



Favorite Leadership Books/Articles

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Books

1. *Good to Great* - James Collins
2. *Seven Habits of Highly Effective People* - Stephen R. Covey
3. *The Speed of Trust*- Stephen M.R. Covey
4. *Smart Moves* – Sam Deep, Lyle Susserman
5. *Smart Moves for People in Charge* – Sam Deep, Lyle Susserman
6. *Getting to Yes* – Roger Fisher and William Ury
7. *Emotional Intelligence* – Daniel Goleman
8. *The Abilene Paradox and Other Meditations on Management* – Jerry B. Harvey
9. *On Leadership* – HBR’s 10 Must Reads series (various authors)
10. *Our Iceberg is Melting* – John Kotter and Holger Rathgeber
11. *Type Talk* – Otto Krueger and Janet M. Thuesen
12. *Five Dysfunctions of a Team* – Patrick Lencioni
13. *Fish: A Proven Way to Boost Morale and Improve Results* – Stephen Lundin, Harry Paul, and John Christensen (if you can get access to the video, even better)
14. *Strengths Finder 2.0* – Tom Rath
15. *Strengths-Based Leadership* - Tom Rath
16. *Start with Why* – Simon Sinek (also a TED talk)
17. *Leaders Eat Last* – Simon Sinek

Articles

1. “The Real Leadership Lessons of Steve Jobs,” Walter Isaacson, *Harvard Business Review*, April 2012
2. “Pioneers, Drivers, Integrators, and Guardians,” Suzanne M. Johnson Vickberg and Kim Christfort, *Harvard Business Review*, March-April 2017 (other articles in the article collection “Spotlight on the New Science of Brain Chemistry” are also valuable)
3. “The Making of a Corporate Athlete,” Jim Loehr and Tony Schwartz, *Harvard Business Review*, January 2001

Additional Leadership Book Recommendations

Contributed by Colleagues and Friends

1. *Thinking About Leadership* - Nannerl Keohane
2. *The Leader's Bookshelf* – Adm. James Stavrides, USN (Ret.)
3. *Leadership and the One Minute Manager* – Ken Blanchard
4. *Crucial Conversations: Tools for Talking When Stakes are High* – Kerry Patterson
5. *It's Your Ship: Management Techniques from the Best Damn Ship in the Navy* – D. Michael Abrashoff
6. *Leadership and Self Deception: Getting Out of the Box* – The Arbinger Institute
7. *The Go-Giver* – Bob Burg and John David Mann
8. *Choosing to Cheat: Who Wins When Work and Family Collide* - Andy Stanley
9. *Death by Meetings* – Patrick Lencioni
10. *Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln* – Doris Kearns Goodwin
11. *Leadership* – Rudy Giuliani
12. *Monday Morning Leadership* – David Cottrell
13. *Organizational Culture and Leadership* – Edgar E. Schein
14. *How to Become CEO* – Jeffrey Fox
15. *The Magnetic Leader* – Roberta Chinsky Matuson
16. *The Servant* – James C. Hunter
17. *The Serving Leader* – Kenneth R. Jennings and John Stahl-Wert
18. *Transformational Leadership* – Randy Dobbs
19. *The Ideal Team Player* – Patrick Lencioni
20. *The 4 Disciplines of Execution* – Chris McChesney, Sean Covey, Jim Huling
21. *It Worked for Me* – Colin Powell (with Tony Koltz)
22. *Little Book of Leadership* – Jeffrey Gitomer
23. *The Power of Positive Leadership* – Jon Gordon
24. *Turn the Ship Around!* – L. David Marquet
25. *Developing the Leader Within You* - John Maxwell (or any of his other books)