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For today's time-strapped manager or professional, setting aside time to brush up on key management skills is almost impossible. Luckily, Harvard Business Review's 20-Minute Manager Collection is here to help. Designed to get you up to speed quickly, with learnings you can apply immediately, this digital collection will help you sharpen the most essential business skills. This set includes full digital editions of all eight books in the series, including HBR's 20-Minute Managers on: Finance Basics, Presentations, Managing Projects, Delegating, Running Meetings, Managing Time, Managing Up, and Creating Business Plans. Each of these is primer on these necessary skills—all from the most trusted name in business. Whether you're looking for a crash course or a brief refresher, you'll find just what you need to succeed in the HBR 20-Minute Manager Collection. About the HBR 20-Minute Manager series: Get up to speed fast on essential business skills. Whether you're looking for a crash course or a brief refresher, you'll find just what you need in HBR's 20-Minute Manager series—foundational reading for ambitious professionals and aspiring executives. Each book is a concise, practical primer, so you'll have time to brush up on a variety of key management topics. Advice you can quickly read and apply, from the most trusted source in business.

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Today we have greater control over where and when we work. As our businesses spread across the world and technology makes it easy to do our jobs from anywhere there's Wi-Fi, more of us have the option to go remote. But that doesn't mean we're good at it. Whether you're calling in from a home office every day or one of your team members occasionally logs in from the quiet car on a train, distance can make collaboration more difficult. Remote work gives teams flexibility and options, but when you're not face-to-face with colleagues, it's difficult to set and manage expectations, deal with inevitable tech glitches, keep your people (and yourself) motivated and engaged, and infuse warmth and personality into the blunt communication tools you're using. The Virtual Manager Collection gives you the solutions you need to be productive, whether you're managing a team, a project, or just your own work. This specially priced three-volume set includes *Virtual Collaboration*, *Running Virtual Meetings*, and *Leading Virtual Teams*. Tips and strategies cover:

- getting your technology up and running—and keeping it there
- building and maintaining relationships from afar
- communicating well through a variety of media
- running productive virtual meetings
- setting and managing expectations for your work
- leading geographically dispersed teams

This set has the practical advice, insights, and tools you need to work well, no matter where you are. Don't have much time? Get up to speed fast on the most essential business skills with HBR's 20-Minute Manager series. Whether you need a crash course or a brief refresher, each book in the series is a concise, practical primer that will help

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Feeling stressed about your upcoming presentation? Whether you're nervous about how you'll organize your thoughts or how you'll articulate them on the big day, *Presentations* provides the quick guidelines and expert tips you need to: Craft your message Prepare and rehearse effectively Engage your audience Manage Q&A sessions Don't have much time? Get up to speed fast on the most essential business skills with HBR's 20-Minute Manager series. Whether you need a crash course or a brief refresher, each book in the series is a concise, practical primer that will help you brush up on a key management topic. Advice you can quickly read and apply, for ambitious professionals and aspiring executives—from the most trusted source in business. Also available as an ebook.

The Groundbreaking Strengths Assessment from the Leader of the Strengths Revolution In the years since the publication of *First, Break All the Rules* and *Now, Discover Your Strengths*, millions have come to the simple but powerful realization that to get the most out of people, you must build on their strengths. And yet, as Marcus Buckingham astutely points out, though the strengths-based approach is now conventional wisdom, the tools and systems inside organizations—performance appraisals, training programs, and succession planning systems—remain stubbornly remedial and exclusively focused on

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measuring skills, finding gaps, and attempting to plug them. It's a crisis for individuals and organizations, with management ideas and everyday practice utterly out of sync. That's about to change. StandOut 2.0 is a revolutionary book and tool that enables you to identify your strengths, and those of your team, and act on them. The original edition of StandOut provided top-notch insights from one of the world's foremost authorities on strengths, as well as access to a powerful, cutting-edge online assessment tool. StandOut 2.0 also includes the assessment and a robust report on your most dominant strengths. The report is easily exported so you can use it to present the very best of yourself to your team and your company. StandOut 2.0 is your indispensable guide for building on your strengths to further your career—and help your team and organization win.

HBR's 10 Must Reads on Managing People, Vol. 2 (with bonus article "The Feedback Fallacy" by Marcus Buckingham and Ashley Goodall)

The HBR Essential 20-Minute Manager Collection (5 Books) (HBR 20-Minute Manager Series)

Self-Awareness (HBR Emotional Intelligence Series)
Simple, Effective, Done Right

HBR 20-Minute Manager Boxed Set (10 Books) (HBR 20-Minute Manager Series)

A plan for conquering collaborative overload to drive performance and innovation, reduce burnout, and enhance well-being. Most organizations have created always-on work contexts that

are burning people out and hurting performance rather than delivering productivity, innovation and engagement. Collaborative work consumes 85% of employees' time and is drifting earlier into the morning, later into the night, and deeper into the weekend. The dilemma is that we all need to collaborate more to create effective organizations and vibrant careers for ourselves. But conventional wisdom on teamwork and collaboration has created too much of the wrong kind of collaboration, which hurts our performance, health and overall well-being. In *Beyond Collaboration Overload*, Babson professor Rob Cross solves this paradox by showing how top performers who thrive at work collaborate in a more purposeful way that makes them 18-24% more efficient than their peers. Good collaborators are distinguished by the efficiency and intentionality of their collaboration—not the size of their network or the length of their workday. Through landmark research with more than 300 organizations, in-depth stories, and tools, *Beyond Collaboration Overload* will coach you to reclaim close

to a day a week when you: Identify and challenge beliefs that lead you to collaborate too quickly Impose structure in your work to prevent unproductive collaboration Alter behaviors to create more efficient collaboration It then outlines how successful people invest this reclaimed time to: Cultivate a broad network—not a big one—for innovation and scale Energize others—a strong predictor of high performance Connect with others to reduce micro-stressors and enhance physical and mental well-being Cross' framework provides relief from the definitive problem of our age—dysfunctional collaboration at the expense of our performance, health and overall well-being.

Whether you're new to running meetings or a seasoned executive with no time to waste, leading effective (and even pleasant!) meetings is a must. Running Meetings guides you through the basics of: Crafting a useful agenda Inviting the right team members Making sure everyone's voice is heard while avoiding conflict Capturing decisions, ideas, and follow-up tasks Don't have much time? Get up to speed fast on the most

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If you manage a team, you need to be able to measure and manage their performance. From establishing a performance review cycle and building toward your year-end assessment, to providing individual feedback and coaching and establishing group cohesion and accountability, this collection teaches you the skills you need to inspire your team to greater success. This specially priced four-volume set includes books from the HBR Guide series on the topics of Performance Management, Coaching Employees, Delivering Effective Feedback, and Leading Teams. You'll learn how to: Set--and adapt--employee and team goals Assess performance

fairly Coach your employees through tough situations React calmly if someone gets defensive when you deliver feedback Create plans for individual development Rethink how you use performance ratings Avoid burnout on your team Foster group camaraderie and cooperation Hold your team accountable Arm yourself with the advice you need to succeed on the job, with the most trusted brand in business. Packed with how-to essentials from leading experts, the HBR Guides provide smart answers to your most pressing work challenges. The one primer you need to develop your managerial and leadership skills. Whether you're a new manager or looking to have more influence in your current management role, the challenges you face come in all shapes and sizes—a direct report's anxious questions, your boss's last-minute assignment of an important presentation, or a blank business case staring you in the face. To reach your full potential in these situations, you need to master a new set of business and personal skills. Packed with step-by-step advice and wisdom from Harvard Business Review's

management archive, the HBR Manager's Handbook provides best practices on topics from understanding key financial statements and the fundamentals of strategy to emotional intelligence and building your employees' trust. The book's brief sections allow you to home in quickly on the solutions you need right away—or take a deeper dive if you need more context. Keep this comprehensive guide with you throughout your career and be a more impactful leader in your organization. In the HBR Manager's Handbook you'll find:

- Step-by-step guidance through common managerial tasks**
- Short sections and chapters that you can turn to quickly as a need arises**
- Self-assessments throughout**
- Exercises and templates to help you practice and apply the concepts in the book**
- Concise explanations of the latest research and thinking on important management skills from Harvard Business Review experts such as Dan Goleman, Clayton Christensen, John Kotter, and Michael Porter**
- Real-life stories from working managers**
- Recaps and action items at the end of each chapter that allow you to reinforce or**

**review the ideas quickly The skills covered in the book include: -
Transitioning into a leadership role -
Building trust and credibility -
Developing emotional intelligence -
Becoming a person of influence -
Developing yourself as a leader - Giving effective feedback - Leading teams -
Fostering creativity - Mastering the basics of strategy - Learning to use financial tools - Developing a business case**

The steps you need, for the results you want. There's no shortage of advice out there on how to perform better, and better than others, at work. The problem is knowing which methods are actually proven to work--and how you should act on them to get the best results. In 8 Steps to High Performance, talent expert and bestselling author Marc Effron cuts through the noise with his signature "science-based simplicity" approach to identify what matters most and show you how to optimally apply your time and effort to boost your performance. It turns out that higher performance comes from doing many things well--but some of those things are not in your power to

change. Effron reveals the eight key factors you do control and practical steps for improving yourself on each one. You'll learn: How to set goals that create higher performance Which behaviors predict higher performance in different situations How to quickly develop the most important capabilities Who to connect with and why How to understand and adapt to your company's strategy Why you sometimes shouldn't be the "genuine" you How to best manage your body to sustain your performance How to avoid management fads that distract you from high performance Research-based, practical, and filled with self-assessments, tools, and templates to support your performance goals at work, this short, powerful book will help you and anyone on your team deliver outstanding results.

HBR's 10 Must Reads for New Managers (with bonus article "How Managers Become Leaders" by Michael D. Watkins) (HBR's 10 Must Reads)

**Harvard Business Review Guides Ultimate Boxed Set (16 Books)
Bias Interrupted**

**What Makes a Leader? (Harvard Business
Review Classics)
Coaching with Compassion for Lifelong
Learning and Growth
Assess Your Strengths, Find Your Edge,
Win at Work**

Performance Reviews (HBR 20-Minute Manager
Series) Harvard Business School Press

A manager's job is getting harder to do. But the central question for all managers - the one that separates great managers from the rest- is how to get the most from your people. What do you do when your most talented people fall short of their potential, or worse, fall off their game for awhile? How do you inspire a solid contributor to even more stellar performance? How do you find that spark? And turn it into a burning flame? According to best-selling author and psychiatrist, Ned Hallowell, it's all in the brain. Creating that spark and inspiring someone to perform at their highest levels isn't rocket science; but it is brain science, and it has yet to be codified into a simple and reliable process that all managers can use. Drawing from his expertise helping people reach their full potential and synthesizing the latest research on happiness, brain science, and performance, Hallowell does exactly that -- he offers a five step process that leads to peak performance. Based on the latest findings in the fast-moving field of high performance research and rooted in the work of Martin Seligman, Dan Gilbert, Marcus Buckingham, Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi, John Ratey, and many other experts in psychology and neuroscience, this

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book gives managers a simple and coherent framework for getting the best out of people: (1) Selection - how to put people in the right job, and give them the responsibilities that literally make their brains "light up;" (2) Connection - how to overcome the powerful forces that disconnect us interpersonally in today's workplace, and how to restore the positive connections that fuel superior performance; (3) Play - why play is essential to peak performance, and how managers can get it right; (4) Progress - when the pressure is on, how to challenge the right person at the right time; (5) Recognition - why reward systems always decrease peak performance, and how managers can finally get this right

The value of the five steps is that each step builds on another. For instance, there's no point in challenging an employee to go beyond their personal best if you haven't bothered to ensure first that you've got them in the right job. And there's no way to successfully get someone to think more creatively if you haven't first established the personal connection with her so that she knows her wild ideas will be taken seriously. And there's no point in demanding more, if you haven't first given employees a chance to engage their imagination and play around with the things that "light up their brains."

Especially in times of mental overload and stress, when invoking people to suck it up or work even harder isn't an effective management tool, managers need a new game plan, like the one in this book, for helping their people perform at their best.

Develop the mindset and presence to successfully manage others for the first time. If you read nothing else on becoming a new manager, read these 10 articles. We've

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combed through hundreds of Harvard Business Review articles and selected the most important ones to help you transition from being an outstanding individual contributor to becoming a great manager of others. This book will inspire you to:

- Develop your emotional intelligence
- Influence your colleagues through the science of persuasion
- Assess your team and enhance its performance
- Network effectively to achieve business goals and for personal advancement
- Navigate relationships with employees, bosses, and peers
- Get support from above
- View the big picture in your decision making
- Balance your team's work and personal life in a high-intensity workplace

This collection of articles includes "Becoming the Boss," by Linda A. Hill; "Leading the Team You Inherit," by Michael D. Watkins; "Saving Your Rookie Managers from Themselves," by Carol A. Walker; "Managing the High-Intensity Workplace," by Erin Reid and Lakshmi Ramarajan; "Harnessing the Science of Persuasion," Robert B. Cialdini; "What Makes a Leader?" by Daniel Goleman; "The Authenticity Paradox," by Herminia Ibarra; "Managing Your Boss," by John J. Gabarro and John P. Kotter; "How Leaders Create and Use Networks," by Herminia Ibarra and Mark Lee Hunter; "Management Time: Who's Got the Monkey?" by William Oncken, Jr., and Donald L. Wass; and **BONUS ARTICLE:** "How Managers Become Leaders," by Michael D. Watkins.

You've been asked to manage a key project--or perhaps you've volunteered for an assignment that could advance your career. So how do you make sure the project succeeds? *Managing Projects* walks you quickly through

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the basics, including: Drawing up a realistic schedule and project plan
Monitoring key tasks and benchmarks
Communicating with stakeholders
Bringing the project to a close
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Conducting performance reviews can be stressful. But these conversations are critical to your employees' development, allowing you to formally communicate with them about their accomplishments relative to their goals. Performance Reviews guides you through the basics. You'll learn to: Gather and analyze the right information
Document your assessment
Address performance problems
Set challenging goals
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Helping People Change
Measuring Performance
Corporate Culture and Performance

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The Science and Art of Receiving Feedback Well
A Freethinking Leader's Guide to the Real World
HBR Guide to Delivering Effective Feedback (HBR Guide Series)

Organizations want--and need--to track the changes in their overall performance. And the divisions, units, teams, and individuals within these organizations engage in similar success measurement. Performance Measurement explains the importance of regularly monitoring your group's performance and introduces formal measurement practices. You'll learn to Apply a disciplined process to performance measurement Set targets and communicate data effectively Use performance management as a coaching and development tool Meet Your Mentor Robert S. Kaplan is Baker Foundation Professor at the Harvard Business School and Chairman of the Practice Leadership Committee of Palladium, Executing Strategy. He has authored or coauthored 14 books, 18 Harvard Business Review articles, and more than 120 other papers. The Pocket Mentor series offers immediate solutions to the challenges managers face on the job every day. Each book in the series is packed with handy tools, self-tests, and real-life examples to help you identify strengths and weaknesses and hone critical skills. Whether you're at your desk, in a meeting, or on the road, these portable guides enable you to tackle the daily demands of your work with greater speed, savvy, and effectiveness. Conducting performance reviews can be stressful. But these conversations are critical to your employees' development, allowing you to formally communicate with

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You have to talk with a colleague about a fraught situation, but you're worried that they'll yell, or blame you, or shut down. You fear your emotions could block you from a resolution. But you can communicate in a way that's constructive--not combative. Difficult Conversations walks you through: Uncovering the root cause of friction Maintaining a positive mind-set Untangling the problem together Agreeing on a way forward

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You'll get up to speed fast on the most essential business skills with this set of concise, practical primers. Finance Basics explains the fundamentals of corporate finance—and its jargon; Running Meetings gives you the tools and checklists you need to keep your meetings effective and efficient; Presentations helps you create and deliver a persuasive performance, fast; Managing Projects shows you how to set up and execute on a project plan; Managing Time helps you to figure out where all the minutes of your day are going—and how to get them under control; Getting Work Done helps you to use each of those minutes more productively; Creating Business Plans shows you how to present the risks and rewards of your idea; Managing Up helps you to build your relationship with your boss; Delegating Work shows you how to hand work off right; and Giving Effective Feedback teaches you how to make potentially difficult confrontations and turn them into productive conversations. This 10-volume, specially priced boxed set makes a perfect gift for aspiring leaders who are short on time but need advice fast. Get up to speed fast on essential business skills. Whether you're looking for a crash course or a brief refresher, you'll find just what you need in HBR's 20-Minute Manager series—foundational reading for ambitious professionals and aspiring executives. Each book is a concise, practical primer, so you'll have time to brush up on a variety of key management topics. Advice you can quickly read and apply, from the most trusted source in business. Forget what you know about the world of work You crave feedback. Your organization's culture is the key to its

success. Strategic planning is essential. Your competencies should be measured and your weaknesses shored up. Leadership is a thing. These may sound like basic truths of our work lives today. But actually, they're lies. As strengths guru and bestselling author Marcus Buckingham and Cisco Leadership and Team Intelligence head Ashley Goodall show in this provocative, inspiring book, there are some big lies--distortions, faulty assumptions, wrong thinking--that we encounter every time we show up for work. Nine lies, to be exact. They cause dysfunction and frustration, ultimately resulting in workplaces that are a pale shadow of what they could be. But there are those who can get past the lies and discover what's real. These freethinking leaders recognize the power and beauty of our individual uniqueness. They know that emergent patterns are more valuable than received wisdom and that evidence is more powerful than dogma. With engaging stories and incisive analysis, the authors reveal the essential truths that such freethinking leaders will recognize immediately: that it is the strength and cohesiveness of your team, not your company's culture, that matter most; that we should focus less on top-down planning and more on giving our people reliable, real-time intelligence; that rather than trying to align people's goals we should strive to align people's sense of purpose and meaning; that people don't want constant feedback, they want helpful attention. This is the real world of work, as it is and as it should be. *Nine Lies About Work* reveals the few core truths that will help you show just how good you are to those who truly rely on you.

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The Virtual Manager Collection (3 Books) (HBR 20-Minute Manager Series)

Managing Projects (HBR 20-Minute Manager Series)

The Progress Principle

StandOut 2.0

HBR Guide to Project Management (HBR Guide Series)

Creating Inclusion for Real and for Good

You're trying to help--but is it working? Helping others is a good thing. Often, as a leader, manager, doctor, teacher, or coach, it's central to your job. But even the most well-intentioned efforts to help others can be undermined by a simple truth: We almost always focus on trying to "fix" people, correcting problems or filling the gaps between where they are and where we think they should be.

Unfortunately, this doesn't work well, if at all, to inspire sustained learning or positive change. There's a better way. In this powerful, practical book, emotional intelligence expert Richard Boyatzis and Weatherhead School of Management colleagues Melvin Smith and Ellen Van Oosten present a clear and hopeful message. The way to help someone learn and change, they say, cannot be focused primarily on fixing problems, but instead must connect to that person's positive vision of themselves or an inspiring dream or goal they've long held. This is what great coaches do--they know that people draw energy from their visions and dreams, and that same energy sustains their efforts to change, even through difficult times. In contrast, problem-centered approaches trigger physiological responses that make a person defensive and less open to new ideas. The authors use rich and moving real-life stories, as well as decades of original research, to show how this distinctively positive mode of coaching—what they call "coaching with compassion"--opens people up to thinking creatively and helps them to learn and grow in

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meaningful and sustainable ways. Filled with probing questions and exercises that encourage self-reflection, *Helping People Change* will forever alter the way all of us think about and practice what we do when we try to help. You know you need to delegate some of your work so that you have time to focus on the things that require your expertise. But it's not easy to do. *Delegating Work* quickly walks you through the fundamentals of: ? Establishing a productive environment ? Assigning the right work to the right people ? Conducting an effective hand-off meeting ? Monitoring without micromanaging About HBR's 20-Minute Manager Series: Don't have much time? Get up to speed fast on the most essential business skills with HBR's 20-Minute Manager series. Whether you need a crash course or a brief refresher, each book in the series is a concise, practical primer that will help you brush up on a key management topic. Advice you can quickly read and apply, for ambitious professionals and aspiring executives?from the most trusted source in business. Also available as an ebook.

What really sets the best managers above the rest? It ' s their power to build a cadre of employees who have great inner work lives—consistently positive emotions; strong motivation; and favorable perceptions of the organization, their work, and their colleagues. The worst managers undermine inner work life, often unwittingly. As Teresa Amabile and Steven Kramer explain in *The Progress Principle*, seemingly mundane workday events can make or break employees ' inner work lives. But it ' s forward momentum in meaningful work—progress—that creates the best inner work lives. Through rigorous analysis of nearly 12,000 diary entries provided by 238 employees in 7 companies, the authors explain how managers can foster progress and enhance inner work life every day. The book shows how to remove obstacles to progress, including

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meaningless tasks and toxic relationships. It also explains how to activate two forces that enable progress: (1) catalysts—events that directly facilitate project work, such as clear goals and autonomy—and (2) nourishers—interpersonal events that uplift workers, including encouragement and demonstrations of respect and collegiality. Brimming with honest examples from the companies studied, *The Progress Principle* equips aspiring and seasoned leaders alike with the insights they need to maximize their people's performance.

A cutting-edge, relentless, objective approach to inclusion. Companies spend billions of dollars annually on diversity efforts with remarkably few results. Too often diversity efforts rest on the assumption that all that's needed is an earnest conversation about "privilege." That's not enough. To truly make progress we need to stop celebrating the problem and instead take effective steps to solve it. In *Bias Interrupted*, Joan C. Williams shows how it's done, and, reassuringly, how easy it is to get started. One of today's preeminent voices on inclusive workplaces, Williams explains how leaders can use standard business tools—data, metrics, and persistence—to interrupt the bias that is continually transmitted through formal systems like performance appraisals, as well as the informal systems that control access to career-enhancing opportunities. The book presents fresh evidence, based on Williams's exhaustive research and work with companies, that interrupting bias helps every group—including white men. Comprehensive, though compact and straightforward, *Bias Interrupted* delivers real, practical value in an efficient and accessible manner to an audience that has never needed it more. It's possible to interrupt bias. Here's where you start. The coauthors of the New York Times–bestselling *Difficult Conversations* take on the toughest topic of all: how we see

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ourselves Douglas Stone and Sheila Heen have spent the past fifteen years working with corporations, nonprofits, governments, and families to determine what helps us learn and what gets in our way. In *Thanks for the Feedback*, they explain why receiving feedback is so crucial yet so challenging, offering a simple framework and powerful tools to help us take on life ' s blizzard of offhand comments, annual evaluations, and unsolicited input with curiosity and grace. They blend the latest insights from neuroscience and psychology with practical, hard-headed advice. *Thanks for the Feedback* is destined to become a classic in the fields of leadership, organizational behavior, and education.

Presentations (HBR 20-Minute Manager Series)
Delegating Work

Thanks for the Feedback

Performance Reviews (HBR 20-Minute Manager Series)

Using Small Wins to Ignite Joy, Engagement, and Creativity at Work

How to Be Good at Performance Appraisals

*Do you supervise people? If so, this book is for you. One of a manager's toughest—and most important—responsibilities is to evaluate an employee's performance, providing honest feedback and clarifying what they've done well and where they need to improve. In *How to Be Good at Performance Appraisals*, Dick Grote provides a concise, hands-on guide to succeeding at every step of the performance appraisal process—no*

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matter what performance management system your organization uses. Through step-by-step instructions, examples, do-and-don't bullet lists, sample dialogues, and suggested scripts, he shows you how to handle every appraisal activity from setting goals and defining job responsibilities to evaluating performance quality and discussing the performance evaluation face-to-face. Based on decades of experience guiding managers through their biggest challenges, Grote helps answer the questions he hears most often:

- How do I set goals effectively? How many goals should someone set?
- How do I evaluate a person's behaviors? Which counts more, behaviors or results?
- How do I determine the right performance appraisal rating? How do I explain my rating to a skeptical employee?
- How do I tell someone she's not meeting my expectations? How do I deliver bad news?

Grote also explains how to tackle other thorny performance management tasks, including determining compensation and terminating poor performers. In accessible and useful

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language, *How to Be Good at Performance Appraisals* will help you handle performance appraisals confidently and successfully, no matter the size or culture of your organization. It's the one book you need to excel at this daunting yet critical task.

Are you a good boss--or a great one? Get more of the management ideas you want, from the authors you trust, with HBR's 10 Must Reads on Managing People (Vol. 2). We've combed through hundreds of Harvard Business Review articles and selected the most important ones to help you master the innumerable challenges of being a manager. With insights from leading experts including Marcus Buckingham, Michael D. Watkins, and Linda Hill, this book will inspire you to: Draw out your employees' signature strengths Support a culture of honesty and civility Cultivate better communication and deeper trust among global teams Give feedback that will help your people excel Hire, reward, and tolerate only fully formed adults Motivate your employees through small wins Foster collaboration and break down silos across your company

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This collection of articles includes "Are You a Good Boss--or a Great One?," by Linda A. Hill and Kent Lineback; "Let Your Workers Rebel," by Francesca Gino; "The Feedback Fallacy," by Marcus Buckingham and Ashley Goodall; "The Power of Small Wins," by Teresa M. Amabile and Steven J. Kramer; "The Price of Incivility," by Christine Porath and Christine Pearson; "What Most People Get Wrong About Men and Women," by Catherine H. Tinsley and Robin J. Ely; "How Netflix Reinvented HR," by Patty McCord; "Leading the Team You Inherit," by Michael D. Watkins; "The Overcommitted Organization," by Mark Mortensen and Heidi K. Gardner; "Global Teams That Work," by Tsedal Neeley; "Creating the Best Workplace on Earth," by Rob Goffee and Gareth Jones. Your boss plays an important role in your career. So how do you navigate this delicate, significant professional relationship without playing political games or compromising your character? Managing Up offers concise, expert tips on: Understanding your manager's priorities and pressures Setting a positive tone for the relationship

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MEET YOUR GOALS--ON TIME AND ON BUDGET. How do you rein in the scope of your project when you've got a group of demanding stakeholders breathing down your neck? And map out a schedule everyone can stick to? And motivate team members who have competing demands on their time and attention? Whether you're managing your first project or just tired of improvising, this guide will give you the tools and confidence you need to define smart goals, meet them, and capture lessons learned so future projects go even more smoothly. The HBR Guide to Project Management

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When asked to define the ideal leader, many would emphasize traits such as intelligence, toughness, determination, and vision—the qualities traditionally associated with leadership. Often left off the list are softer, more personal qualities—but they are also essential. Although a certain degree of analytical and technical skill is a minimum requirement for success, studies indicate that emotional intelligence may be the key attribute that distinguishes outstanding performers from those who are merely adequate. Psychologist and author Daniel Goleman first brought the term "emotional intelligence" to a wide audience with his 1995 book of the same name, and Goleman first applied the concept to business with a 1998 classic Harvard Business Review article. In his research at nearly 200 large, global companies, Goleman found that truly effective leaders are distinguished by a high degree of emotional intelligence. Without it,

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