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**Deep Value** - Tobias E. Carlisle 2014-08-18

The economic climate is ripe for another golden age of shareholder activism **Deep Value: Why Activist Investors and Other Contrarians Battle for Control of Losing Corporations** is a must-read exploration of deep value investment strategy, describing the evolution of the theories of valuation and shareholder activism from Graham to Icahn and beyond. The book combines engaging anecdotes with industry research to illustrate the principles and methods of this complex strategy, and explains the reasoning behind seemingly incomprehensible activist maneuvers. Written by an active value investor, **Deep Value** provides an insider's perspective on shareholder activist strategies in a format accessible to both professional investors and laypeople. The **Deep Value** investment philosophy as described by Graham initially identified targets by their discount to liquidation value. This approach was extremely effective, but those opportunities are few and far between in the modern market, forcing activists to adapt. Current activists assess value from a much broader palate, and exploit a much wider range of tools to achieve their goals. **Deep Value** enumerates and expands upon the resources and strategies available to value investors today, and describes how the economic climate is allowing value investing to re-emerge. Topics include: Target identification, and determining the most advantageous ends Strategies and tactics of effective activism Unseating management and fomenting change Eyeing conditions for the next M&A boom Activist hedge funds have been quiet since the early 2000s, but economic conditions, shareholder sentiment, and available opportunities are creating a fertile environment for another golden age of activism. **Deep Value: Why Activist Investors and Other Contrarians Battle for Control of Losing Corporations** provides the in-depth information investors need to get up to speed before getting left behind.

**The Power of Noticing** - Max Bazerman 2014-08-05

A "must-read" (Booklist) from Harvard Business School Professor and Codirector of the Harvard Kennedy School's Center for Public Leadership: A guide to making better decisions, noticing important information in the world around you, and improving leadership skills. Imagine your advantage in negotiations, decision-making, and leadership if you could teach yourself to see and evaluate information that others overlook. **The Power of Noticing** provides the blueprint for accomplishing precisely that. Max Bazerman, an expert in the field of applied behavioral psychology, draws on three decades of research and his experience instructing Harvard Business School MBAs and corporate executives to teach you how to notice and act on information that may not be immediately obvious. Drawing on a wealth of real-world examples and using many of the same case studies and thought experiments designed in his executive MBA classes, Bazerman challenges you to explore your cognitive blind spots, identify any salient details you are programmed to miss, and then take steps to ensure it won't happen again. His book provides a step-by-step guide to breaking bad habits and spotting the hidden details that will change your decision-making and leadership skills for the better, teaching you to pay attention to what didn't happen, acknowledge self-interest, invent the third choice, and realize that what you see is not all there is. While many bestselling business books have explained how susceptible to manipulation our irrational cognitive blind spots make us, Bazerman helps you avoid the habits that lead to poor decisions and ineffective leadership in the first place. With **The Power of Noticing** at your side, you can learn how to notice what others miss, make wiser decisions, and lead more successfully.

**Investing the Templeton Way: The Market-Beating Strategies of Value Investing's Legendary Bargain Hunter** - Lauren Templeton 2008-02-20

"To buy when others are despondently selling and to sell when others are avidly buying requires the greatest fortitude and pays the greatest

ultimate rewards."-Sir John Templeton Called the "greatest stock picker of the century" by Money magazine, legendary fund manager Sir John Templeton is revered as one of the world's premiere value investors, widely known for pioneering global investing and out-performing the stock market over a five-decade span. Investing the Templeton Way provides a never-before-seen glimpse into Sir John's timeless principles and methods. Beginning with a review of the methods behind Sir John's proven investment selection process, **Investing the Templeton Way** provides historical examples of his most successful trades and explains how today's investors can apply Sir John's winning approaches to their own portfolios. Detailing his most well-known principle investing at the point of maximum pessimism- this book outlines the techniques Sir John has used throughout his career to identify such points and capitalize on them. Among the lessons to be learned: Discover how to keep a cool head when other investors overreact to bad news Become a bargain stock hunter like Sir John-buy the stocks emotional sellers wish to unload and sell them what they are desperate to buy Search worldwide to expand your bargain inventory Protect your portfolio from yourself through diversification Rely on quantitative versus qualitative reasoning when it comes to selecting stocks Adopt a virtuous investment strategy that will endure in all market conditions

**The Manual of Ideas** - John Mihaljevic 2013-08-01

Reveals the proprietary framework used by an exclusive community of top money managers and value investors in their never-ending quest for untapped investment ideas Considered an indispensable source of cutting-edge research and ideas among the world's top investment firms and money managers, the journal **The Manual of Ideas** boasts a subscribers list that reads like a Who's Who of high finance. Written by that publication's managing editor and inspired by its mission to serve as an "idea funnel" for the world's top money managers, this book introduces you to a proven, proprietary framework for finding, researching, analyzing, and implementing the best value investing opportunities. The next best thing to taking a peek under the hoods of some of the most prodigious brains in the business, it gives you uniquely direct access to the thought processes and investment strategies of such super value investors as Warren Buffett, Seth Klarman, Glenn Greenberg, Guy Spier and Joel Greenblatt. Written by the team behind one of the most read and talked-about sources of research and value investing ideas **Reviews** more than twenty pre-qualified investment ideas and provides an original ranking methodology to help you zero-in on the three to five most compelling investments Delivers a finely-tuned, proprietary investment framework, previously available only to an elite group of TMI subscribers Step-by-step, it walks you through a proven, rigorous approach to finding, researching, analyzing, and implementing worthy ideas

**You Can Be a Stock Market Genius** - Joel Greenblatt 2010-11-02

A comprehensive and practical guide to the stock market from a successful fund manager—filled with case studies, important background information, and all the tools you'll need to become a stock market genius. Fund manager Joel Greenblatt has been beating the Dow (with returns of 50 percent a year) for more than a decade. And now, in this highly accessible guide, he's going to show you how to do it, too. You're about to discover investment opportunities that portfolio managers, business-school professors, and top investment experts regularly miss—uncharted areas where the individual investor has a huge advantage over the Wall Street wizards. Here is your personal treasure map to special situations in which big profits are possible, including: · Spin-offs · Restructurings · Merger Securities · Rights Offerings · Recapitalizations · Bankruptcies · Risk Arbitrage

**The Art of Value Investing** - John Heins 2013-04-12

Says Bill Ackman of Pershing Square Capital Management about **The Art**

of Value Investing: "I learned the investment business largely from the work and thinking of other investors. The Art of Value Investing is a thoughtfully organized compilation of some of the best investment insights I have ever read. Read this book with care. It will be one of the highest-return investments you will ever make." Based on interviews with the world's most-successful value investors, The Art of Value Investing offers a comprehensive set of answers to the questions every equity money manager should have thought through clearly before holding himself or herself out as a worthy steward of other people's money. What market inefficiencies will I try to exploit? How will I generate ideas? What will be my geographic focus? What analytical edge will I hope to have? What valuation methodologies will I use? What time horizon will I typically employ? How many stocks will I own? How specifically will I decide to buy or sell? Will I hedge, and how? How will I keep my emotions from getting the best of me? Who should read The Art of Value Investing? It is as vital a resource for the just starting out investor as for the sophisticated professional one. The former will find a comprehensive guidebook for defining a sound investment strategy from A-to-Z; the latter will find all aspects of his or her existing practice challenged or reconfirmed by the provocative thinking of their most-successful peers. It also is a must read for any investor - institutional or individual - charged with choosing the best managers for the money they are allocating to equities. Choosing the right managers requires knowing all the right questions to ask as well as the answers worthy of respect and attention - both of which are delivered in The Art of Value Investing.

**7 Powers** - Hamilton Helmer 2016-10-25

7 Powers details a strategy toolset that enables you to build an enduringly valuable company. It was developed by Hamilton Helmer drawing on his decades of experience as a strategy advisor, equity investor and Stanford University teacher. This is must reading for any business person and applies to all businesses, new or mature, large or small.

*The Education of a Value Investor* - Guy Spier 2014-09-09

What happens when a young Wall Street investment banker spends a small fortune to have lunch with Warren Buffett? He becomes a real value investor. In this fascinating inside story, Guy Spier details his career from Harvard MBA to hedge fund manager. But the path was not so straightforward. Spier reveals his transformation from a Gordon Gekko wannabe, driven by greed, to a sophisticated investor who enjoys success without selling his soul to the highest bidder. Spier's journey is similar to the thousands that flock to Wall Street every year with their shiny new diplomas, aiming to be King of Wall Street. Yet what Guy realized just in the nick of time was that the King really lived 1,500 miles away in Omaha, Nebraska. Spier determinedly set out to create a new career in his own way. Along the way he learned some powerful lessons which include: why the right mentors and partners are critical to long term success on Wall Street; why a topnotch education can sometimes get in the way of your success; that real learning doesn't begin until you are on your own; and how the best lessons from Warren Buffett have less to do with investing and more to do with being true to yourself. Spier also reveals some of his own winning investment strategies, detailing deals that were winners but also what he learned from deals that went south. Part memoir, part Wall Street advice, and part how-to, Guy Spier takes readers on a ride through Wall Street but more importantly provides those that want to take a different path with the insight, guidance, and inspiration they need to carve out their own definition of success.

*The Great Minds of Investing* - William Green 2015-06

**The Motley Fool Investment Guide: Third Edition** - Tom Gardner 2017-09-05

A completely revised and updated edition of an investing classic to help readers make sense of investing today, full of "solid information and advice for individual investors" (The Washington Post). Today, anyone can be an informed investor, and once you learn to tune out the hype and focus on meaningful factors, you can beat the Street. The Motley Fool Investment Guide, completely revised and updated with clear and witty explanations, deciphers all the current information—from evaluating individual stocks to creating a diverse investment portfolio. David and Tom Gardner have investing ideas for you, no matter how much time or money you have. This new edition of The Motley Fool Investment Guide is designed for today's investor, sophisticate and novice alike, with the latest information on: —Finding high-growth stocks that will beat the market over the long term —Identifying volatile young companies that traditional valuation measures may miss —Using online sources to locate

untapped wellsprings of vital information The Motley Fool rose to fame in the 1990s, based on its early recommendations of stocks such as Amazon.com, PayPal, eBay, and Starbucks. Now this revised edition is tailored to help investors tackle today's market. "If you've been looking for a basic book on investing in the stock market, this is it...The Gardners help empower the amateur investor with tools and strategies to beat the pros" (Chicago Tribune).

**The Little Book of Value Investing** - Christopher H. Browne 2016-05-03

There are many ways to make money in today's market, but the one strategy that has truly proven itself over the years is value investing. Now, with The Little Book of Value Investing, Christopher Browne shows you how to use this wealth-building strategy to successfully buy bargain stocks around the world.

**Why Nations Fail** - Daron Acemoglu 2013-09-17

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.

*Rule #1* - Phil Town 2006-03-21

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • "The clearest and best book out there to get you on the path to riches. This one's special!"—Jim Cramer, host of CNBC's Mad Money "Great tools for anyone wanting to dabble in the stock market."—USA Today Phil Town is a very wealthy man, but he wasn't always. In fact, he was living on a salary of \$4,000 a year when some well-timed advice launched him down a highway of investing self-education that revealed what the true "rules" are and how to make them work in one's favor. Chief among them, of course, is Rule #1: "Don't lose money." In this updated edition to the #1 national bestseller, you'll learn more of Phil's fresh, think-outside-the-box rules, including: • Don't diversify • Only buy a stock when it's on sale • Think long term—but act short term to maximize your return • And most of all, beat the big investors at their own game by using the tools designed for them! As Phil demonstrates in these pages, giant mutual funds can't help but regress to the mean—and as we've all learned in recent years, that mean could be very disappointing indeed. Fortunately, Rule #1 takes readers step-by-step through a do-it-yourself process, equipping even the biggest investing-phobes with the tools they need to make quantum leaps toward financial security—regardless of where the market is headed.

**A Wealth of Common Sense** - Ben Carlson 2015-06-22

A simple guide to a smarter strategy for the individual investor A Wealth

of Common Sense sheds a refreshing light on investing, and shows you how a simplicity-based framework can lead to better investment decisions. The financial market is a complex system, but that doesn't mean it requires a complex strategy; in fact, this false premise is the driving force behind many investors' market "mistakes." Information is important, but understanding and perspective are the keys to better decision-making. This book describes the proper way to view the markets and your portfolio, and show you the simple strategies that make investing more profitable, less confusing, and less time-consuming. Without the burden of short-term performance benchmarks, individual investors have the advantage of focusing on the long view, and the freedom to construct the kind of portfolio that will serve their investment goals best. This book proves how complex strategies essentially waste these advantages, and provides an alternative game plan for those ready to simplify. Complexity is often used as a mechanism for talking investors into unnecessary purchases, when all most need is a deeper understanding of conventional options. This book explains which issues you actually should pay attention to, and which ones are simply used for an illusion of intelligence and control. Keep up with—or beat—professional money managers Exploit stock market volatility to your utmost advantage Learn where advisors and consultants fit into smart strategy Build a portfolio that makes sense for your particular situation You don't have to outsmart the market if you can simply outperform it. Cut through the confusion and noise and focus on what actually matters. A Wealth of Common Sense clears the air, and gives you the insight you need to become a smarter, more successful investor.

**How to Value Invest** - Jason M. Rivera 2013-08-28

Throughout How To Value Invest I will show and give you access to all the best information I have learned from over the nearly five years and thousands of hours that it took me to put together. I will show you how to do various valuation techniques yourself, talk about my investment thought processes and why I did what I did, and how to put all of this information together into an excellent value investment thesis with your own personal criteria. If you study and implement the techniques and thought processes that I talk about in this book, and have or develop the proper mind-set, than you will not only be saving potentially hundreds of thousands of dollars on tuition costs, but I will also help you save thousands of hours of time of having to search the infinite internet site by site like I had to. If you continue to work hard, implement, and learn what is in the book than you too have the potential to become an excellent value investor too; one that is better than most MBA's and professional level investors at evaluating companies for potential investment. The premise of this book is very simple: You no longer need to go to an expensive Ivy League level school to learn how to become an excellent value investor, and I am going to show you the steps I took to teach myself about investing and how you too can become an excellent value investor. Almost 100% of the information I learned from was found free online but I did supplement with books which is where the minimal costs came from. If you want to become an excellent value investor faster, while also saving yourself a lot of money in the process, then continue on and learn from my value investing journey.

**The Little Book of Value Investing** - Christopher H. Browne 2010-05-27

There are many ways to make money in today's market, but the one strategy that has truly proven itself over the years is value investing. Now, with The Little Book of Value Investing, Christopher Browne shows you how to use this wealth-building strategy to successfully buy bargain stocks around the world.

**The Little Book of Behavioral Investing** - James Montier 2010-03-30

A detailed guide to overcoming the most frequently encountered psychological pitfalls of investing Bias, emotion, and overconfidence are just three of the many behavioral traits that can lead investors to lose money or achieve lower returns. Behavioral finance, which recognizes that there is a psychological element to all investor decision-making, can help you overcome this obstacle. In The Little Book of Behavioral Investing, expert James Montier takes you through some of the most important behavioral challenges faced by investors. Montier reveals the most common psychological barriers, clearly showing how emotion, overconfidence, and a multitude of other behavioral traits, can affect investment decision-making. Offers time-tested ways to identify and avoid the pitfalls of investor bias Author James Montier is one of the world's foremost behavioral analysts Discusses how to learn from our investment mistakes instead of repeating them Explores the behavioral principles that will allow you to maintain a successful investment portfolio Written in a straightforward and accessible style, The Little

Book of Behavioral Investing will enable you to identify and eliminate behavioral traits that can hinder your investment endeavors and show you how to go about achieving superior returns in the process. Praise for The Little Book Of Behavioral Investing "The Little Book of Behavioral Investing is an important book for anyone who is interested in understanding the ways that human nature and financial markets interact." —Dan Ariely, James B. Duke Professor of Behavioral Economics, Duke University, and author of Predictably Irrational "In investing, success means being on the right side of most trades. No book provides a better starting point toward that goal than this one." —Bruce Greenwald, Robert Heilbrunn Professor of Finance and Asset Management, Columbia Business School "'Know thyself.' Overcoming human instinct is key to becoming a better investor. You would be irrational if you did not read this book." —Edward Bonham-Carter, Chief Executive and Chief Investment Officer, Jupiter Asset Management "There is not an investor anywhere who wouldn't profit from reading this book." —Jeff Hochman, Director of Technical Strategy, Fidelity Investment Services Limited "James Montier gives us a very accessible version of why we as investors are so predictably irrational, and a guide to help us channel our 'Inner Spock' to make better investment decisions. Bravo!" —John Mauldin, President, Millennium Wave Investments

**Investing from Scratch** - James Lowell 2007-01-30

Fully updated—the popular guide for young investors who want to take control of their financial future A lot has changed since Investing from Scratch first appeared, and this revised edition takes it all into account for those in their 20s and 30s who are hoping to invest their way to wealth. In a straightforward style backed by useful charts and graphs, finance expert James Lowell makes it clear that you don't need to be rich to become that way in the market. Readers will learn how to: • create a budget they can live and invest with • select the most appropriate investments • design a mutual fund portfolio, and much more With easy-to-understand definitions of essential terms, up-to-date post-“Internet bubble” strategies, and fully revised charts and graphs, Investing from Scratch is an invaluable resource for future investors.

**100 to 1 in the Stock Market** - Thomas William Phelps 2015-01-01

In "100 to 1 in the Stock Market," Thomas Phelps discloses the secrets and strategies to increasing your wealth one hundredfold through buy-and-hold investing. Unlike the short-term trading trends that are popular today, Phelps's highly logical, yet radical approach focuses on identifying compounding machines in public markets, buying their stocks, and holding these investments long term for at least ten years. In this indispensable guide, Phelps analyzes what made the big companies of his day so profitable for the diligent, long-term investor. You will learn how to identify and invest in profitable business models without visible growth ceilings that will quickly increase your earnings. Worth its weight in gold (and then some), "100 to 1 in the Stock Market" illuminates the way to the path of long-term wealth for you and your heirs. With this classic, yet highly relevant approach, you will pick companies wisely and watch your investments soar Thomas William Phelps (1903 1992) spent over 40 years in the investing world working as a private investor, columnist, analyst, and financial advisor. His illustrious investing career began just before the stock market crash in 1929 and lasted into the 1970s. In 1927, he began his career with "The Wall Street Journal" where he was a reporter, news editor, and chief. Beginning in 1936, he edited "Barron's National Financial Weekly." From 1949 to 1960, he served as an assistant to the chairman and manager of the economics department at Socony Mobil Oil. Following this venture, he was a partner in the investment firm of Scudder, Stevens & Clark until his retirement in 1970. "One of the five greatest investment books you've never heard of" -- "The Daily Reckoning" "Of all the books on investing that I've read over the years, 100 to 1 in the stock market one was at once, the most pleasurable and most challenging to my own beliefs." -- Value Walk (ValueWalk.com) "For years we handed out copies of Mr. Phelps book as bonuses." -- Timothy Lutts, Cabot Investing Advice, one of the largest investment advisories and newsletters in the country since 1970"

**Richer, Wiser, Happier** - William Green 2021-04-20

From William Green, a financial journalist who has written for The New Yorker, Time, and Fortune, comes a fresh and unexpectedly profound book that draws on interviews with more than 40 of the world's super-investors to demonstrate that the keys for building wealth hold other life lessons as well.

**Value Investing** - Bruce C. Greenwald 2004-01-26

From the "guru to Wall Street's gurus" comes the fundamental techniques of value investing and their applications Bruce Greenwald is one of the leading authorities on value investing. Some of the savviest

people on Wall Street have taken his Columbia Business School executive education course on the subject. Now this dynamic and popular teacher, with some colleagues, reveals the fundamental principles of value investing, the one investment technique that has proven itself consistently over time. After covering general techniques of value investing, the book proceeds to illustrate their applications through profiles of Warren Buffett, Michael Price, Mario Gabellio, and other successful value investors. A number of case studies highlight the techniques in practice. Bruce C. N. Greenwald (New York, NY) is the Robert Heilbrunn Professor of Finance and Asset Management at Columbia University. Judd Kahn, PhD (New York, NY), is a member of Morningside Value Investors. Paul D. Sonkin (New York, NY) is the investment manager of the Hummingbird Value Fund. Michael van Biema (New York, NY) is an Assistant Professor at the Graduate School of Business, Columbia University.

#### **Easy Prey Investors** - Al Rosen 2016-09-01

Over the past twenty-five years, a series of actions, omissions, and failures by Canada's lawmakers and the purported gatekeepers of investors' rights have left Canadians' investments, pensions, and retirement savings at greater risk. Bodies such as provincial securities commissions have abandoned their obligations to safeguard investors and allowed published and audited financial statements in Canada to become unreliable. Yet these distorted financial statements are often used by financial analysts who present them as accurate, leaving investors in the dark about serious risks and negative impacts on their savings. In *Easy Prey Investors*, investigative forensic accountants Al and Mark Rosen examine the circumstances – beginning with a 1997 Supreme Court of Canada ruling that largely granted external auditors immunity against shareholder lawsuits – that have led to a proliferation of corporate scandals and other financial manipulations, and a corresponding lack of accountability among auditors. Based on their many years of experience in major Canadian court cases involving collapsed companies, the authors reveal the full stories behind the financial deceptions, and describe the disturbing consequences for investors. They show how a combination of inaction by lawmakers and illogical delegation of regulatory power to conflicted financial statement auditors has seriously harmed investors, as well as how most conventional protections have been stripped away from stakeholders. Why invest in Canada when your money can so easily be lost? Prying open doors too often sealed shut, *Easy Prey Investors* illuminates the unpleasant details of financial manipulation and suggests new ways to guide and protect investors and their families.

#### **Invest Like a Guru** - Charlie Tian 2017-03-31

Adopt the investment strategy that built Warren Buffett's fortune *Invest Like a Guru* provides an invaluable resource for high-quality-focused value investing, with expert insight and practical tools for implementation. Written by the man behind GuruFocus.com, this book expands on the site's value strategies and research tools to provide a primer for those exploring pathways to higher returns at lower risk. The book begins with an insightful explanation of high-quality-focused value investing concepts, then quickly moves into practical, detailed guidance on analysis, valuation, key factors, and risks to avoid. Case studies demonstrate real-world application of various analysis methods, and the discussion walks you through important calculations using real examples. Author Charlie Tian draws upon his own experiences and lessons learned to provide true insight on high-quality-focused value investing as a strategy, providing both reference and expert advice in this singularly useful guide. Warren Buffett once said, "I would rather buy good companies at fair prices than buy fair companies at good prices." That's how he built his fortune, and his method is what we now call high-quality-focused value investing. This book shows you how to determine what constitutes "good companies" and "fair prices," with practical tools for real-world application. Learn the principles and concepts of high-quality-focused value investing Understand the analysis process and valuation of prospective investments Avoid the value traps that can trigger permanent losses Study clear examples of key ratios and calculations We can't all become the next Warren Buffett, but we can boost returns while reducing risk using the right investment strategy. High-quality-focused value investing provides a path to profit, and *Invest Like a Guru* is the one-of-a-kind guidebook for getting on track.

#### *The Eureka Factor* - John Kounios 2015-04-14

In a book perfect for readers of Charles Duhigg's *The Power of Habit*, David Eagleman's *Incognito*, and Leonard Mlodinow's *Subliminal*, the cognitive neuroscientists who discovered how the brain has aha moments—sudden creative insights—explain how they happen, when we

need them, and how we can have more of them to enrich our lives and empower personal and professional success. Eureka or aha moments are sudden realizations that expand our understanding of the world and ourselves, conferring both personal growth and practical advantage. Such creative insights, as psychological scientists call them, were what conveyed an important discovery in the science of genetics to Nobel laureate Barbara McClintock, the melody of a Beatles ballad to Paul McCartney, and an understanding of the cause of human suffering to the Buddha. But these moments of clarity are not given only to the famous. Anyone can have them. In *The Eureka Factor*, John Kounios and Mark Beeman explain how insights arise and what the scientific research says about stimulating more of them. They discuss how various conditions affect the likelihood of your having an insight, when insight is helpful and when deliberate methodical thought is better suited to a task, what the relationship is between insight and intuition, and how the brain's right hemisphere contributes to creative thought. Written in a lively, engaging style, this book goes beyond scientific principles to offer productive techniques for realizing your creative potential—at home and at work. The authors provide compelling anecdotes to illustrate how eureka experiences can be a key factor in your life. Attend a dinner party with Christopher Columbus to learn why we need insights. Go to a baseball game with the director of a classic Disney Pixar movie to learn about one important type of aha moment. Observe the behind-the-scenes arrangements for an Elvis Presley concert to learn why the timing of insights is crucial. Accessible and compelling, *The Eureka Factor* is a fascinating look at the human brain and its seemingly infinite capacity to surprise us. Praise for *The Eureka Factor* "Delicious . . . In *The Eureka Factor*, neuroscientists John Kounios and Mark Beeman give many other examples of [a] kind of lightning bolt of insight, but back this up with the latest brain-imaging research."—*Newsweek* "An incredible accomplishment . . . [The *Eureka Factor*] is not just a chronicle of the journey that numerous scientists (including the authors) have taken to examine insight but is also a fascinating guide to how advances in science are made in general. Messrs. Kounios and Beeman examine how a parade of clever experiments can be designed to answer specific questions and rule out alternative possibilities. . . . Wonderful ideas appear as if out of nowhere—and we are delighted."—*The Wall Street Journal* "An excellent title for those interested in neuroscience or creativity . . . The writing is engaging and readable, mixing stories of famous perceptions with explanations of how such revelations happen."—*Library Journal* (starred review) "A lively and accessible 'brain' book with wide appeal."—*Booklist* "[An] ingenious, thoughtful update on how the mind works."—*Kirkus Reviews* "The *Eureka Factor* presents a fascinating and illuminating account of the creative process and how to foster it."—James J. Heckman, Nobel laureate in economics

#### Big Mistakes - Michael Batnick 2018-05-22

A Must-Read for Any Investor Looking to Maximize Their Chances of Success *Big Mistakes: The Best Investors and Their Worst Investments* explores the ways in which the biggest names have failed, and reveals the lessons learned that shaped more successful strategies going forward. Investing can be a rollercoaster of highs and lows, and the investors detailed here show just how low it can go; stories from Warren Buffet, Bill Ackman, Chris Sacca, Jack Bogle, Mark Twain, John Maynard Keynes, and many more illustrate the simple but overlooked concept that investing is really hard, whether you're managing a few thousand dollars or a few billion, failures and losses are part of the game. Much more than just anecdotal diversion, these stories set the basis for the book's critical focus: learning from mistakes. These investors all recovered from their missteps, and moved forward armed with a wealth of knowledge than can only come from experience. Lessons learned through failure carry a weight that no textbook can convey, and in the case of these legendary investors, informed a set of skills and strategy that propelled them to the top. Research-heavy and grounded in realism, this book is a must-read for any investor looking to maximize their chances of success. Learn the most common ways even successful investors fail Learn from the mistakes of the greats to avoid losing ground Anticipate challenges and obstacles, and develop an advance plan Exercise caution when warranted, and only take the smart risks While learning from your mistakes is always a valuable experience, learning from the mistakes of others gives you the benefit of wisdom without the consequences of experience. *Big Mistakes: The Best Investors and Their Worst Investments* provides an incomparable, invaluable resource for investors of all stripes.

#### Trade Like Warren Buffett - James Altucher 2005-04-08

"Trading is notoriously tough. But Altucher's new book adds anote-worthy

addition to the library on Warren Buffett. He shows a lot of Buffett that isn't readily available in the existing common literature. Definitely required reading for any serious Buffett buff." -Kenneth L. Fisher, Forbes' "Portfolio Strategy" Columnist Founder and CEO, Fisher Investments "Finally, someone blows apart the myth that Warren Buffett is a buy-and-hold investor. Altucher has given us an insightful and well-written commentary on how Buffett has amassed his track record, and what we can do to emulate him. He details the trade-by-trade examples. This is a must read for anyone wanting to learn about how the Master Investor works." -John Mauldin, author, Bull's Eye Investing editor of Thoughts from the Frontline ([www.2000wave.com](http://www.2000wave.com)) While Warren Buffett is considered the "world's greatest value investor," there's another side to Buffett that is rarely talked about. Although Buffett has gained recognition for his value investing approach to the markets, the fact is that nobody over the past fifty years has traded and invested with a more diverse group of strategies than Buffett. Trade Like Warren Buffett challenges the current coverage of this great investor by including details of all of Buffett's investing and trading methods, including mean reversion, commodities, bonds, arbitrage, market timing, funds, as well as Graham-Dodd. To augment the discussion of each strategy, Trade Like Warren Buffett also includes interviews with leading financial professionals, who reveal in detail how they've successfully used the same techniques. There is no one way to sum up Warren Buffett's investment style. But if you're interested in boosting the performance of your portfolio, Trade Like Warren Buffett can show you how.

**The Education of a Value Investor** - Guy Spier 2014-09-09

What happens when a young Wall Street investment banker spends a small fortune to have lunch with Warren Buffett? He becomes a real value investor. In this fascinating inside story, Guy Spier details his career from Harvard MBA to hedge fund manager. But the path was not so straightforward. Spier reveals his transformation from a Gordon Gekko wannabe, driven by greed, to a sophisticated investor who enjoys success without selling his soul to the highest bidder. Spier's journey is similar to the thousands that flock to Wall Street every year with their shiny new diplomas, aiming to be King of Wall Street. Yet what Guy realized just in the nick of time was that the King really lived 1,500 miles away in Omaha, Nebraska. Spier determinedly set out to create a new career in his own way. Along the way he learned some powerful lessons which include: why the right mentors and partners are critical to long term success on Wall Street; why a top-notch education can sometimes get in the way of your success; that real learning doesn't begin until you are on your own; and how the best lessons from Warren Buffett have less to do with investing and more to do with being true to yourself. Spier also reveals some of his own winning investment strategies, detailing deals that were winners but also what he learned from deals that went south. Part memoir, part Wall Street advice, and part how-to, Guy Spier takes readers on a ride through Wall Street but more importantly provides those that want to take a different path with the insight, guidance, and inspiration they need to carve out their own definition of success.

**Strategic Value Investing: Practical Techniques of Leading Value Investors** - Stephen Horan 2013-10-18

Benjamin Graham referred to it as his "margin of safety." Seth Klarman favors it over all other investment methods. Warren Buffett uses it to make millions for his investors. It's called value investing, and you can make it work wonders for your portfolio. All you need is money to invest, a little patience—and this book. Strategic Value Investing reveals everything you need to know to build a world-class portfolio using value investing as your north star. Written by experts on valuation and financial analysis, this comprehensive guide breaks it all down into an easy-to-implement process. The authors explain the ins and outs of determining when a stock is undervalued, then purchasing it and selling it for a profit when the rest of the world learns what you knew all along. With Strategic Value Investing, you'll learn how to: Distinguish between the various measures of value, including going concern, replacement value, fair market value, book value, and intrinsic value Identify undervalued companies before everyone else, and know what to look for, what to avoid, when to buy, and when to sell The authors teach you how to establish a dispassionate value investing philosophy tailored to your needs. Equally important, they provide the tools you need to adhere to this often contrarian approach regardless of your emotions or crowd sentiment. Get in before the crowd—and get out when the price is right with Strategic Value Investing. Praise for Strategic Value Investing "A book that has much the same character as a good value investor: calm, disciplined, with a grasp both of broad theory and of how to apply it."

—JOHN AUTHERS, senior investment columnist, Financial Times "This comprehensive look at valuation techniques is not only insightful, but can be easily put to use by individual and professional investors alike."

—CHARLES ROTBLUT, CFA, Vice President, the American Association of Individual Investors "Offers a sound fundamental perspective for those looking to deepen their analysis around stocks. A great resource for all types of value investors." —HEATHER BRILLIANT, CFA, global head of equity research at Morningstar and member of the CFA Institute Board of Governors

"This book is of Real Value! It updates the pioneering work of Ben Graham and Phillip Fisher, blending the valuation techniques of the masters (such as Warren Buffett) and provides institutional and individual investors the A to Z of value investing from a practitioner perspective." —JOHN MAGINN, CFA, EVP & CIO, Mutual of Omaha (retired) and coeditor of Managing Investment Portfolios "An actionable road map for implementing a disciplined value investing strategy. Very much in the Ben Graham style. The sophisticated individual investor will find this comprehensive digest a continual and timeless reference."

—WALLACE FORBES, CFA, President of Forbes Investors Advisory Institute, Division of Forbes magazine "Many books propose to help you learn how to become a better value investor. This one, which is bound to become a staple of every value investor's library, delivers on its promise." —ROBERT POWELL, editor of Retirement Weekly and columnist of "MarketWatch"

**Charlie Munger** - Tren Griffin 2015-09-15

Charlie Munger, Berkshire Hathaway's visionary vice chairman and Warren Buffett's indispensable financial partner, has outperformed market indexes again and again, and he believes any investor can do the same. His notion of "elementary, worldly wisdom"—a set of interdisciplinary mental models involving economics, business, psychology, ethics, and management—allows him to keep his emotions out of his investments and avoid the common pitfalls of bad judgment. Munger's system has steered his investments for forty years and has guided generations of successful investors. This book presents the essential steps of Munger's investing strategy, condensed here for the first time from interviews, speeches, writings, and shareholder letters, and paired with commentary from fund managers, value investors, and business-case historians. Derived from Ben Graham's value-investing system, Munger's approach is straightforward enough that ordinary investors can apply it to their portfolios. This book is not simply about investing. It is about cultivating mental models for your whole life, but especially for your investments.

**The Dhandho Investor** - Mohnish Pabrai 2011-01-06

A comprehensive value investing framework for the individual investor In a straightforward and accessible manner, The Dhandho Investor lays out the powerful framework of value investing. Written with the intelligent individual investor in mind, this comprehensive guide distills the Dhandho capital allocation framework of the business savvy Patels from India and presents how they can be applied successfully to the stock market. The Dhandho method expands on the groundbreaking principles of value investing expounded by Benjamin Graham, Warren Buffett, and Charlie Munger. Readers will be introduced to important value investing concepts such as "Heads, I win! Tails, I don't lose that much!", "Few Bets, Big Bets, Infrequent Bets," Abhimanyu's dilemma, and a detailed treatise on using the Kelly Formula to invest in undervalued stocks. Using a light, entertaining style, Pabrai lays out the Dhandho framework in an easy-to-use format. Any investor who adopts the framework is bound to improve on results and soundly beat the markets and most professionals.

**The Investment Checklist** - Michael Shearn 2011-09-20

A practical guide to making more informed investment decisions Investors often buy or sell stocks too quickly. When you base your purchase decisions on isolated facts and don't take the time to thoroughly understand the businesses you are buying, stock-price swings and third-party opinion can lead to costly investment mistakes. Your decision making at this point becomes dangerous because it is dominated by emotions. The Investment Checklist has been designed to help you develop an in-depth research process, from generating and researching investment ideas to assessing the quality of a business and its management team. The purpose of The Investment Checklist is to help you implement a principled investing strategy through a series of checklists. In it, a thorough and comprehensive research process is made simpler through the use of straightforward checklists that will allow you to identify quality investment opportunities. Each chapter contains detailed demonstrations of how and where to find the information necessary to answer fundamental questions about investment

opportunities. Real-world examples of how investment managers and CEOs apply these universal principles are also included and help bring the concepts to life. These checklists will help you consider a fuller range of possibilities in your investment strategy, enhance your ability to value your investments by giving you a holistic view of the business and each of its moving parts, identify the risks you are taking, and much more. Offers valuable insights into one of the most important aspects of successful investing, in-depth research. Written in an accessible style that allows aspiring investors to easily understand and apply the concepts covered. Discusses how to think through your investment decisions more carefully. With The Investment Checklist, you'll quickly be able to ascertain how well you understand your investments by the questions you are able to answer, or not answer, without making the costly mistakes that usually hinder other investors.

**The Complete Financial History of Berkshire Hathaway** - Adam J. Mead 2021-04-13

For the first time the complete financial history of Berkshire Hathaway is available under one cover in chronological format. Beginning at the origins of the predecessor companies in the textile industry, the reader can examine the development of the modern-day conglomerate year-by-year and decade-by-decade, watching as the struggling textile company morphs into what it has become today. This comprehensive analysis distills over 10,000 pages of research material, including Buffett's Chairman's letters, Berkshire Hathaway annual reports and SEC filings, annual meeting transcripts, subsidiary financials, and more. The analysis of each year is supplemented with Buffett's own commentary where relevant, and examines all important acquisitions, investments, and other capital allocation decisions. The appendices contain balance sheets, income statements, statements of cash flows, and key ratios dating back to the 1930s, materials brought together for the first time. The structure of the book allows the new student to follow the logic, reasoning, and capital allocation decisions made by Warren Buffett and Charlie Munger from the very beginning. Existing Berkshire shareholders and long-time observers will find new information and refreshing analysis, and a convenient reference guide to the decades of financial moves that built the modern-day respected enterprise that is Berkshire Hathaway.

**Book of Value** - Anurag Sharma 2016-09-06

Financial markets are noisy and full of half-baked opinions, innuendo, and misinformation. With deep insights about investor psychology, *Book of Value* shows how to apply tools of business analysis to sort through the deceptions and self-deceptions in financial markets. Anurag Sharma joins philosophy with practical know-how to launch an integrated approach to building high-performance stock portfolios. Investors at all skill levels should learn to be mindful of their psychological biases so they may better frame investment choices. *Book of Value* teaches novices that investing is not a game of luck but a skill—and it teaches the emotional and analytical tools necessary to play it well. Intermediate investors learn how to effectively control emotions when investing and think strategically about their investment program. Advanced investors see the formalization of what they already know intuitively: that the philosopher's methods for seeking truth can be profitably applied to make smart investments. A groundbreaking guide full of lasting value, *Book of Value* should be on the shelf of anyone who takes investing seriously.

**Mosaic** - Mohnish Pabrai 2006

**The Little Book That Builds Wealth** - Pat Dorsey 2010-12-28

In *The Little Book That Builds Wealth*, author Pat Dorsey—the Director of Equity Research for leading independent investment research provider Morningstar, Inc.—reveals why competitive advantages, or economic moats, are such strong indicators of great long-term investments and examines four of their most common sources: intangible assets, cost advantages, customer-switching costs, and network economics. Along the way, he skillfully outlines this proven approach and reveals how you can effectively apply it to your own investment endeavors.

**Women of The Street** - M. Jones 2015-05-26

Women invest differently than men. Collectively, their approach has proven profitable and reliable, and it outperforms the industry at large. The portfolio managers interviewed in this book exemplify the best traits that women investors tend to exhibit. Read *Women of the Street* to learn from them and start investing a little more like a girl.

**Accounting for Value** - Stephen Penman 2010-12-30

*Accounting for Value* teaches investors and analysts how to handle accounting in evaluating equity investments. The book's novel approach shows that valuation and accounting are much the same: valuation is

actually a matter of accounting for value. Laying aside many of the tools of modern finance—the cost-of-capital, the CAPM, and discounted cash flow analysis—Stephen Penman returns to the common-sense principles that have long guided fundamental investing: price is what you pay but value is what you get; the risk in investing is the risk of paying too much; anchor on what you know rather than speculation; and beware of paying too much for speculative growth. Penman puts these ideas in touch with the quantification supplied by accounting, producing practical tools for the intelligent investor. Accounting for value provides protection from paying too much for a stock and clues the investor in to the likely return from buying growth. Strikingly, the analysis finesses the need to calculate a "cost-of-capital," which often frustrates the application of modern valuation techniques. Accounting for value recasts "value" versus "growth" investing and explains such curiosities as why earnings-to-price and book-to-price ratios predict stock returns. By the end of the book, Penman has the intelligent investor thinking like an intelligent accountant, better equipped to handle the bubbles and crashes of our time. For accounting regulators, Penman also prescribes a formula for intelligent accounting reform, engaging with such controversial issues as fair value accounting.

**The Joys of Compounding** - Gautam Baid 2020-06-02

Value investing is not just a system for success in the market. It is also an intellectual toolkit for achieving a deeper understanding of the world. In *The Joys of Compounding*, the value investor Gautam Baid builds a holistic approach to value investing and philosophy from his wide-ranging reading, combining practical approaches, self-cultivation, and business wisdom. Distilling investment and life lessons into a comprehensive guide, Baid integrates the strategies and wisdom of preeminent figures whose teachings have stood the test of time. Drawing on the work of investing greats like Warren Buffett, Charlie Munger, and Ben Graham, as well as philosophers and scholars, he artfully interweaves the lessons learned from his many teachers. Baid demonstrates their practical applications in the areas of business, investing, and decision making and also shows that these ideas can be applied to one's own life with just as much reward. A celebration of the value investing discipline, this book also recounts Baid's personal experiences, testifying to his belief that the best investment you can make is an investment in yourself. *The Joys of Compounding* offers curated reflections on life and learning for all investors, investment enthusiasts, and readers seeking a dose of practical wisdom. This revised and updated edition highlights Baid's distinctive voice.

**Good Stocks Cheap: Value Investing with Confidence for a Lifetime of Stock Market Outperformance** - Kenneth Jeffrey Marshall 2017-06-23

Power through the ups and downs of the market with the Value Investing Model. Stock prices fluctuate unpredictably. But company values stay relatively steady. This insight is the basis of value investing, the capital management strategy that performs best over the long term. With *Good Stocks Cheap*, you can get started in value investing right now. Longtime outperforming value investor, professor, and international speaker Kenneth Jeffrey Marshall provides step-by-step guidance for creating your own value investing success story. You'll learn how to:

- Master any company with fundamental analysis
- Distinguish between a company's stock price from its worth
- Measure your own investment performance honestly
- Identify the right price at which to buy stock in a winning company
- Hold quality stocks fearlessly during market swings
- Secure the fortitude necessary to make the right choices and take the right actions

Marshall leaves no stone unturned. He covers all the fundamental terms, concepts, and skills that make value investing so effective. He does so in a way that's modern and engaging, making the strategy accessible to any motivated person regardless of education, experience, or profession. His plain explanations and simple examples welcome both investing newcomers and veterans. *Good Stocks Cheap* is your way forward because the Value Investing Model turns market gyrations into opportunities. It works in bubbles by showing which companies are likely to excel over time, and in downturns by revealing which of these leading businesses are the most underpriced. Build a powerful portfolio poised to deliver outstanding outcomes over a lifetime. Put the strength of value investing to work for you with *Good Stocks Cheap*.

**The Acquirer's Multiple** - Tobias E. Carlisle 2017-10-16

*The Acquirer's Multiple: How the Billionaire Contrarians of Deep Value Beat the Market* is an easy-to-read account of deep value investing. The book shows how investors Warren Buffett, Carl Icahn, David Einhorn and Dan Loeb got started and how they do it. Carlisle combines engaging stories with research and data to show how you can do it too. Written by

an active value investor, The Acquirer's Multiple provides an insider's view on deep value investing. The Acquirer's Multiple covers: How the billionaire contrarians invest How Warren Buffett got started The history of activist hedge funds How to Beat the Little Book That Beats the Market A simple way to value stocks: The Acquirer's Multiple The secret

to beating the market How Carl Icahn got started How David Einhorn and Dan Loeb got started The 9 rules of deep value The Acquirer's Multiple: How the Billionaire Contrarians of Deep Value Beat the Market provides a simple summary of the way deep value investors find stocks that beat the market.