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**Better Together** John Wiley & Sons  
 #1 New York Times bestseller and arguably the best business narrative ever written, *Barbarians at the Gate* is the classic account of the fall of RJR Nabisco at the hands of a buyout from investment firm KKR. A book that stormed both the bestseller list and the public imagination, a book that created a genre of its own, and a book that gets at the heart of Wall Street and the '80s culture it helped define, *Barbarians at the Gate* is a modern classic—a masterpiece of investigatory journalism and a rollicking book of corporate derring-do and financial swordsmanship. The fight to control RJR Nabisco during October and November of 1988 was more than just the largest takeover in Wall Street history. Marked by brazen displays of ego not seen in American business for decades, it became the high point of a new gilded age and its repercussions are still being felt. The tale remains the ultimate story of greed and glory—a story and a cast of characters that determined the course of global business and redefined how deals would be done and fortunes made in the decades to come. *Barbarians at the Gate* is the gripping account of these two frenzied months, of deal makers and publicity flaks, of an old-line industrial powerhouse (home of such familiar products as Oreos and Camels) that became the victim of the ruthless and rapacious style of finance in the 1980s. As reporters for *The Wall Street Journal*, Burrough and Helyar had extensive access to all the characters in this drama. They take the reader behind the scenes at strategy meetings and society dinners, into boardrooms and bedrooms, providing an unprecedentedly detailed look at how financial operations at the highest levels are conducted but also a richly textured social history of wealth at the twilight of the Reagan era. At the center of the huge power struggle is RJR Nabisco's president, the high-living Ross Johnson. It's his secret plan to buy out the company that sets the frenzy in motion, attracting the country's leading takeover players: Henry Kravis, the legendary leveraged-buyout king of investment firm KKR, whose entry into the fray sets off an acquisitive commotion; Peter Cohen, CEO of Shearson Lehman Hutton and Johnson's partner, who needs a victory to propel his company to an unchallenged leadership in the lucrative mergers and acquisitions field; the fiercely independent Ted Forstmann, motivated as much by honor as by his rage at the corruption he sees taking over the business he cherishes; Jim Maher and his ragtag team, struggling

to regain credibility for the decimated ranks at First Boston; and an army of desperate bankers, lawyers, and accountants, all drawn inexorably to the greatest prize of their careers—and one of the greatest prizes in the history of American business. Written with the bravado of a novel and researched with the diligence of a sweeping cultural history, *Barbarians at the Gate* is present at the front line of every battle of the campaign. Here is the unforgettable story of that takeover in all its brutality. In a new afterword specially commissioned for the story's 20th anniversary, Burrough and Helyar return to visit the heroes and villains of this epic story, tracing the fallout of the deal, charting the subsequent success and failure of those involved, and addressing the incredible impact this story—and the book itself—made on the world.

**The Complete Guide to Mergers and Acquisitions** Academic Press

The classic, comprehensive guide to mergers and acquisitions, now completely updated for today's market.

**Merger and Acquisition Strategies** Emerald Group Publishing  
 Provides major force in international financial economics—mergers, takeovers, and corporate control.

**Research Handbook on Mergers and Acquisitions** Cambridge University Press

A comprehensive guide to the world of mergers and acquisitions Why do so many M&A transactions fail? And what drives the success of those deals that are consummated? Robert Bruner explains that M&A can be understood as a response by managers to forces of turbulence in their environment. Despite the material failure rates of mergers and acquisitions, those pulling the trigger on key strategic decisions can make them work if they spend great care and rigor in the development of their M&A deals. By addressing the key factors of M&A success and failure, *Applied Mergers and Acquisitions* can help readers do this. Written by one of the foremost thinkers and educators in the field, this invaluable resource teaches readers the art and science of M&A valuation, deal negotiation, and bargaining, and provides a framework for considering tradeoffs in an effort to optimize the value of any M&A deal.

**The Art of Gathering** Aspen Publishing  
 Mitigate risk and increase returns with an alternative hedge fund strategy *Merger Arbitrage: How to Profit from Event-Driven Arbitrage, Second Edition* is the definitive guide to the ins and outs of the burgeoning merger arbitrage hedge fund strategy, with real-world examples that illustrate how mergers work and how to take advantage of them. Author Thomas Kirchner, founder

of the Pennsylvania Avenue Event-Driven Fund, discusses the factors that drove him to invest solely in merger arbitrage and other event-driven strategies, and details the methods used to incorporate merger arbitrage into traditional investment strategies. And while there is always a risk that a deal will fall through, the book explains how minimal such risks really are when the potential upside is factored in. Early chapters of the book focus on the basics of the merger arbitrage strategy, including an examination of mergers and the incorporation of risk into the arbitrage decision. Following chapters detail deal structures, financing, and legal aspects to provide the type of in-depth knowledge required to execute an effective investment strategy. The updated second edition stresses new, increasingly relevant information like: Worldwide legal deal regimes UK takeover code UK takeover code global offspring Regulators around the world The book provides clear, concise guidance on critical considerations including leverage and options, shorting stocks, and legal recourse for inadequate merger consideration, allowing readers to feel confident about trying a new investment strategy. With simple benefits including diversification of risk and return streams, this alternative hedge fund strategy has a place in even the most traditional plan. *Merger Arbitrage: How to Profit from Event-Driven Arbitrage, Second Edition* provides the information that gives investors an edge in the merger arbitrage arena.

**Merger Arbitrage** Harvard Business Press

The four vital steps for successful negotiation—explained with wit and clarity by a master negotiator. Using examples from his own broad range of negotiating experiences, Freund presents a "game-plan" approach to negotiating—a technique far more successful than hardball competition or win-win cooperation.

**Mergers and Acquisitions Playbook** Law Journal Press

The Fourth Edition of *Mergers and Acquisitions: Law and Finance*, written by Robert B. Thompson, a leading scholar and teacher in the field, equips students with the legal rules and economic and financial principles they will need to help clients make key strategic choices during an acquisition. *Mergers and Acquisitions: Law and Finance* offers up-to-date and rich, yet succinct, coverage with the perfect mix of theory and practice. New to the Fourth Edition: The 2021 anti-activist poison pill case (In re The Williams Company) Linking the introduction to tender offers in Chapter 3 as an anomaly to Delaware's preferred approach to trust governance to directors setting the stage for Chapter 5 and the judicial acceptance of poison pills to address that anomaly Revising the presentation of Blasius as initially providing a

necessary supplement to Unocal, but evolving into a rule that is “rarely” applied Akorn as illustrating the Delaware Chancery Court’s increasing case load of complex commercial cases in takeovers (as opposed to governance fights between shareholders and directors) Professors and students will benefit from: Stellar authorship Rich but accessible coverage of valuation Notes following each case that explain the legal and business reasoning for “The Deal” Materials on insider trading, poison pill, deal protection devices, activist shareholders  
**Introduction to Business** Simon and Schuster  
 Introduction to Business covers the scope and sequence of most introductory business courses. The book provides detailed explanations in the context of core themes such as customer satisfaction, ethics, entrepreneurship, global business, and managing change. Introduction to Business includes hundreds of current business examples from a range of industries and geographic locations, which feature a variety of individuals. The outcome is a balanced approach to the theory and application of business concepts, with attention to the knowledge and skills necessary for student success in this course and beyond. This is an adaptation of Introduction to Business by OpenStax. You can access the textbook as pdf for free at openstax.org. Minor editorial changes were made to ensure a better ebook reading experience. Textbook content produced by OpenStax is licensed under a Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International License.  
**Mergers and Acquisitions For Dummies** Edward Elgar Publishing

The essential M&A primer, updated with the latest research and statistics Mergers, Acquisitions, and Corporate Restructurings provides a comprehensive look at the field’s growth and development, and places M&As in realistic context amidst changing trends, legislation, and global perspectives. All-inclusive coverage merges expert discussion with extensive graphs, research, and case studies to show how M&As can be used successfully, how each form works, and how they are governed by the laws of major countries. Strategies and motives are carefully analyzed alongside legalities each step of the way, and specific techniques are dissected to provide deep insight into real-world operations. This new seventh edition has been revised to improve clarity and approachability, and features the latest research and data to provide the most accurate assessment of the current M&A landscape. Ancillary materials include PowerPoint slides, a sample syllabus, and a test bank to facilitate training and streamline comprehension. As the global economy slows, merger and acquisition activity is expected to increase. This book provides an M&A primer for business executives and financial managers seeking a deeper understanding of how corporate restructuring can work for their companies. Understand the many forms of M&As, and the laws that govern them Learn the offensive and defensive techniques used during hostile acquisitions Delve into the strategies and motives that inspire M&As Access the latest data, research, and case studies on private equity, ethics, corporate governance, and more From large megadeals to various forms of downsizing, a full range of restructuring practices are currently being used to revitalize and supercharge companies around the world. Mergers, Acquisitions, and Corporate Restructurings is an essential resource for executives needing to quickly get up to date to plan their own company’s next moves.  
**Cross-Border Mergers and Acquisitions** John Wiley & Sons  
 The decision to carry out a merger or acquisition is certainly a risky one, not least because of the number of variables influencing the final outcome. It is also a decision frequently based on the wrong objectives and an incorrect evaluation process. With this in mind, this important new book offers solutions for reducing the high percentage of mergers and acquisitions (M&As) that fail. It adopts a normative approach, using theoretical analysis to show what managers could and should do to increase shareholders’ value through successful M&A strategies. It also explores the conditions that are suitable for favouring a certain type of M&A (horizontal, vertical or diversified) over the others. In conclusion, the book presents case studies of successful M&A strategies providing a link between theory and practice.

**Capitalize on Merger Chaos** John Wiley & Sons  
 Negotiations form the heart of mergers and acquisitions efforts, for their conclusions contain both anticipated and unforeseen implications. Don DePamphilis presents a summary of negotiating and deal structuring that captures its dynamic process, showing readers how brokers, bankers, accountants, attorneys, tax experts, managers, investors, and others must work together and what happens when they don’t. Written for those who seek a broadly-based view of M&A and understand their own roles in the process, this book treads a middle ground between highly technical and dumbed-down descriptions of complex events. It mixes theory with case studies so the text is current and useful.

Unique and practical, this book can add hard-won insights to anybody’s list of M&A titles.. - Presents negotiation as a team effort - Includes all participants, from investment bankers to accountants and business managers - Emphasizes the interactive natures of decisions about assets, payments, and appropriate legal structures - Written for those who seek summarizing, non-technical information

**Mergers and Acquisitions Basics** Penguin  
 Mergers and acquisitions (M&A) experts Tim Galpin and Mark Herndon present an updated and expanded guide to planning and managing the M&A process. This comprehensive book is unique in providing the tools to address both the human and operational sides of integration. Based on the authors’ consulting experience with numerous Fortune 500 companies, this resource will help organizations capture deal synergies more quickly and effectively. Augmenting their step-by-step advice with helpful templates, checklists, graphs and tools, Galpin and Herndon provide sound guidance for successfully integrating different processes, organizations, and cultures. The authors also address pre-deal do’s and don’ts, people dynamics, common mistakes, communications strategies, and specific actions you can take to create measurable positive results throughout the integration process. The revised edition not only updates case studies and presents recent integration research, but it also adds new tools.

**M&A Integration** BoD – Books on Demand  
 Mergers and acquisitions are happening in record numbers, with billions of dollars changing hands and major corporate deals making headlines every day. But the harsh reality is that most deals fail. Why? Because the companies didn’t plan, didn’t prepare, and didn’t perform up to expectations. They didn’t think beyond the deal. This revolutionary guide—written by two top consultants who’ve worked with some of the biggest companies in the world—goes beyond other books on the subject by giving you a complete, systematic “framework” of hands-on strategies for every step of the process. No matter which side of the acquisition you’re on, what stage of the game you’re at, or whatever level of management you’re in, you will learn how to create new value for yourself, recognize new opportunities for your team—and inspire unprecedented levels of performance for your organization. If you’ve got “the urge to merge” and the need to succeed, Beyond the Deal offers a wealth of ready-to-use tools and techniques, including: 6 essential keys to a smooth integration 4 steps to making a “quantum leap” in performance 3 common mistakes that lessen value 3 surefire ways to get your team on board Dozens of case examples, quizzes, checklists, and more In addition to step-by-step planning strategies, the book shows you how to assess a company’s full potential and—more specifically—how to motivate full-time workers as they face new challenges, take on new responsibilities, and work with new people. You’ll also find crucial advice on corporate branding, customer service, company leadership, and knowledge management. And you’ll be surprised to discover just how do-able—and profitable—mergers and acquisitions can be. The book also includes self-questionnaires to test your “acquisition readiness,” case-by-case examples of famous successes and notorious failures, and other tools.

**Health Care Mergers and Acquisitions Answer Book** John Wiley & Sons  
 The new M&A bible. Few actions can change the value of a company—and its competitive future—as quickly and dramatically as an acquisition. Yet most companies fail to create shareholder value from these deals, and in many cases they destroy it. It doesn’t have to be this way. In *The Synergy Solution*, Deloitte’s Mark Sirower and Jeff Weirens show acquirers how to develop and execute an M&A strategy—end to end—that not only avoids the pitfalls that so many companies fall into but also creates real, long-term shareholder value. This strategy includes how to: Become a prepared “always on” acquirer Test the investment thesis and DCF valuation of a deal Plan for a successful Announcement Day, and properly communicate synergy promises to investors and other stakeholders Realize those promised synergies through integration planning and post-close execution Manage change and build a new, combined organization Sirower and Weirens provide invaluable background to those considering M&A, laying out the issues they have to consider, how to analyze them, and how to plan and execute the deal effectively. They also show those who have already started the process of M&A how to maximize their chances of success. There’s an art and a science to getting mergers and acquisitions right, and this powerful book provides the insights and strategies acquirers need to find success at every stage of an often complex and perilous process.  
**The Great Merger Movement in American Business, 1895-1904** Oxford University Press (UK)  
 “Hosts of all kinds, this is a must-read!” --Chris Anderson, owner

and curator of TED From the host of the New York Times podcast Together Apart, an exciting new approach to how we gather that will transform the ways we spend our time together—at home, at work, in our communities, and beyond. In *The Art of Gathering*, Priya Parker argues that the gatherings in our lives are lackluster and unproductive—which they don’t have to be. We rely too much on routine and the conventions of gatherings when we should focus on distinctiveness and the people involved. At a time when coming together is more important than ever, Parker sets forth a human-centered approach to gathering that will help everyone create meaningful, memorable experiences, large and small, for work and for play. Drawing on her expertise as a facilitator of high-powered gatherings around the world, Parker takes us inside events of all kinds to show what works, what doesn’t, and why. She investigates a wide array of gatherings—conferences, meetings, a courtroom, a flash-mob party, an Arab-Israeli summer camp—and explains how simple, specific changes can invigorate any group experience. The result is a book that’s both journey and guide, full of exciting ideas with real-world applications. *The Art of Gathering* will forever alter the way you look at your next meeting, industry conference, dinner party, and backyard barbecue—and how you host and attend them.

**Agile M&A** Pearson Education  
 This book addresses the salient question of how to make mergers and acquisitions work using a five-step approach. It explores insights gained from Prysman’s acquisitions and other prominent M&A deals, and compares them to existing best practices.  
**The Global M&A Tango: How to Reconcile Cultural Differences in Mergers, Acquisitions, and Strategic Partnerships** McGraw Hill Professional  
 Between 1895 and 1904 a great wave of mergers swept through the manufacturing sector of the U.S. economy. In *The Great Merger Movement in American Business*, Lamoreaux explores the causes of the mergers, concluding that there was nothing natural or inevitable about turn-of-the-century combinations.

**Winning at the Acquisition Game** Academic Press  
 Finally! A comprehensive volume on the management of corporate acquisitions that summarizes contemporary research, and that moves what we know about acquisition management a step further. The book encompasses innovative works from several countries, related to a variety of issues; managerial motives, the role of acquisitions in competitive strategy, as well as organizational and political processes. Unlike several other works on acquisitions, this book emphasizes the most critical issue faced by managers today; how to manage successfully already acquired companies and operations. Both researchers, managers and students of strategy and organization will find this book an important supplement.

**Mergers and Acquisitions** Springer  
 The easy way to make smart business transactions Are you a business owner, investor, venture capitalist, or member of a private equity firm looking to grow your business by getting involved in a merger with, or acquisition of, another company? Are you looking for a plain-English guide to how mergers and acquisitions can affect your investments? Look no further. *Mergers & Acquisitions For Dummies* explains the entire process step by step—from the different types of transactions and structures to raising funds and partnering. Plus, you’ll get expert advice on identifying targets, business valuation, doing due diligence, closing the purchase agreement, and integrating new employees and new ways of doing business. Step-by-step techniques and real-world advice for making successful mergers and acquisitions Covers international laws and regulations How to take advantage of high-value deals Going beyond the case studies of other books, *Mergers & Acquisitions For Dummies* is your one-stop reference for making business growth a success.

**Make the Deal** American Bar Association  
 A detailed look at an important hedge fund strategy Written by a fund manager who invests solely in merger arbitrage, also referred to as risk arbitrage, and other event-driven strategies, *Merger Arbitrage* is the definitive book on how this alternative hedge fund strategy works. Initial chapters are dedicated to the ins and outs of the strategy—cash mergers versus stock for stock mergers, legal aspects of mergers, and pitfalls of the merger process—while later chapters focus on giving the reader sound advice for integrating merger arbitrage into an investment portfolio. *Merger Arbitrage* helps readers understand leverage and options, shorting stocks, and legal aspects of merger arbitrage, including seeking appraisal or filing lawsuits for inadequate merger consideration. For those looking to gain an edge in the merger arbitrage arena, this book has everything they need to succeed. Thomas F. Kirchner, CFA (New York, NY), is the founder and portfolio manager of Pennsylvania Avenue Funds ([www.pennavefunds.com](http://www.pennavefunds.com)), which invests in merger arbitrage and other event-driven strategies.

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