

Basic Education Plan

Purpose of this document:

1. Understand the world: learn about status quo of world
2. To not act significantly in extreme naivety or arrogance
3. Have an overview: access all research from this “centralized” document
4. Create a lifelong resource: Constantly update doc
5. Share particular resources I have explored and can advocate for with friends that would likewise treasure the knowledge

This is my curriculum. I will explore the following topics:

1. Politics
2. Economics
3. Climate Change
4. Welfare Systems
5. Healthcare Systems
6. Insurance Systems
7. Education Systems
8. Transportation Systems
9. Energy Sources
10. Agricultural Policies and Food Security
11. Psychology
12. Religion
13. Culture
14. Business
15. Self-Care
16. Fiction (Stories are important since they increase imagination which offers my mind with greater strategies in the future. This curriculum will introduce tools to increase tactics, but tactics without strategy is the noise before defeat)

Italicize topics we have gathered sufficient information and resources to begin learning, for now

Politics & Nations

- International Relations
- Look first into different styles, e.g. socialism, capitalism (many types), etc.
- Politics is the study of power
- 80% to 90% of all wars are fought over land. Therefore look into the politics of land. Study the water crisis and the politics of water.
- Look into why and how the pound is one of the most powerful currencies in the world even though there are such poor conditions in the UK.
- Balance of trade and balance of power
- India is building a Bloc against the US and the US influence in the world.
- Study instances of how people can be so scared of dictator-like figures like Xi Jinping that they don't tell them anything, leading to misinformation growing internally and how that can lead to a collapse in certain sectors of the government.

Resources to explore:

ASIA

CHINA & CHINA–U.S. DYNAMICS

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Chinese Business History; Economic Reforms; State and Market Interaction; Entrepreneurship in China; Foreign Investment Impact; Industrialization in China; Capitalist Transformation; Corporate Governance; Economic Policy Changes; Global Economic Integration	(Understanding China) David Faure - China And Capitalism_ A History of Business Enterprise in Modern China -Hong Kong University Press (2006)	Summary: China and Capitalism: A History of Business Enterprise in Modern China
Strategic Influence; Geopolitical Tactics; Cyber Espionage; Economic Warfare; Political Infiltration; Soft Power; Intelligence Operations; National Security Threats; China-U.S. Relations; Global Supremacy Strategies	William J. Holstein - The new art of war _ China's deep strategy inside the United States (2019)	Summary: The New Art of War—China's Deep Strategy Inside the United States
Chinese Geopolitical Strategy; Military Modernization; Cyber Espionage; Economic Expansion; Political Influence Campaigns; Global Power Aspirations; U.S.-China Rivalry; Intelligence Warfare; Technology Theft; Hegemonic Ambitions	Bill Gertz - Deceiving the Sky_ Inside Communist China's Drive for Global Supremacy (2019)	Summary: Deceiving the Sky: Inside Communist China's Drive for Global Supremacy
US-China Relations; Geopolitical Tensions; Conflict Avoidance Strategies; Xi Jinping's Policies; Military Buildup; Economic Interdependence; Diplomatic Engagement; Power Balancing; Technological Rivalry; Global Stability Threats	Kevin Rudd - The Avoidable War-PublicAffairs Hachette Book Group (2022)	Summary: The Avoidable War: The Dangers of a Catastrophic Conflict Between the US and Xi Jinping's China

AUSTRALIA

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Political Leadership; Prime Ministerial Tenure; Government Policies; National and International Issues; Leadership Challenges; Political Legacy; Public Perception; Economic Reforms; Domestic Affairs; Party Dynamics	Kevin Rudd - The PM Years-Pan Macmillan Australia (2018)	Summary: The PM Years

DEMOCRACY

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Liberal Democracy; Globalization Challenges; Political Polarization; Economic Inequality; Cultural Identity Crises; Populism Rise; Technological Disruption; Governance and Policy; Western Influence Decline; Resilience of Democratic Institutions	(Economist Books) Bill Emmott, The Economist - The Fate of the West_ The Battle to Save the World's Most Successful Political Idea-The Economist (2017)	Summary: The Fate of the West: The Battle to Save the World's Most Successful Political Idea

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & GLOBAL DYNAMICS

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary,
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		discussion, etc.
Historical Insights; Future Predictions; 20th Century Analysis; 21st Century Challenges; Technological Advancements; Globalization Impact; Economic Shifts; Political Evolution; Social Change; Environmental Concerns; Cultural Dynamics; Leadership Lessons; Conflict Resolution; Economic Policy; Technological Integration; Health and Medicine; Education Reforms; Urbanization Trends; National Security; International Cooperation	20_21 vision_ twentieth-century lessons for the twenty-first -- Emmott, Bill -- 2004 -- New York_ Picador	Summary: 20:21 Vision: The Lessons of the 20th Century for the 21st
Japanese Diplomacy; Economic Interdependence; Security Alliances; Regional Conflicts; U.S.-Japan Relations; East Asian Geopolitics; Trade Policies; Military Strategy; United Nations Involvement; Peace and Stability Initiatives	(Sheffield Centre for Japanese Studies_Routledge series 44) Hook, Glenn D - Japan's international relations_ politics, economics and security-Routledge (2012)	Summary: Japan's International Relations: Politics, Economics and Security

RESOURCE POLITICS

MINING

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Mining Regulations; Global Resource Management; Environmental Law; Corporate Governance; Sustainable Mining Practices; Indigenous Rights; Extractive Industries Transparency; International Mining Law; Conflict Minerals; Corporate	(Global Energy Law and Policy) Ana Elizabeth Bastida - The Law and Governance of Mining and Minerals_ A Global Perspective-Hart Publishing (2020)	Summary: The Law and Governance of Mining and Minerals: A Global Perspective

Social Responsibility		
World Bank Policies; Mining Sector Reform; Economic Development in Asia; Environmental Impact; Social Accountability; Governance and Regulation; Extractive Industry Investment; Community Rights; Sustainable Development Goals; Geopolitical Influence in Mining	(Studies in the Political Economy of Public Policy) Pascale Hatcher (auth.) - Regimes of Risk_ The World Bank and the Transformation of Mining in Asia-Palgrave Macmillan UK (2014)	Summary: Regimes of Risk: The World Bank and the Transformation of Mining in Asia
Rare Earth Elements (REEs); China's Dominance in Critical Minerals; U.S. Strategic Vulnerabilities; Global Supply Chains; U.S. Domestic Production Efforts; Strategic Mineral Reserves; U.S.-China Global Competition; Diversification of Supply Sources; Policy Recommendations for U.S.; Importance of REEs in High-Tech Manufacturing.	fpri.org-Americas Critical Strategic Vulnerability Rare Earth Elements	Summary: America's Critical Strategic Vulnerability: Rare Earth Elements

JAPAN

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Japan's Economic Decline; Shift in Global Influence; Diplomatic Strategies; Security Policy Evolution; Regional Power Dynamics; Economic to Soft Power Transition; U.S.-Japan Relations; Asian Geopolitics; Peacekeeping Roles; Multilateral Engagements	(St Antony's Series) Reinhard Drifte - Japan's Foreign Policy in the 1990s_ From Economic Superpower to What Power_-Palgrave Macmillan (1996)	Summary: Japan's Foreign Policy in the 1990s: From Economic Superpower to What Power?

WARS

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Energy Market Disruption; Sanctions and Economic Impact; Geopolitical Realignment; NATO Responses; Refugee Crisis; Global Food Security; Cyber Warfare Escalation; Diplomatic Isolation of Russia; Defense Spending Increases; Economic Decoupling	Grzegorz W. Kolodko - Global Consequences of Russia's Invasion of Ukraine_ The Economics and Politics of the Second Cold War-Springer Nature (2023)	Summary: Global Consequences of Russia's Invasion of Ukraine: The Economics and Politics of the Second Cold War
Arms Trafficking; International Black Markets; Global Conflict Enabler; Military-Industrial Complex; Personal and Political Corruptions; International Sanctions and Law; Underworld of Arms Dealing; Surveillance and Espionage; Legal and Ethical Implications; Security and Policy Challenges	Bout _Viktor _Farah _Douglas _Braun _Stephen _Bout _Viktor-Merchant-of-death _money _guns _planes _	Summary: Merchant of Death: Money, Guns, Planes, and the Man Who Makes War Possible
War Costs Analysis; Economic Motivations for War; Resource Scarcity and Conflict; Military Spending Impact; War and Economic Development; Geopolitical Economics; Defense Industry Influence; War Profitability; Economic Sanctions Effectiveness; Post-War Reconstruction Economics	The economics of war - Poast, Paul - 2006 - New York, McGraw-Hill Irwin	Summary: The Economics of War
War Profiteering; Economic Impact of Militarism; Dynamics of Imperialism; Defense Industry Economics; Military-Industrial Complex; Resource Wars; Economic	The Economics of War _ Profiteering, Militarism and - Imad A_ Moosa - 2019 - Edward Elgar Publishing	Summary: The Economics of War: Profiteering, Militarism and Imperialism

Burdens of War; Colonial Exploitation; Arms Trade Economics; Geopolitical Strategies		
Game Theory Applications; International Security; Political Strategies; Diplomatic Decision-Making; Conflict and Cooperation; Strategic Military Alliances; War Outcomes; Negotiation and Peace Treatments; Power Dynamics; Stability and War	Wolford, Scott - Politics of the First World War _ A Course in Game Theory and International Security (9781108612906) (2019)	Summary: The Politics of the First World War: A Course in Game Theory and International Security

WORK AREA

[European institutions, bodies, and elections](#)

Economics:

ECONOMIC INSTITUTIONS

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Economic Systems Analysis; Evolution of Capitalism; Critique of Socialism; Role of Democracy; Creative Destruction; Market Mechanisms; Political Theory; Economic Cycles; Institutional Change; Schumpeter's Prophecy	(Routledge classics) Schumpeter, Joseph A., Stiglitz, Joseph - Capitalism, Socialism and Democracy-Taylor & Francis_Routledge (2010)	Summary: Capitalism, Socialism, and Democracy
Institutional Theory; Extractive vs. Inclusive Economies; Political and Economic Inequality; Role of	Daron Acemoglu _ James Robinson - Why Nations Fail _ The Origins of Power, Prosperity, and	Summary: Why Nations Fail: The Origins of Power, Prosperity, and Poverty

Institutions; Historical Case Studies; Path Dependence; Corruption and Elite Power; Economic Development; Global Inequality; Causes of National Failure	Poverty-Crown Business (2012)	
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ECONOMIC MEASUREMENTS

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Alternative Economic Indicators; Social Performance Metrics; Sustainable Development; Quality of Life Measurements; Well-being Indexes; Environmental Impact Assessments; Human Development; Economic Inequality; Policy Implications; Long-term Prosperity	Joseph E. Stiglitz, Jean-Paul Fitoussi and Martine Durand - Beyond GDP_ Measuring What Counts for Economic and Social Performance-OECD (2018)	Summary: Beyond GDP: Measuring What Counts for Economic and Social Performance
Holistic Economic Measures; Well-being and Happiness Indexes; Sustainable Development Goals; Environmental Sustainability Metrics; Social Progress Indicators; Economic Resilience; Quality of Life Assessments; Policy Innovation; Inclusive Growth Strategies; Alternative Prosperity Models	For Good Measure_ An Agenda for Moving Beyond GDP -- Joseph E_ Stiglitz; Jean-Paul Fitoussi; Martine Durand -- 2019	Summary: For Good Measure: An Agenda for Moving Beyond GDP

GLOBALIZATION

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
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Economic Globalization; Market Failures; International Trade Impacts; Inequality and Discontent; Critique of Global Institutions	Joseph E. Stiglitz - Globalization and Its Discontents-W. W. Norton Company (2003)	Summary: Globalization and Its Discontents
Trade Imbalances; Economic Inequality; Global Economy; Class Conflict; International Peace Threats	Matthew C. Klein_ Michael Pettis - Trade Wars Are Class Wars_ How Rising Inequality Distorts the Global Economy and Threatens International Peace-Yale University Press (2020)Review for Trade Wars are Class Wars - Mengjing Kong	Summary: Trade Wars Are Class Wars: How Rising Inequality Distorts the Global Economy and Threatens International Peace

INEQUALITY

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Economic Inequality; Social Justice; Policy Solutions; Wealth Disparity; Redistribution Strategies	Joseph E. Stiglitz - The Great Divide_ Unequal Societies and What We Can Do About Them-W. W. Norton & Company (2015)	Summary: The Great Divide
Economic Inequality; Social Stratification; Policy Implications; Wealth Concentration; Future Societal Risks	Joseph E. Stiglitz - The Price of Inequality_ How Today's Divided Society Endangers Our Future-W. W. Norton & Company (2012)	Summary: The Price of Inequality: How Today's Divided Society Endangers Our Future
Economic Policy Reform; Income Inequality; Regulatory Changes; Labor Market Adjustments; Sustainable Growth Strategies	Joseph E. Stiglitz - Rewriting the Rules of the American Economy_ An Agenda for Growth and Shared Prosperity-W. W. Norton (2016)	Summary: Rewriting the Rules

CURRENCIES

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Eurozone Crisis; Monetary Union Flaws; Economic Instability; Fiscal Policy Challenges; European Integration Issues	Joseph E. Stiglitz - The Euro_ How a Common Currency Threatens the Future of Europe (2016, W. W. Norton)	Summary: The Euro: How a Common Currency Threatens the Future of Europe book review
Blockchain Technology; Cryptocurrency Markets; Technological Disruption; Financial Innovation; Decentralized Systems; Security and Privacy; Regulatory Challenges; Investment Opportunities; Future of Banking; Impact on Global Economy	Detroja, Parth_ Agashe, Aditya_ Mehta, Neel - Blockchain Bubble or Revolution_ The Future of Bitcoin, Blockchains, and Cryptocurrencies-Paravane Ventures (2021)	Summary: Blockchain Bubble Or Revolution: The Present and Future of Blockchain and Cryptocurrencies

GAME THEORY

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Game theory applications; human behavior analysis; decision-making psychology; strategic interactions; irrationality in choices.	Erez Yoeli - Hidden Games_ The Surprising Power of Game Theory to Explain Irrational Human Behavior-Basic Books (2022)	Summary: Hidden Games: The Surprising Power of Game Theory to Explain Irrational Human Behaviour
Predictive modeling; strategic decision-making; mathematical approaches; self-interest dynamics; future forecasting methodologies.	Bruce-Bueno-De-Mesquita-The-Predictioneer_s-Game _Using-the-Logic-of-Brazen-Self-Interest-to-See-and	Summary: Predictioneer: One who Uses Maths, Science and the Logic of Brazen Self-interest to See and Shape the Future
Strategic Decision-Making; Nash Equilibrium; Prisoner's Dilemma; Zero-Sum Games; Cooperative vs. Non-Cooperative Games; Extensive Form Games; Dominant Strategies; Payoff Matrices; Game Trees;	Game Theory 101 (#1): IntroductionWilliam Spaniel - Game Theory 101_ The Complete Textbook-Create Space Independent Publishing (2011)	

Sequential Games; Pure vs. Mixed Strategies; Subgame Perfection; Bargaining Theory; Incomplete Information; Behavioral Game Theory		
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POLITICAL ECONOMICS: BRICS

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
BRICS dynamics; American imperialism; global economic rivalry; international resistance movements; geopolitical strategies.	Vishwas Satgar_ Ferriall Adam_ Samir Amin_ Patrick Bond_ William K Carroll_ Christopher Chase-Dunn_ Alexander Gallas_ Ana Garcia_ Karina Kato_ Nivedita Majumdar_ Keamogetswe Seipato - BRICS and the New	Summary: BRICS and the New American Imperialism: Global Rivalry and Resistance
BRICS influence in Africa; developmental impact; economic partnerships; geopolitical strategies; sustainability issues.	Funeka Y. April (editor)_ Modimowabarwa Kanyane (editor)_ Yul Derek Davids (editor) - The BRICS in Africa_ Promoting Development_-Lynne Rienner Publishers (2023)	Summary: The BRICS in Africa: Promoting development?
BRICS role in investment; international legal reforms; disruptive impacts; global economic order; investment policy changes.	(Silk Road Studies in International Economic Law Series) Congyan Cai_ Huiping Chen_ Yifei Wang - The BRICS in the New International Legal Order on Investment _ Reformers or Disruptors-BRILL (2020)	Summary: The BRICS in the New International Legal Order on Investment: Reformers Or Disruptors
Intra-BRICS cooperation; political economy; economic	(International Political Economy Series)	Summary: The Political Economy of Intra-BRICS

challenges; strategic prospects; regional integration dynamics.	Siphamandla Zondi - The Political Economy of Intra-BRICS Cooperation_Challenges and Prospects-Palgrave Macmillan (2022)	Cooperation: Challenges and Prospects
BRICS geopolitical strategy; Western relations; international order dynamics; assertiveness vs. complementarity; global influence shifts.	(International Political Economy Series) David Monyae, Bhaso Ndzendze - The BRICS Order_Assertive Or Complementing The West_-Palgrave Macmillan (2021)	Summary: The BRICS Order: Assertive Or Complementing the West?

BEHAVIORAL ECONOMICS

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Cognitive biases; decision-making processes; psychology of judgment; intuitive versus logical thinking; behavioral economics.	Daniel Kahneman - Thinking, Fast and Slow	Summary: Thinking, Fast and Slow
Behavioral Economics; Psychology of Lying; Ethical Boundaries; Experiments and Research; Self-Deception	Dan Ariely - The Honest Truth About Dishonesty_How We Lie to Everyone---Especially Ourselves-Harper (2012)	Summary: The Honest Truth About Dishonesty: How We Lie to Everyone--Especially Ourselves

Climate Change:

Resources to explore:

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Climate Change Acceleration; Innovative Scientific Approaches; Economic Implications; Climate Diplomacy; Sustainable Solutions	Five Times Faster_ Rethinking the Science, Economics, and -- Simon Sharpe -- 2023 -- Cambridge University Press	Summary: Five Times Faster: Rethinking the Science, Economics, and Diplomacy of Climate Change

Welfare Systems:

Resources to explore:

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Poverty Misconceptions; Social Inequality; Economic Disparities; Policy Failures; Poverty Solutions	Mark Robert Rank_ Lawrence M Eppard_ Heather E Bullock - Poorly Understood_ What America Gets Wrong about Poverty-Oxford University Press, USA (2021)	Summary: Poorly Understood: What America Gets Wrong About Poverty
British Social Welfare; History; Compassion and Coercion; Welfare Policy Evolution; Social Reform Movements; Welfare State Development	Jonathan Parker - Analysing the History of British Social Welfare_ Compassion, Coercion and Beyond-Policy Press (2023)	Summary: Analysing the History of British Social Welfare: Compassion, Coercion and Beyond

European Welfare Systems; Social Policy Comparison; Welfare State Models Policy Reforms; Socioeconomic Impacts	(Routledge International Handbooks) Sonja Blum (editor), Johanna Kuhlmann (editor), Klaus Schubert (editor) - Routledge Handbook of European Welfare Systems-Routledge (2019)	Summary: Routledge Handbook of European Welfare Systems
Welfare Reform Impact; Long-Term Effects on Poverty; Policy Analysis; Social and Economic Outcomes; Poverty Alleviation Strategies	James P. Ziliak - Welfare Reform and Its Long-Term Consequences for America's Poor (2009)	Summary: Welfare Reform and Its Long-Term Consequences for America's Poor

Healthcare systems:

Aspects to understand:

- Existing branches
- Advantages and disadvantages of each branch

Countries to explore:

- USA
- Germany
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Look at Norway's healthcare system. Problem with NHI in South Africa is that there are only 7 million taxpayers and 60 million non-tax payers. Look at communist china system and russia and botswana (system there in botswana works and literacy rate is 95%)

Resources to explore:

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Whistleblowing in the Pharmaceutical Industry; Corporate Corruption and Malpractice; Regulatory Failures and Challenges; Personal and Professional Repercussions; Ethical Dilemmas and Moral Responsibility	The Whistleblower: Confessions of a Healthcare Hitman	Summary: The Whistleblower: Confessions of a Healthcare Hitman
Quality Control and Safety in Generic Drugs; Regulatory Oversight; Pharmaceutical Industry Practices; Globalization of Drug Production; Whistleblowers and Investigations	Bottle of Lies: The Inside Story of the Generic Drug Boom	Summary: Bottle of Lies: The Inside Story of the Generic Drug Boom
Impact of AI on Health Care Costs; AI Applications in Medical Diagnostics and Treatment; Economic Evaluation of AI Technologies; Regulatory and Ethical Considerations; Workforce Implications	The Economics of Artificial Intelligence: Health Care Challenges by National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER) (174 pages)	Summary: The Economics of Artificial Intelligence: Health Care Challenges
Health Care Costs and Transparency; Overtreatment and Unnecessary Procedures; Medical Billing Practices; Pharmaceutical and Insurance Industry Practices; Solutions and Reforms	The Price We Pay: What Broke American Health Care--and How to Fix It by Martin A. Makary	Summary: The Price We Pay: What Broke American Health Care--and How to Fix It

Insurance Systems:

Resources to explore:

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
General issue in Economics: adverse selection, asymmetric information, and moral hazard	- Why Insurance Markets Fail and What to Do About It by Liran Evinav et al. (279 pages)	Summary: Risky Business
People tend to over insure small risks (irrational),	Overinsuring Modest Risks by Justin Syndor	Summary: Overinsuring modest risks

Books:

1. "Against the Gods: The Remarkable Story of Risk" by Peter L. Bernstein
 - A comprehensive history of risk management and insurance.
2. "The Economics of Insurance" by Peter Zweifel and Roland Eisen
 - Detailed economic principles behind insurance markets and policies.
3. "Insurance Theory and Practice" by Rob Thoyts
 - Covers fundamental concepts, industry practices, and regulatory frameworks.
4. "Fundamentals of Risk and Insurance" by Emmett J. Vaughan and Therese Vaughan
 - Provides a detailed overview of risk management and various types of insurance.
5. "Modern Actuarial Theory and Practice" by Philip Booth
 - Discusses advanced actuarial principles and their application in insurance.

Articles and Research Papers:

1. "Adverse Selection in Insurance Markets" by George Akerlof
 - The classic paper discussing the concept of adverse selection in markets.
2. "Moral Hazard and Adverse Selection" by Joseph E. Stiglitz and Andrew Weiss
 - Detailed analysis of moral hazard and adverse selection in different markets.

Journals:

1. The Geneva Papers on Risk and Insurance
 - Scholarly articles on risk and insurance economics.
2. Journal of Insurance Issues
 - Covers a broad range of insurance-related topics.

Websites and Reports:

1. [Insurance Information Institute](#)
 - Offers comprehensive data, studies, and articles on various insurance topics.
2. [National Association of Insurance Commissioners \(NAIC\)](#)
 - Provides regulatory updates and industry news.
3. [Lloyd's of London](#)
 - Information on global insurance and reinsurance markets.
4. [McKinsey & Company](#)
 - Industry reports on insurance trends and innovations.
5. [Deloitte](#)
 - In-depth reports on digital transformation and regulatory impacts in insurance.
6. [PwC](#)
 - Insights into emerging trends and future developments in the insurance industry.

Professional Organizations:

1. International Insurance Society (IIS)
 - Offers resources, publications, and events focused on global insurance issues.
 2. Chartered Insurance Institute (CII)
 - Provides professional qualifications and resources for insurance practitioners.
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Transportation Systems:

Resources to explore:

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Electric Vehicles (EVs); Chinese Auto Industry; Technological Innovation; Sustainable Transportation; Global Market Impact	(Business Guides on the Go) Jan Y. Yang, Yunyi Gu, Zi Ling Tan - Chinese Electric Vehicle Trailblazers_ Navigating the Future of Car Manufacturing-Springer (2023)	Summary: Chinese Electric Vehicle Trailblazers: Navigating the Future of Car Manufacturing

Energy Sources:

Aspects to understand:

- Renewable energy sources
- Non-renewable energy sources

Countries to explore:

- Gulf countries
- World trends

Hot topics to understand:

- Economics of energy

Resources to explore:

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Oil and Gas Industry Economics; Energy Market Dynamics; Petroleum Supply and Demand; Global Oil Prices; Resource Management in Energy; Economic Impact of Fossil Fuels; Energy Policy and Regulation; Oil and Gas Production Costs; Investment in Energy Sector; Environmental and Economic Sustainability in Energy	Economics Of The Global Oil And Gas Industry _ Emerging -- Joshua Yindenaba Abor, Amin Kamiru, Runar Brännlund -- 1, 2023 -- New York, NY _ Routledge	Summary: The Economics of the Oil and Gas Industry: Emerging Markets and Developing Economies
Renewable Energy Economics; Gulf Energy Market; Sustainable Energy Development; Economic Impact of Renewables; Energy Transition in the Gulf; Renewable Energy Investment; Policy and Regulation in Energy; Solar and Wind Energy; Economic Diversification in the Gulf; Environmental Sustainability	The Economics of Renewable Energy in the Gulf-Routledge (2018)	Summary: The Economics of Renewable Energy in the Gulf

in Energy		
Renewable Energy Economics; Innovation in Energy; Statistical Data Analysis; Energy Market Assessment; Sustainable Energy Development; Economic Impact of Renewable Technologies; Energy Policy and Regulation; Cost-Benefit Analysis in Energy; Technological Advancements in Energy; Environmental Economics	Economics of Renewable Energy: An Assessment of Innovations with Statistical Data-Springer (2022)	Summary: Economics of Renewable Energy: An Assessment of Innovations with Statistical Data

Agriculture and Food Security:

Resources to explore:

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Food Choices; Industrial Agriculture; Organic Farming; Sustainable Eating; Food Chains; Ethical Eating; Food Production Systems; Local Food Movement; Environmental Impact of Food; Cultural Significance of Meals	Michael Pollan - The Omnivore's Dilemma_ A Natural History of Four Meals-The Penguin Press (2006)	Summary: The Omnivore's Dilemma: A Natural History of Four Meals
Collapse of American Farming; Sustainable Agriculture; Food Security; Environmental Impact; Agricultural Reform	The Looming Collapse of American Farming and How We Can Prevent It-Bloomsbury Publishing	Summary: Perilous Bounty: The Looming Collapse of American Farming and How We Can Prevent It

	(2020) Tom Philpott - Perilous Bounty	
Lead and Water Infrastructure Problems; Pollution; Fracking Contamination; Harmful Algal Blooms; Water Supply Issues; Rising Sea Levels; and Potential Solutions.	When the World Runs Dry: Water in Crisis-Algonquin Books (2022)	Summary: When the World Runs Dry: Water in Crisis
Agricultural Outlook; Global Markets; Food Production; Economic Trends; Policy Analysis	OECD FAO Agricultural Outlook 2023-2032Executive Summary of OECD FAO Agricultural Outlook 2023-2032	Summary: OECD-FAO Agricultural Outlook 2023-2032
Agricultural Policy; Food Policy; Policy Reform; Sustainability; Economic Impact	Rethinking Agricultural and Food Policy-Edward Elgar Publishing (2022) Grant, Wyn P	Summary: Rethinking Agricultural and Food Policy
Global Food Systems; Diets and Nutrition; Scientific Research; Economic Analysis; Policy Linkages	Global Food Systems, Diets, and Nutrition_ Linking Science, -- Jessica Fanzo, Claire Davis -- 2021 -- Palgrave Macmillan	Summary: Global Food Systems, Diets, and Nutrition: Linking Science, Economics, and Policy
Cultured Meat Innovation; Food Technology; Sustainable Agriculture; Biotech Startups; Alternative Protein Sources; Venture Capital in AgriTech; Ethical and Environmental Impacts; Consumer Acceptance; Regulatory Challenges; Future Food Trends	Chase Purdy - Billion Dollar Burger_ Inside Big Tech's Race for the Future of Food-Penguin Publishing Group (2020)	Summary: Billion Dollar Burger: Inside Big Tech's Race for the Future of Food

Psychology:

Resources to explore:

COMMUNICATION

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Persuasion Techniques; Political Communication; Cognitive Biases; Influence Without Facts; Media Strategy	Scott-Adams-Win-Bigly_-Persuasion-in-a-World-Where-Facts-Don't-Matter-Portfolio -_2017_	Summary: Win Bigly: Persuasion in a World Where Facts Don't Matter
Power Dynamics; Psychological Manipulation; Attraction Strategies; Social Influence; Seduction Techniques	Robert Greene - The Concise Art of Seduction-Profile Books (2023)	Summary: The Concise Art of Seduction
Understanding Motivations; Manipulating Emotions; Social Interactions; Self-Mastery; Behavioral Patterns	(Laws of Human Nature) Robert Greene - The Laws of Human Nature-VIKING (2019)	Summary: The Laws of Human Nature
Leadership Flexibility; Open-mindedness; Decision-making; Strategic Adaptation; Influence and Change	Persuadable - How Great Leaders Change Their Minds to Change the World-HarperBusiness Al Pittampalli(2016)	Summary: Persuadable: How Great Leaders Change Their Minds to Change the World
Strategic Negotiation; Conflict Resolution; Communication Skills; Decision-Making Tactics; Business Negotiation Strategies	Harvard Business Review, Daniel Kahneman, Deepak Malhotra, Erin Meyer, Max H. Bazerman - HBR's 10 Must Reads on Negotiation (with bonus article _15 Rules for Negotiating a Job Offer_ by Deepak Malhotr	Summary: HBR's 10 Must Reads on Negotiation (with Bonus Article "15 Rules for Negotiating a Job Offer" by Deepak Malhotra)

COGNITION

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.

Digital Influence on Cognition; Neuroplasticity; Technology and Attention; Online Behavior Impact; Brain Adaptation to New Media	Susan Greenfield - Mind Change_ How Digital Technologies Are Leaving Their Mark on Our Brains-Random House (2015)	Summary: Mind Change: How Digital Technologies are Leaving Their Mark on Our Brains

Religion:

Resources to explore:

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Faith-Based Organizations; Social Welfare Activities; Civil Society and Democracy; Influence on Communities; Impact on State Services	Faith-Based Organizations and Social Welfare_ Associational Life and Religion in Contemporary Africa and La Miguel Glatzer (editor), Paul Christopher Manuel (editor), Christine A. Gustafson (editor)	Summary: Faith-Based Organizations and Social Welfare: Associational Life and Religion in Contemporary Africa and Latin America
Resurgent Religion; Global Politics; Religious Influence; Modern World; Political Power	God's century - resurgent religion and global politics-Shah, Timothy Samuel_Toft, Monica Duffy_Philpott, Daniel - W. W. Norton & Company (2011)	Summary: God's Century: Resurgent Religion and Global Politics

Business

FINANCE

TAX AVOIDANCE & FINANCIAL RESTRUCTURING

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
U.S. income tax guide; 2024 tax updates and rules; tax planning strategies; deductions and credits; filing tax returns for professionals.	J.K. Lasser Institute - J.K. Lasser's Your Income Tax 2024, Professional Edition-Wiley (2024)	Summary: J.K. Lasser's Your Income Tax 2024, Professional Edition
Tax Reduction Strategies; Small Business Tax Planning; Wealth Building Tips; IRS Insights; Tax Deductions and Credits; Financial Planning; Legal Tax Loopholes; Retirement Savings; Real Estate Tax Tactics; Asset Protection Techniques	Sandy Botkin - Lower Your Taxes - BIG TIME! 2023-2024_ Small Business Wealth Building and Tax Reduction Secrets from an IRS Insider-McGraw Hill (2022)	Summary: Lower Your Taxes - BIG TIME! 2023-2024: Small Business Wealth Building and Tax Reduction Secrets from an IRS Insider

INVESTING

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Investment strategies; Management principles; Warren Buffett insights; Value investing; Business wisdom	Peter Bevelin_ Warren Buffett - A Few Lessons for Investors and Managers From Warren Buffett-PCA Publishing, Riddler (2012)	Summary: A Few Lessons for Investors and Managers: From Warren E. Buffett
Investing fundamentals; financial independence; wealth-building strategies;	J. L. Collins, Mr. Money Mustache - The Simple Path to Wealth_ Your road	Summary: The Simple Path to Wealth: Your Road Map to Financial Independence

low-cost investment vehicles; simplicity in personal finance.	map to financial independence and a rich, free life-CreateSpace (2016)	and a Rich, Free Life
Investment philosophy; corporate governance; value investing; financial wisdom; Berkshire Hathaway's strategies.	Lawrence A. Cunningham_ Warren E. Buffett - The Essays of Warren Buffett_ Lessons for Corporate America, Fifth Edition-Carolina Academic Press (2019)	Summary: The Essays of Warren Buffett: Lessons for Investors and Managers
Financial Statement Analysis; Warren Buffett's Investment Strategy; Durable Competitive Advantage; Value Investing Principles; Balance Sheet Insights; Income Statement Evaluation; Cash Flow Analysis; Company Valuation Techniques; Market Position Strength; Long-term Investment Criteria	Mary Buffett_ David Clark - Warren Buffett and the Interpretation of Financial Statements_ The Search for the Company with a Durable Competitive Advantage-Simon & Schuster UK (2011)	Summary: Warren Buffett and the Interpretation of Financial Statements: The Search for the Company with a Durable Competitive Advantage

Commodities

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Commodity Markets; Investment Strategies; Market Trends Analysis; Risk Management; Diversification Benefits; Economic Indicators; Global Trade Impact; Precious Metals; Energy Commodities; Agricultural Products Investment	Rogers, Jim - Hot commodities_ how anyone can invest profitably in the world's best market-John Wiley & Sons (2008_2014)	Summary: Hot Commodities: How Anyone Can Invest Profitably in the World's Best Market
Commodity Trading; Global Markets; Economic Power; Resource Exploitation; Political Influence; Energy Sector Dynamics; Metals and Mining; Agricultural	Javier Blas, Jack Farchy - World For Sale_ Money, Power, And The Traders Who Barter The Earth's Resources (2021, Oxford University Press)	Summary: The World for Sale: Money, Power, and the Traders Who Barter the Earth's Resources

Commodities; Financial Manipulations; Environmental and Ethical Issues		
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CORPORATE FINANCE

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Corporate finance fundamentals; financial analysis; investment strategies; capital management; 2023 financial landscape.	Terence C.M. Tse - Corporate Finance (The Basics)-Routledge (2023)	Summary: Corporate Finance: The Basics

CORPORATE COMMUNICATION

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Corporate communication strategies; modern communication tools; skills for business leaders; future-fit organizational practices; effective corporate messaging.	(Future of Business and Finance) Anne Katrine Lund, Mette Refshauge - Mastering Corporate Communication_ A Modern Guidebook for Future-fit Strategies, Tools and Skills-Springer (2024)	Summary: Mastering Corporate Communication: A Modern Guidebook for Future-fit Strategies, Tools and Skills

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Post-Pandemic Business Trends; Digital	Entrepreneurship Research_ Developing New	Summary: Entrepreneurship

Transformation; Remote Work Innovations; Health and Safety Startups; Economic Recovery Strategies; Entrepreneurial Resilience; Technological Adaptation; Sustainability in Business; Consumer Behavior Shifts; Global Supply Chain Challenges	and Emerging -- Vanessa Ratten (editor) -- 2023 -- Springer	Research: Developing New and Emerging Patterns in the Post COVID-19 Pandemic Era
East Asian Business Models; Entrepreneurial Ecosystems; Innovation and Technology; Family Businesses; Start-up Culture; Venture Capital in Asia; Government Policy and Support; Cross-Cultural Management; Economic Development; Global Market Integration	Fu-Lai Tony Yu_ Ho-Don Yan - Handbook of East Asian Entrepreneurship-Routledge (2014)	Summary: Handbook of East Asian Entrepreneurship
Cultural Differences in Entrepreneurship; Asian vs. European Business Practices; Innovation Ecosystems; Cross-Cultural Collaboration; Global Entrepreneurship Dynamics; Start-up Policies; Venture Capital Landscapes; Business Incubation; Economic Integration; Comparative Analysis of Business Environments	The Clash of Entrepreneurial Cultures___ Interdisciplinary Perspectives Focusing on Asian and European Ecosystems (FGF Studi Harald Pechlaner (editor), Hannes Thees (editor), Wei Manske-Wang (editor)	Summary: The Clash of Entrepreneurial Cultures? Interdisciplinary Perspectives Focusing on Asian and European Ecosystems

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY (IP)

Asia

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Asian Trade Agreements; Intellectual Property Rights; Regional Economic Integration; Free Trade Areas; Digital Trade; Geopolitical	The Future of Asian Trade Deals and IP-Hart Publishing (2019)	Summary: The Future of Asian Trade Deals and IP

Influences; Innovation Policies; Cross-Border Collaboration; Enforcement Challenges; Economic Growth and IP Strategy	Kung-Chung Liu_ Julien Chaisse (editors)	
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MANAGEMENT

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Navigating Bureaucracy; Organizational Change; Effective Leadership; Entrepreneurial Strategies; Organizational Culture; Conflict Resolution; Innovation in Government; Management Techniques; Power Dynamics; Career Advancement in Complex Systems	The bureaucratic entrepreneur_ how to be effective in any -- Haass, Richard; Haass, Richard_ Power to persuade -- 1999 -- Washington, D_C___ Brookings	Summary: The Bureaucratic Entrepreneur: How to be Effective in Any Unruly Organization

Self-Care:

Aspects to understand:

- Longevity

Hot topics to understand:

- Gut health
- Exercise
- Sleep
- Diet
 - Meat, vegetarian, vegan
 - Different types of foods and their benefits
 - Balancing
 - Biological vs Biodynamic agriculture
 - US organic vs European bio-standards
 - Artesian water

- Mindful eating
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- What water bottles to drink from
 - Plastic, Glass, etc.
- Posture & ergonomomy
 - Tools
 - Methods
- Economy class “syndrome”
- Connection of psychology and physical health
- Eye health

Resources to explore:

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
Longevity	Peter Attia - OutLive_ The Science and Art of Longevity-Harmony Books (2023)	Summary: Outlive: The Science and Art of Longevity
Sleep Science; Neuroscience of Sleep; Sleep Stages; Health Benefits of Sleep; Sleep Disorders; Dream Analysis; Cognitive Function and Sleep; Impact of Sleep Deprivation; Biological Sleep Mechanisms; Improving Sleep Quality	Matthew Walker PhD - Why We Sleep_ Unlocking the Power of Sleep and Dreams-Scribner (2017)	Summary: Why We Sleep: The New Science of Sleep and Dreams

Fiction:

Topic/Area	Resource	Link to summary, discussion, etc.
	Count of Monte Cristo	

Unstructured thoughts:

A society that has an education system is not enough. A society also needs to be allowed to use their talent, ambition, ingenuity, and what education they can get to properly prosper.

Taxes can be used to push people into the labor market, since if you reduce the real income of a person through tax, they need to work more to survive.

- That may hold for the bottom part of the population, but higher taxes disincentivize wealthier people from working. They have everything and will not be affected by “existential needs” to survive, but wealthier people contribute more to the productivity of the economy.

create a unified theory of the different schools of economics

- Interesting idea