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**Medici Effect** John Wiley & Sons

Do moments of inspiration have to be few and far between—or can you develop the ability to access your deepest creativity at any time? Michael Gelb has discovered the missing key that allows genius to flourish: an open, reliable connection to the vital life energy we all possess. “The practices for accessing energy have been developed for thousands of years in yoga, martial arts, and Chinese medicine,” Gelb says. “I’ve asked today’s greatest living masters of these arts to contribute their most effective practices for cultivating creative energy—in a way that the average person can do in 20 minutes or less.” With *Creativity On Demand*, Gelb teaches a series of time-tested practices to clear blockages and open the flow of creative energy, then reveals how these techniques can be integrated with the renowned creative mindset and creative process tools he’s taught to individuals and organizations worldwide. Join him as he shares potent secrets for: Mastering creative energy—discover qi, the “fire of genius,” and learn movement-based practices to amplify it Mastering creative mindset—how to break out of conventional thinking and fear-based limitations to unleash your potential Mastering the creative process—guidance to help you channel your creative energy, refine your ideas, and translate inspiration into reality Effective, easy-to-learn techniques and strategies for accessing the power of qi and creating a reservoir of creative energy you can rely on when you need it “Creative energy is a resource that doesn’t get depleted when you use it,” teaches Michael Gelb. “Rather, the more you access it, the stronger it becomes. With an investment of less than half an hour a day, you’ll discover that within a few months you’ve significantly strengthened your core creative energy.” Here is Michael Gelb’s most powerful work yet on unlocking our potential to innovate, achieve, and access our *Creativity on Demand*.

*Text, Don't Call* New World Library

Time and space. Genetics and robotics. Education and fashion. Possibilities limited only by our imaginations. The future is yours to create. Could you be the Leonardo da Vinci of our times? Most ideas are incremental, quickly copied and suffocated by conventions. "Future back" thinking starts with stretching possibilities then makes them a reality "now forward". The best ideas emerge by seeing what everyone has seen, and thinking like nobody else. Newness occurs in the margins not the mainstream. Solutions emerge through powerful fusions of the best ideas into practical, useful concepts. Creative people rise up. Visionaries, border crossers and game changers. Engage your right brain, open your eyes, think more holistically... intuition rules. From Apple to BlackBerry, GE to Google, innovative companies stand out from the crowd not so much for their exceptional products, despite what one might assume, but for the way they challenge conventions, redefine markets, and change consumer expectations. Apple didn't just create the iPod; it envisioned the future of music and then made a product to service that future. And the same holds true for every highly innovative company. In *Creative Genius*, Peter Fisk presents ten tracks for innovation and provides business blueprints for making that innovation happen. *Creative Genius* is inspired by the imagination and perspective of Leonardo da Vinci, in order to

drive creativity, design and innovation in more radical and powerful ways. It includes practical tools ranging from scenario planning and context reframing to accelerated innovation and market entry, plus 50 tracks, 25 tools, and 50 inspiring case studies. *Creative Genius* is "the best and last" in the *Genius* series by bestselling author Peter Fisk. Others include *Business Genius*, *Marketing Genius* and *Customer Genius*.

**Creative Leadership** Crown

Shows readers how to liberate thinking and expand imagination by learning to synthesize dissimilar subjects, think paradoxically, and enlist the help of the subconscious mind.

**Driven** Rosenfeld Media

Why isn't everyone creative? Why doesn't education foster more ingenuity? Why is expertise often the enemy of innovation? Bestselling creativity expert Michael Michalko shows that in every field of endeavor — from business and science to government, the arts, and even day-to-day life — natural creativity is limited by the prejudices of logic and the structures of accepted categories and concepts. Through step-by-step exercises, illustrated strategies, and inspiring real-world examples, he shows readers how to liberate their thinking and literally expand their imaginations by learning to synthesize dissimilar subjects, think paradoxically, and enlist the help of the subconscious mind. He also reveals the attitudes and approaches that diverse geniuses share — and anyone can emulate. Fascinating and fun, Michalko's strategies facilitate the kind of lightbulb-moment thinking that changes lives — for the better.

**Fostering Creativity** Routledge

Over the past forty years, numerous theoretical advances have been made. From Ayres' and Braithwaite's ground breaking work on 'responsive regulation', we have seen models of 'smart regulation', 'regulatory governance' and 'regulatory capitalism' emerge to capture the growing prevalence and importance of regulation in modern liberal Western capitalist societies. Important advances also have been made in the practice of regulation, with regulators evolving from traditional enforcement focussed 'command and control' models to being 'modern regulators' with a suite of diverse and innovative regulatory tools at their disposal. The book presents and critically examines these theoretical and practical developments from the perspective of governments who design regulations, and the regulators that deploy them. In doing so, the book examines the various forces and interests that influence and shape the regulatory endeavour, and the practical challenges facing governments and regulators when deciding whether and how to regulate. This volume is a study of regulation in context: in the context of the public policy it is designed to deliver; the law that enables, shapes and holds it to account; and the evolving societal and institutional frameworks within which it takes place. Aimed to provide innovative cross-disciplinary conceptual frameworks that regulators, regulatees, those whom regulation is intended to benefit, and academics, might employ to better understand and undertake the regulatory endeavour. This will be of great interest to researchers, educators, advanced students and practitioners working in the fields of political science, public management and administration, and public policy. .

**Mind Mapping For Dummies** Currency

"Innovation is universally recognized as a key components of first world economies that is vital for continued prosperity. Innovation is driven by the generation of effective novelty in other words,

creativity. However, both in higher education and also in business and industry, insufficient effort is being made to encourage and develop creativity, with negative consequences for innovation. This is partly due to inadequate understanding of what creativity is and how it can be fostered. This book draws on complementary views of creativity and innovation as a business process and as a social-psychological model to create a more detailed and more highly differentiated model which is capable of serving as a practical foundation for diagnosing, analyzing, optimizing and fostering creativity and innovation in a variety of organizational settings. It is built around a large number of case studies and down-to-earth examples, and offers many concrete suggestions for fostering what the authors call functional creativity."-- Publisher's website.

**Governing through Regulation** John Wiley & Sons

Creativity is an acquired skill, one that improves with practice. *Cracking the Creativity Code* shows you how! This book provides a proven method for generating world-changing ideas. It empowers individuals who have given up on their innate creativity, who believe that they have lost their creative powers through years of disuse. In a light, entertaining style, the authors describe their unique, structured approach to creativity. To bring the reader closer to this lost art, the authors present a 'Zoom in, Zoom out, Zoom in' technique to make 'creation' more accessible to everyone. Reinvigorate your personal creativity machines—once turned on, it will generate an unending stream of novel ideas that can change the world.

**Group Genius** John Wiley & Sons

From the bestselling author of *Thinkertoys*, this follow up brings innovative creative thinking techniques within reach, giving you the tools to tackle everyday challenges in new ways. Internationally renowned business creativity expert, Michael Michalko will show you how creative people think—and how to put their secrets to work for you in business and in your personal life. You don't have to be a genius to solve problems like one. Michalko researched and analyzed hundreds of history's greatest thinkers across disciplines—from Leonardo da Vinci to Pablo Picasso—to bring the best of their techniques together and to teach you how to apply them in your own life. *Cracking Creativity* is filled with exercises and anecdotes that will soon have you looking at problems and seeing many different solutions. **Doorbells, Danger, and Dead Batteries** Crystal Clarity Publishers This exploration of innovative thinking in companies of all kinds "shows us how creativity in business can enrich us, and those who work with us." -- Spencer Johnson, co-author, *The One Minute Manager*

**Unthink** Routledge

In *The Progress Paradox*, Gregg Easterbrook draws upon three decades of wide-ranging research and thinking to make the persuasive assertion that almost all aspects of Western life have vastly improved in the past century—and yet today, most men and women feel less happy than in previous generations. Detailing the emerging science of “positive psychology,” which seeks to understand what causes a person's sense of well-being, Easterbrook offers an alternative to our culture of crisis and complaint. He makes a compelling case that optimism, gratitude, and acts of forgiveness not only make modern life more fulfilling but are actually in our self-interest. An affirming and constructive way of seeing life anew, *The Progress Paradox* will change the way you think about your place in the world—and about our

collective ability to make it better.

[Thinkertoys](#) Elsevier

Design Thinking and other agile methods are firmly established frameworks in innovation and project management for teams, and many studies deal with their use in companies. Solo-Entrepreneurs as the quasi smallest possible unit of a company are seldom in view when applying these ideas. Their situation also differs significantly from that of larger corporate entities, as evidenced, for example, by the fact that personal challenges can also affect general economic success much more quickly. This master thesis used a qualitative method mix of qualitative interviews, feedback grids and, most importantly, practical workshops based on the Design-based research approach to investigate the extent to which the use of agile methods is beneficial and meaningful in addressing business cases of Solo-Entrepreneurs.

[Creative Thinkering](#) Hampton Press (NJ)

If you want to be the best, focus on your most valuable asset: the power of your creative mind As competition and the pace of change intensify, companies and individuals need to harness their creativity to stay ahead of the field. Under pressure, people often think they can't be creative; many more are convinced they are not creative at all because they have never been 'arty'. Creative genius Edward de Bono debunks these common notions in this remarkable book. He shows how creativity is a learnable skill - one that everyone can use to improve their performance. He then explains how you can unlock your own creativity to reap the personal and professional rewards it will bring. Learn how to: be creative on demand with de Bono's step-by-step approach add value to ideas and turn them into financial assets boost creativity with the power of lateral thinking break free from old ways of thinking with creative challenging

**You May Also Like** [Vintage](#)

[Rethink the Way You Think](#) In hindsight, every great idea seems obvious. But how can you be the person who comes up with those ideas? In this revised and expanded edition of his groundbreaking [Thinkertoys](#), creativity expert Michael Michalko reveals life-changing tools that will help you think like a genius. From the linear to the intuitive, this comprehensive handbook details ingenious creative-thinking techniques for approaching problems in unconventional ways. Through fun and thought-provoking exercises, you'll learn how to create original ideas that will improve your personal life and your business life. Michalko's techniques show you how to look at the same information as everyone else and see something different. With hundreds of hints, tricks, tips, tales, and puzzles, [Thinkertoys](#) will open your mind to a world of innovative solutions to everyday and not-so-everyday problems.

**The Critical Thinking Toolkit** New World Library

Unlock your brain's potential using mind mapping Mind mapping is a popular technique that can be applied in a variety of situations and settings. Students can make sense of complex topics and structure their revision with mind mapping; business people can manage projects and collaborate with colleagues using mind maps, and any creative process can be supported by using a mind map to explore ideas and build upon them. Mind

maps allow for greater creativity when recording ideas and information whatever the topic, and enable the note-taker to associate words with visual representations. [Mind Mapping For Dummies](#) explains how mind mapping works, why it's so successful, and the many ways it can be used. It takes you through the wide range of approaches to mind mapping, looks at the available mind mapping software options, and investigates advanced mind mapping techniques for a range of purposes, including studying for exams, improving memory, project management, and maximizing creativity. Suitable for students of all ages and study levels An excellent resource for people working on creative projects who wish to use mind mapping to develop their ideas Shows businesspeople how to maximize their efficiency, manage projects, and brainstorm effectively If you're a student, artist, writer, or businessperson, [Mind Mapping For Dummies](#) shows you how to unlock your brain's potential. [Creativity in Business](#) Ten Speed Press

This book demonstrates how creative thinking is an essential element of leadership, especially when bringing about change. It provides a unique combination of conceptual arguments, practical principles, and proven tools to enhance future leaders' effectiveness in creating and managing change.

#### CREATIVITY ON DEMAND

SAGE Publications

Did you know your brain has superpowers? Berit Brogaard, PhD, and Kristian Marlow, MA, study people with astonishing talents—memory champions, human echolocators, musical virtuosos, math geniuses, and synesthetes who taste colors and hear faces. But as amazing as these abilities are, they are not mysterious. Our brains constantly process a huge amount of information below our awareness, and what these gifted individuals have in common is that through practice, injury, an innate brain disorder, or even more unusual circumstances, they have managed to gain a degree of conscious access to this potent processing power. [The Superhuman Mind](#) takes us inside the lives and brains of geniuses, savants, virtuosos, and a wide variety of ordinary people who have acquired truly extraordinary talents, one way or another. Delving into the neurological underpinnings of these abilities, the authors even reveal how we can acquire some of them ourselves—from perfect pitch and lightning fast math skills to supercharged creativity. [The Superhuman Mind](#) is a book full of the fascinating science readers look for from the likes of Oliver Sacks, combined with the exhilarating promise of [Moonwalking with Einstein](#).

#### THE MAP OF INNOVATION

Skyhorse Publishing Inc.

Critical thinking--the ability to approach a problem both analytically and creatively--is the bedrock of success for companies and their people. Fortunately, it's a skill that can be learned. [The Critical Thinking Toolkit](#) gets employees thinking better and faster with training exercises that offer an invigorating departure from the everyday and the potential for big payoffs in the form of enhanced "on-your-feet" thinking, innovative problem-solving, and profitable idea generation from everyone on

the team. Using hands-on activities and ready-to-use assessments, team members will learn how to challenge assumptions, brainstorm divergent ideas, and then pinpoint the ones that best benefit your organization. And they'll learn to do it in a way that not only increases their work quality, but also their productivity. Unimaginative. Risk-adverse. Prone to groupthink. These are not just empty complaints about today's employees. American businesses are suffering from systemic burnout resulting in a widespread lack of creativity. But this unimaginative thinking doesn't need to plague your workplace. With [The Critical Thinking Toolkit](#), you and your team have everything you need to think quickly, analytically, and creatively.

[The Superhuman Mind](#) Random House Trade Paperbacks

As seen in [Real Simple's 2017 Gift Guide](#) An illustrated guide to the challenges and pleasures of the introverted life [Introversion](#) is "in." But there are still many misconceptions about introverts in the world. They're shy. Anti-social. They don't want to have close relationships. They're all cat people. They don't like big parties (okay, that last one might be true). INFJoe, the cartoon persona of artist and introvert Aaron Caycedo-Kimura, is here to set the record straight. Filled with charming comic book style illustrations, this book provides invaluable insights into the introverted life with plenty of humor and wit. Full of moments that will make introverts say, "That's so me!" as well as helpful tips on surviving at parties and in the workplace, [Text, Don't Call](#) is the perfect gift for your quiet friends, or the extroverted ones who could use some help to better understand the introverts in their lives.

[Cracking the Creativity Code](#) John Wiley & Sons

Robert Herjavec has lived the classic "rags to riches" story, from having \$20 in his pocket to starting up technology companies worth hundreds of millions of dollars. Now the star of television's [Dragons' Den](#) and [Shark Tank](#), this son of Croatian immigrants earned his incredible wealth by overcoming the odds with hard work and determination. On television, Herjavec bankrolls the best inventions and shoots down the best of intentions. Now, he's sharing his hard-won wisdom in one of the most inspirational business books of recent times. In [Driven](#), Herjavec shares the secrets that took him from his job waiting tables to growing his nascent technology company into a world-class conglomerate, [The Herjavec Group](#). Herjavec's principles are as valuable in the living room as they are in the boardroom. Anyone can succeed, on their own terms, by following his sage but simple advice—if they're willing to take chances, to take control of their own future and to stay true to their own visions.

#### CREATIVE THINKERING

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