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**ELLISON JILLIAN**


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**The Formula**

Macmillan

This is the first comprehensive overview of the exciting field of the 'science of science'. With anecdotes and detailed, easy-to-follow explanations of the research, this book is accessible to all scientists, policy makers, and administrators with an interest in the wider scientific enterprise.

*The Formula*

Cambridge University Press

The bestselling author of *Linked* returns with a ground breaking new theory that will enthrall fans of *The Tipping Point*. Can we scientifically predict our future? It's a mystery that has nagged scientists for

perhaps thousand of years. Now Albert-László Barabási-the award-winning author of the sleeper hit *Linked*- explains how the digital age has yielded a massive, previously unavailable data set that proves the daily pattern of human activity isn't random, it's "bursty." We work and fight and play in short flourishes of activity followed by next to nothing. Compellingly illustrated with the account of a bloody medieval crusade in sixteenth-century Transylvania and the modern tale of a contemporary artist hunted by the FBI, *Bursts* reveals that we are far more predictable than we like to think. [Heart Berries](#) Harvard University Press  
 "Jonah Lehrer has a lot

to offer the world....The book is interesting on nearly every page....Good writers make writing look easy, but what people like Lehrer do is not easy at all.” —David Brooks, The New York Times Book Review  
Science writer Jonah Lehrer explores the mysterious subject of love. Weaving together scientific studies from clinical psychologists, longitudinal studies of health and happiness, historical accounts and literary depictions, child-rearing manuals, and the language of online dating sites, Jonah Lehrer’s *A Book About Love* plumbs the most mysterious, most formative, most important impulse governing our lives. Love confuses and compels us—and it can destroy and define us.

It has inspired our greatest poetry, defined our societies and our beliefs, and governs our biology. From the way infants attach to their parents, to the way we fall in love with another person, to the way some find a love for God or their pets, to the way we remember and mourn love after it ends, this book focuses on research that attempts, even in glancing ways, to deal with the long-term and the everyday. The most dangerous myth of love is that it’s easy, that we fall into the feeling and then the feeling takes care of itself. While we can easily measure the dopamine that causes the initial feelings of “falling” in love, the partnerships and devotions that last

decades or longer remain a mystery. This book is about that mystery. Love, Lehrer argues, is not built solely on overwhelming passion, but, fascinatingly, on a set of skills to be cultivated over a lifetime.

The Amazing Idea of You Hachette UK

The groundbreaking book that reveals the indisputable scientific laws that turn achievements into success and shows how you can use them to your own advantage. In *The Formula*, Barabasi, one of the world's leading experts on the science of networks, reveals the unspoken rules behind who gets ahead and why, and outline the five laws that govern this phenomenon and how

we can use them to succeed. Drawing on Big Data research that covers everyone from the ace fighter pilot The Red Baron to graffiti artist Jean-Michel Basquiat; Miles Davis and his recording of 'Kind of Blue' to Marcel Duchamp and Tiger Woods, Barabasi shows why success can come at any time, as long as we are persistent, why in successful teams one person gets the lion's share of the credit and why the last interviewee almost always gets the job, Unveiling the scientific principles that drive success, and how to leverage them, Barabasi offers a new understanding of the very foundation of how people excel in today's society, and how to harness these

principles for yourself.  
The Science of Science  
Bloomsbury Publishing  
USA

One day Sophie comes home from school to find two questions in her mail: "Who are you?" and "Where does the world come from?" Before she knows it she is enrolled in a correspondence course with a mysterious philosopher. Thus begins Jostein Gaarder's unique novel, which is not only a mystery, but also a complete and entertaining history of philosophy.

The Structure and Dynamics of Networks  
Catapult

Big data, genomics, and quantitative approaches to network-based analysis are combining to advance the frontiers of medicine as never

before. With contributions from leading experts, Network Medicine introduces this rapidly evolving field of research, which promises to revolutionize the diagnosis and treatment of human diseases.

**The One Device**  
Princeton University  
Press

One of Woolf's most experimental novels, *The Waves* presents six characters in monologue - from morning until night, from childhood into old age - against a background of the sea. The result is a glorious chorus of voices that exists not to remark on the passing of events but to celebrate the connection between its various individual parts.

### **Information Theory, Inference and Learning Algorithms**

Random House

This book brings together two of the most exciting and widely studied subjects in modern physics: namely fractals and surfaces. To the community interested in the study of surfaces and interfaces, it brings the concept of fractals. To the community interested in the exciting field of fractals and their application, it demonstrates how these concepts may be used in the study of surfaces. The authors cover, in simple terms, the various methods and theories developed over the past ten years to study surface growth. They describe how one can use fractal concepts

successfully to describe and predict the morphology resulting from various growth processes. Consequently, this book will appeal to physicists working in condensed matter physics and statistical mechanics, with an interest in fractals and their application. The first chapter of this important new text is available on the Cambridge Worldwide Web server:

<http://www.cup.cam.ac.uk/onlinepubs/Textbooks/textbookstop.html>

### **When: The Scientific Secrets of Perfect Timing** HarperCollins

'This is not just an important but an imperative project . . . Barabási is the person' Nassim Nicholas Taleb, bestselling author of *The Black Swan* The ground-breaking

international bestseller that reveals the indisputable scientific laws that can turn your achievements into success and how to use them to your own advantage. In *The Formula*, Albert-László Barabási, one of the world's leading experts on the science of networks, reveals the unspoken rules behind who truly gets ahead and why, and outlines the five laws that govern this phenomenon and how we can use them to our own advantage. Drawing on Big Data research that covers everyone from the ace fighter pilot The Red Baron to graffiti artist Jean-Michel Basquiat; Miles Davis and his recording of 'Kind of Blue' to Marcel Duchamps and Tiger Woods, Barabasi,

shows why success can come at any time, as long as we are persistent, why in successful teams one person gets the lion share of the credit and why the last interviewee almost always gets the job. Unveiling the scientific principles that drive success, and how to leverage them, Barabasi offers a new understanding of the very foundation of how people excel in today's society, and how to harness these principles for yourself. *What Lifts Your Heart* Oxford University Press Hugo and Shirley Jackson award-winning Peter Watts stands on the cutting edge of hard SF with his acclaimed novel, *Blindsight* Two months since the stars fell... Two months of silence,

while a world held its breath. Now some half-derelict space probe, sparking fitfully past Neptune's orbit, hears a whisper from the edge of the solar system: a faint signal sweeping the cosmos like a lighthouse beam. Whatever's out there isn't talking to us. It's talking to some distant star, perhaps. Or perhaps to something closer, something en route. So who do you send to force introductions with unknown and unknowable alien intellect that doesn't wish to be met? You send a linguist with multiple personalities, her brain surgically partitioned into separate, sentient processing cores. You send a biologist so radically interfaced with machinery that he

sees x-rays and tastes ultrasound. You send a pacifist warrior in the faint hope she won't be needed. You send a monster to command them all, an extinct hominid predator once called vampire, recalled from the grave with the voodoo of recombinant genetics and the blood of sociopaths. And you send a synthesist—an informational topologist with half his mind gone—as an interface between here and there. Pray they can be trusted with the fate of a world. They may be more alien than the thing they've been sent to find. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

**Lipstick Traces**

Cambridge University



Press  
Puzzle, scratch, and draw! The perfect gift for animal lovers, this 64-page activity book offers a unique experience—combining the thrill of scratch art with Hidden Pictures puzzles, as well as mazes, doodle pages, jokes and more. Kids ages 6-9 will love to find over 350 hidden objects and express their artistic talents in the scratch-off pages with bursts of color beneath. Highlights' beloved Hidden Pictures puzzles have been transformed into scratch-off books, with room for kids to add their own creative touches. Reveal playful scenes bursting with color while also solving Hidden Pictures puzzles, giggling at the kid-friendly, punny humor and tackling

other activities filled with animal friends. Scratching off the scene is easy and satisfying, thanks to the included wooden stylus. The spiral binding means pages lie flat for easier scratching, doodling and drawing, even on the go. Scratch-off activity books are great for birthdays, holidays, just-for-fun or even family game night! Plus, solving puzzles is a great way for kids to build skills like concentration and visual perception, all while having fun. Winner, Mom's Choice Award Gold National Parenting Seal of Approval Blindsight Scholastic Inc. Now a Netflix film starring Julia Roberts, Mahershala Ali, Ethan Hawke, Myha'la, Farrah

Mackenzie, Charlie  
 Evans and Kevin  
 Bacon. Written for the  
 Screen and Directed by  
 Sam Esmail. Executive  
 Producers Barack and  
 Michelle Obama, Tonia  
 Davis, Daniel M.  
 Stillman, Nick  
 Krishnamurthy,  
 Rumaan Alam A Read  
 with Jenna Today Show  
 Book Club Pick! Finalist  
 for the 2020 National  
 Book Award in Fiction  
 One of Barack Obama's  
 Summer Reads A Best  
 Book of the Year From:  
 The Washington Post \*  
 Time \* NPR \* Elle \*  
 Esquire \* Kirkus \*  
 Library Journal \* The  
 Chicago Public Library  
 \* The New York Public  
 Library \* BookPage \*  
 The Globe and Mail \*  
 EW.com \* The LA  
 Times \* USA Today \*  
 InStyle \* The New  
 Yorker \* AARP \*  
 Publisher's Lunch \*  
 LitHub \* Book Marks \*

Electric Literature \*  
 Brooklyn Based \* The  
 Boston Globe A  
 magnetic novel about  
 two families, strangers  
 to each other, who are  
 forced together on a  
 long weekend gone  
 terribly wrong. From  
 the bestselling author  
 of Rich and Pretty  
 comes a suspenseful  
 and provocative novel  
 keenly attuned to the  
 complexities of  
 parenthood, race, and  
 class. Leave the World  
 Behind explores how  
 our closest bonds are  
 reshaped—and  
 unexpected new ones  
 are forged—in  
 moments of crisis.  
 Amanda and Clay head  
 out to a remote corner  
 of Long Island  
 expecting a vacation: a  
 quiet reprieve from life  
 in New York City,  
 quality time with their  
 teenage son and  
 daughter, and a taste

of the good life in the luxurious home they've rented for the week. But a late-night knock on the door breaks the spell. Ruth and G. H. are an older couple—it's their house, and they've arrived in a panic. They bring the news that a sudden blackout has swept the city. But in this rural area—with the TV and internet now down, and no cell phone service—it's hard to know what to believe. Should Amanda and Clay trust this couple—and vice versa? What happened back in New York? Is the vacation home, isolated from civilization, a truly safe place for their families? And are they safe from one other?

Scratch-Off Hidden Pictures Animal Puzzles  
Courier Corporation

Finalist for the 2011 Pulitzer Prize in General Nonfiction: "Nicholas Carr has written a Silent Spring for the literary mind."—Michael Agger, Slate "Is Google making us stupid?"

When Nicholas Carr posed that question, in a celebrated Atlantic Monthly cover story, he tapped into a well of anxiety about how the Internet is changing us. He also crystallized one of the most important debates of our time: As we enjoy the Net's bounties, are we sacrificing our ability to read and think deeply? Now, Carr expands his argument into the most compelling exploration of the Internet's intellectual and cultural consequences yet published. As he

describes how human thought has been shaped through the centuries by “tools of the mind”—from the alphabet to maps, to the printing press, the clock, and the computer—Carr interweaves a fascinating account of recent discoveries in neuroscience by such pioneers as Michael Merzenich and Eric Kandel. Our brains, the historical and scientific evidence reveals, change in response to our experiences. The technologies we use to find, store, and share information can literally reroute our neural pathways. Building on the insights of thinkers from Plato to McLuhan, Carr makes a convincing case that every information technology carries an intellectual

ethic—a set of assumptions about the nature of knowledge and intelligence. He explains how the printed book served to focus our attention, promoting deep and creative thought. In stark contrast, the Internet encourages the rapid, distracted sampling of small bits of information from many sources. Its ethic is that of the industrialist, an ethic of speed and efficiency, of optimized production and consumption—and now the Net is remaking us in its own image. We are becoming ever more adept at scanning and skimming, but what we are losing is our capacity for concentration, contemplation, and reflection. Part

intellectual history, part popular science, and part cultural criticism, *The Shallows* sparkles with memorable vignettes—Friedrich Nietzsche wrestling with a typewriter, Sigmund Freud dissecting the brains of sea creatures, Nathaniel Hawthorne contemplating the thunderous approach of a steam locomotive—even as it plumbs profound questions about the state of our modern psyche. This is a book that will forever alter the way we think about media and our minds. [Leave the World Behind](#) Penguin  
When Neill's father committed suicide ten years ago, he left behind thousands of pages of secret journals, journals that

are stunning in their detail, and, it must be said, their complete banality. But their spectacularly quotidian details, were exactly what artificial intelligence company Amiante Systems was looking for, and Neill was able to parlay them into a job, despite a useless degree in business marketing and absolutely no experience in computer science. He has spent the last two years inputting the diaries into what everyone hopes will become the world's first sentient computer. Essentially, he has been giving it language--using his father's words. Alarming to Neill--if not to the other employees of Amiante--the experiment seems to

be working. The computer actually appears to be gaining awareness and, most disconcerting of all, has started asking questions about Neill's childhood.

*Death from the Skies!*  
Vintage

Amoral, cunning, ruthless, and instructive, this multi-million-copy New York Times bestseller is the definitive manual for anyone interested in gaining, observing, or defending against ultimate control - from the author of *The Laws of Human Nature*. In the book that *People* magazine proclaimed "beguiling" and "fascinating," Robert Greene and Joost Elffers have distilled three thousand years of the history of power into 48 essential laws by drawing from the

philosophies of Machiavelli, Sun Tzu, and Carl Von Clausewitz and also from the lives of figures ranging from Henry Kissinger to P.T. Barnum. Some laws teach the need for prudence ("Law 1: Never Outshine the Master"), others teach the value of confidence ("Law 28: Enter Action with Boldness"), and many recommend absolute self-preservation ("Law 15: Crush Your Enemy Totally"). Every law, though, has one thing in common: an interest in total domination. In a bold and arresting two-color package, *The 48 Laws of Power* is ideal whether your aim is conquest, self-defense, or simply to understand the rules of the game.

[The Secret Life of](#)

Plants Highlights Press  
Fans of Emily Winfield  
Martin will delight in  
this loving, gorgeously  
illustrated story that  
celebrates new life.  
Hidden inside every  
living thing is an idea.  
That idea can sprout,  
sing, wriggle, take  
wing . . . into  
something amazing!  
Exploring beginnings  
both small and great,  
The Amazing Idea of  
You bonds the human  
and natural worlds in a  
lyrical burst of  
celebration. So dig  
deep, fly high, look  
around, and find the  
extraordinary inside  
everything . . .  
including YOU!  
*Network Science*  
Penguin  
The instant New York  
Times Bestseller #1  
Wall Street Journal  
Business Bestseller  
Instant Washington  
Post Bestseller "Brims

with a surprising  
amount of insight and  
practical advice." --The  
Wall Street Journal  
Daniel H. Pink, the #1  
bestselling author of  
Drive and To Sell Is  
Human, unlocks the  
scientific secrets to  
good timing to help  
you flourish at work, at  
school, and at home.  
Everyone knows that  
timing is everything.  
But we don't know  
much about timing  
itself. Our lives are a  
never-ending stream of  
"when" decisions:  
when to start a  
business, schedule a  
class, get serious about  
a person. Yet we make  
those decisions based  
on intuition and  
guesswork. Timing, it's  
often assumed, is an  
art. In *When: The  
Scientific Secrets of  
Perfect Timing*, Pink  
shows that timing is  
really a science.

Drawing on a rich trove of research from psychology, biology, and economics, Pink reveals how best to live, work, and succeed. How can we use the hidden patterns of the day to build the ideal schedule? Why do certain breaks dramatically improve student test scores? How can we turn a stumbling beginning into a fresh start? Why should we avoid going to the hospital in the afternoon? Why is singing in time with other people as good for you as exercise? And what is the ideal time to quit a job, switch careers, or get married? In *When*, Pink distills cutting-edge research and data on timing and synthesizes them into a fascinating, readable

narrative packed with irresistible stories and practical takeaways that give readers compelling insights into how we can live richer, more engaged lives.

### **The Formula**

University of Chicago Press

Explore the inner world of plants and its fascinating relation to mankind, as uncovered by the latest discoveries of science. A perennial bestseller. In this truly revolutionary and beloved work, drawn from remarkable research, Peter Tompkins and Christopher Bird cast light on the rich psychic universe of plants. Now available in a new edition, *The Secret Life of Plants* explores plants' response to human



care and nurturing, their ability to communicate with man, plants' surprising reaction to music, their lie-detection abilities, their creative powers, and much more. Tompkins and Bird's classic book affirms the depth of humanity's relationship with nature and adds special urgency to the cause of protecting the environment that nourishes us.

*Out of the Dust*  
(Scholastic Gold)

Simon and Schuster  
Because the Taliban rulers of Kabul, Afghanistan impose strict limitations on women's freedom and behavior, eleven-year-old Parvana must disguise herself as a boy so that her family can survive after her father's arrest.

**A Working Theory of**

**Love** Vintage  
Craig Nakken brings new depth and dimension to our understanding of how an individual becomes an addict. Since its publication in 1988, *The Addictive Personality* has helped people understand the process of addiction. Now, through this second edition, author Craig Nakken brings new depth and dimension to our understanding of how an individual becomes an addict. Going beyond the definition that limits dependency to the realm of alcohol and other drugs, Nakken uncovers the common denominator of all addiction and describes how the process is progressive. Through research and practical experience, Nakken sheds new

light on: Genetic factors tied to addiction; Cultural influences on addictive behavior; The progressive nature of the disease; and Steps to a successful recovery The author examines how addictions start, how

society pushes people toward addiction, and what happens inside those who become addicted. This new edition will help anyone seeking a better understanding of the addictive process and its impact on our lives.