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*Conscious Culture* [Whitby, Ont.] : McGraw-Hill Ryerson  
Linking life to learning, the vision of this second edition is to provide a distinctly Canadian text, based on a solid foundation of up-to-date OB research and theory that encourages critical thinking, and is relevant to the lives of students. A focus on promoting deeper levels of learning, application, and integration has been achieved through the inclusion of Blooms Taxonomy, self-assessments, implications for Life boxes, experiential exercises, ethical dilemmas, video cases, and more! NETA Testbank The Nelson Education Teaching Advantage (NETA) program delivers research-based resources that promote student engagement and higher-order thinking and enable the success of Canadian students and educators. This book's premium testbank is designed to ensure top quality multiple-choice testing by avoiding common errors in question and test construction. If you want your students to achieve "beyond remembering", ask your Nelson Sales Representative how today!

#### **Humanity at Work** Routledge

It's an insidious disease that is crippling companies, destroying our economy, and crushing potential. It's infecting the very roots of business performance, and it's spreading fast. It isn't the recession, market volatility, scandal, or greed. It's entitlement. And it may be killing your business. In myriad ways, entitlement has been cultivated for decades. As a result, too many employees today believe that they are entitled to a paycheck simply because they show up. Brad Hams has proven that we are not doomed to a path of entitlement and dependence. After more than 15 years working with hundreds of companies, he knows that the vast majority of employees addicted to entitlement actually want to engage, want to contribute, and feel much better about themselves when they are in an environment that requires them to do so. Now, with *Ownership Thinking*, Hams shares his strategy that will increase your company's productivity, employee retention, and profitability: The Right Education: Teach employees

the fundamentals of business and finance, how their company makes money, and how they add—or take away—value. *The Right Measures*: Identify the organization's Key Performance Indicators and teach employees to forecast results in an environment of high visibility and accountability. *The Right Incentives*: Create incentive plans that are self-funding and clearly align employees' behavior to the organization's business and financial objectives. Your employees will learn to think and act like owners and will become active participants in the financial performance of the business. They will gain the self-esteem that is only possible through achievement and will reap rewards that are in alignment with the success of their organization. Meanwhile, you will enjoy your role more, sleep better at night, and leave a legacy that is far more inspiring and significant than you dreamed possible. *Praise for Ownership Thinking* "You would have to read a dozen other books to even come close to *Ownership Thinking*—a systematic and practical process for getting your employees to give that extra effort and brain power we know they possess." —Verne Harnish, CEO, Gazelles; author, *Mastering the Rockefeller Habits* "Brad Hams tells it like it truly is: transparency creates trust; trust creates engagement; engagement creates a healthy enterprise. This thoughtful and practical book shows you how to achieve all of these things and more." —Chip Conley, founder and executive chair, Joie de Vivre; author, *Peak* "Comprehensive and marvelously clear, *Ownership Thinking's* techniques for creating change are focused, direct, and motivating. This is a wise book, unusually useful, and I recommend it most highly." —Judith M. Bardwick, Ph.D., author, *Danger in the Comfort Zone* and *The Psychological Recession* "Brad Hams is one of the most persuasive and creative thinkers I know. His book is a specific guide you can (and should) implement now." —Corey Rosen, founder, National Center for Employee Ownership "Hams is masterful at outlining the engagement practices that inspire people to care and to be deeply vested in business results." —Jim Haudan, CEO, Root Learning; author, *The Art of Engagement* "Hams' book is like a candid conversation with a wise friend. . . . A 'must read' for any business leader wanting to create a culture of ownership." —Dean Schroeder, author, *Ideas Are Free*

#### **Mastering Civility** Greenleaf Book Group

Regarded as one of the most influential management books of all time, this fourth edition of *Leadership and Organizational Culture* transforms the abstract concept of culture into a tool that can be used to better shape the dynamics of organization and change. This updated edition focuses on today's business realities. Edgar Schein draws on a wide range of contemporary research to redefine culture and demonstrate the crucial role leaders play in successfully applying the principles of culture to achieve their organizational goals.

*101 Secrets of Canadian Culture: Teacher's WORKBOOK* Amacom  
From the creator of the popular website Ask a Manager and New York's work-advice columnist comes a witty, practical guide to 200 difficult professional conversations—featuring all-new advice! There's a reason Alison Green has been called "the Dear Abby of the work world." Ten years as a workplace-advice columnist have taught her that people avoid awkward conversations in the office because they simply don't know what to say. Thankfully, Green does—and in this incredibly helpful book, she tackles the tough discussions you may need to have during your career. You'll learn what to say when • coworkers push their work on you—then take credit for it • you accidentally trash-talk someone in an email then hit "reply all" • you're being micromanaged—or not being managed at all • you catch a colleague in a lie • your boss seems unhappy with your work • your cubemate's loud speakerphone is making you homicidal • you got drunk at the holiday party *Praise for Ask a Manager* "A must-read for anyone who works . . . [Alison Green's] advice boils down to the idea that you should be professional (even when others are not) and that communicating in a straightforward manner with candor and kindness will get you far, no matter where you work."—Booklist (starred review) "The author's friendly, warm, no-nonsense writing is a pleasure to read, and her advice can be widely applied to relationships in all areas of readers' lives. Ideal for anyone new to the job market or new to management, or anyone hoping to improve their work experience."—Library Journal (starred review) "I am a huge fan of Alison Green's Ask a Manager column. This book is even better. It teaches us how to deal with many of the most vexing big and

little problems in our workplaces—and to do so with grace, confidence, and a sense of humor.”—Robert Sutton, Stanford professor and author of *The No Asshole Rule* and *The Asshole Survival Guide* “Ask a Manager is the ultimate playbook for navigating the traditional workforce in a diplomatic but firm way.”—Erin Lowry, author of *Broke Millennial: Stop Scraping By and Get Your Financial Life Together*

*The Culture Engine* 100 Secrets of Canadian Culture  
With employee engagement between 26-30 percent leaders are looking for ways to engage untapped employee potential and maximize their capital investment in HR. A new business paradigm is emerging in the twenty-first century where an organization's culture is the most important and valuable asset a company has to attract, engage, and retain top talent. The most successful corporations in the world are values-driven and consciously invest in building their workplace culture so that it aligns with the personal values of their people. Values are a source of life-force energy that come from within. They inspire and motivate us and embody our heart and soul. Study of contextual cardiology has demonstrated the existence and power of the heart's energy. We experience this in the form of emotional intelligence and intuition. The more leaders practice connecting with their emotional intelligence (emotions such as love, compassion, loyalty, and trust), the more effective they will be at leading themselves and others. This is because employees are looking for leaders they can trust and who care for others, want to make a difference, and contribute to society. A facilitative leadership style is the key to transforming an organization and creating a culture of engagement. It moves people from being focused on "me" (self-interest) to "we" (common good). Facilitative leaders unify the organization, connect hearts and minds, empower employees to bring their best selves to work, and create a WOW culture where employees love what they do. The book contains unique tools for inner and outer transformation, along with case studies and worksheets to support leaders' journeys of culture change to measure, map, and manage cultural transformation. What you measure you can manage. Organizational transformation begins with the personal transformation of the leaders because organizations don't change; it's the people in them who do. Leaders learn how to "walk the talk" and be the change they want to see.

*Workplace Innovation in Canada* Scarborough, Ont. : Prentice Hall Canada  
Culture transformation expert Siobhan McHale defines culture simply: “It’s how things work around here.” The secret to the success or failure of any business boils down to its culture. From disengaged employees to underserved customers, business failures invariably stem from a culture problem. In *The Insider’s Guide to Culture Change*, acclaimed culture transformation expert and global executive Siobhan McHale shares her proven four-step process to demystifying culture transformation and starting down the path to positive change. Many leaders and managers struggle to get a handle on exactly what culture is and how pervasive its impact is throughout an organization. Some try to change the culture by publishing a statement of core values but soon find that no meaningful change happens. Others try to unify the culture around a set of shared goals that satisfy shareholders but find their efforts backfire as stressed employees throw their hands up because “leadership just doesn’t get it.” Others implement expensive new IT systems to try to bring about change, only to find that employees find “workarounds” and soon go back to their old ways. *The Insider’s Guide to Culture Change* walks readers through McHale’s four-step process to culture transformation, including how to: Understand what “corporate culture” really is and how it impacts every aspect of the way your organization operates Analyze where your culture is broken or not adding maximum value Unlock the power of reframing roles within your company to empower and engage your employees Utilize proven methods and tools to break through deeply embedded patterns and change your company mind-set Keep the momentum going by consolidating gains and maintaining your foot on the change accelerator With *The Insider’s Guide to Culture Change*, watch your employees go from followers to change leaders who drive an agile culture that constantly outperforms.

*Canadian Workplace Culture (EBook)* Berrett-Koehler Publishers  
Canadian Organizational Behaviour reflects the dynamic world of organizational behaviour and emerging workplace realities - social media and virtual teams; values and self-leadership; emotional intelligence and effective teamwork skills. The Tenth Edition explains how these new realities impact/benefit an organization, and that organizational behavior is not just for managers, but is relevant to all who work in and around organizations. Canadian

Organizational Behaviour has developed a reputation for its solid foundation of contemporary and classic research and writing. The Tenth Edition connects vivid real-world examples and practices to good theory. This evidence-based foundation is apparent from the number and quality of literature cited in each chapter, including dozens of –articles, books, and other sources. This market leading title discusses emerging OB theories such as the full self-concept model (not just core self-evaluation), workplace emotions, social identify theory, global mindset, four-drive theory, Schwartz's values model, employee engagement, learning orientation, social and information processing characteristics of job design, and many other groundbreaking topics. The authors also teach organizational behaviour so they know the importance of a textbook that offers deep support for active learning and critical thinking with Canadian and global cases and examples and rich in-class activities.

#### Organizational Culture and Leadership Hachette UK

This book is written for managers and leaders who have struggled with understanding our newest immigration wave and how to move from just hiring immigrants to effective workplace integration. This book focuses on the four top source countries of immigrants to Canada: China, India, Pakistan and Philippines. It addresses key ways western and eastern societies see the world differently. It explores specific ways people from these societies are dissimilar to Canadian workplace culture in how they share information, give feedback, delegate, make decisions and manage conflict and schedules. This book explores those different perspectives as well as Canada's immigration history, snapshots of the four key countries, strategies around language and accent issues, and how to recruit within a cultural lens. Although the information is tagged to a specific country, recognize that this is a starting point for your communication with a staff member or colleague. Once we can unbundle the cultural blueprints of behaviour of our subordinates, colleagues, and ourselves - we can move from immigration to effective workplace integration.

#### Canadian Organizational Behaviour Ballantine Books

This book includes 10 tips that will help you successfully navigate the changing world of work and excel in your job. Follow these tips to become an essential employee and discover that job security and leadership positions are naturally within your reach. Not only will you excel in your career, but you will also make your

workplace better for those around you. Why not be the most you can be? Read on and start today!

*Canadian Workplace Culture* McGraw-Hill Ryerson

150 years after Confederation, Canada is known around the world for its social diversity and its commitment to principles of multiculturalism. But the road to contemporary Canada is a winding one, a story of division and conflict as well as union and accommodation. In *Canada's Odyssey*, renowned scholar Peter H. Russell provides an expansive, accessible account of Canadian history from the pre-Confederation period to the present day. By focusing on what he calls the "three pillars" of English Canada, French Canada, and Aboriginal Canada, Russell advances an important view of our country as one founded on and informed by "incomplete conquests". It is the very incompleteness of these conquests that have made Canada what it is today, not just a multicultural society but a multinational one. Featuring the scope and vivid characterizations of an epic novel, *Canada's Odyssey* is a magisterial work by an astute observer of Canadian politics and history, a perfect book to commemorate the 150th anniversary of Confederation.

**Road to Flourishing** Penguin

We live in a time of multiple changes and dramatic upheavals. The world is at a historical turning point. The Western economic sector is facing unprecedented challenges. At the dawn of its growing influence, understanding China accurately is urgent. Mastering the Chinese business culture should be a priority. Assimilating Chinese business strategy, as taught in *The Art of War* and played in *Wéi qí*, is paramount. For Western companies, applying this knowledge in their relations with their Chinese partners is critical to achieving long-term business success with China. This practical guide reveals so many Chinese realities that are often unknown or ignored. It invites its readers to perceive China from a cultural point of view. The main topics covered are: China today, cross-cultural management in business implementation, Chinese business etiquette, and the impact of Confucianism. It provides information, analysis and recommendations in the hope that it will contribute to a better understanding between the West and the East, the West and China. [www.qingshunzou.com](http://www.qingshunzou.com)

**Ownership Thinking: How to End Entitlement and Create a Culture of Accountability, Purpose, and Profit** University of

Toronto Press

Unfortunately, far too many people don't like where they work. Some organizations are unhealthy and full of disrespectful behavior. Other workplaces are simply uninspiring. For various reasons, countless people feel trapped, indifferent, or bored at work. The authors of this book believe that people should be able to like where they work. When employees like the places they work, it's not only good for their mental health and well-being, it's also good for their organizations - both financially and otherwise. When a workplace culture is purposely created to be respectful and inspiring, employees are happier, more productive, and more engaged. By exploring six key elements that make up a healthy workplace culture, *The Culture Question* answers two fundamental questions: "How does your organization's culture impact how much people like where they work?" and "What can you do to make it better?" Discover how to create a workplace where people like to work by focusing on these six elements of healthy workplace culture: Communicating Your Purpose and Values. Employees are inspired when they work in organizations whose purpose and values resonate with them. Providing Meaningful Work. Most employees want to work on projects that inspire them, align with what they are good at, and allow them to grow. Focusing Your Leadership Team on People. How leaders relate to their employees plays a major role in how everyone feels about their workplace. Building Meaningful Relationships. When employees like the people they work with and for, they are more satisfied and more engaged in their work. Creating Peak Performing Teams. People are energized when they work together effectively because teams achieve things that no one person could do on their own. Practicing Constructive Conflict Management. When leaders don't handle conflict promptly and well, it quickly sours the workplace. This book includes survey feedback from over 2,400 leaders and employees and resources for putting these ideas into action.

*What's Your Zip Code Story?* McGraw Hill Professional  
Reflecting the rich interdisciplinarity of contemporary photography studies, *The Cultural Work of Photography in Canada* is essential reading for anyone interested in Canadian visual culture."--Pub. desc.

[Brownstone Diploma for Windows to Accompany Canadian Organizational Behaviour](#) McGraw Hill Professional

An organizational "North Star," codifying valued behaviors for optimal performance *The Culture Engine* shows leaders how to create a high performing, values aligned culture through the creation of an organizational constitution. With practical step-by-step guidance, readers learn how to define their organization's culture, delineate the behaviors that contribute to greater performance and greater engagement, and draft a document that codifies those behaviors into a constitution that guides behavior towards an ideal: a safe, inspiring workplace. The discussion focuses on people, including who should be involved at the outset and how to engage employees from start to finish, while examples of effective constitutions provide guidance toward drafting a document that can actualize an organization's potential. Culture drives everything that happens in an organization day to day, including focus, priorities, and the treatment of employees and customers. A great culture drives great performance, and can help attract and retain great talent. But a great culture isn't something that evolves naturally. *The Culture Engine* is a guide to strategically planning a culture by compiling the company's guiding principles and behaviors into an organizational constitution. Decide which behaviors and attitudes are desired in the organization Secure leader commitment to planning, drafting, and implementing the document Learn the most effective way to socialize the draft statement and get everyone on board Model desired behaviors to boost employee engagement throughout the process Organizational culture is not an amorphous thing - it comes down from the top, inspired and exemplified by the leadership. It can steer a company up or down, keep it on mission or force it off-course. For an organization to fulfill its potential, the culture must be on-point, truly reflecting the heart of the company from leaders to team members across the company. *The Culture Engine* helps leaders define the playing field, pushing performance to the next level.

[Ask a Manager](#) Himan Press

Discussion of Canadian experience since the late 1960s with workplace innovation. Illustrations are given of many of the more common approaches to change, from the limited forms focusing primarily on communications and the nature of individual jobs to more radical approaches involving widespread participation in management and total organization redesign. Examines the economic, social and political environment that have provided the



background for technological change. Explores some of the conditions at both the micro level of the organization and the macro level with reference in particular to the unionized sector for the potential of new work forms to develop further in Canada.

*Creating Cultures of Thinking* John Wiley & Sons

The USA and Canada welcomes every year significant numbers of immigrant professionals who have high levels of formal education (Bachelors, Masters and Ph.D.) as well as extensive experience; yet a significant fraction of these immigrants are unemployed or underemployed. The purpose of this book is to help US and Canadian organizations make full use of the significant human capital that immigrants represent. This book will help organizations:

- Modify their recruitment and selection process to avoid rejecting culturally different candidates for reasons that are not related to their ability to do the job
- Develop and promote culturally diverse employees to ensure that they retain and capitalize on the new ideas that these employees bring

Highly-practical the book is divided into two parts:-

- The first part focuses on the recruiting process. It takes readers through the recruiting process used by most organizations and examines why cultural differences can throw this process off. The discussion is framed by an introduction explaining what cultural differences are and a description of cross-cultural communication issues and suggested solutions.
- The second part examines the retention and promotion of culturally different employees. The turnover of culturally different people is often higher than average and they are proportionately less represented in the higher echelons of large organizations. The work examines the root causes of these issues and proposes solutions that individuals and organizations can implement.

**Mean Girls at Work: How to Stay Professional When Things Get Personal** McGraw Hill Professional

Nautilus Book Award Gold Winner A field guide for leaders who want to engage and energize their workforce with a leadership strategy that puts the well-being of people first. Every leader has a duty to ensure their teams meet and exceed expectations and achieve strategic goals. But leaders who only focus on the bottom line risk alienating or burning out the people integral to the success of the organization. Engaged employees are more productive, have fewer sick days, and tend to stay in their jobs longer. They go the extra mile because they want to contribute to

an organization that cares about them as human beings. Put simply, a leadership approach focused on both relationships and results is good for business. But what steps can leaders take to cultivate a workplace culture that is positive, engaged, and also productive? This is what CBC workplace columnist Pierre Battah tackles in *Humanity at Work*. In this conversational, humorous, and relatable book, Battah acts as a virtual mentor, drawing on his decades-long experience as advisor to large and small organizations. Through colorful and entertaining case studies ranging from fish-packing plants to financial institutions, Battah illustrates what it means to lead with humanity. In this book, readers will learn: why human connection is a crucial component of the employment relationship; how to delegate responsibility, set expectations, and give and receive feedback more effectively; and how cultivating self-awareness can create safe space in which to engage staff. Each chapter includes reflection points and helpful tools to help readers track their progress as they move toward creating a workplace with humanity at its heart. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to Plan International Canada, who strive for a just world that advances children's rights and equality for girls.

*The Insider's Guide to Culture Change* InterVarsity Press

A compelling and practical guide, tailored to help you achieve balance, fulfillment, and joy in your professional life. *The Secrets to Happiness at Work* book brings together proven strategies from positive psychology, mindfulness, and personal growth to transform your work experience. Dr. Tracy Brower, PhD, MM, MCRw is a sociologist and an award-winning speaker and has over 25 years of experience working with global clients to achieve business results. Her work has been featured in TEDx, The Wall Street Journal, Inc. Magazine, and Fortune.com. Within the pages of this transformative guide, you will discover: Key principles of positive psychology to help you improve job satisfaction Practical mindfulness techniques to reduce stress and improve focus Personal growth strategies to unlock your potential and improve performance Tips on achieving work-life balance to enhance overall well-being Insights on fostering a positive work culture and nurturing professional relationships This guide is not just for those feeling dissatisfied in their current position, but for anyone seeking to boost their happiness at work. From managers aiming to improve workplace morale, to individuals seeking personal

growth and satisfaction, *The Secrets to Happiness at Work* is an invaluable tool for creating a more positive and productive professional life. An ideal read for career coaches, HR professionals, corporate trainers, or anyone looking to improve their work life.

**Canadian Organizational Behaviour** Oxford University Press, USA

Shedding light on class division, this book offers solutions to class bias in the workplace by analyzing real experiences, social norms, education, wealth, and more. The renewed focus on class, race and equality in the workplace and beyond is making an indelible mark on society. This clarion call for change is sweeping inequality from every corner of the nation, including law enforcement, schools, and businesses. And within the past five years, diversity and inclusion, as well as unconscious bias, have been the main drivers of organizational training, politics, and community engagement. *What's Your Zip Code Story* helps clarify the intersection of class bias and racial disparity in the workplace and arms organizations with the knowledge to not only have productive discussions, but also adopt effective solutions. Gross instructs class-migrants—whether college students, recent graduates, or overlooked employees—on how to climb the career lattice and transform themselves from undervalued employees to respected leaders. The book tackles challenges that class-migrants encounter when navigating the workplace and provides operative practices that can be utilized to hone new professional skills and drive positive change in workplace culture. It is a powerful tool that will inspire marginalized employees who are hungry for personal and professional growth, as well as give insight to business leaders seeking a new way to engage their teams. Through the lived experiences of the author and research-based strategies, readers will find insights on how to increase workplace engagement and business performance.

*Recruiting, Retaining and Promoting Culturally Different Employees* Rowman & Littlefield

"There is magic in this book. It is the magic of a form of human engagement that allows you to see and your employees to be seen. Whether you are looking for a few good tips to keep a good thing going or need to recapture the very essence of a productive workplace, *The Invisible Employee* provides valuable lessons nestled among the pages of a clever and compelling story. A good

read and a wise thesis." —Stephen C. Lundin, bestselling coauthor of *Fish!* "Gostick and Elton's simple-to-understand and teachable approach of setting and supporting core values and recognizing and celebrating those behaviors can be a very effective management technique for creating a committed and engaged workforce of 'visible employees.' This is a culture no organization can afford to be without." —Michael R. Losey, past president and CEO, Society for Human Resource Management, and Secretary

General, World Federation of Personnel Management Associations "The basic principles detailed in *The Invisible Employee* are simple yet profound: (1) setting a guiding vision, (2) seeing employees supporting that vision, and (3) praising and celebrating that behavior. Restaurants do not sell merchandise that people can take home, we only sell memories. Engaging our entire staff by using these principles helps Friendly's provide

great memories for our guests." —John L. Cutter, CEO and President, Friendly Ice Cream Corporation "The *Invisible Employee* is a very inventive and original book. Combining facts that will surprise you and a fable that will fascinate you, Adrian Gostick and Chester Elton have crafted a book that educates and entertains. The *Invisible Employee* is a wonderful read with a powerful message, and I highly recommend it to leaders at all levels." —Jim Kouzes, coauthor of *The Leadership Challenge*

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