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## **Personal Kanban** - Jim Benson 2011

"Productivity books focus on doing more. Jim and Tonianne want you to focus on doing better ... Personal Kanban takes the same Lean principles from manufacturing that led the Japanese auto industry to become a global leader in quality, and applies them to individual and team work. Personal Kanban asks only that

we visualize our work, and limit our work-in-progress."--Back cover.

## **Developing Business Objects** - Andy Carmichael 1998-03-28

Presents the successes and failures of the pioneers who used object-oriented methods and languages in commercial applications.  
*Kanban Just-in-time at Toyota* - 1986

*Kanban Just-in Time at Toyota* - JapanManagementAssociation 2018-02-06  
Toyota's world-renowned success proves that just-in-time (JIT) makes other manufacturing practices obsolete. This simple but powerful book is based on the seminars given by Taiichi Ohno and other senior production staff to introduce Toyota's own supplier companies to JIT. It teaches the philosophy and implementation of what many call the most efficient production system in the world. Provides a clear structure for an introductory JIT training program. Explains every aspect of the JIT system, including how to set it up and how to refine it once it's in place. Shows how to use a simple visual system to control the production process. Every day more American companies are learning that JIT works outside Japan. Now you can get started with this step-by-step book which guides you through the implementation process. Every engineer, manager, supervisor, and worker should read this book to get the

clearest, simplest, and most complete introduction to JIT available in English. Results at American companies after reading this book: Lead-time on one product was reduced from 12 weeks to 4 days. Setup time on a large blanking press was reduced from eight hours to one minute and four seconds. Work-in-process has been reduced 50 percent plant-wide. Factory floor space was opened up 30 to 40 percent in every one of their plants.

**There's No Such Thing as an IT Project** - Bob Lewis 2019-09-24

Learn how to stop pouring vast sums of money into technology projects that don't have a lasting impact by closing the communication gap between IT and leadership. Too many businesses miss opportunity after opportunity to design, plan, and achieve intentional business change. Why? Because they charter projects focused on delivering software products: IT projects. But as this groundbreaking book points out, there's no such thing as an IT project—or at least there

shouldn't be. It's always about intentional business change, or what's the point? It's time to stop providing simplistic, one-dimensional, all-you-gotta-do panaceas. When the only constant in business is change, truly useful IT has to help you change instead of build solutions that are obsolete even before they are completed. IT consultant Bob Lewis, author of the bestselling Bare Bones Project Management, has joined forces with seasoned CIO Dave Kaiser to give you the tools you need. It's a multidimensional, relentlessly practical guide. Condensed to handbook length and seasoned with Lewis's trademark sardonic humor, it's an enjoyable and digestible read as well. Lewis and Kaiser take you step by step through the process of building a collaboration between IT and the rest of the business that really works. Insisting on intentional business change takes patience, communication, and courage, but it has a huge payoff. More to the point, insist on anything else and every penny you spend will be a wasted

dime and a waste of time.

Excellence Wins - Horst Schulze 2019-03-05  
Horst Schulze knows what it takes to win. In Excellence Wins, the cofounder and former president of the Ritz-Carlton Hotel Company lays out a blueprint for becoming the very best in a world of compromise. In his characteristic no-nonsense approach, Schulze shares the visionary and disruptive principles that have led to immense global success over the course of his still-prolific fifty-year career in the hospitality industry. For over twenty years, Schulze fearlessly led the company to unprecedented multibillion dollar growth, setting the business vision and people-focused standards that made the Ritz-Carlton brand world renowned. In Excellence Wins, Schulze shares his approach to everything from providing the best customer service to creating a culture of excellence within your organization. With his tried-and-true methods and inspiring, hard-earned wisdom, Schulze teaches you everything you need to

know about: Why leading well is an acquired skill  
Serving your customers  
Engaging your employees  
Creating a culture of customer service  
Why vision statements make a difference  
What it really means to practice servant leadership  
Schulze's principles are designed to be versatile and practical no matter where you are in your career. He'll remind you that you don't need a powerful title or dozens of direct reports to benefit from the advice he shares in Excellence Wins--you have everything you need to apply it to your life and career right now. Let Schulze's incredible story help you unleash the disruptive power of your true potential, beat the competition, own your career trajectory, and experience the game-changing power of what happens when Excellence Wins.

**Lessons in Agile Management** - David J. Anderson 2012-06-01

The Missing Link in the Evolution of Kanban -- From Its Roots in Agile  
David J. Anderson developed the Kanban Method over years spent

managing and coaching Agile development teams, at companies such as Sprint and Microsoft, by integrating Lean thinking with Agile principles and practices. This compendium of anecdotes and epiphanies shares this journey on the road to Kanban, now a popular method for improving predictability while managing change and risk in organizations worldwide. Topics include: -Why people resist change -The role of the manager in Agile development -Flow and variability -Timeboxes and delivery cadence -Estimation and metrics

*Large-Scale Scrum* - Craig Larman 2016-09-23  
In *Large-Scale Scrum*, Craig Larman and Bas Vodde offer the most direct, concise, actionable guide to reaping the full benefits of agile in distributed, global enterprises. Larman and Vodde have distilled their immense experience helping geographically distributed development organizations move to agile. Going beyond their previous books, they offer today's fastest, most focused guidance: "brass tacks" advice and field-

proven best practices for achieving value fast, and achieving even more value as you move forward. Targeted to enterprise project participants and stakeholders, *Large-Scale Scrum* offers straight-to-the-point insights for scaling Scrum across the entire project lifecycle, from sprint planning to retrospective. Larman and Vodde help you: Implement proven Scrum frameworks for large-scale developments Scale requirements, planning, and product management Scale design and architecture Effectively manage defects and interruptions Integrate Scrum into multisite and offshore projects Choose the right adoption strategies and organizational designs This will be the go-to resource for enterprise stakeholders at all levels: everyone who wants to maximize the value of Scrum in large, complex projects.

*The Scrum Field Guide* - Mitch Lacey 2015-12-22  
Thousands of organizations are adopting Scrum to transform the way they execute complex projects, in software and beyond. This guide will

give you the skills and confidence needed to deploy Scrum, resulting in high-performing teams and satisfied customers. Drawing on years of hands-on experience helping companies succeed, Certified Scrum Trainer (CST) Mitch Lacey helps you overcome the major challenges of Scrum adoption and the deeper issues that emerge later. Extensively revised to reflect improved Scrum practices and tools, this edition adds an all-new section of tips from the field. Lacey covers many new topics, including immersive interviewing, collaborative estimation, and deepening business alignment. In 35 engaging chapters, you'll learn how to build support and maximize value across your company. Now part of the renowned Mike Cohn Signature Series on agile development, this pragmatic guide addresses everything from establishing roles and priorities to determining team velocity, setting sprint length, and conducting customer reviews. Coverage includes Bringing teams and new team members on

board  
Creating a workable definition of “done”  
Planning for short-term wins, and removing impediments to success  
Balancing predictability and adaptability in release planning  
Running productive daily scrums  
Fixing failing sprints  
Accurately costing projects, and measuring the value they deliver  
Managing risks in dynamic Scrum projects  
Prioritizing and estimating backlogs  
Working with distributed and offshore teams  
Institutionalizing improvements, and extending agility throughout the organization  
Packed with real-world examples straight from Lacey’s experience, this book will be invaluable to anyone transitioning to Scrum, seeking to improve their early results, or trying to get back on track.

Fit for Purpose - David J. Anderson 2018-09-20  
Are your products and services fit for purpose? How would you know? Do you know why your customers choose you, your products, and your services? If not, how can you find out? In this new book from the best-selling author of

Kanban: Successful Evolutionary Change for Your Technology Business, David J. Anderson, together with Alexei Zheglov, teach you how to answer these questions and more. . . . How do you know whether a change is an improvement? When is an improvement a step too far? When might you be overserving your market? Using highly accessible examples from transportation, broadcasting, entertainment, food and beverage, online retailing, telecommunications, software applications, pharmaceuticals, sports and recreation, automotive manufacturing, and retailing, Anderson and Zheglov teach you how to choose the right metrics to drive the behavior you need to catalyze improvements that directly affect customer satisfaction. Using their unique brand of storytelling, they show how to segment your market based on customer purpose, how to establish fitness criteria metrics as your key performance indicators (KPIs), how to use your frontline staff to sense your market, and

alternatively, using Fit-for-Purpose Surveys and the Fitness Box Score. Using the highly pragmatic, actionable guidance of the Fit-for-Purpose Framework, you will learn how to select market segments that align to your strategy, how to design products and services that align to customer expectations, and how to take actions to amplify successful markets and switch off unsuccessful ones. This book will help you find new customers in new market segments, better satisfy your existing customers, and keep them all coming back for more. Fit for Purpose is for executives, strategic planners, product managers, product planners, portfolio managers, service designers, service delivery managers, and anyone who wants to understand better how to manage for long-term survival and profitability in the complex and volatile markets of the 21st Century.

*An Agile Adoption and Transformation Survival Guide* - Michael Sahota 2012-07

This book provides a set of essential thinking

tools for understanding Agile adoption and transformation: how they differ and what you need to know to avoid being another statistic in the widespread adoption failure. In particular, you will learn how to use culture to work more effectively with your organization. It is called a survival guide since so many people have found the concepts to be invaluable in understanding their experiences when working with Agile. This book includes: Identification of causes of the widespread Agile adoption failure A model for understanding Agile, Kanban, and Software Craftsmanship culture An outline of key adoption and transformation approaches A framework to help guide when to use these these approaches with your organization Real-life case studies of what has worked and what hasn't

**Kanban** - David J. Anderson 2010

Teams around the world are adding kanban around their existing processes to deliver greater business agility. This book answers the questions: What is the Kanban Method? Why

would I want to use Kanban? How do I go about implementing Kanban?

**Essential Upstream Kanban** - Patrick Steyaert  
2017-09-25

Ideas for fulfilling customer needs can be generated much faster than they can be realized. Upstream Kanban is about marshaling options—having enough choices at the right time, without overburdening the system and the workers who generate those options.

**Helping** - Edgar H. Schein 2011-02-07

A Strategy+Business Best Leadership Book of the Year: An “uncommonly wise” analysis of the psychological and social dynamics of helping relationships (Warren Bennis, author of *On Becoming a Leader*). Helping is a fundamental human activity, but it can also be a frustrating one. All too often, to our bewilderment, our sincere offers of help are resented, resisted, or refused—and we often react the same way when people try to help us. Why is it so difficult to provide or accept help? How can we make the

whole process easier? Many words are used for helping: assisting, aiding, advising, caregiving, coaching, consulting, counseling, guiding, mentoring, supporting, teaching, and more. In this seminal book on the topic, corporate culture and organizational development guru Ed Schein analyzes the social and psychological dynamics common to all types of helping relationships, explains why help is often not helpful, and shows what any would-be helpers must do to ensure that their assistance is both welcomed and genuinely useful. He shows how to navigate the delicate acts of asking for or offering help; avoid pitfalls; mitigate power imbalances; and establish a solid foundation of trust—and how these techniques can be applied to teamwork and organizational leadership. From the bestselling author of *Organizational Culture and Leadership*, and illustrated with examples from many types of relationships—husbands and wives, doctors and patients, consultants and clients—*Helping* is a concise, definitive analysis



of what it takes to establish successful, mutually satisfying helping relationships.

The McGraw-Hill 36-Hour Course: Operations Management - Linda Brennan 2010-09-17

Take a crash course in boosting operational efficiency! Whether a business manufactures trucks, delivers packages, or sells coffee, it lives and breathes on its operations. Without exception. Ensuring smooth, efficient processes is a challenging task--but the rewards are immense. The McGraw-Hill 36-Hour Course: Operations Management puts you on the fast track to bolstering and managing the effectiveness of your organization's operations. Complete with exercises, self-tests, and an online final exam, this virtual immersion course in operations management teaches you how to: Evaluate and measure existing systems' performance Use quality management tools like Six Sigma and Lean Production Design new, improved processes Define, plan, and control costs of projects Take this in-depth course on

operations management and put your vision into action. This is the only book on the syllabus.

Class begins now!

**Liftoff** - Diana Larsen 2011-10

Liftoff-it's the unexplored, often ignored, Agile project practice. As the first act of flight, a rocket launch requires an entire set of systems to lift the vehicle into orbit-not just the vehicle itself, but all the systems needed for smoothly moving off the ground into space. Likewise, your project needs its entire set of supporting systems in place to begin a successful journey to delivery. Whatever you call it (project kickoff, bootcamp, inception, or jump start), liftoff gives your team its trajectory, and launches your project. This critical practice informs, inspires, and aligns everyone to a singular purpose: the successful delivery of software. This success is in your hands! Agile veterans Diana Larsen and Ainsley Nies teach you how to organize and conduct liftoffs, hold team activities to discover what's most important, and offer a working

framework for effective and lightweight agile chartering.

**This is Lean** - Niklas Modig 2012

This book is relevant to any kind of business and is currently being used by a number of multi-national companies, including AstraZeneca, Ericsson, Scania and Volvo.

Don't Just Do Something, Stand There! - Marvin R. Weisbord 2007-07-16

Presents often contrarian insights into how to design meetings that actually accomplish something Filled with case examples and exercises Draws on the authors' decades of experience working with businesses, nonprofits, and government agencies worldwide This practical guide details ten key principles that will profoundly change the way you think about, organize, and lead the meetings that matter most. Rather than trying to change anyone's behavior, Weisbord and Janoff show you how to change the conditions under which people interact. By doing less, you help others do more.

With examples from around the world, and practical tips and exercises in every chapter, Don't Just Do Something, Stand There! gives you many new techniques for helping people discover common ground, make productive use of dissension, and take responsibility for action.

Quality Software Management: Systems thinking - Gerald M. Weinberg 1992

In the first of three volumes about quality, management, and productivity, Weinberg discusses software development organizations in terms of their culture, and he observes the patterns of their behavior. Organizations can be classified as one of six cultural patterns, ranging from Pattern One (obvio

**Management 3.0** - Jurgen Appelo 2011

In many organizations, management is the biggest obstacle to successful Agile development. Unfortunately, reliable guidance on Agile management has been scarce indeed. Now, leading Agile manager Jurgen Appelo fills that gap, introducing a realistic approach to

leading, managing, and growing your Agile team or organization. Writing for current managers and developers moving into management, Appelo shares insights that are grounded in modern complex systems theory, reflecting the intense complexity of modern software development. Appelo's Management 3.0 model recognizes that today's organizations are living, networked systems; and that management is primarily about people and relationships. Management 3.0 doesn't offer mere checklists or prescriptions to follow slavishly; rather, it deepens your understanding of how organizations and Agile teams work and gives you tools to solve your own problems. Drawing on his extensive experience as an Agile manager, the author identifies the most important practices of Agile management and helps you improve each of them. Coverage includes • Getting beyond “Management 1.0” control and “Management 2.0” fads • Understanding how complexity affects your organization • Keeping

your people active, creative, innovative, and motivated • Giving teams the care and authority they need to grow on their own • Defining boundaries so teams can succeed in alignment with business goals • Sowing the seeds for a culture of software craftsmanship • Crafting an organizational network that promotes success • Implementing continuous improvement that actually works Thoroughly pragmatic—and never trendy—Jurgen Appelo's Management 3.0 helps you bring greater agility to any software organization, team, or project.

**Kanban Maturity Model** - David J. Anderson  
2020-09-20

**Managing for Happiness** - Jurgen Appelo  
2016-06-02

A practical handbook for making management great again Managing for Happiness offers a complete set of practices for more effective management that makes work fun. Work and fun are not polar opposites; they're two sides of the

same coin, and making the workplace a pleasant place to be keeps employees motivated and keeps customers coming back for more. It's not about gimmicks or 'perks' that disrupt productivity; it's about finding the passion that drives your business, and making it contagious. This book provides tools, games, and practices that put joy into work, with practical, real-world guidance for empowering workers and delighting customers. These aren't break time exploits or downtime amusements—they're real solutions for common management problems. Define roles and responsibilities, create meaningful team metrics, and replace performance appraisals with something more useful. An organization's culture rests on the back of management, and this book shows you how to create change for the better. Somewhere along the line, people collectively started thinking that work is work and fun is something you do on the weekends. This book shows you how to transform your organization into a place

with enthusiastic Monday mornings. Redefine job titles and career paths Motivate workers and measure team performance Change your organization's culture Make management—and work—fun again Modern organizations expect everyone to be servant leaders and systems thinkers, but nobody explains how. To survive in the 21st century, companies need to dig past the obvious and find what works. What keeps top talent? What inspires customer loyalty? The answer is great management, which inspires great employees, who then provide a great customer experience. Managing for Happiness is a practical handbook for achieving organizational greatness.

Agile Conversations - Douglas Squirrel  
2020-05-12

A successful digital transformation must start with a conversational transformation. Today, software organizations are transforming the way work gets done through practices like Agile, Lean, and DevOps. But as commonly

implemented as these methods are, many transformations still fail, largely because the organization misses a critical step: transforming their culture and the way people communicate. Agile Conversations brings a practical, step-by-step guide to using the human power of conversation to build effective, high-performing teams to achieve truly Agile results. Consultants Douglas Squirrel and Jeffrey Fredrick show readers how to utilize the Five Conversations to help teams build trust, alleviate fear, answer the “whys,” define commitments, and hold everyone accountable. These five conversations give teams everything they need to reach peak performance, and they are exactly what’s missing from too many teams today. Stop focusing on processes and practices that leave your organization stuck with culture-less rituals. Instead, unleash the unique human power of conversation.

*The Toyota Way Fieldbook* - Jeffrey K. Liker  
2005-10-19

The Toyota Way Fieldbook is a companion to the international bestseller *The Toyota Way*. The Toyota Way Fieldbook builds on the philosophical aspects of Toyota's operating systems by detailing the concepts and providing practical examples for application that leaders need to bring Toyota's success-proven practices to life in any organization. The Toyota Way Fieldbook will help other companies learn from Toyota and develop systems that fit their unique cultures. The book begins with a review of the principles of the Toyota Way through the 4Ps model-Philosophy, Processes, People and Partners, and Problem Solving. Readers looking to learn from Toyota's lean systems will be provided with the inside knowledge they need to Define the companies purpose and develop a long-term philosophy Create value streams with connected flow, standardized work, and level production Build a culture to stop and fix problems Develop leaders who promote and support the system Find and develop exceptional

people and partners Learn the meaning of true root cause problem solving Lead the change process and transform the total enterprise The depth of detail provided draws on the authors combined experience of coaching and supporting companies in lean transformation. Toyota experts at the Georgetown, Kentucky plant, formally trained David Meier in TPS. Combined with Jeff Liker's extensive study of Toyota and his insightful knowledge the authors have developed unique models and ideas to explain the true philosophies and principles of the Toyota Production System.

**Essential Kanban Condensed** - David J. Anderson 2015-11-15

Kanban is a method of organizing and managing professional services work. It uses Lean concepts such as limiting work in progress to improve results. A Kanban system is a means of balancing the demand for work to be done with the available capacity to start new work. This book provides a distillation of Kanban: the

"essence" of what it is and how it can be used. This brief overview introduces all the principal concepts and guidelines in Kanban and points you to where you can find out more. Essential Kanban Condensed is a great resource to get started or continue exploring ideas for evolutionary change and improvement in business agility.

*Agile Management for Software Engineering* - David J. Anderson 2003-09-17

A breakthrough approach to managing agile software development, Agile methods might just be the alternative to outsourcing. However, agile development must scale in scope and discipline to be acceptable in the boardrooms of the Fortune 1000. In *Agile Management for Software Engineering*, David J. Anderson shows managers how to apply management science to gain the full business benefits of agility through application of the focused approach taught by Eli Goldratt in his *Theory of Constraints*. Whether you're using XP, Scrum, FDD, or another agile

approach, you'll learn how to develop management discipline for all phases of the engineering process, implement realistic financial and production metrics, and focus on building software that delivers maximum customer value and outstanding business results. Coverage includes: Making the business case for agile methods: practical tools and disciplines How to choose an agile method for your next project Breakthrough application of Critical Chain Project Management and constraint-driven control of the flow of value Defines the four new roles for the agile manager in software projects—and competitive IT organizations Whether you're a development manager, project manager, team leader, or senior IT executive, this book will help you achieve all four of your most urgent challenges: lower cost, faster delivery, improved quality, and focused alignment with the business.

**Kanban in Action** - Joakim Sunden 2014-02-18  
Summary Kanban in Action is a down-to-earth,

no-frills, get-to-know-the-ropes introduction to kanban. It's based on the real-world experience and observations from two kanban coaches who have introduced this process to dozens of teams. You'll learn the principles of why kanban works, as well as nitty-gritty details like how to use different color stickies on a kanban board to help you organize and track your work items. About the Book Too much work and too little time? If this is daily life for your team, you need kanban, a lean knowledge-management method designed to involve all team members in continuous improvement of your process. Kanban in Action is a practical introduction to kanban. Written by two kanban coaches who have taught the method to dozens of teams, the book covers techniques for planning and forecasting, establishing meaningful metrics, visualizing queues and bottlenecks, and constructing and using a kanban board. Written for all members of the development team, including leaders, coders, and business

stakeholders. No experience with kanban is required. Purchase of the print book includes a free eBook in PDF, Kindle, and ePub formats from Manning Publications. What's Inside How to focus on work in process and finish faster Examples of successful implementations How team members can make informed decisions About the Authors Marcus Hammarberg is a kanban coach and software developer with experience in BDD, TDD, Specification by Example, Scrum, and XP. Joakim Sundén is an agile coach at Spotify who cofounded the first kanban user groups in Europe. Table of Contents PART 1 LEARNING KANBAN Team Kanbaneros gets started PART 2 UNDERSTANDING KANBAN Kanban principles Visualizing your work Work items Work in process Limiting work in process Managing flow PART 3 ADVANCED KANBAN Classes of service Planning and estimating Process improvement Using metrics to guide improvements Kanban pitfalls Teaching kanban through games

Practical Kanban - Klaus Leopold 2017-12-29  
The Kanban board is constructed, the swim lanes are drawn and the blockade stickers are positioned. Now what? Kanban is not able to reach its full potential in many companies. Often, the meaning behind the individual practices, such as WIP limits, is not correctly understood. All hope is placed in a method instead of actions. Kanban helps uncover the weak points in a work system, and as a result, reveals how to better generate value for the customer. This book can help in tweaking an existing Kanban system, as well as expand your own repertoire of solutions. Klaus Leopold describes in detail the principles and functionality of Kanban, which are not always intuitive. He discusses typical problems that he has observed in his work with real-world Kanban systems. Klaus illustrates the possibilities that exist when the entire value creation chain of a company is taken into account and how tools such as Cost of Delay and forecasting can



become strategic aids. Thus, it should become clear that Kanban is not a team method, but rather a method for improvement that considers the entire value creation chain of a company.

*The Innovation Mode* - George Krasadakis  
2020-07-29

This book presents unique insights and advice on defining and managing the innovation transformation journey. Using novel ideas, examples and best practices, it empowers management executives at all levels to drive cultural, technological and organizational changes toward innovation. Covering modern innovation techniques, tools, programs and strategies, it focuses on the role of the latest technologies (e.g., artificial intelligence to discover, handle and manage ideas), methodologies (including Agile Engineering and Rapid Prototyping) and combinations of these (like hackathons or gamification). At the same time, it highlights the importance of culture and provides suggestions on how to build it. In the

era of AI and the unprecedented pace of technology evolution, companies need to become truly innovative in order to survive. The transformation toward an innovation-led company is difficult - it requires a strong leadership and culture, advanced technologies and well-designed programs. The book is based on the author's long-term experience and novel ideas, and reflects two decades of startup, consulting and corporate leadership experience. It is intended for business, technology, and innovation leaders.

*Rethinking Agile* - Klaus Leopold 2018-12-15  
All of the agile cards have been pulled, and nonetheless new products still do not get faster to the market. If this situation seems familiar, you should read this story about a company that prepared their agile transition in exemplary fashion: 600 employees reorganized into cross-functional teams, their work visualized and practically perfect Standups and Retrospectives held. The result: Time-to-Market for the

products became worse - and not a trace of business agility. This book shows you what goes wrong with many agile transitions and why the desired improvements fail to materialize. You also learn how to get out of a dead end and what can be done before starting a transformation in order to prevent heading down a dead end to begin with. A little preview: Do not start by making teams agile - this will save your nerves and lots of money!

**The Design Thinking Playbook** - Michael Lewrick 2018-04-24

A radical shift in perspective to transform your organization to become more innovative The Design Thinking Playbook is an actionable guide to the future of business. By stepping back and questioning the current mindset, the faults of the status quo stand out in stark relief—and this guide gives you the tools and frameworks you need to kick off a digital transformation. Design Thinking is about approaching things differently with a strong user orientation and fast iterations

with multidisciplinary teams to solve wicked problems. It is equally applicable to (re-)design products, services, processes, business models, and ecosystems. It inspires radical innovation as a matter of course, and ignites capabilities beyond mere potential. Unmatched as a source of competitive advantage, Design Thinking is the driving force behind those who will lead industries through transformations and evolutions. This book describes how Design Thinking is applied across a variety of industries, enriched with other proven approaches as well as the necessary tools, and the knowledge to use them effectively. Packed with solutions for common challenges including digital transformation, this practical, highly visual discussion shows you how Design Thinking fits into agile methods within management, innovation, and startups. Explore the digitized future using new design criteria to create real value for the user Foster radical innovation through an inspiring framework for action

Gather the right people to build highly-motivated teams Apply Design Thinking, Systems Thinking, Big Data Analytics, and Lean Start-up using new tools and a fresh new perspective Create Minimum Viable Ecosystems (MVEs) for digital processes and services which becomes for example essential in building Blockchain applications Practical frameworks, real-world solutions, and radical innovation wrapped in a whole new outlook give you the power to mindfully lead to new heights. From systems and operations to people, projects, culture, digitalization, and beyond, this invaluable mind shift paves the way for organizations—and individuals—to do great things. When you're ready to give your organization a big step forward, The Design Thinking Playbook is your practical guide to a more innovative future.

**Learning Agile** - Andrew Stellman 2014-11-12 Learning Agile is a comprehensive guide to the most popular agile methods, written in a light and engaging style that makes it easy for you to

learn. Agile has revolutionized the way teams approach software development, but with dozens of agile methodologies to choose from, the decision to "go agile" can be tricky. This practical book helps you sort it out, first by grounding you in agile's underlying principles, then by describing four specific—and well-used—agile methods: Scrum, extreme programming (XP), Lean, and Kanban. Each method focuses on a different area of development, but they all aim to change your team's mindset—from individuals who simply follow a plan to a cohesive group that makes decisions together. Whether you're considering agile for the first time, or trying it again, you'll learn how to choose a method that best fits your team and your company. Understand the purpose behind agile's core values and principles Learn Scrum's emphasis on project management, self-organization, and collective commitment Focus on software design and architecture with XP practices such as test-first

and pair programming Use Lean thinking to empower your team, eliminate waste, and deliver software fast Learn how Kanban's practices help you deliver great software by managing flow Adopt agile practices and principles with an agile coach

*Eat that Frog!* - Brian Tracy 2008

Brian Tracy gives the advice of doing the most difficult task first so that you can feel positive about yourself and move on to the other tasks of the day.

*Stop Starting, Start Finishing!* - Arne Roock 2012

This booklet tells the story of Justin - a project manager who achieved remarkable results with his team by doing very simple things! This guide covers the core concepts of Kanban for knowledge work, and shows how limiting your amount of work-in-progress can lead to getting things done better and faster.

**Beginning Software Engineering** - Rod Stephens 2022-10-14

Discover the foundations of software engineering with this easy and intuitive guide In the newly updated second edition of *Beginning Software Engineering*, expert programmer and tech educator Rod Stephens delivers an instructive and intuitive introduction to the fundamentals of software engineering. In the book, you'll learn to create well-constructed software applications that meet the needs of users while developing the practical, hands-on skills needed to build robust, efficient, and reliable software. The author skips the unnecessary jargon and sticks to simple and straightforward English to help you understand the concepts and ideas discussed within. He also offers you real-world tested methods you can apply to any programming language. You'll also get: Practical tips for preparing for programming job interviews, which often include questions about software engineering practices A no-nonsense guide to requirements gathering, system modeling, design, implementation,

testing, and debugging Brand-new coverage of user interface design, algorithms, and programming language choices Beginning Software Engineering doesn't assume any experience with programming, development, or management. It's plentiful figures and graphics help to explain the foundational concepts and every chapter offers several case examples, Try It Out, and How It Works explanatory sections. For anyone interested in a new career in software development, or simply curious about the software engineering process, Beginning Software Engineering, Second Edition is the handbook you've been waiting for.

When Will It Be Done?: Lean-Agile Forecasting to Answer Your Customers' Most Important Question - Daniel S. Vacanti 2020-02-17

The definitive guide on Lean-Agile forecasting that gives you all the tools you need in order to answer your customers' most important question.

*Agile Project Management with Kanban* - Eric

Brechner 2015

Use Kanban to maximize efficiency, predictability, quality, and value With Kanban, every minute you spend on a software project can add value for customers. One book can help you achieve this goal: Agile Project Management with Kanban. Author Eric Brechner pioneered Kanban within the Xbox engineering team at Microsoft. Now he shows you exactly how to make it work for your team. Think of this book as "Kanban in a box": open it, read the quickstart guide, and you're up and running fast. As you gain experience, Brechner reveals powerful techniques for right-sizing teams, estimating, meeting deadlines, deploying components and services, transitioning from Scrum or traditional Waterfall, and more. For every step of your journey, you'll find pragmatic advice, useful checklists, and actionable lessons. This truly is "Kanban in a box": all you need to deliver breakthrough value and quality. Use Kanban techniques to: Start delivering

continuous value with your current team and project Master five quick steps for completing work backlogs Plan and staff new projects more effectively Minimize work in progress and quickly adjust to change Eliminate artificial meetings and prolonged stabilization Improve and enhance customer engagement Visualize workflow and fix revealed bottlenecks Drive quality upstream Integrate Kanban into large projects Optimize sustained engineering (contributed by James Waletzky) Expand Kanban beyond software development

### **Agile in a Flash** - Jeff Langr 2011

Real agilists don't weigh themselves down with libraries of books, they keep their important information handy with them at all times. Jeff and Tim pack over two decades of experience coaching and doing agile into Agile in a Flash, a unique deck of index cards that fit neatly in your pocket and tack easily onto the wall. Agile in a Flash cards run the gamut of agile, covering customer, planning, team, and developer

concepts to help you succeed on agile projects. You can use cards from the deck in many ways: as references, reminders, teaching tools, and conversation pieces. Why not get sets for your entire team or organization? This comprehensive set of cards is an indispensable resource for agile teams. The deck of Agile in a Flash cards teaches leadership, teamwork, clean programming, agile approaches to problem solving, and tips for coaching agile teams. Team members can use the cards as reference material, ice breakers for conversations, reminders (taped to a wall or monitor), and sources of useful tips and hard-won wisdom. The cards are: Bite-sized! Read one practice or aspect at a time in a couple of minutes. Smart! Each card has years of practical experience behind it. Portable! Cards fit easily in your pocket or backpack. An indispensable tool for any agile team, and a must-have for every agile coach or Scrum Master. The Agile in a Flash deck is broken into four areas: planning, team,

coding, and agile concepts. The front of each card is a quick list - a summary of the things you want to know and remember. The back provides further detail on each of the bullet points, and offers sage nuggets of knowledge based on extensive professional experience. Tape the cards to your wall, stick them on your monitor, and get agile fast.

Kanban from the Inside - Mike Burrows

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"I set myself the task of describing the 'humane, start with what you do now approach to change' not as a productivity tool, but as a management method built around a strong framework of values-a way to help organizations work better for their people, their customers, and other stakeholders." - Mike Burrows, author Kanban from the Inside takes a distinctive approach to the Kanban Method-using a system of nine values to explain what it is, to give insight into how its practitioners think, and to offer practical advice on how to apply it. Readers new to

Kanban will understand why and how it works, while those with experience will appreciate its fresh perspective and the connections it makes with a range of related models. Part I draws on real-world experience to explain the Kanban Method through nine values: transparency, balance, collaboration, customer focus, flow, leadership, understanding, agreement, and respect. It also introduces Kanban's three Agendas and the Kanban Lens. Part II describes other models useful to understanding and applying the Kanban Method more effectively. It is a tour through related bodies of knowledge, including Systems Thinking, Lean, Agile, and Theory of Constraints. Part III is a step-by-step implementation guide that brings up to date the Systems Thinking Approach to Introducing Kanban (STATIK). It offers practical ways to capture and address in your Kanban implementation the needs of your organization, your colleagues, and your customers. -----  
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recommend to anyone getting started with Kanban." -Wolfgang Wiedenroth, Kanban Trainer/Coach, it-agile "It is not focused just on the mechanics of the kanban board; rather it explains everything you need around it to keep a Kanban initiative moving." -Klaus Leopold, Kanban Trainer/Coach, LEANability "This gave me a deeper understanding of familiar concepts and introduced concepts new to me." -Kevin Murray, Delivery Director, Valtech UK  
*Kanban Maturity Model* - David J. Anderson

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The Kanban method is known for its six practices which enable companies to increase their agility in an evolutionary manner, without making drastic changes to organizational structures, and thus engaging and involving people in the transition initiative. This first edition of the book covers the new beta release of KMM. It describes a roadmap and concrete action steps that enable developing organizations fit for their purpose.