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Digital and Social Media Marketing -
Nripendra P. Rana 2019-11-11
This book examines issues and implications of

digital and social media marketing for emerging markets. These markets necessitate substantial adaptations of developed theories and

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approaches employed in the Western world. The book investigates problems specific to emerging markets, while identifying new theoretical constructs and practical applications of digital marketing. It addresses topics such as electronic word of mouth (eWOM), demographic differences in digital marketing, mobile marketing, search engine advertising, among others. A radical increase in both temporal and geographical reach is empowering consumers to exert influence on brands, products, and services. Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) and digital media are having a significant impact on the way people communicate and fulfil their socio-economic, emotional and material needs. These technologies are also being harnessed by businesses for various purposes including distribution and selling of goods, retailing of consumer services, customer relationship management, and influencing consumer behaviour by employing digital marketing

practices. This book considers this, as it examines the practice and research related to digital and social media marketing.

The Age of Spiritual Machines - Ray Kurzweil
2000-01-01

Ray Kurzweil is the inventor of the most innovative and compelling technology of our era, an international authority on artificial intelligence, and one of our greatest living visionaries. Now he offers a framework for envisioning the twenty-first century--an age in which the marriage of human sensitivity and artificial intelligence fundamentally alters and improves the way we live. Kurzweil's prophetic blueprint for the future takes us through the advances that inexorably result in computers exceeding the memory capacity and computational ability of the human brain by the year 2020 (with human-level capabilities not far behind); in relationships with automated personalities who will be our teachers, companions, and lovers; and in information fed

straight into our brains along direct neural pathways. Optimistic and challenging, thought-provoking and engaging, *The Age of Spiritual Machines* is the ultimate guide on our road into the next century.

Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs Or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance (Us Department of Education Regulation) (Ed) (2018 Edition) - The Law The Law Library
2018-07-22

Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance (US Department of Education Regulation) (ED) (2018 Edition) The Law Library presents the complete text of the Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance (US Department of Education Regulation) (ED) (2018 Edition). Updated as of May 29, 2018 The Secretary amends the regulations implementing Title IX of

the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX), which prohibits sex discrimination in federally assisted education programs and activities. These amendments clarify and modify Title IX regulatory requirements pertaining to the provision of single-sex schools, classes, 1 and extracurricular activities in elementary and secondary schools. The amendments expand flexibility for recipients to provide single-sex education, and they explain how single-sex education may be provided consistent with the requirements of Title IX. This book contains: - The complete text of the Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance (US Department of Education Regulation) (ED) (2018 Edition) - A table of contents with the page number of each section
[Introduction to Information Retrieval](#) - Christopher D. Manning 2008-07-07
Class-tested and coherent, this textbook teaches classical and web information retrieval,

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including web search and the related areas of text classification and text clustering from basic concepts. It gives an up-to-date treatment of all aspects of the design and implementation of systems for gathering, indexing, and searching documents; methods for evaluating systems; and an introduction to the use of machine learning methods on text collections. All the important ideas are explained using examples and figures, making it perfect for introductory courses in information retrieval for advanced undergraduates and graduate students in computer science. Based on feedback from extensive classroom experience, the book has been carefully structured in order to make teaching more natural and effective. Slides and additional exercises (with solutions for lecturers) are also available through the book's supporting website to help course instructors prepare their lectures.

Fintech - International Monetary Fund
2019-06-27

The paper finds that while there are important regional and national differences, countries are broadly embracing the opportunities of fintech to boost economic growth and inclusion, while balancing risks to stability and integrity.

Because of Race - Mica Pollock 2008

In *Because of Race*, Mica Pollock tackles a long-standing and fraught debate over racial inequalities in America's schools. Which denials of opportunity experienced by students of color should be remedied? Pollock exposes raw, real-time arguments over what inequalities of opportunity based on race in our schools look like today--and what, if anything, various Americans should do about it. Pollock encountered these debates while working at the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights in 1999-2001. For more than two years, she listened to hundreds of parents, advocates, educators, and federal employees talk about the educational treatment of children and youth in specific schools and districts. People debated

how children were spoken to, disciplined, and ignored in both segregated and desegregated districts, and how children were afforded or denied basic resources and opportunities to learn. Pollock discusses four rebuttals that greeted demands for everyday justice for students of color inside schools and districts. She explores how debates over daily opportunity provision exposed conflicting analyses of opportunity denial and harm worth remedying. Because of Race lays bare our habits of argument and offers concrete suggestions for arguing more successfully toward equal opportunity.

Sharing Clinical Trial Data - Institute of Medicine 2015-04-20

Data sharing can accelerate new discoveries by avoiding duplicative trials, stimulating new ideas for research, and enabling the maximal scientific knowledge and benefits to be gained from the efforts of clinical trial participants and investigators. At the same time, sharing clinical

trial data presents risks, burdens, and challenges. These include the need to protect the privacy and honor the consent of clinical trial participants; safeguard the legitimate economic interests of sponsors; and guard against invalid secondary analyses, which could undermine trust in clinical trials or otherwise harm public health. Sharing Clinical Trial Data presents activities and strategies for the responsible sharing of clinical trial data. With the goal of increasing scientific knowledge to lead to better therapies for patients, this book identifies guiding principles and makes recommendations to maximize the benefits and minimize risks. This report offers guidance on the types of clinical trial data available at different points in the process, the points in the process at which each type of data should be shared, methods for sharing data, what groups should have access to data, and future knowledge and infrastructure needs.

Responsible sharing of clinical trial data will

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allow other investigators to replicate published findings and carry out additional analyses, strengthen the evidence base for regulatory and clinical decisions, and increase the scientific knowledge gained from investments by the funders of clinical trials. The recommendations of Sharing Clinical Trial Data will be useful both now and well into the future as improved sharing of data leads to a stronger evidence base for treatment. This book will be of interest to stakeholders across the spectrum of research--from funders, to researchers, to journals, to physicians, and ultimately, to patients.

Promoting the Educational Success of Children and Youth Learning English - National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine 2017-08-25

Educating dual language learners (DLLs) and English learners (ELs) effectively is a national challenge with consequences both for individuals and for American society. Despite their linguistic, cognitive, and social potential,

many ELs—who account for more than 9 percent of enrollment in grades K-12 in U.S. schools—are struggling to meet the requirements for academic success, and their prospects for success in postsecondary education and in the workforce are jeopardized as a result. Promoting the Educational Success of Children and Youth Learning English: Promising Futures examines how evidence based on research relevant to the development of DLLs/ELs from birth to age 21 can inform education and health policies and related practices that can result in better educational outcomes. This report makes recommendations for policy, practice, and research and data collection focused on addressing the challenges in caring for and educating DLLs/ELs from birth to grade 12.

The Handbook of Logistics and Distribution Management - Alan Rushton 2000

Designed for students, young managers and seasoned practitioners alike, this handbook

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explains the nuts and bolts of the modern logistics and distribution world in plain language. Illustrated throughout, this second edition includes new chapters on areas previously not covered, such as: intermodal transport; benchmarking; environmental matters; and vehicle and depot security.

World Development Report 1978 - 1978

This first report deals with some of the major development issues confronting the developing countries and explores the relationship of the major trends in the international economy to them. It is designed to help clarify some of the linkages between the international economy and domestic strategies in the developing countries against the background of growing interdependence and increasing complexity in the world economy. It assesses the prospects for progress in accelerating growth and alleviating poverty, and identifies some of the major policy issues which will affect these prospects.

[A Treatise on Differential Equations](#) - George

Boole 1859

Knowing History in Schools - Arthur Chapman
2021-01-07

The 'knowledge turn' in curriculum studies has drawn attention to the central role that knowledge of the disciplines plays in education, and to the need for new thinking about how we understand knowledge and knowledge-building. *Knowing History in Schools* explores these issues in the context of teaching and learning history through a dialogue between the eminent sociologist of curriculum Michael Young, and leading figures in history education research and practice from a range of traditions and contexts. With a focus on Young's 'powerful knowledge' theorisation of the curriculum, and on his more recent articulations of the 'powers' of knowledge, this dialogue explores the many complexities posed for history education by the challenge of building children's historical knowledge and understanding. The book builds

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towards a clarification of how we can best conceptualise knowledge-building in history education. Crucially, it aims to help history education students, history teachers, teacher educators and history curriculum designers navigate the challenges that knowledge-building processes pose for learning history in schools.

Textiles Technology - Jayne March 2009

Written by an experienced team, this textbook is endorsed by OCR for use with the OCR Design and Technology for GCSE: Textiles specifications.

- Understand key theory with clear and concise explanations that are highly illustrated - Example student projects help put learning into context and inspire creativity -

Develop essential exam skills, with guidance on good practice and how to avoid common mistakes

Registries for Evaluating Patient Outcomes -

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality/AHRQ 2014-04-01

This User's Guide is intended to support the

design, implementation, analysis, interpretation, and quality evaluation of registries created to increase understanding of patient outcomes. For the purposes of this guide, a patient registry is an organized system that uses observational study methods to collect uniform data (clinical and other) to evaluate specified outcomes for a population defined by a particular disease, condition, or exposure, and that serves one or more predetermined scientific, clinical, or policy purposes. A registry database is a file (or files) derived from the registry. Although registries can serve many purposes, this guide focuses on registries created for one or more of the following purposes: to describe the natural history of disease, to determine clinical effectiveness or cost-effectiveness of health care products and services, to measure or monitor safety and harm, and/or to measure quality of care. Registries are classified according to how their populations are defined. For example, product registries include patients who have

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been exposed to biopharmaceutical products or medical devices. Health services registries consist of patients who have had a common procedure, clinical encounter, or hospitalization. Disease or condition registries are defined by patients having the same diagnosis, such as cystic fibrosis or heart failure. The User's Guide was created by researchers affiliated with AHRQ's Effective Health Care Program, particularly those who participated in AHRQ's DECIDE (Developing Evidence to Inform Decisions About Effectiveness) program. Chapters were subject to multiple internal and external independent reviews.

OCR Drama for GCSE - Paul Cherry 2009-06-01
OCR Drama for GCSE is endorsed by OCR for use with the OCR GCSE Drama specification. It guides students through the requirements of the specification and helps them to prepare thoroughly for the examination, including their working record. This student's book provides: - A clear introduction to the key drama concepts

and an explanation of how performance work reinforces theoretical understanding - Numerous theory and performance-based tasks that allow students to put what they have learned into practice - Performance tasks that encourage group work and follow the specification convention of preparation, exploration, rehearsal, presentation and review

High Stakes - National Research Council
1999-01-16

Everyone is in favor of "high education standards" and "fair testing" of student achievement, but there is little agreement as to what these terms actually mean. High Stakes looks at how testing affects critical decisions for American students. As more and more tests are introduced into the country's schools, it becomes increasingly important to know how those tests are usedâ€"and misusedâ€"in assessing children's performance and achievements. High Stakes focuses on how testing is used in schools to make decisions about tracking and placement,

promotion and retention, and awarding or withholding high school diplomas. This book sorts out the controversies that emerge when a test score can open or close gates on a student's educational pathway. The expert panel: Proposes how to judge the appropriateness of a test. Explores how to make tests reliable, valid, and fair. Puts forward strategies and practices to promote proper test use. Recommends how decisionmakers in education should "and should not" use test results. The book discusses common misuses of testing, their political and social context, what happens when test issues are taken to court, special student populations, social promotion, and more. High Stakes will be of interest to anyone concerned about the long-term implications for individual students of picking up that Number 2 pencil: policymakers, education administrators, test designers, teachers, and parents.

Essentials of Nursing Research - Denise F. Polit
2013-01-28

This eighth edition of *Essentials of Nursing Research*, written by AJN awardwinning authors, along with its accompanying Study Guide for *Essentials of Nursing Research*, student learning ancillaries, and instructor teaching materials present a unique learningteaching package that is designed to teach students how to read and critique research reports, and to appreciate the application of research findings to nursing practice. New to this edition: New text organization with separate sections on quantitative and qualitative research offer greater continuity of ideas to better meet the needs of students and faculty. New online chapter supplements for every chapter expand student's knowledge of research topics New chapter on mixed methods research, which involves the blending of qualitative and quantitative data in a single inquiry, responds to the surge of interest in this type of research Increased emphasis on evidencebased practice (EBP) especially in the areas of asking

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wellworded questions for EBP and searching for such evidence guides the reader from theory to application. Enhanced assistance for instructors with numerous suggestions on how to make learning about and teaching research methods more rewarding.

Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act -

American Dental Association 2017-05-24

Section 1557 is the nondiscrimination provision of the Affordable Care Act (ACA). This brief guide explains Section 1557 in more detail and what your practice needs to do to meet the requirements of this federal law. Includes sample notices of nondiscrimination, as well as taglines translated for the top 15 languages by state.

The Ability Hacks - Peter Lee 2018-06-27

The Ability Hacks is the story of two Microsoft hackathon teams, one in the summer of 2014 and one the following summer of 2015. The first would pioneer new software to revolutionize the mobility of tens of thousands of people who live

with severe paralysis caused by ALS, Parkinson's, cerebral palsy and traumatic neurological injuries. The second team would pioneer software to help kids with dyslexia read and love learning for the first time in their lives. This is the story of two small groups of driven, focused and passionate software engineers, program managers, marketers and advocates. It's the story of realizing the transformative power of technology for people with disabilities, not just for traditional consumer and industrial markets. It's the story of doing something truly great -- improving outcomes for everyone, discovering a design ethos and blazing a new trail for accessibility. Read more: More than one billion people around the world live with a disability of some kind, and it's estimated two-thirds of us know someone with a disability. Almost everyone will be temporarily or permanently impaired at some point in life, and those who survive to old age will experience increasing difficulties in functioning, according

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to the World Health Organization. This book explores an optimistic belief that computer software and hardware can empower people with disabilities in a multitude of scenarios. As one engineer interviewed for The Ability Hacks said, "It's not about the technology. It's about the people."

African Music - Manda Tchebwa 2005

This publication covers the variety of African music, as well as its historical and geographical roots. The second part focuses on African music at the dawn of globalization and the impact of the Internet on music in general. Lastly, a third part examines

Teaching and Measuring Cognitive Readiness - Harold F. O'Neil 2013-07-18

Teaching and Measuring Cognitive Readiness presents theoretical and empirical findings regarding cognitive readiness and assessments of their impact on adult learning. The term readiness is used in assessing student preparation for K-12 schools, while in the

military and in industry, "readiness" denotes preparation to be effective in performing a mission or a job. Cognitive Readiness is viewed through a Knowledge, Skills, and Attributes (KSA) lens. Teaching and Measuring Cognitive Readiness deals with (a) the primacy of cognitive readiness as attributes or individual difference variables; (b) the need for cognitive readiness instructional and assessment strategies; (c) the need to integrate assessment into cognitive readiness training; (d) the need for theory-driven evaluation studies to increase knowledge and efficacy in teaching cognitive readiness; and (e) the need for a solid psychometric approach to the use of cognitive readiness assessments.

Getting Started in Track and Field Athletics

- Gary Barber 2006-12-01

Getting Started in Track and Field Athletics- advice, ideas and great stories for parents, coaches, teachers, and young athletes.

Building IBM Enterprise Content Management Solutions From End to End -

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Wei-Dong Zhu 2014-10-22

IBM® Enterprise Content Management (ECM) solutions provide efficient and effective ways to capture content, manage the content and business processes, discover insights from the content, and derive actions to improve business processes, products, and services. This IBM Redbooks® publication introduces and highlights some of the IBM ECM products that can be implemented and integrated together to create end-to-end ECM solutions: IBM Case Manager IBM Datacap IBM Content Manager OnDemand IBM Enterprise Records IBM Watson™ Content Analytics IBM Content Classification For each product involved in the ECM solution, this IBM Redbooks publication briefly describes what it is, its functions and capabilities, and provides step-by-step procedures for installing, configuring, and implementing it. In addition, we provide procedures for integrating these products together to create an end-to-end ECM solution to

achieve the overall solution objectives. Not all of the products are required to be integrated into an ECM solution. Depending on your business requirements, you can choose a subset of these products to be built into your ECM solutions. This book serves as a hands-on learning guide for information technology (IT) specialists who plan to build ECM solutions from end-to-end, for a proof of concept (PoC) environment, or for a proof of technology environment. For implementing a production-strength ECM solution, also refer to IBM Knowledge Center, IBM Redbooks publications, and IBM Software Services.

Optical Character Recognition - Stephen V. Rice 2012-12-06

Optical character recognition (OCR) is the most prominent and successful example of pattern recognition to date. There are thousands of research papers and dozens of OCR products. Optical Character Recognition: An Illustrated Guide to the Frontier offers a perspective on the

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performance of current OCR systems by illustrating and explaining actual OCR errors. The pictures and analysis provide insight into the strengths and weaknesses of current OCR systems, and a road map to future progress. **Optical Character Recognition: An Illustrated Guide to the Frontier** will pique the interest of users and developers of OCR products and desktop scanners, as well as teachers and students of pattern recognition, artificial intelligence, and information retrieval. The first chapter compares the character recognition abilities of humans and computers. The next four chapters present 280 illustrated examples of recognition errors, in a taxonomy consisting of Imaging Defects, Similar Symbols, Punctuation, and Typography. These examples were drawn from large-scale tests conducted by the authors. The final chapter discusses possible approaches for improving the accuracy of today's systems, and is followed by an annotated bibliography. **Optical Character Recognition: An Illustrated**

Guide to the Frontier is suitable as a secondary text for a graduate level course on pattern recognition, artificial intelligence, and information retrieval, and as a reference for researchers and practitioners in industry.

Quasiconformal Surgery in Holomorphic Dynamics - Bodil Branner 2014-01-23

A comprehensive introduction to quasiconformal surgery in holomorphic dynamics. Contains a wide variety of applications and illustrations.

Language, Space and Mind - Paul Chilton 2014-07-10

A new approach to linguistic meaning and grammatical constructions based on simple geometric principles.

Hiroshima - Ran Zwigenberg 2014-09-15

An original and compelling new analysis of Hiroshima's place within the global development of Holocaust and World War II memory.

Maritime Supply Chains - Thierry Vanelander 2020-03-24

Maritime Supply Chains breaks the maritime

chain into components, consistently relating them to the overall integrated supply chain. The book not only analyzes and provides solutions to frequently encountered problems and key operational issues, it also applies cutting-edge scientific techniques on the maritime supply chain. Sections consider shipping, ports and terminals, hinterland and the issues that intersect different parts of the chain. Readers will find discussions of the various actors at play and how they relate to the overall function of the supply chain. Finally, the book offers solutions to the most pressing problems, thus providing a unique, well-balanced account. Provides a comprehensive and integrative account of the maritime supply chain, from shipping, to port, to hinterland Cuts through the maritime supply chain to offer a transversal picture on how the chain functions Applies rigorous analytical techniques to give solutions to the most frequent and pressing challenges facing maritime supply chains Considers advances, such as blockchain,

that are set to transform maritime supply chains
Speech & Language Processing - Dan Jurafsky 2000-09

Innovation and Entrepreneurship - John R. Bessant 2015-06-08

Innovation and Entrepreneurship 3rd Edition is an accessible text on innovation and entrepreneurship aimed specifically at undergraduate students studying business and management studies, but also those on engineering and science degrees with management courses. The text applies key theories and research on innovation and entrepreneurship and then reviews and synthesises those theories and research to apply them in a much broader and contemporary context, including the corporate and public services, emerging technologies and economies, and sustainability and development and creating and capturing value from innovation and entrepreneurship. In this third edition the

authors continue to adopt an explicit process model to help organise the material with clear links between innovation and entrepreneurship. This text has been designed to be fully integrated with the Innovation Portal at www.innovation-portal.info, which contains an extensive collection of additional resources for both lecturers and students, including teaching resources, case studies, media clips, innovation tools, seminar and assessment activities and test questions.

OCR Design and Technology for AS/A Level -

John Grundy 2018-08-06

Exam board: OCR Level: A-level Subject: Design and Technology First teaching: September 2015

First exams: Summer 2016 Inspire your students to tackle the iterative design process with creativity and confidence, using a textbook that delivers the knowledge, understanding and skills they need for the 2017 OCR Design & Technology AS and A-level specifications. Our trusted author team help you to confidently

navigate both the designing and technical principles at the heart of OCR's enquiry approach and to apply them to each of the Product Design, Fashion and Textiles and Design Engineering endorsed titles. - Supports co-teaching of AS and A Level with clear signposting to the additional knowledge, understanding and skills needed at A Level - Inspires your students as they undertake the iterative design process, with a look at how to approach the Non-Exam Assessments, including creative examples of students' work for both the Product Development at AS and the Iterative Design Project at A Level - Helps students to prepare for the written exams with practice questions and guidance on the 'Principles' papers at both AS and A Level, and the 'Problem Solving' papers at A Level

The Digital Transformation of Logistics -

Johannes Kern 2021-04-06

The digital transformation is in full swing and fundamentally changes how we live, work, and

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communicate with each other. From retail to finance, many industries see an inflow of new technologies, disruption through innovative platform business models, and employees struggling to cope with the significant shifts occurring. This Fourth Industrial Revolution is predicted to also transform Logistics and Supply Chain Management, with delivery systems becoming automated, smart networks created everywhere, and data being collected and analyzed universally. The Digital Transformation of Logistics: Demystifying Impacts of the Fourth Industrial Revolution provides a holistic overview of this vital subject clouded by buzz, hype, and misinformation. The book is divided into three themed-sections: Technologies such as self-driving cars or virtual reality are not only electrifying science fiction lovers anymore, but are also increasingly presented as cure-all remedies to supply chain challenges. In The Digital Transformation of Logistics: Demystifying Impacts of the Fourth Industrial Revolution, the

authors peel back the layers of excitement that have grown around new technologies such as the Internet of Things (IoT), 3D printing, Robotic Process Automation (RPA), Blockchain or Cloud computing, and show use cases that give a glimpse about the fascinating future we can expect. Platforms that allow businesses to centrally acquire and manage their logistics services disrupt an industry that has been relationship-based for centuries. The authors discuss smart contracts, which are one of the most exciting applications of Blockchain, Software as a Service (SaaS) offerings for freight procurement, where numerous data sources can be integrated and decision-making processes automated, and marine terminal operating systems as an integral node for shipments. In The Digital Transformation of Logistics: Demystifying Impacts of the Fourth Industrial Revolution, insights are shared into the cold chain industry where companies respond to increasing quality demands, and how

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European governments are innovatively responding to challenges of cross-border eCommerce. People are a vital element of the digital transformation and must be on board to drive change. The Digital Transformation of Logistics: Demystifying Impacts of the Fourth Industrial Revolution explains how executives can create sustainable impact and how competencies can be managed in the digital age - especially for sales executives who require urgent upskilling to remain relevant. Best practices are shared for organizational culture change, drawing on studies among senior leaders from the US, Singapore, Thailand, and Australia, and for managing strategic alliances with logistics service providers to offset risks and create cross-functional, cross-company transparency. The Digital Transformation of Logistics: Demystifying Impacts of the Fourth Industrial Revolution provides realistic insights, a ready-to-use knowledge base, and a working vocabulary about current activities and

emerging trends of the Logistics industry. Intended readers are supply chain professionals working for manufacturing, trading, and freight forwarding companies as well as students and all interested parties.

Educating One and All - National Research Council 1997-06-27

In the movement toward standards-based education, an important question stands out: How will this reform affect the 10% of school-aged children who have disabilities and thus qualify for special education? In Educating One and All, an expert committee addresses how to reconcile common learning for all students with individualized education for "one" – the unique student. The book makes recommendations to states and communities that have adopted standards-based reform and that seek policies and practices to make reform consistent with the requirements of special education. The committee explores the ideas, implementation issues, and legislative initiatives behind the

tradition of special education for people with disabilities. It investigates the policy and practice implications of the current reform movement toward high educational standards for all students. *Educating One and All* examines the curricula and expected outcomes of standards-based education and the educational experience of students with disabilities and identifies points of alignment between the two areas. The volume documents the diverse population of students with disabilities and their school experiences. Because approaches to assessment and accountability are key to standards-based reforms, the committee analyzes how assessment systems currently address students with disabilities, including testing accommodations. The book addresses legal and resource implications, as well as parental participation in children's education.

Myths and Tradeoffs - National Research Council 1999-08-26

More than 8 million students enrolled in 4-year,

degree-granting postsecondary institutions in the United States in 1996. The multifaceted system through which these students applied to and were selected by the approximately 2,240 institutions in which they enrolled is complex, to say the least; for students, parents, and advisers, it is often stressful and sometimes bewildering. This process raises important questions about the social goals that underlie the sorting of students, and it has been the subject of considerable controversy. The role of standardized tests in this sorting process has been one of the principal flashpoints in discussions of its fairness. Tests have been cited as the chief evidence of unfairness in lawsuits over admissions decisions, criticized as biased against minorities and women, and blamed for the fierce competitiveness of the process. Yet tests have also been praised for their value in providing a common yardstick for comparing students from diverse schools with different grading standards. *Myths and Tradeoffs*

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identifies and corrects some persistent myths about standardized admissions tests and highlight some of the specific tradeoffs that decisions about the uses of tests entail; presents conclusions and recommendations about the role of tests in college admissions; and lays out several issues about which information would clearly help decision makers, but about which the existing data are either insufficient or need synthesis and interpretation. This report will benefit a broad audience of college and university officials, state and other officials and lawmakers, and others who are wrestling with decisions about admissions policies, definitions of merit, legal actions, and other issues.

Testing, Teaching, and Learning - National Research Council 1999-10-06

State education departments and school districts face an important challenge in implementing a new law that requires disadvantaged students to be held to the same standards as other students. The new requirements come from provisions of

the 1994 reauthorization of Title I, the largest federal effort in precollegiate education, which provides aid to "level the field" for disadvantaged students. Testing, Teaching, and Learning is written to help states and school districts comply with the new law, offering guidance for designing and implementing assessment and accountability systems. This book examines standards-based education reform and reviews the research on student assessment, focusing on the needs of disadvantaged students covered by Title I. With examples of states and districts that have track records in new systems, the committee develops a practical "decision framework" for education officials. The book explores how best to design assessment and accountability systems that support high levels of student learning and to work toward continuous improvement. Testing, Teaching, and Learning will be an important tool for all involved in educating disadvantaged studentsâ€"state and local administrators and

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classroom teachers.

Stuart: A Life Backwards - Alexander Masters
2006-05-30

In this extraordinary book, Alexander Masters has created a moving portrait of a troubled man, an unlikely friendship, and a desperate world few ever see. A gripping who-done-it journey back in time, it begins with Masters meeting a drunken Stuart lying on a sidewalk in Cambridge, England, and leads through layers of hell...back through crimes and misdemeanors, prison and homelessness, suicide attempts, violence, drugs, juvenile halls and special schools-to expose the smiling, gregarious thirteen-year-old boy who was Stuart before his long, sprawling, dangerous fall. Shocking, inspiring, and hilarious by turns, *Stuart: A Life Backwards* is a writer's quest to give voice to a man who, beneath his forbidding exterior, has a message for us all: that every life—even the most chaotic and disreputable—is a story worthy of being told.

Artificial Intelligence in Banking - Introbooks
2020-04-07

In these highly competitive times and with so many technological advancements, it is impossible for any industry to remain isolated and untouched by innovations. In this era of digital economy, the banking sector cannot exist and operate without the various digital tools offered by the ever new innovations happening in the field of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and its sub-set technologies. New technologies have enabled incredible progression in the finance industry. Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML) have provided the investors and customers with more innovative tools, new types of financial products and a new potential for growth. According to Cathy Bessant (the Chief Operations and Technology Officer, Bank of America), AI is not just a technology discussion. It is also a discussion about data and how it is used and protected. She says, "In a world focused on using AI in new ways, we're focused

on using it wisely and responsibly."

A History of Ancient Geography - Henry Fanshawe Tozer 2014-10-30

This 1897 textbook traces the progress of geographical writing from Homeric times to the end of Rome's western empire.

Once in a House on Fire - Andrea Ashworth 2007

'One of the most extraordinary stories you will ever read of the triumph of the human spirit' Daily Mail Set in 1970s Manchester, *Once in a House on Fire* tells the true story of three sisters and their mother, a close-knit and loving family forced to battle with poverty, abuse and the effects of depression. Beautifully written and deeply inspiring, with a new afterword by Andrea Ashworth, it is a book that will stay with its readers for ever.

The Singularity Is Near - Ray Kurzweil 2005-09-22

"Startling in scope and bravado." —Janet Maslin, The New York Times "Artfully envisions a

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