analysis of various components such as bolted joints, mechanical seals, steam traps, gearboxes, bearings, couplings, pumps, and compressors. This authoritative volume: Illustrates how failures are associated with part integrity, a complete system, or the execution of an engineering process Describes how proper design, operation, and maintenance of the equipment help to enhance their reliability Covers analysis techniques and industry practices including 5-Why RCFA, fault tree analysis, Pareto charts, and Ishikawa diagrams Features a detailed case study of process plant machinery and a chapter on proactive measures for avoiding failures Bridging the gap between engineering education and practical application, *Root Cause Failure Analysis: A Guide to Improve Plant Reliability* is an important reference and guide for industrial professionals, including process plant engineers, planning managers, operation and maintenance engineers, process designers, chemical engineers, and instrument engineers. It is also a valuable text for researchers, instructors, and students in relevant areas of engineering and science.

Plant Roots Jun 07 2020 The decade since the publication of the third edition of this volume has been an era of great progress in biology in general and the plant sciences in particular. This is especially true with the advancements brought on by the sequencing of whole genomes of model organisms and the development of "omics" techniques. This fourth edition of *Plant Root*

The Roots of Modern Hollywood Nov 24 2021 In this insightful study of Hollywood cinema since 1969, film historian Nick Smedley traces the cultural and intellectual heritage of American films, showing how recent Hollywood movies owe a profound debt to the liberal values of New Deal cinema. Hollywood cinema is not usually thought of as politically or socially engaged, but the author argues that it is, in fact, one of the most value-laden of all national cinemas. Drawing on a long historical view of persistent themes in Hollywood cinema, Smedley demonstrates how film-makers in America continue to explore the balance between unbridled capitalism and a more socially-engaged liberalism. He also brings out the persistence of pacifism in Hollywood's consideration of American foreign policy in Vietnam and the Middle East. His third theme concerns the belated acceptance by the film community of the post-feminist American woman. Featuring important new interviews with Michael Mann, Peter Weir, Paul Haggis, and Tony Gilroy, *The Roots of Modern Hollywood* is an incisive account of where Hollywood is today, and the path it has taken to get there.

Root Cause Failure Analysis Nov 05 2022 *Root Cause Failure Analysis* provides the concepts needed to effectively perform industrial troubleshooting investigations. It describes the methodology to perform *Root Cause Failure Analysis (RCFA)*, one of the hottest topics currently in maintenance engineering. It also includes detailed equipment design and troubleshooting guidelines, which are needed to perform RCFA on machinery found in most production facilities. This is the latest book in a new series published by Butterworth-Heinemann in association with PLANT ENGINEERING magazine. PLANT ENGINEERING fills a unique information need for the men and women who operate and maintain industrial plants. It bridges the information gap between engineering education and practical application. As technology advances at increasingly faster rates, this information service is becoming more and more important. Since its first issue in 1947, PLANT ENGINEERING has stood as the leading problem-solving information source for America's industrial plant engineers, and this book series will effectively contribute to that resource and reputation. Provides information essential to industrial troubleshooting investigations Describes the methods of root cause failure analysis, a hot topic in maintenance engineering Includes detailed equipment-design guidelines

Success with Flowers, a Floral Magazine Apr 05 2020

Breaking Failure Feb 13 2021 **TIME-PROVEN TECHNIQUES FOR REDUCING RISK AND IMPROVING PERFORMANCE IN MISSION-CRITICAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES** Proven in high-stakes, high-risk environments—from defense to healthcare For business functions ranging from marketing to HR, R&D to M&A Indispensable for all executives, entrepreneurs, strategists, and product managers This guide brings together simple, risk-free, and low-cost ways to break cycles of business failure and underperformance. These techniques aren't new or trendy: they've repeatedly proven themselves in mission-critical disciplines ranging from manufacturing to space exploration, with lives and billions of dollars on the line. They work. And they'll work for you, too. First, you'll learn how to use well-proven Failure Mode and Effects Analysis (FMEA) techniques to anticipate potential failure points before you introduce products, implement strategy, or launch marketing campaigns. Next, utilizing Root Cause Analysis (RCA), you'll learn to uncover the root cause of business problems, so you can solve them once and for all. Third, you'll discover how to use an Early Warning System (EWS) to identify "driver" variables in your business, gaining timely and actionable insights without complex predictive modeling. Whatever your role in decision-making, leadership, strategy, or product management, *Breaking Failure* will help you mitigate risk more effectively, achieve better results—and move forward in your career. When lives are on the line, when billions of dollars are at risk, failure is not an option. That's why industries such as aerospace, chemical engineering, and healthcare have pioneered world-class methods for identifying, anticipating, and mitigating failure. In *Breaking Failure*, Alexander D. Edsel helps you adapt these proven techniques to the realities of your business. You'll discover how to plan more effectively for contingencies, and how to uncover and address the root causes of poor performance in business functions ranging from marketing to hiring. Equally valuable, you'll learn how to systematically improve your situational awareness, so you can uncover problems before they damage relationships, brand reputation, or business performance.

Adapted to be 100% practical and actionable, these techniques will help companies of all sizes, in all markets. As you move towards greater speed and agility, they will become even more indispensable. A practical, systematic approach to "Breaking Failure" in your company Use Problem Framing to overcome the human bias towards thoughtless action Use Failure Mode & Effect Analysis (FMEA) to anticipate problems, prioritize risks, and plan corrective actions Use Root Cause Analysis (RCA) to identify true causes of failure in any process, product, or project Use an Early Warning System (EWS) to quickly recognize signs of underperformance Use Pre-Planned Exit Strategies and Exit Triggers to end failure and underperformance issues you can't fix

The Deeper the Roots Jan 15 2021 "Insightful, emotional, and engaging. By sharing his story in gripping detail, Michael Tubbs embodies an old feminist tradition whereby the personal is political. He empowers us to fight for equal opportunities for our communities, and encourages us to amass the courage to overcome loss and injustice." —Ibram X. Kendi, National Book Award-winning author of *Stamped from the Beginning* and *How to Be an Antiracist* The making of a visionary political leader—and a blueprint for a more equitable country "Don't tell nobody our business," Michael Tubbs's mother often told him growing up. For Michael, that meant a lot of things: don't tell anyone about the day-to-day struggle of being Black and broke in Stockton, CA. Don't tell anyone the pain of having a father incarcerated for 25 years to life. Don't tell anyone about living two lives, the brainy bookworm and the kid with the newest Jordans. And also don't tell anyone about the particular joys of growing up with three "moms"—a Nana who never let him miss church, an Auntie who'd take him to the library any time, and a mother, "She-Daddy", who schooled him in the wisdom of hip-hop and taught him never to take no for an answer. So for a long time Michael didn't tell anyone his story, but as he went on to a scholarship at Stanford and an internship in the Obama White House, he began to realize the power of his experience, the need for his perspective in the halls of power. By the time he returned to Stockton to become, in 2016 at age 26, its first Black mayor and the youngest-ever mayor of a major American city, he knew his story meant something. *The Deeper the Roots* is a memoir astonishing in its candor, voice, and clarity of vision. Tubbs shares with us the city that raised him, his family of badass women, his life-changing encounters with Oprah Winfrey and Barack Obama, the challenges of governing in the 21st century and everything in between—en route to unveiling his compelling vision for America rooted in his experiences in his hometown.

A Soviet Postmortem Mar 05 2020 In the wake of the Soviet Union's collapse, it has become apparent that Sovietology failed, with a few praiseworthy exceptions, to understand the nature and fragility of the Soviet system. *A Soviet Postmortem* sets the Soviet experiment in a more realistic perspective. Krancberg emphasizes the importance of Marxist-Leninist ideology in formulating sociopolitical norms imposed on society by the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. Analyzing the realities of the Soviet regime, the author reveals the extent to which Soviet political culture was an artificial imposition with only slender roots in the life of Soviet society.

Blonde Roots Oct 12 2020 FROM THE BOOKER PRIZE-WINNING AUTHOR OF *GIRL, WOMAN, OTHER* LONGLISTED FOR THE WOMEN'S PRIZE FOR FICTION 2009 WINNER OF THE ORANGE YOUTH PANEL AWARD 2009 FINALIST FOR THE HURSTON WRIGHT LEGACY AWARD 2010 'A phenomenal book. It is so ingenious and so novel. Think *The Handmaid's Tale* meets *Noughts and Crosses* with a bit of Jonathan Swift and Lewis Carroll thrown in. This should be thought of as a feminist classic.' *Women's Prize for Fiction* Podcast Welcome to a world turned upside down. One minute, Doris, from England, is playing hide-and-seek with her sisters in the fields behind their cottage. The next, someone puts a bag over her head and she ends up in the hold of a slave-ship sailing to the New World. . . In this fantastically imaginative inversion of the transatlantic slave trade - in which 'whytes' are enslaved by black people - Bernardine Evaristo has created a thought-provoking satire that is as accessible and readable as it is intelligent and insightful. *Blonde Roots* brings the shackles and cries of long-ago barbarity uncomfortably close and raises timely questions about the society of today. 'A bold and brilliant game of counterfactual history. Evaristo keep[s] her wit and anger at a spicy simmer throughout' *Daily Telegraph* 'So human and real. Re-imagines past and present with refreshing humour and intelligence' *Guardian* 'A brilliant satire whose flashes of comedy make the underlying tragedy all the more poignant' *Scotland on Sunday*

Troubleshooting and Root Cause Failure Analysis Nov 12 2020 In the field of maintenance, good problem-solving practices are among the most important elements to maximizing equipment uptime, and by resolving the root cause of the failure, in increasing equipment reliability. To be successful, an organization must be able to resolve the effects of a failure quickly so that it can go back to normal, and, in some cases, determine the cause of the failure so that a permanent solution can be identified and implemented. These are two distinct requirements (troubleshooting and root cause failure analysis), with distinctive requirements. Both are important, and one cannot exist without the other if we want to be efficient and effective in resolving asset failures.

This work takes a unique approach to equipment failure-related problem solving by presenting both types of failure resolution techniques, the purpose of each, and describing how best to use them. In presenting root cause failure analysis, the book distinguishes between information gathering and failure analysis. It provides five information gathering methods and three root cause analysis methods from the 5-Whys to Logic Tree Analysis to Single Functional Failure RCM. It follows a structured approach to managing the RCFA, from stabilizing the site and gathering information, to implementing and sustaining the results, to leveraging the solution. This book provides practical methods and tools needed to achieve problem-solving goals and objectives, both when troubleshooting a problem as well as when determining a permanent solution. All of this information is kept to a concise and extremely readable length and format. The market needs a practical troubleshooting and RCFA guide that is not software specific and that provides a clear, structured approach to both. This work is that rare find. Features Explores problem solving as a science. Focuses on how to help an organization be successful, both at quickly getting the plant back in operation, and defining permanent solutions. The only book to detail troubleshooting and RCFA under the same cover.

Indian Agriculturist Sep 10 2020

Why Cities Lose Apr 17 2021 A prizewinning political scientist traces the origins of urban-rural political conflict and shows how geography shapes elections in America and beyond Why is it so much easier for the Democratic Party to win the national popular vote than to build and maintain a majority in Congress? Why can Democrats sweep statewide offices in places like Pennsylvania and Michigan yet fail to take control of the same states' legislatures? Many place exclusive blame on partisan gerrymandering and voter suppression. But as political scientist Jonathan A. Rodden demonstrates in *Why Cities Lose*, the left's electoral challenges have deeper roots in economic and political geography. In the late nineteenth century, support for the left

began to cluster in cities among the industrial working class. Today, left-wing parties have become coalitions of diverse urban interest groups, from racial minorities to the creative class. These parties win big in urban districts but struggle to capture the suburban and rural seats necessary for legislative majorities. A bold new interpretation of today's urban-rural political conflict, *Why Cities Lose* also points to electoral reforms that could address the left's under-representation while reducing urban-rural polarization.

Dark Ages America: The Final Phase of Empire Sep 22 2021 In *Dark Ages America*, the pundit Morris Berman argues that the nation has entered a dangerous phase in its historical development from which there is no return. As the corporate-consumerist juggernaut that now defines the nation rolls on, the very factors that once propelled America to greatness—extreme individualism, territorial and economic expansion, and the pursuit of material wealth—are, paradoxically, the nails in our collective coffin. Within a few decades, Berman argues, the United States will be marginalized on the world stage, its hegemony replaced by China or the European Union. With the United States just one terrorist attack away from a police state, Berman's book is a controversial and illuminating look at our current society and its ills.

Blood at the Root: A Racial Cleansing in America Feb 02 2020 “Gripping and meticulously documented.”—Don Schanche Jr., *Washington Post* Forsyth County, Georgia, at the turn of the twentieth century, was home to a large African American community that included ministers and teachers, farmers and field hands, tradesmen, servants, and children. But then in September of 1912, three young black laborers were accused of raping and murdering a white girl. One man was dragged from a jail cell and lynched on the town square, two teenagers were hung after a one-day trial, and soon bands of white “night riders” launched a coordinated campaign of arson and terror, driving all 1,098 black citizens out of the county. The charred ruins of homes and churches disappeared into the weeds, until the people and places of black Forsyth were forgotten. National Book Award finalist Patrick Phillips tells Forsyth's tragic story in vivid detail and traces its long history of racial violence all the way back to antebellum Georgia. Recalling his own childhood in the 1970s and '80s, Phillips sheds light on the communal crimes of his hometown and the violent means by which locals kept Forsyth “all white” well into the 1990s. In precise, vivid prose, *Blood at the Root* delivers a “vital investigation of Forsyth's history, and of the process by which racial injustice is perpetuated in America” (Congressman John Lewis).

New Roots for Agriculture Jul 09 2020 “The plowshare may well have destroyed more options for future generations than the sword,” writes Wes Jackson in a review of practices that have brought U.S. agriculture to the edge of disaster. Tillage has hastened the erosion of irreplaceable topsoil everywhere and a technology based on fossil fuels has increased yields for short-term profits, leaving crops ever more vulnerable to diseases, pests, and droughts. Such, says Jackson, is “the failure of success.” As high-technology agriculture becomes more wasteful and expensive, more farmers are being forced off the land or into bankruptcy. Jackson's major solution calls for the development of plant combinations that yield food while holding the soil and re-newing its nutrients without plowing or applying fossil-fuel-based fertilizers or pesticides. His new way of raising crops, by working with the soil's natural systems, would keep the world's bread-basket producing perpetually.

The Twilight of American Culture Jul 01 2022 An emerging cult classic about America's cultural meltdown—and a surprising solution. A prophetic examination of Western decline, *The Twilight of American Culture* provides one of the most caustic and surprising portraits of American society to date. Whether examining the corruption at the heart of modern politics, the “Rambification” of popular entertainment, or the collapse of our school systems, Morris Berman suspects that there is little we can do as a society to arrest the onset of corporate Mass Mind culture. Citing writers as diverse as de Toqueville and DeLillo, he cogently argues that cultural preservation is a matter of individual conscience, and discusses how classical learning might triumph over political correctness with the rise of a “a new monastic individual”—a person who, much like the medieval monk, is willing to retreat from conventional society in order to preserve its literary and historical treasures. “Brilliantly observant, deeply thoughtful....lucidly argued.”—*Christian Science Monitor*

Beyond Politics Dec 14 2020 Rev. and updated ed. of: *Beyond politics: markets, welfare, and the failure of bureaucracy* / William C. Mitchell and Randy T. Simmons. 1994.

Root Causes of Terrorism May 07 2020 This team of international experts analyses the possibilities and limitations of preventing or reducing terrorism by addressing the factors that give rise to it and sustain it. The key questions raised include: * what are the main circumstances that provide preconditions for the emergence of various types of terrorism? * what are the typical precipitants that trigger terrorist campaigns? * to what extent is it possible to reduce the problem of terrorism by influencing these causes and circumstances? * should we address those factors that sustain terrorist campaigns rather than root causes? This book is edited by Tore Bjørgo - Senior Research Fellow at the Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI), Professor and Research Director at the Norwegian Police University College.

Plant Roots Aug 29 2019 The third edition of a standard resource, this book offers a state-of-the-art, multi-disciplinary presentation of plant roots. It examines structure and development, assemblage of root systems, metabolism and growth, stressful environments, and interactions at the rhizosphere. Reflecting the explosion of advances and emerging technologies in the field, the book presents developments in the study of root origin, composition, formation, and behavior for the production of novel pharmaceutical and medicinal compounds, agrochemicals, dyes, flavors, and pesticides. It details breakthroughs in genetics, molecular biology, growth substance physiology, biotechnology, and biomechanics.

How Capitalism Failed the Arab World May 31 2022 Economic liberalization has failed in the Arab world. Instead of ushering in economic dynamism and precipitating democratic reform, it has over the last three decades resulted in greater poverty, rising income inequality and sky-rocketing rates of youth unemployment. In *How Capitalism Failed the Arab World*, Richard Javad Heydarian shows how years of economic mismanagement, political autocracy and corruption have encouraged people to revolt, and how the initial optimism of the uprisings is now giving way to bitter power struggles, increasing uncertainty and continued economic stagnation. A unique and provocative analysis of some of the key social and political events of the last decade.

Why Startups Fail Oct 31 2019 If you want your startup to succeed, you need to understand why startups fail. “Whether you're a first-time founder or looking to bring innovation into a corporate environment, *Why Startups Fail* is essential reading.”—Eric Ries, founder and CEO, LTSE, and New York Times bestselling author of *The Lean Startup* and *The Startup Way* Why do startups fail? That question caught Harvard Business School professor Tom Eisenmann by surprise when he realized he couldn't answer it. So he launched a multiyear research project to find out. In *Why Startups Fail*, Eisenmann reveals his findings: six distinct patterns that account for the vast majority of startup failures. • **Bad Bedfellows.** Startup success is thought to rest largely on the founder's talents and instincts. But the wrong team, investors, or partners can sink a venture just as quickly. • **False Starts.** In following the oft-cited advice to “fail fast” and to “launch before you're ready,” founders risk wasting time and capital on the wrong solutions. • **False Promises.** Success with early adopters can be misleading and give founders unwarranted confidence to expand. • **Speed Traps.** Despite the pressure to “get big fast,” hypergrowth can spell disaster for even the most promising ventures. • **Help Wanted.** Rapidly scaling startups need lots of capital and talent, but they can make mistakes that leave them suddenly in short supply of both. • **Cascading Miracles.** Silicon Valley exhorts entrepreneurs to dream big. But the bigger the vision, the more things that can go wrong. Drawing on fascinating stories of ventures that failed to fulfill their early promise—from a home-furnishings retailer to a concierge dog-walking service, from a dating app to the inventor of a sophisticated social robot, from a fashion brand to a startup deploying a vast network of charging stations for electric vehicles—Eisenmann offers frameworks for detecting when a venture is vulnerable to these patterns, along with a wealth of strategies and tactics for avoiding them. A must-read for founders at any stage of their entrepreneurial journey, *Why Startups Fail* is not merely a guide to preventing failure but also a roadmap charting the path to startup success.

Practical Root Cause Failure Analysis Mar 17 2021 Root Cause Failure Analysis (RCFA) is a method used by maintenance and reliability industry professionals as one of the key tools to drive improvement. This book offers a quick guide to the applications involved in performing a successful RCFA by providing a foundational view of maintenance and reliability strategies. It also highlights the practical applications of RCFA and identifies how to achieve a successful RCFA, as well as discussing common equipment failures and how to solve them. Case studies on topics including pump system failure analysis and vibration analysis are included. Suggests examples on how to solve common failure on many types of equipment, including fatigue, pumps, bearings, and mechanical power transmission Highlights practical applications of RCFA Identifies key elements for how to achieve a successful RCFA Presents case studies on topics including pump system failure analysis and vibration analysis The book is a must-read for any reliability engineer, particularly mechanical reliability professionals.

Too Dumb to Fail Dec 02 2019 From a leading voice among young conservatives, an impassioned argument that to stay relevant the Republican Party must look beyond short-term electoral gains and re-commit to historic conservative values. In 1963 Richard Hofstadter published his landmark book *Anti-Intellectualism in American Life*. Today, Matt Lewis argues, America's inclination toward simplicity and stupidity is stronger than ever, and its greatest victim is the Republican Party. Lewis, a respected conservative columnist and frequent guest on MSNBC's *Morning Joe*, eviscerates the phenomenon of candidates with a “no experience required” mentality and tea party “patriots” who possess bluster but few core beliefs. Lewis traces the conservative movement's roots, from Edmund Burke to William F. Buckley, and from Goldwater's loss to Reagan's landslide victory. He highlights visionary thinkers who understood nuance and deep ideology and changed the course of the nation. As we approach the 2016 presidential election, Lewis has an urgent message for fellow conservatives: embrace wisdom, humility, qualifications, and inclusion -- or face extinction.

Root for the Villain Oct 04 2022 “#1 best seller in Norwegian beef patty shops”--Cover.

Clinical Atlas of Retreatment in Endodontics Jul 21 2021 CLINICAL ATLAS OF RETREATMENT IN ENDODONTICS Explore a comprehensive pictorial guide to the retreatment of root canals and failed endodontic cases with step-by-step advice on retreatment management Clinical Atlas of Retreatment in Endodontics delivers an image-based reference to the management of failed root canal cases. It provides evidence-based strategies and detailed clinical explanations to manage and retreat previous endodontically failed cases. It contains concrete evidence-based and practical techniques accompanied by full-colour, self-explanatory clinical photographs taking the reader through a journey of successful management of the failed clinical cases. Using a variety of clinical cases, the book demonstrates why and how endodontic failures occur, how to prevent them, and how to manage them in clinical practice. It also emphasises on evaluating the restorability and prognosis of the tooth in order to make a proper case selection for providing retreatment. This book also discusses the various factors that can help the clinician to make a case for nonsurgical or surgical retreatment. Readers will benefit from the inclusion of clinical cases that provide: A thorough introduction to perforation repair, with a clinical case that includes the repair of pulpal perforation caused due to excessive cutting of the floor of the pulp chamber An explanation of various factors for instrument separation, supported with a case that includes the removal of a fractured instrument Practical discussions of instrument retrieval, with a case that includes a fractured instrument at the apical third of mandibular molar A step wise pictorial description for guided root canal therapy Selective root canal treatment as a treatment option for retreatment of failed endodontic cases A detailed clinical description for how to explore and modify the endodontic access cavity for locating extra/missed canals Perfect for endodontists, endodontic residents, and general dentists, Clinical Atlas of Retreatment in Endodontics is also useful for undergraduate dental students and private practitioners who wish to improve their understanding of endodontic retreatment and are looking for a one-stop reference on the subject.

Root Cause Analysis Jan 03 2020 What is RCA? It seems like such an easy question to answer, yet from novices to veterans and practitioners to providers, no one seems to have come to agreement or consensus on an acceptable definition for the industry. Now in its fourth edition, *Root Cause Analysis: Improving Performance for Bottom-Line Results* discusses why it is so hard to get su

Why Nations Fail Mar 29 2022 Brilliant and engagingly written, *Why Nations Fail* answers the question that has stumped the experts for centuries: Why are some nations rich and others poor, divided by wealth and poverty, health and sickness, food and famine? Is it culture, the weather, geography? Perhaps ignorance of what the right policies are? Simply, no. None of these factors is either definitive or destiny. Otherwise, how to explain why Botswana has become one of the fastest growing countries in the world, while other African nations, such as Zimbabwe, the Congo, and Sierra Leone, are mired in poverty and violence? Daron Acemoglu and James Robinson conclusively show that it is man-made political and economic institutions that underlie economic success (or lack of it). Korea, to take just one of their fascinating examples, is a remarkably homogeneous nation, yet the people of North Korea are among the poorest on earth while their brothers and sisters in South Korea are among the richest. The south forged a society that created incentives, rewarded innovation, and allowed everyone to participate in economic opportunities. The economic success thus spurred was sustained because the government became accountable and responsive to citizens and the great mass of people. Sadly, the people of the north have endured decades of famine, political repression, and very different economic institutions—with no end in sight. The differences between the Koreas is due to the politics that created these completely different institutional trajectories. Based on fifteen years of original research Acemoglu and Robinson marshal extraordinary historical evidence from the Roman Empire, the Mayan city-states, medieval Venice, the Soviet Union, Latin America, England, Europe, the United States, and Africa to build a new theory of political economy with great relevance for the big questions of today, including: - China has built an authoritarian growth machine. Will it continue to grow at such high speed and overwhelm the West? - Are America's best days behind it? Are we moving from a virtuous circle in which efforts by elites to aggrandize power are resisted to a vicious one that enriches and empowers a small minority? - What is the most effective way to help move billions of people from the rut of poverty to prosperity? More philanthropy from the wealthy nations of the West? Or learning the hard-won lessons of Acemoglu and Robinson's breakthrough ideas on the interplay between inclusive political and economic institutions? *Why Nations Fail* will change the way you look at—and understand—the world.

Confronting Iran Jun 19 2021 “In this account of Iran's fraught relations with the United States and other Western nations, Ali M. Ansari sets the current crisis in the context of a long history of mutual antagonism. Despite the absence of formal diplomatic relationships, Iran and the United States have loomed large in each other's domestic politics for decades. From the overthrow of Mosaddeq in 1953 to the hostage crisis in 1979 and, more recently, the Gulf War and the War in Iraq, both Iranian and American politicians have forged narratives about an “evil empire” lying half a world away. This mutual distrust has militated against detente between the two nations. In the absence of any coherent American policy on Iran, it may soon lead to war.” “Based on extensive knowledge of Iranian sources as well as unparalleled access to senior officials in Iran, the United States and Europe, Ansari reveals a disturbing history of failed diplomacy, missed opportunities, and bureaucratic wrangling that have brought us to this point of crisis. Confronting Iran is essential reading for anyone seeking to understand the past, present, and future of this frightening standoff.”--BOOK JACKET.

Why America Failed Jan 07 2023 *Why America Failed* shows how, from its birth as a nation of “hustlers” to its collapse as an empire, the tools of the country's expansion proved to be the instruments of its demise *Why America Failed* is the third and most engaging volume of Morris Berman's trilogy on the decline of the American empire. In *The Twilight of American Culture*, Berman examined the internal factors of that decline, showing that they were identical to those of Rome in its late-empire phase. In *Dark Ages America*, he explored the external factors—e.g., the fact that both empires were ultimately attacked from the outside—and the relationship between the events of 9/11 and the history of U.S. foreign policy. In his most ambitious work to date, Berman looks at the “why” of it all Probes America's commitment to economic liberalism and free enterprise stretching back to the late sixteenth century, and shows how this ideology, along with that of technological progress, rendered any alternative marginal to American history Maintains, more than anything else, that this one-sided vision of the country's purpose finally did our nation in *Why America Failed* is a controversial work, one that will shock, anger, and transform its readers. The book is a stimulating and provocative explanation of how we managed to wind up in our current situation: economically weak, politically passe, socially divided, and culturally adrift. It is a tour de force, a powerful conclusion to Berman's study of American imperial decline.

Humble Roots Aug 02 2022 Feeling worn thin? Come find rest. The Blue Ridge Parkway meanders through miles of rolling Virginia mountains. It's a route made famous by natural beauty and the simple rhythms of rural life. And it's in this setting that Hannah Anderson began her exploration of what it means to pursue a life of peace and humility. Fighting back her own sense of restlessness and anxiety, she finds herself immersed in the world outside, discovering a classroom full of forsythia, milkweed, and a failed herb garden. Lessons about soil preparation, sour mulch, and grapevine blights reveal the truth about our dependence on God, finding rest, and fighting discontentment. *Humble Roots* is part theology of incarnation and part stroll through the fields and forest. Anchored in the teaching of Jesus, Anderson explores how cultivating humility—not scheduling, strict boundaries, or increased productivity—leads to peace. “Come unto me, all who labor and are heavy laden,” Jesus invites us, “and you will find rest for your souls.” So come. Learn humility from the lilies of the field and from the One who is humility Himself. Remember who you are and Who you are not, and rediscover the rest that comes from belonging to Him.

Root Cause Failure Analysis Sep 03 2022 Root Cause Failure Analysis Provides the knowledge and failure analysis skills necessary for preventing and investigating process equipment failures Process equipment and piping systems are essential for plant availability and performance. Regularly exposed to hazardous service conditions and damage mechanisms, these critical plant assets can result in major failures if not effectively monitored and assessed—potentially causing serious injuries and significant business losses. When used proactively, Root Cause Failure Analysis (RCFA) helps reliability engineers inspect the process equipment and piping system before any abnormal conditions occur. RCFA is equally important after a failure happens: it determines the impact of a failure, helps control the resultant damage, and identifies the steps for preventing future problems. *Root Cause Failure Analysis: A Guide to Improve Plant Reliability* offers readers clear understanding of degradation mechanisms of process equipment and the concepts needed to perform industrial RCFA investigations. This comprehensive resource describes the methodology of RCFA and provides multiple techniques and industry practices for identifying, predicting, and evaluating equipment failures. Divided into two parts, the text first introduces Root Cause Analysis, explains the failure analysis process, and discusses the management of both human and latent error. The second part focuses on failure analysis of various components such as bolted joints, mechanical seals, steam traps, gearboxes, bearings, couplings, pumps, and compressors. This authoritative volume: Illustrates how failures are associated with part integrity, a complete system, or the execution of an engineering process Describes how proper design, operation, and maintenance of the equipment help to enhance their reliability Covers analysis techniques and industry practices including 5-Why RCFA, fault tree analysis, Pareto charts, and Ishikawa diagrams Features a detailed case study of process plant machinery and a chapter on proactive measures for avoiding failures Bridging the gap between engineering education and practical application, *Root Cause Failure Analysis: A Guide to Improve Plant Reliability* is an important reference and guide for industrial professionals, including process plant engineers, planning managers, operation and maintenance engineers, process designers, chemical engineers, and instrument engineers. It is also a valuable text for researchers, instructors, and students in relevant areas of engineering and science.