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A Guide to Successful Construction-Arthur F. O'Leary 1999 Contractors can protect themselves and their companies at each critical stage of a construction project. This much-needed guide shows how to avoid lawsuits and other problems by explaining exactly what the architect's and contractor's roles are during the construction phase of a project -- a well as the responsibilities of owners, developers and construction attorneys. A Practical Guide to Successful Construction Projects-Arent van Wassenae 2017-04-21 Written by experienced and innovative projects lawyer Arent van Wassenae, this book explains what the critical success factors are for construction projects to be completed on time, within everyone's budget, to the right quality, with all stakeholders satisfied and without disputes. In so doing, van Wassenae discusses how such projects could be structured, tendered for, executed and completed, and what legal and non-legal mechanisms are available to achieve success in construction projects. Using examples of real projects, A Practical Guide to Successful Construction Projects provides tools for those in leading and managerial positions within the construction industry to change - where necessary - their usual operational methods into methods which are aimed at achieving project success. Successful Construction Project Management-Paul Netscher 2014 This book bridges the gap between the theoretical and practical and includes chapters on planning the project, starting it, scheduling, running the projects, completing it, people, materials, equipment, quality, safety, subcontractors, contractual and financial. These chapters are broken into multiple sections providing a step-by-step guide to successfully managing a construction project, and, including what-not-to-do to avoid costly mistakes.--COVER Building a Successful Construction Company-Paul Netscher 2014-08-08 How you can make your construction company more profitable. A 'must read' before you price your next project. Many construction companies fail despite the hard work and knowledge of their managers and owners. Some companies even start well, earning good profits, building successful projects, and the company grows - only for it all to come crashing down, often leaving a mountain of debts behind. So why do construction companies fail? Is it due to bad luck? This book explores important aspects of managing a construction company that impact its success and profitability. Obviously managers should have an understanding of running a business as well as the appropriate technical skills. But, it's usually more than this. The chapters in this book focus on the importance of selecting the right project. How to find projects, tendering correctly, winning the project, delivering the project, avoiding unnecessary costs, increasing revenue, financial and contractual controls, managing the company, the importance of good people, growing the company and ensuring the company has a good reputation. The chapters are set out in an easy to read format, filled with practical tips, which provide a step-by-step guide to growing profits, remaining profitable and running a successful construction company. Construction Process Planning and Management-Sidney M Levy 2009-09-24 By their very nature, construction projects can create seemingly endless opportunities for conflict. Written by a best selling author with over 40 years of experiences in the construction and general contracting business, Construction Process Planning and Management provides you with the necessary tools to save time and money on your construction project. In this book, Sid Levy provides valuable advice for avoiding or working through the common problems that are a result of the long-term nature of construction projects, failure to select a ?project delivery system? appropriate to the project, incomplete drawing and specifications, unrealistic scheduling, poor communication and coordination among participants, and inadequate contract administration. From project genesis, through design development to contractor and contract selection, on to construction oversight, punch list and successful project close-out, this book will point out those pitfalls to avoid and offer practical advice at every step along the way. Administer the general construction process including solicitation of contractor's qualifications (pre-qualify bidders), comparative analysis of bid packages, recommendation for contract award, contract document negotiation and documentation of job change orders Provide Project Planning and on-site management and coordination of all construction projects Ensure compliance of building construction rules and regulations and collaborate with chief engineers to monitor quality of construction Conduct technical/plan review of construction documents and submit written responses identifying required corrections or changes Design, implement and oversee Company standards for construction policies, practices and processes Achieving Successful Construction Projects-Ian Gardner 2015-05-15 Whether a construction project turns out to be successful or not has a lot to do with the clarity of the client's objectives and how the client establishes and instils a culture throughout the project team. This book's focus is on defining and exploring those attributes of clients or organisations which enable clear communication, and as a result help ensure the project's success. For senior construction professionals, this book explains how to approach key aspects of projects so that the client's expectations can be anticipated and understood. It also provides information on how other parties can positively influence the outcome of the project and interact with their fellow stakeholders. Commentaries on real life projects illustrate how this is achieved in practice, and common pitfalls are pointed out to help you avoid them. Drawing on almost 40 years' UK and international experience of working on major construction projects in a variety of roles, the author provides clear insight into how to efficiently progress a project from inception through to completion. This is hugely valuable reading for client senior decision-makers, project managers, programme managers, design and construction leaders, and those studying all of these subjects. The Builder's Guide to Running a Successful Construction Company-David Gerstel 2002-10-10 In this guide, David Gerstel shows readers step-by-step how to drum up business, choose the right jobs to bid, estimate them efficiently and accurately, write strong and balanced contracts, work with clients and architects, plus lots more. Running a Successful Construction Company-David U. Gerstel 2002 Running a small business can be daunting to the contractor whose expertise is in building -- not finance or law. This book helps to demystify the day-to-day challenges that contractors face. Running a Successful Construction Company is acknowledged as the leading book in its field. The Client Role in Successful Construction Projects-Jan Challender 2019-05-16 The Client Role in Successful Construction Projects is a practical guide for clients on how to initiate, procure and manage construction projects and developments. This book is written from the perspective of the client initiating a construction project as part of a business venture and differs from most available construction literature which can externalise the client as a risk to be managed by the design team. The book provides a practical framework for new and novice clients undertaking construction, giving them a voice and enabling them to: Understand the challenges that they and the project are likely to face. Communicate and interact effectively with key stakeholders and professionals within the industry. Understand in straightforward terms where they can have a positive impact on the project. Put in place a client-side due diligence process. Reduce their institutional risk and the risk of project failure. Discover how their standard models are able to co-exist and even transfer to a common client-side procedure for managing a construction project. Written by clients, for clients, this book is highly recommended not only for clients, but for construction industry professionals who want to develop their own skills and enhance their working relationship with their clients. A supporting website for the book will be available, which will give practical examples of the points illustrated in the book and practical advice from specialists in the field. BDA Guide to Successful Brickwork-The Brick Development Association 2006-08-11 The BDA Guide to Successful Brickwork is the definitive practical guide to obtaining successful results in brickwork construction. Written by a team of experts from the Brick Development Association, the representative group in industry for brickwork construction, this best-selling text has now been brought fully in line with the latest British and European Standards, including the requirements of the new European Standard for Bricks EN771-1, to ensure readers are receiving the most up-to-date and accurate information available in the field. Based on actual teaching practice, the book is highly illustrated throughout to increase accessibility of the text for the reader in its exploration of the practical aspects of brickwork. It also includes an extensive glossary of brickwork terms for ease of reference. The third edition contains new material detailing recent innovations in brickwork, in the areas of components, systems and techniques, which includes the development of thin-joint techniques for both brickwork and blockwork. Students following NVQs and Construction Awards in Trowel Occupations (bricklaying route, at Foundation, Intermediate and Advanced level) from CITB, will find this book to be an invaluable source of information which will accompany them throughout their studies. The text has additional relevance to BTEC National and Higher Nationals in Construction, as well as NVQ Intermediate and AVCE Construction and Built Environment courses. Building professionals concerned with the design, detailing and specification of brickwork will also find The BDA Guide to be an essential reference. Conscious Cooperation-Stuart Baker 2012-09-26 This book is a guide on how to begin, nurture and finish successful construction projects. Written for contractors, property owners and anyone involved in the construction process, the book is rich in illustrative stories and point-by-point advice. It also contains powerful interviews with noted mediators, customers and construction professionals. It evolved out of years of working in the construction industry and learning to do just what is described. Contrary to widely held belief, it IS possible for construction projects to be successful for all concerned, and even fun! Building on basic principles of clarity, mutual respect and intentional collaboration, this book takes the reader on a surprising journey into the dynamics involved in any successful working relationship, told here through the field of construction. It delves into the power of intention, assumption and expectation, and the importance of a positive attitude for any project. This book is hands-on, and it is not theory. It is proven practices and real-life stories. The Construction Project Management Success Guide-Andreas P 2015-04-18 THE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT MANAGEMENT SUCCESS GUIDE 2ND EDITION: Everything You Need To Know About Construction Contracts, Estimating, Planning And Scheduling, Skills To Manage Trades And Home Renovations You're about to discover how to the re-emergence of the real estate market sparked renewed optimism in construction. Across different states in the country, residential construction jobs are being undertaken in order to satisfy the demands in housing. Since residential construction projects are still a business (except when you want to build your own home), the idea is to build enough living spaces and to offer them to prospective clients or lessers at an affordable price. Of course the success of such a goal still lies on income and the general economic outlook, but one thing is for certain: now that the housing crisis is over, more people will look forward getting a place to call their home. The Successful Construction Supervisor and Foreman-Paul Netscher 2019-03-22 Construction is desperate for good, experienced, skilled and dedicated supervisors and foremen. Construction needs you. Being a construction supervisor or foreman is challenging, it's hard work, but it's also rewarding watching projects take shape under your watch. A supervisor's job is never boring - every day is different, each project is different, different locations and different people, all presenting new challenges.A construction foreman, foreperson or supervisor, supervises a work crew, or manages a section of work. They're at the coalface of every construction project - the critical link in the construction process. Good foremen and supervisors are essential to the success of every construction project and every construction company, indeed, they're invaluable. Yet, few managers and supervisors are prepared to mentor and train the next generation of supervisors and foremen. Most supervisors and foremen have years of experience on the tools, learning their trade, sometimes through apprenticeships, but mostly learning from others. These skills are focused on a particular trade or skill. But, being a supervisor is a different ballgame. Where before, as a trades-person they were doing the work themselves, now as supervisor they must organise and manage others doing the work.I'm a construction professional with 30 years of experience and the author of several acclaimed construction books, including: 'Successful Construction Project Management: The Practical Guide' and 'Construction Management: From Project Concept to Completion'. As a young engineer and later as project manager, I was fortunate to learn from many excellent supervisors and foremen. I wouldn't have achieved what I did without the foremen on my projects. They were the powerhouse on my construction projects, and I only had to steer the project to a successful conclusion. Now it's my turn to share my 30 years of construction experience and knowledge with construction supervisors and foremen. To explain why things are done in a certain way, why good paperwork is essential, but more importantly, to help supervisors and foremen become the very best. The Lead Carpenter Handbook-Timothy Faller 1998 Discover an efficient and costeffective jobsite management and training system. Learn how to implement the system and recruit, train and manage lead carpenters. Buildability-Trevor M. Holroyd 2003 This practical guide provides advice on how construction projects should be sensibly planned, accurately costed and intelligently designed and detailed. A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK(R) Guide-Sixth Edition / Agile Practice Guide Bundle (HINDI)-Project Management Institute 2019-08-05 To support the broadening spectrum of project delivery approaches, PMI is offering A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide) - Sixth Edition as a bundle with its latest, the Agile Practice Guide. The PMBOK® Guide - Sixth Edition now contains detailed information about agile; while the Agile Practice Guide, created in partnership with Agile Alliance®, serves as a bridge to connect waterfall and agile. Together they are a powerful tool for project managers. The PMBOK® Guide - Sixth Edition - PMI's flagship publication has been updated to reflect the latest good practices in project management. New to the Sixth Edition, each knowledge area will contain a section entitled Approaches for Agile, Iterative and Adaptive Environments, describing how these practices integrate in project settings. It will also contain more emphasis on strategic and business knowledge—including discussion of project management business documents—and information on the PMI Talent Triangle™ and the essential skills for success in today's market. Agile Practice Guide has been developed as a resource to understand, evaluate, and use agile and hybrid agile approaches. This practice guide provides guidance on when, where, and how to apply agile approaches and provides practical tools for practitioners and organizations wanting to increase agility. This practice guide is aligned with other PMI standards, including A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide) - Sixth Edition, and was developed as the result of collaboration between the Project Management Institute and the Agile Alliance. Construction Claims-Paul Netscher 2016-09-12 Most construction projects have changes, variations and delays. Due to insufficient knowledge contractors often don't claim their time and costs resulting from these events, or, their claims end in protracted and expensive legal battles. This easy to read book demystifies the claims processes ensuring entitlements are claimed. Learn when you can claim, how to make claims compelling, and the supporting documentation required to win. Your eyes will be opened to numerous events, costs and impacts. Knowing some of these tips could dramatically improve profits and avoid time consuming acrimonious disputes. Also included is advice for contractors to avoid and defend claims from employers and subcontractors. Ensure you're granted the time and costs you are entitled to by submitting winning claims. Construction Project Management-Paul Netscher 2017-02-15 What are 12 steps to a successful construction project, what are habits that make a good project manager, can technology help your project, are you making errors pricing projects, can you avoid construction disputes, what are phrases we should use more often in construction, why are good client relations vital, how do you manage construction risks, how do you retain skilled employees, and who is responsible for winning new projects? These and many other questions are answered in Paul Netscher's latest book, which includes information from more than fifty articles he published on various websites. These articles have been read by thousands from around the world, many of whom added comments, several of which have been included in this book, together with additional information. This book is filled with practical ideas, tips and insights gained from Paul's 30 years of construction experience. They could provide the key to completing your project safely, profitably, on time, with the required quality, and, with a happy client. Paul's laid-back writing style makes the book easy to read. Comments on Paul's articles include; "thank you Paul Netscher for sharing this," and, "great article Paull You did an excellent job of expanding the perspective by asking the right questions." Paul Netscher's other books include: 'Successful Construction Project Management: The Practical Guide', which is a prescribed text at some universities, 'Building a Successful Construction Guide: The Practical Guide' and 'Construction Claims: A Short Guide for Contractors'. The Pfeiffer Book of Successful Team-Building Tools-Elaine Biech 2007-09-24 Year after year, consultants, trainers, and human resource professionals have come to rely on The Pfeiffer Annuals to provide them with the most current and quality tools on a wide variety of topics. In this book, editor Elaine Biech and contributors to the Annuals have honed in on the important theme of team building to create the first topic-specific book in The Pfeiffer Annuals series. The Pfeiffer Book of Successful Team-Building Tools, 2nd Edition, includes an innovative ten-block model for building a high-performance team and draws on the best-on-the-topic articles from thirty-five years of Annuals volumes. Integrating Project Delivery-Martin Fischer 2017-03-27 A revolutionary, collaborative approach to design and construction project delivery Integrated Project Delivery is the first book-length discussion of IPD, the emergent project delivery method that draws on each stakeholder's unique knowledge to address problems before they occur. Written by authors with over a decade of research and practical experience, this book provides a primer on IPD for architects, designers, and students interested in this revolutionary approach to design and construction. With a focus on IPD in everyday operation, coverage includes a detailed explanation and analysis of IPD guidelines, and case studies that show how real companies are applying these guidelines on real-world projects. End-of-chapter questions help readers quickly review what they've learned, and the online forum allows them to share their insights and ideas with others who either have or are in the process of implementing IPD themselves. Integrated Project Delivery brings together the owners, architect, engineers, and contractors early in the development stage to ensure that problems are caught early, and to address them in a collaborative way. This book describes the parameters of this new, more efficient approach, with expert insight on real-world implementation. Compare traditional procurement with IPD Understand IPD guidelines, and how they're implemented Examine case studies that illustrate everyday applications Communicate with other IPD adherents in the online forum The IPD approach revolutionizes not only the workflow, but the relationships between the stakeholders - the atmosphere turns collaborative, and the team works together toward a shared goal instead of viewing one another as obstructions to progress. Integrated Project Delivery provides a deep exploration of this approach, with practical guidance and expert insight. Code Complete-Steve McConnell 2004-06-09 Widely considered one of the best practical guides to programming, Steve McConnell's original CODE COMPLETE has been helping developers write better software for more than a decade. Now this classic book has been fully updated and revised with leading-edge practices—and hundreds of new code samples—illustrating the art and science of software construction. Capturing the body of knowledge available from research, academia, and everyday commercial practice, McConnell synthesizes the most effective techniques and must-know principles into clear, pragmatic guidance. No matter what your experience level, development environment, or project size, this book will inform and stimulate your thinking—and help you build the highest quality code. Discover the timeless techniques and strategies that help you: Design for minimum complexity and maximum creativity Reap the benefits of collaborative development Apply defensive programming techniques to reduce and flush out errors Exploit opportunities to refactor—or evolve—code, and do it safely Use construction practices that are right-weight for your project Debug problems quickly and effectively Resolve critical construction issues early and correctly Build quality into the beginning, middle, and end of your project The Maritime Engineering Reference Book-Anthony F. Molland 2011-10-13 The Maritime Engineering Reference Book is a one-stop source for engineers involved in marine engineering and naval architecture. In this essential reference, Anthony F. Molland has brought together the work of a number of the world's leading writers in the field to create an inclusive volume for a wide audience of marine engineers, naval architects and those involved in marine operations, insurance and other related fields. Coverage ranges from the basics to more advanced topics in ship design, construction and operation. All the key areas are covered, including ship flotation and stability, ship structures, propulsion, seakeeping and maneuvering. The marine environment and maritime safety are explored as well as new technologies, such as computer aided ship design and remotely operated vehicles (ROVs). Facts, figures and data from world-leading experts makes this an invaluable ready-reference for those involved in the field of maritime engineering. Professor A.F. Molland, BSc, MSc, PhD, CEng, FRINA, is Emeritus Professor of Ship Design at the University of Southampton, UK. He has lectured ship design and operation for many years. He has carried out extensive research and published widely on ship design and various aspects of ship hydrodynamics. \* A comprehensive overview from best-selling authors including Bryan Barras, Rawson and Tupper, and David Eyles \* Covers basic and advanced material on marine engineering and Naval Architecture topics \* Have key facts, figures and data to hand in one complete reference book Project Management for Construction-Chris Hendrickson 1989-01-01 Building Equity-Dominique Smith 2017-07-21 Imagine a school with a diverse student body where everyone feels safe and valued, and all—regardless of race, culture, home language, sexual orientation, gender identity, academic history, and individual challenges—have the opportunity to succeed with interesting classes, projects, and activities. In this school, teachers notice and meet individual instructional needs and foster a harmonious and supportive environment. All students feel empowered to learn, to grow, and to pursue their dreams. This is the school every student needs and deserves. In Building Equity, Dominique Smith, Nancy Frey, Ian Pumpian, and Douglas Fisher, colleagues at San Diego's innovative Health Sciences High & Middle College, introduce the Building Equity Taxonomy, a new model to clarify the structural and interpersonal components of an equitable and excellent schooling experience, and the Building Equity Review and Audit, survey-based tools to help school and teacher leaders uncover equity-related issues and organize their efforts to achieve • Physical integration • Social-emotional engagement • Opportunity to learn • Instructional excellence • Engaged and inspired learners Built on the authors' own experiences and those of hundreds of educators throughout the United States, this book is filled with examples of policy initiatives and practices that support high-quality, inclusive learning experiences and deliver education that meets critical standards of equality and equity. The Lean Builder: A Builder's Guide to Applying Lean Tools in the Field-Joe Donarumo Be a Successful Building Contractor-R. Dodge Woodson 2004-10-12 All the ins and outs of starting and running a profitable enterprise in today's construction market. Packed with fast track building code facts, tips and techniques, and quick calculations, this practical resource helps building contractors define their business requirements, select a business structure, manage jobs efficiently, locate desirable building lots, build on speculation, computerize their operations, understand financial transactions, hire top-notch employees—and avoid common pitfalls. NEW TO THIS EDITION: insurance, financial issues, energy requirements; computerization; more quick-reference facts and figures throughout. Construction Estimating-Karl F. Schmid 2011-09-30 This pocket-sized book is a concise guide to the basics of estimating construction costs for residential and light commercial building projects. It provides a step-by-step guide to estimating the total cost of a construction project. It takes readers through five phases that lead to a successful estimate: initial assessment, work analysis, programming, costing and cost distribution and summarization. The book's primary targets are small contractors; however, the principles set forth in the book are applicable to all contractors. The book could also serve as a textbook for estimating classes in construction management programs at universities and community colleges. The last section of the book provides useful but not readily available information for estimators on diverse topics, e.g., detailed information about Value Engineering, scheduling, subcontractor selection, bid summarization, and so on. An extensive glossary of construction terms is also included. Readers in all construction capacities will find: \* A new, fresh look at the often baffling and deceptive job of estimating construction costs for residential and light commercial construction \* How to assess plans, review bonds, and evaluate the site and the project schedule before beginning a cost take-off \* How to integrate a cost estimate into a general accounting program for cost management and eventual billing \* Incredibly helpful appendix with common construction standards and measurements—from standards for concrete forms, to nail sizes to commercial lumber sizes, and much more! The Elements of Building-Mark Q. Kerson 2014-01-02 The book is concerned with the business of residential construction, including the maintenance, restoration, renovation, and construction of private homes and related properties. Earthworks-N. A. Trenter 2001 Nothing can be built without some excavation and transfer of soil (or rock) from one part of a site to another and this makes earthworks the most common product of civil engineering operations. Although normally seen as major structures, such as earth fill dams or large highways or railway embankments, the majority of earthworks are connected with minor civil works and building construction. Whatever the type of work, the principles are the same. Earthworks: a guide accumulates information on topics that are essential to earthworks engineering. Girls Garage-Emily Pilloton 2020-06-02 Girls Garage is the only book you'll ever need for a lifetime of tools and building. Not sure which screws to buy? Need to fix a running toilet? With Girls Garage, you'll have the expertise to tackle these problems with your own hands. Or maybe you want to get creative and build something totally new. A birdhouse? A bookshelf? Girls Garage has you covered. Packed with illustrations that will build confidence for your next hardware store run, practical advice on everything from quick fixes to safety tips, and inspiring stories from real-world builder girls and women, this eye-catching volume makes the technical accessible. This is the guide every girl needs to take her life into her own hands. Girls, get in touch with your inner badass, and get building • Informative, inspiring, and designed for everyday use, this is the ultimate book of book of building and woodcraft for girls. • A true confidence builder for girls interested in STEM, woodworking, and home improvement. • Along with her design agency and Girl's Garage, Emily Pilloton has been featured on television shows and the documentary film If You Build It. Girls Garage will be both a trusted household resource and a wellspring of inspiration and encouragement in the vein of Women in Science and Headstrong: 52 Women Who Changed Science and the World. • Nonfiction books for girls age 14 and up • Woodcraft, home repair, kids building projects • Inspiring Kids DIY for teens Emily Pilloton is a designer, builder, educator, and founder of the nonprofit design agency Project H Design and Girls Garage. Her ideas have made their way to the TED stage, the Colbert Report, and the full-length documentary If You Build It. She is currently a lecturer in the College of Environmental Design at the University of California, Berkeley. She lives in the San Francisco Bay Area. The Art of Community-Jono Bacon 2009-08-17 Online communities offer a wide range of opportunities today, whether you're supporting a cause, marketing a product or service, or developing open source software. The Art of Community will help you develop the broad range of talents you need to recruit members to your community, motivate and manage them, and help them become active participants. Author Jono Bacon offers a collection of experiences and observations from his decade-long involvement in building and managing communities, including his current position as manager for Ubuntu, arguably the largest community in open source software. You'll discover how a vibrant community can provide you with a reliable support network, a valuable source of new ideas, and a powerful marketing force. The Art of Community will help you: Develop a strategy, with specific objectives and goals, for building your community Build simple, non-bureaucratic processes to help your community perform tasks, work together, and share successes Provide tools and infrastructure that let contributors work quickly Create buzz around your community to get more people involved Track the community's work so it can be optimized and simplified Explore a capable, representative governance strategy for your community Identify and manage conflict, including dealing with divisive personalities Cloud Atlas-David Mitchell 2010-07-16 By the New York Times bestselling author of The Bone Clocks | Shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize A postmodern visionary and one of the leading voices in twenty-first-century fiction, David Mitchell combines flat-out adventure, a Nabokovian love of puzzles, a keen eye for character, and a taste for mind-bending, philosophical and scientific speculation in the tradition of Umberto Eco, Haruki Murakami, and Philip K. Dick. The result is brilliantly original fiction as profound as it is playful. In this groundbreaking novel, an influential favorite among a new generation of writers, Mitchell explores with daring artistry fundamental questions of reality and identity. Cloud Atlas begins in 1850 with Adam Ewing, an American notary voyaging from the Chatham Isles to his home in California. Along the way, Ewing is befriended by a physician, Dr. Goose, who begins to treat him for a rare species of brain parasite. . . . Abruptly, the action jumps to Belgium in 1931, where Robert Frobisher, a disinherited bisexual composer, contrives his way into the household of an infirm maestro who has a beguiling wife and a nubile daughter. . . . From there we identify to the West Coast in the 1970s and a troubled reporter named Luisa Rey, who stumbles upon a web of corporate greed and murder that threatens to claim her life. . . . And onward, with dazzling virtuosity, to an inglorious present-day England; to a Korean superstate of the near future where neocapitalism has run amok; and, finally, to a postapocalyptic Iron Age Hawaii in the last days of history. But the story doesn't end even there. The narrative then boomerangs back through centuries and space, returning by the same route, in reverse, to its starting point. Along the way, Mitchell reveals how his disparate characters connect, how their fates intertwine, and how their souls drift across time like clouds across the sky. As wild as a video game, as mysterious as a Zen koan, Cloud Atlas is an unforgettable tour de force that, like its incomparable author, has transcended its cult classic status to become a worldwide phenomenon. Praise for Cloud Atlas "[David] Mitchell is, clearly, a genius. He writes as though at the helm of some perpetual dream machine, can evidently do anything, and his ambition is written in magma across this novel's every page."—The New York Times Book Review "One of those how-the-hell-did-he-do-it? modern classics that no doubt is—and should be—read by any student of contemporary literature."—Dave Eggers "Wildly entertaining . . . a head rush, both action-packed and chillingly ruminative."—People "The novel as series of nested dolls or Chinese boxes, a puzzle-book, and yet—not just dazzling, amusing, or clever but heartbreaking and passionate, too. I've never read anything quite like it, and I'm grateful to have lived, for a while, in all its many worlds."—Michael Chabon "Cloud Atlas ought to make [Mitchell] famous on both sides of the Atlantic as a writer whose fearlessness is matched by his talent."—The Washington Post Book World "Thrilling . . . One of the biggest joys in Cloud Atlas is watching Mitchell nestify from genre to genre without a hitch in his dance step."—Boston Sunday Globe "Grand and elaborate. . . [Mitchell] creates a world and language at once foreign and strange, yet strikingly familiar and intimate."—Los Angeles Times From the Hardcover edition. Construction Contracting-Richard H. Clough 2015-03-04 The definitive contracting reference for the construction industry, updated and expanded Construction Contracting, the industry's leading professional reference for five decades, has been updated to reflect current practices, business methods, management techniques, codes, and regulations. A cornerstone of the construction library, this text presents the hard-to-find information essential to successfully managing a construction company, applicable to building, heavy civil, high-tech, and industrial construction endeavors alike. A wealth of coverage on the basics of owning a construction business provides readers with a useful "checkup" on the state of their company, and in-depth exploration of the logistics, scheduling, administration, and legal aspects relevant to construction provide valuable guidance on important facets of the business operations. This updated edition contains new coverage of modern delivery methods, technology, and project management. The field of construction contracting comprises the entire set of skills, knowledge, and conceptual tools needed to successfully own or manage a construction company, as well as to undertake any actual project. This book gives readers complete, up-to-date information in all of these areas, with expert guidance toward best practices. Learn techniques for accurate cost estimating and effective bidding Understand construction contracts, surety bonds, and insurance Explore project time and cost management, with safety considerations Examine relevant labor law and labor relations techniques Between codes, standards, laws, and regulations, the construction industry presents many different areas with which the manager needs to be up to date, on top of actually doing the day-to-day running of the business. This book provides it all under one cover - for the project side and the business side, Construction Contracting is a complete working resource in the field or office. The CSI Construction Specifications Practice Guide-Construction Specifications Institute 2011-01-19 The must-have specifications writing reference—and essential study aid for the Certified Construction Specifier (CCS) Exam The CSI Practice Guides are a library of comprehensive references specifically and carefully designed for the construction professional. Each book examines important concepts and best practices integral to a particular aspect of the building process. The CSI Construction Specifications Practice Guide is focused on the roles and responsibilities of the specifications professional in meeting the challenges of the changing world of construction. In this volume, guidelines on topics like writing quality construction specifications and product selection are meshed with best practices for managing project information, working with Building Information Modeling (BIM) and Integrated Project Delivery, and writing sustainable design specifications. 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