

Great Leadership Books



For me there are a list of seminal works that I believe are essential reading for Executives. The problem is of course most Exec's don't have much time to read! At least all of these below are available on Kindle, audio and you will also find Exec summaries available. However I would go as far to say some of these works are 'landmark' works and have deeply impacted the future of business leadership. Quite a few of these are in my LinkedIn profile <http://linkd.in/joUO4t> and also at my website <http://bit.ly/ixAypq>.

Jim Collins 'Good to Great'

Essential reading to establish how companies work, what to look for and the order to lead.

Daniel Rock 'Quiet Leadership' and also 'Your Brain at Work'

Working as a top coach he shows how to help people change habits and increase their abilities. Foundational for any leader to understand how to help those she leads. Also in this area **Susan Scott's NYT best seller 'Fierce Conversations'**.

Daniel Goldman 'Emotional Intelligence'

Thoughtful well written, serious read that underpins so many others work.

Seth Godin 'Linchpin'

This is his remarkable book/blog on personal branding. It takes his theory of value from products (**Purple Cow** was the landmark book) to people. I'm a total fan!

Daniel Pink 'A Whole New Mind' (also) 'Drive'

Ex writer for Al Gore, top author. Great stuff on You Tube as well.

Malcolm Gladwell 'Outliers'

Again anything by him!

Tony Hsieh 'Delivering Happiness'

The man that built Zappos and sold for 1.2B - its all about leadership culture and closely linked to this

Dave Logan + 'Tribal Leadership'

Dan & Chip Heath 'Switch, how to make a change when change is difficult'

Hugh McCleod 'Evil Plans.'

Unique perspective on human vale from a top advertising exec - with cartons!

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