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## Overshoot

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This updated and revised book on the restructuring of troubled companies provides an insider viewpoint on the methods and complexities of this fascinating area of investment banking. The book demystifies what investment bankers really do and conveys difficult concepts in easily understandable terms.

### **Why School?**

### **Fallout**

Foreword by Janet Yellen Weijian Shan's *Out of the Gobi* is a powerful memoir and commentary that will be one of the most important books on China of our time, one with the potential to re-shape how Americans view China, and how the Chinese view life in America. Shan, a former hard laborer who is now one of Asia's best-known financiers, is thoughtful, observant, eloquent, and brutally honest, making him well-positioned to tell the story of a life that is a microcosm of modern China, and of how, improbably, that life became intertwined with America. *Out of the Gobi* draws a vivid picture of the raw human energy and the will to succeed against all odds. Shan only finished elementary school when Mao Zedong's Cultural Revolution tore his country apart. He was a witness to the brutality and absurdity of Mao's policies during one of the most tumultuous eras in China's history. Exiled

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to the Gobi Desert at age 15 and denied schooling for 10 years, he endured untold hardships without ever giving up his dream for an education. Shan's improbable journey, from the Gobi to the "People's Republic of Berkeley" and far beyond, is a uniquely American success story - told with a splash of humor, deep insight and rich and engaging detail. This powerful and personal perspective on China and America will inform Americans' view of China, humanizing the country, while providing a rare view of America from the prism of a keen foreign observer who lived the American dream. Says former Federal Reserve chair Janet Yellen: "Shan's life provides a demonstration of what is possible when China and the United States come together, even by happenstance. It is not only Shan's personal history that makes this book so interesting but also how the stories of China and America merge in just one moment in time to create an inspired individual so unique and driven, and so representative of the true spirits of both countries."

### **Ice Cream Social**

Exploring three major hubs of muralist activity in California, where indigenist imagery is prevalent, Walls of Empowerment celebrates an aesthetic that seeks to firmly establish Chicana/o sociopolitical identity in U.S. territory. Providing readers with a history and genealogy of key muralists' productions, Guisela Latorre also showcases new material and original research on works and artists never before examined in print. An art form often associated with male creative endeavors,

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muralism in fact reflects significant contributions by Chicana artists. Encompassing these and other aspects of contemporary dialogues, including the often tense relationship between graffiti and muralism, *Walls of Empowerment* is a comprehensive study that, unlike many previous endeavors, does not privilege non-public Latina/o art. In addition, Latorre introduces readers to the role of new media, including performance, sculpture, and digital technology, in shaping the muralist's "canvas." Drawing on nearly a decade of fieldwork, this timely endeavor highlights the ways in which California's Mexican American communities have used images of indigenous peoples to raise awareness of the region's original citizens. Latorre also casts murals as a radical force for decolonization and liberation, and she provides a stirring description of the decades, particularly the late 1960s through 1980s, that saw California's rise as the epicenter of mural production. Blending the perspectives of art history and sociology with firsthand accounts drawn from artists' interviews, *Walls of Empowerment* represents a crucial turning point in the study of these iconographic artifacts.

### **Freedom Under Siege**

### **State of Exception**

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Essential guidance for the corporate finance professional — advisor, Board Director, CFO, Treasurer, business development executive, or M&A expert—to ask the right questions and make the critical decisions. Strategic Corporate Finance is a practical guide to the key issues, their context, and their solutions. From performance measurement and capital planning to risk management and capital structure, Strategic Corporate Finance, translates principles of corporate finance theory into practical methods for implementing them. Filled with in-depth insights, expert advice, and detailed case studies, Strategic Corporate Finance will prepare you for the issues involved in raising, allocating and managing capital, and its associated risks. Justin Pettit (New York, NY) draws on his 15 years of senior advisory experience as an investment banker and management consultant. He advises corporate boards and executives on matters of capital structure, financial policy, valuation, and strategy. He also lectures on topics in advanced corporate finance to graduate and undergraduate students at universities in the New York area.

### **Profits With Principles**

Pessimists see distressed M&A . . . Optimists see distressed M&A Opportunities abound in “bankruptcy beauties”—both in good times and bad. Distressed mergers and acquisitions used to be the domain of a handful of specialists, who generated handsome profits by unlocking value in troubled companies. Now, you can learn

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the secrets for participating in these deals with knowledge and confidence. The Art of Distressed M&A provides the critical information needed to manage the unique complexities of buying, selling, and financing troubled companies. The Art of Distressed M&A arms you with creative solutions to seemingly impossible problems and helps you to avoid common pitfalls. This comprehensive guide enables you to:

- Understand the roles, rights, and responsibilities of debtors, secured creditors, unsecured creditors, advisors, trustees, and bankruptcy courts
- Navigate through complicated valuation, financing, legal, accounting, and tax issues
- Communicate effectively and make informed proposals in multiparty negotiations
- Create the optimal deal structure—from prepackaged plans of reorganization to 363 sales to loan-to-own transactions

The Art of Distressed M&A also highlights practical examples using recent bankruptcy cases following the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005 and is the first publication of its kind since The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010.

## Modern South Asia

From one of the pioneers in the field of leadership studies comes a provocative reassessment of how people lead in the digital age: in *The End of Leadership*, Barbara Kellerman reveals a new way of thinking about leadership—and followership—in the twenty-first century. Building off of the strengths and insights

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of her work as a scholar and a teacher, Kellerman critically reexamines our most strongly-held assumptions about the role of leadership in driving success. Revealing which of our beliefs have become dangerously out-of-date thanks to advances in social media culture, she also calls into question the value of the so-called "leadership industry" itself. Asking whether leadership can truly be taught, Kellerman forces us to think critically and expansively about how to thrive as leaders in a global information age.

## **The History of British India**

Why School? is a little book driven by big questions. What does it mean to be educated? What is intelligence? How should we think about intelligence, education, and opportunity in an open society? Drawing on forty years of teaching and research and "a profound understanding of the opportunities, both intellectual and economic, that come from education" (Booklist), award-winning author Mike Rose reflects on these and other questions related to public schooling in America. He answers them in beautifully written chapters that are both rich in detail and informed by an extensive knowledge of history, the psychology of learning, and the politics of education. This paperback edition includes three new chapters showing how cognitive science actually narrows our understanding of learning, how to increase college graduation rates, and how to value the teaching of basic skills. An updated introduction by Rose, who has been hailed as "a superb writer and an

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even better storyteller" (TLN Teachers Network), reflects on recent developments in school reform. Lauded as "a beautifully written work of literary nonfiction" (The Christian Science Monitor) and called "stunning" by the New Educator Journal, *Why School?* offers an eloquent call for a bountiful democratic vision of the purpose of schooling.

### **Protecting Investors**

### **Distressed Investment Banking - Second Edition**

From the two Time correspondents who cracked the story, the definitive book on the Bank of Credit and Commerce International: an explosive, fast-paced expose of one of the largest criminal conspiracies in history. Beaty and Gwynne's riveting first-person account not only puts all the pieces together for the first time, but brings to life the cloak-and-dagger intrigue that surrounded their investigation. 16 pages of photos.

### **Rangelands: A Resource Under Siege**

Kaufman and Owsley discuss the restructuring of companies that are in financial

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distress, in terms of key players and advisors, strategies, equity and enterprise valuation, debt capacity, fraudulent conveyance, maintaining the status quo, third party options, and internal plans of reorganization. The book is aimed at attorneys, accountants, crisis

### **SARS**

### **Waterford and Limerick Railway Company. History of the mismanagement of the Waterford and Limerick Railway Board With an appendix**

A detailed and compelling look at distressed securities investing in today's market. In the corporate world, "vulture" investors in distressed securities serve the same cleanup function as vultures do in the natural world: they deal with failing companies, digest bad debt, and mop up after bankruptcies. Since this market's structural and legal complexities create greater inefficiencies than in other investment fields, it's a style of investing that can make money during both booms and busts. While recent economic carnage has made opportunities for vulture investors, more convoluted bankruptcies, conflicts of interest, and even government intervention have made this arena harder to negotiate. Nobody

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understands this better than author George Schultze, founder of Schultze Asset Management. During his successful career as a vulture investor, he's learned a number of lessons and developed an investment philosophy that has served him well. Now, in *The Art of Vulture Investing*, Schultze shares his valuable insights and experiences with you. Engaging and informative, this reliable guide offers a bird's-eye view into the opportunities and risks associated with vulture investing. And while it may not always be pretty, you'll see exactly why this process is necessary for our economic ecosystem. Throughout this book, Schultze explains the theory and strategy of vulture investing in clear and lively prose, illustrating each concept with examples from his own varied experience that show how the landscape has changed in recent years. Offers valuable information on distressed securities investing since the 2007-2009 financial crisis Examines the opportunities and dilemmas for modern vulture investors Includes in-depth case studies of high-profile bankruptcies, including those of Chrysler Automotive and Tropicana Casinos and Resorts By its very nature, investing in distressed companies can be a complicated and risky business. But once the dust settles, these investments can yield extraordinary profits. *The Art of Vulture Investing* puts this discipline in perspective and shows you how to excel at this difficult, yet rewarding, endeavor.

### **The Outlaw Bank**

A sophisticated "how to" for owners of troubled companies who want to salvage as

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much of their equity as possible in the face of daunting foes.

### **The Later Roman Empire**

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### **The Velvet Rope Economy**

An exhaustively researched book that reads like an investigative thriller, *Fallout* reveals how Obama's "Russian Reset" led to corruption, scandal, and a desperate bid to impeach Donald Trump. In 2015, a major story broke exposing Hillary

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Clinton's role in approving the sale of American uranium assets to the Russian state nuclear agency, Rosatom. Not only did the sale of Uranium One put 20 percent of America's domestic uranium supply under the control of Vladimir Putin, there was also evidence that the Clintons themselves had hugely profited from the deal. When presidential candidate Donald Trump made Uranium One the centerpiece of his "Crooked Hillary" attacks, the Clinton team feared its potential to damage Hillary's campaign. Others in the Obama-Biden camp worried that if elected, Trump would expose their role in selling out America's security to Putin. Their desperate need to neutralize the issue led them to launch an unprecedented investigation into the Trump campaign's purported ties to Russia. The infamous Steele dossier, produced by Clinton-connected Fusion GPS, sparked an investigation under FBI Director James Comey. Instead of ending after the election, the investigation grew bigger, eventually leading to Comey's firing and the appointment of Special Counsel Robert Mueller. When Mueller failed to find grounds for impeachment, Democrats seized on an ambiguous phone call with the Ukrainian president as a pretext to remove Trump from office. This gambit blew up in their faces when it exposed the secrets that Democrats tried hard to keep buried. An indispensable guide to the hidden background of recent events, *Fallout* shows how Putin's bid for nuclear dominance produced a series of political scandals that ultimately posed one of the greatest threats to our democracy in modern American history.

### **Crime Classification Manual**

Renowned valuation expert Aswath Damodaran reviews the core tools of valuation, examines today's most difficult estimation questions and issues, and then systematically addresses the valuation challenges that arise throughout a firm's lifecycle in *The Dark Side of Valuation: Valuing Young, Distressed and Complex Businesses*. In this thoroughly revised edition, he broadens his perspective to consider all companies that resist easy valuation, highlighting specific types of hard-to-value firms, including commodity firms, cyclical companies, financial services firms, organizations dependent on intangible assets, and global firms operating diverse businesses. He covers the entire corporate lifecycle, from "idea" and "nascent growth" companies to those in decline and distress, and offers specific guidance for valuing technology, human capital, commodity, and cyclical firms. ·

### **The Siege of Kimberley**

The past twenty years have seen great theoretical and empirical advances in the field of corporate finance. Whereas once the subject addressed mainly the financing of corporations--equity, debt, and valuation--today it also embraces crucial issues of governance, liquidity, risk management, relationships between

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banks and corporations, and the macroeconomic impact of corporations. However, this progress has left in its wake a jumbled array of concepts and models that students are often hard put to make sense of. Here, one of the world's leading economists offers a lucid, unified, and comprehensive introduction to modern corporate finance theory. Jean Tirole builds his landmark book around a single model, using an incentive or contract theory approach. Filling a major gap in the field, *The Theory of Corporate Finance* is an indispensable resource for graduate and advanced undergraduate students as well as researchers of corporate finance, industrial organization, political economy, development, and macroeconomics. Tirole conveys the organizing principles that structure the analysis of today's key management and public policy issues, such as the reform of corporate governance and auditing; the role of private equity, financial markets, and takeovers; the efficient determination of leverage, dividends, liquidity, and risk management; and the design of managerial incentive packages. He weaves empirical studies into the book's theoretical analysis. And he places the corporation in its broader environment, both microeconomic and macroeconomic, and examines the two-way interaction between the corporate environment and institutions. Setting a new milestone in the field, *The Theory of Corporate Finance* will be the authoritative text for years to come.

## **Cyclopaedia of Political Science, Political Economy, and of the**

## **Political History of the United States**

## **The Art of Distressed M&A: Buying, Selling, and Financing Troubled and Insolvent Companies**

## **A Pisgah Sight of Palestine and the Confines Thereof**

"For more than three decades, Ben & Jerry's has been committed to an insanely ambitious three-part mission: not just making the world's best ice cream but also supporting progressive causes and sharing its success with all stakeholders--employees, suppliers, distributors, customers, cows, everybody. Living up to these beliefs is fun when you're doing it right, and it creates amazingly loyal customers, but it isn't easy. This is the first book to tell the full, inside story of the inspiring rise, tragic mistakes, devastating fall, determined recovery, and ongoing renewal of one of the most iconic mission-driven companies in the world. No previous book has focused so intently on the challenges presented by staying true to the mission as the business grew. No other book has explained how the company came to be sold to Unilever, one of the world's biggest corporations. And none has described the unprecedented contract Ben & Jerry's negotiated with

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Unilever to preserve the three-part mission or the complex working relationship that has allowed the company to pursue that mission on a much larger stage. Brad Edmondson tells the story with a journalist's eye for details, dramatic moments, and memorable characters. Among the dozens of key figures Edmondson interviewed, his most important source was Jeff Furman, who helped Ben and Jerry write their first business plan in 1978 and has stayed involved ever since, serving as chairman of the board since 2010. It's a funny, sad, surprising, and ultimately hopeful story."--Publisher's description.

## **The Theory of Corporate Finance**

"A Source Book for Mediæval History" by Oliver J. Thatcher, Edgar Holmes McNeal. Published by Good Press. Good Press publishes a wide range of titles that encompasses every genre. From well-known classics & literary fiction and non-fiction to forgotten—or yet undiscovered gems—of world literature, we issue the books that need to be read. Each Good Press edition has been meticulously edited and formatted to boost readability for all e-readers and devices. Our goal is to produce eBooks that are user-friendly and accessible to everyone in a high-quality digital format.

## **The Little Book That Builds Wealth**

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This book is based on an expert group meeting entitled 'Male Roles and Masculinities in the Perspective of a Culture of Peace', which was organised by UNESCO in Oslo, Norway in 1997, the first international discussion of the connections between men and masculinity and peace and war. The group consisted of researchers, activists, policy makers and administrators and the aim of the meeting was to formulate practical suggestions for change. Chapters in the book consist of both regional case studies and social science research on the connections of traditional masculinity and patriarchy to violence and peace building. The Culture of Peace initiatives in this book show how violence is ineffective, and the book contests the views in the socialisation of boy-children that aggressiveness, violence and force are an acceptable means of expression.

### **A General Abridgement of Law and Equity**

In this highly readable and practical guide for entrepreneurs, you can find the inside information on what to really expect from out-side investors and how to manage them to get the best result. Before you take the irreversible step of selling part of your business, read this book. In a witty and sardonic style, Simon Acland explains the many mistakes that entrepreneurs can make in their struggle for equity, and the clever tricks that venture capitalists employ. Answering every conceivable question about seeking outside investment, he helps entrepreneurs decide on the best way to raise capital, understand the different kinds of investor,

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and find the right backer - be they Angel, Dragon or Vulture - to help take their business to the next level. Packed with hard-hitting statistics and real-life examples, Angels, Dragons and Vultures gives capital advice to entrepreneurs to help them through the funding maze. Acland offers in-depth analysis of the relationship between entrepreneur and investor, from the intricacies of the term sheet and further rounds of investment, to managing the relationship with your new partners and making a profitable exit. This indispensable guide offers sage advice to anyone bent on taming the venture capital beasts and holding on to their company. "Simon Acland has written an insider's guide to the opaque and much sought-after world of venture capital. Angels, Dragons and Vultures decodes the industry and offers sound advice for those who will engage with it."---Julie Meyer, founder of Entrepreneur Country, CEO of Ariadne Capital and a Dragon on the BBC's Dragon's Den Online

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The South Asian subcontinent is home to nearly a billion people and has been the site of fierce historical contestation. It is a panoply of languages and religions with a rich and complex history and culture. Drawing on the newest and most sophisticated historical research and scholarship in the field, Modern South Asia is written in an accessible style for all those with an intellectual curiosity about the region. After sketching the pre-modern history of the subcontinent, the book

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concentrates on the last three centuries from c.1700 to the present. Jointly written by two leading Indian and Pakistani historians, it offers a rare depth of historical understanding of the politics, cultures and economies that shape the lives of more than a fifth of humanity. In this comprehensive study, the authors debate and challenge the striking developments in contemporary South Asian history and historical writing. The book provides new insights into the structure and ideology of the British raj, the meaning of subaltern resistance, the refashioning of social relations along lines of caste, class, community and gender, the different strands of anti-colonial nationalism and the dynamics of decolonization. This book is a work of synthesis and interpretation covering the entire spectrum of modern South Asian history - social, economic and political. The authors offer an understanding of this strategically and economically vital part of the world.

## **Strategic Corporate Finance**

## **The Dark Side of Valuation**

## **Out of the Gobi**

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Two months after the attacks of 9/11, the Bush administration, in the midst of what it perceived to be a state of emergency, authorized the indefinite detention of noncitizens suspected of terrorist activities and their subsequent trials by a military commission. Here, distinguished Italian philosopher Giorgio Agamben uses such circumstances to argue that this unusual extension of power, or "state of exception," has historically been an underexamined and powerful strategy that has the potential to transform democracies into totalitarian states. The sequel to Agamben's *Homo Sacer: Sovereign Power and Bare Life*, *State of Exception* is the first book to theorize the state of exception in historical and philosophical context. In Agamben's view, the majority of legal scholars and policymakers in Europe as well as the United States have wrongly rejected the necessity of such a theory, claiming instead that the state of exception is a pragmatic question. Agamben argues here that the state of exception, which was meant to be a provisional measure, became in the course of the twentieth century a normal paradigm of government. Writing nothing less than the history of the state of exception in its various national contexts throughout Western Europe and the United States, Agamben uses the work of Carl Schmitt as a foil for his reflections as well as that of Derrida, Benjamin, and Arendt. In this highly topical book, Agamben ultimately arrives at original ideas about the future of democracy and casts a new light on the hidden relationship that ties law to violence.

## **A Treatise on Political Economy**

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

### **The Art of Vulture Investing**

Our day-to-day experiences over the past decade have taught us that there must be limits to our tremendous appetite for energy, natural resources, and consumer goods. Even utility and oil companies now promote conservation in the face of demands for dwindling energy reserves. And for years some biologists have warned us of the direct correlation between scarcity and population growth. These scientists see an appalling future riding the tidal wave of a worldwide growth of population and technology. A calm but unflinching realist, Catton suggests that we cannot stop this wave - for we have already overshot the Earth's capacity to support so huge a load. He contradicts those scientists, engineers, and technocrats who continue to write optimistically about energy alternatives. Catton asserts that the technological panaceas proposed by those who would harvest from the seas,

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harness the winds, and farm the deserts are ignoring the fundamental premise that "the principals of ecology apply to all living things." These principles tell us that, within a finite system, economic expansion is not irreversible and population growth cannot continue indefinitely. If we disregard these facts, our sagging American Dream will soon shatter completely.

### **Male Roles, Masculinities and Violence**

The severe acute respiratory syndrome virus (SARS) first emerged in southern China in November 2002 and in the following months spread to 12 other countries in the Western Pacific region (where 95 per cent of the global cases took place) with devastating force. By July 2004, when the epidemic was finally declared over, it had killed nearly 800 people including many healthcare workers. Although by some standards, this first emerging and readily transmissible disease of the 21st century was not a big killer, it caused more fear and social disruption than any other outbreak of our time. Written largely by the public health experts and scientists involved in efforts to control the epidemic, this publication examines the emergence and spread of SARS, the public health measures taken to deal with it, the epidemiology of the SARS coronavirus (SAR-CoV) and vaccine development, and its impact on people and economies in individual countries, in the region and around the world.

### **Under Siege?**

From New York Times business reporter Nelson D. Schwartz comes a gripping investigation of how a virtual velvet rope divides Americans in every arena of life, creating a friction-free existence for those with money on one side and a Darwinian struggle for the middle class on the other side. In nearly every realm of daily life--from health care to education, highways to home security--there is an invisible velvet rope that divides how Americans live. On one side of the rope, for a price, red tape is cut, lines are jumped, appointments are secured, and doors are opened. On the other side, middle- and working-class Americans fight to find an empty seat on the plane, a place in line with their kids at the amusement park, a college acceptance, or a hospital bed. We are all aware of the gap between the rich and everyone else, but when we weren't looking, business innovators stepped in to exploit it, shifting services away from the masses and finding new ways to profit by serving the privileged. And as decision-makers and corporate leaders increasingly live on the friction-free side of the velvet rope, they are less inclined to change--or even notice--the obstacles everyone else must contend with. Schwartz's "must read" book takes us on a behind-the-scenes tour of this new reality and shows the toll the velvet rope divide takes on society.

### **Walls of Empowerment**

### **The End of Leadership**

Draws on detailed case studies from more than fifty top companies to demonstrate how engaging in ethical practices can enable businesses to gain a competitive advantage, improve a brand image, secure consumer loyalty, and foster greater employee satisfaction.

### **Distressed Investment Banking**

### **The Business Book**

This volume comprises the proceedings of the Second International Rangelands Congress held in Adelaide, Australia in May 1984, and includes some 350 contributions drawn from 43 different countries. The Congress addressed the problem of the conflict between land-users and the degradation of this valuable resource. Some 40% of the Earth's land surface is arid or alpine and therefore unsuitable for agricultural cultivation. Collectively, these lands are known as rangelands and in their natural state they constitute a habitat for grazing animals, both domestic and wild. Despite their low productivity, rangelands have been used

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for thousands of years as a source of food and fibre, but other uses such as mining, tourism, recreation and conservation are exerting increasing demands. The result is often conflict between land-users and degradation of the resource.

### **The Life of George Washington**

Ammianus Marcellinus was the last great Roman historian, and his writings rank alongside those of Livy and Tacitus. The Later Roman Empire chronicles a period of twenty-five years during Marcellinus' own lifetime, covering the reigns of Constantius, Julian, Jovian, Valentinian I, and Valens, and providing eyewitness accounts of significant military events including the Battle of Strasbourg and the Goth's Revolt. Portraying a time of rapid and dramatic change, Marcellinus describes an Empire exhausted by excessive taxation, corruption, the financial ruin of the middle classes and the progressive decline in the morale of the army. In this magisterial depiction of the closing decades of the Roman Empire, we can see the seeds of events that were to lead to the fall of the city, just twenty years after Marcellinus' death.

### **A Source Book for Mediæval History**

The Business Book clearly and simply explains all of the key theories that have

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shaped the world of business, management, and commerce. Using easy-to-follow graphics and artworks, succinct quotations, and thoroughly accessible text, The Business Book introduces the would-be entrepreneur and general reader alike to the work of great commercial thinkers, leaders, and gurus. The Business Book includes: - Almost 100 quotations from the great business thinkers and gurus - Information on every facet of business management, including alternative business models, with real life examples from the marketplace - A structure that takes the reader through every stage of business strategy, from start-up to delivering the goods The clear and concise summaries, graphics, and quotations in The Business Book will help even the complete novice understand the key ideas behind business success.

### **Angels, Dragons and Vultures**

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