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ÔThe International Handbook on Teaching and Learning Economics is a power packed resource for anyone interested in investing time into the effective improvement of their personal teaching methods, and for those who desire to teach students how to think like an economist. It sets guidelines for the successful integration of economics into a wide variety of traditional and non-traditional settings in college and graduate courses with some attention paid to primary and secondary classrooms. . . The International Handbook on Teaching and Learning Economics is highly recommended for all economics instructors and individuals supporting economic education in courses in and outside of the major. This Handbook provides a multitude of rich resources that make it easy for new and veteran instructors to improve their instruction in ways promising to excite an increasing number of students about learning economics. This Handbook should be on every instructorÕs desk and referenced regularly.Õ Æ Tawni Hunt Ferrarini, The American Economist ÔIn delightfully readable short chapters by leaders in the sub-fields who are also committed teachers, this encyclopedia of how and what in teaching economics covers everything. There is nothing else like it, and it should be required reading for anyone starting a

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teaching career and for anyone who has been teaching for fewer than 50 years! Daniel S. Hamermesh, University of Texas, Austin, US

The International Handbook on Teaching and Learning Economics provides a comprehensive resource for instructors and researchers in economics, both new and experienced. This wide-ranging collection is designed to enhance student learning by helping economic educators learn more about course content, pedagogic techniques, and the scholarship of the teaching enterprise. The internationally renowned contributors present an exhaustive compilation of accessible insights into major research in economic education across a wide range of topic areas including:

- Pedagogic practice and teaching techniques, technology use, assessment, contextual techniques, and K-12 practices.
- Research findings and principles courses, measurement, factors influencing student performance, evaluation, and the scholarship of teaching and learning.
- Institutional/administrative issues and faculty development, the undergraduate and graduate student, and international perspectives.
- Teaching enhancement initiatives and foundations, organizations, and workshops.

Grounded in research, and covering past and present knowledge as well as future challenges, this detailed compendium of economics education will prove an invaluable reference tool for all involved in the teaching of economics: graduate students, new

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teachers, lecturers, faculty, researchers, chairs, deans and directors.

Early Childhood Education: Becoming a Professional is an inspiring introduction to the world of early childhood education, preparing the teachers of tomorrow to reach their full potential in their schools and communities. Written by a diverse and experienced author team (Kimberly A. Gordon Biddle, Ana Garcia-Nevarez, Wanda J. Roundtree-Henderson, and Alicia Valero-Kerrick), this text engages readers to connect contemporary educational and developmental theory and research to developmentally appropriate practices and applications that are easily implemented in the classroom. In response to today's ever-changing educational environment, the text focuses on both the importance of taking personal and professional responsibility, as well as today's issues in diversity—from supporting children with exceptionalities to supporting children and families in broader cultural contexts.

Taxmann's CRACKER for Economic & Business Environment (Paper 3) is prepared exclusively for the Company Secretaries Executive Entrance Test (CSEET) requirements. It covers the complete syllabus as per ICSI to serve the following objectives:

- To test the understanding of Micro & Macro Economics concepts, with a focus on the Indian Economic System
- To test the understanding of various crucial elements of the business environment

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Present Publication is the 1st Edition for CSEET | Paper 3, authored by Dr. Ritu Gupta with the following noteworthy features:

- Strictly as per the New Syllabus of ICSI
- [Scientific Methodical Approach] has been followed in the sequence of the topics included in each chapter
- This book is divided into two sections: ? Economics ? Business Environment
- [Arrangement of Questions] Questions in each chapter are arranged 'Topic-wise'
- [Questions in MCQ Format] strictly as per CSEET guidelines
- [Answers to MCQs] are given at the end of each chapter with Hints and Explanations to selected questions
- [Trend Analysis] for the last four attempts, August 2020 onwards | New Syllabus
- [Marks Distribution] Chapter-wise marks distribution
- Coverage of this book includes: ? Past Exam Questions § CSEET August 2020 onwards | Memory Based ? Questions from CSEET e-Bulletin of ICSI ? Questions from Mock Test Papers issued by ICSI for CSEET ? Additional Questions covering the aspects not covered in exams ? Inclusion of Presentation and Communication portion ? Additional chapter to include the recent Current Affairs

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- [1st Edition] of Taxmann's CRACKER for Business Communication
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Topic/Chapter-wise MCQs • Taxmann's Combo for CRACKERS of Paper 1-4 & Question Bank for CSEET The detailed contents of this book are as follows: • Economics ? Basics of Demand and Supply & Forms of Market Competition ? National Income Accounting and Related Concepts ? Indian Union Budget ? Indian Financial Markets ? Indian Economy • Business Environment ? Entrepreneurship Scenario ? Business Environment ? Key Government Institutions

This new seventh edition of the book offers extensive discussion of information, uncertainty, and game theory. It contains over a hundred examples illustrating the applicability of economic analysis not only to mainline economic topics but also issues in politics, history, biology, the family, and many other areas. These discussions generally describe recent research published in scholarly books and articles, giving students a good idea of the scientific work done by professional economists. In addition, at appropriate places the text provides 'applications' representing more extended discussions of selected topics including rationing in wartime (Chapter 5), import quotas (Chapter 7), alleged monopolistic suppression of inventions (Chapter 9), minimum wage laws (Chapter 11), the effects of Social Security upon saving (Chapter 15), fair division of disrupted property (Chapter 16) and whether individuals should pay ransom to a kidnapper

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(Chapter 17).

The Friedman-Lucas Transition in Macroeconomics: A Structuralist Approach considers how and to what extent monetarist and new classical theories of the business-cycle can be regarded as approximately true descriptions of a cycle's causal structure or whether they can be no more than useful predictive instruments. This book will be of interest to upper-division undergraduates, graduate students, researchers and professionals concerned with practical, theoretical and historical aspects of macroeconomics and business-cycle modeling. Offers a wide selection of Robert Lucas's unpublished works
Discusses the history of business-cycle theories in the context of methodological advancements
Suggests effective arguments for emphasizing the key role of representative agents and their assumed properties in macro-modeling
The Problem with Survey Research makes a case against survey research as a primary source of reliable information. George Beam argues that all survey research instruments, all types of asking-including polls, face-to-face interviews, and focus groups-produce unreliable and potentially inaccurate results. Because those who rely on survey research only see answers to questions, it is impossible for them, or anyone else, to evaluate the results. They cannot know if the answers correspond to respondents' actual behaviors (objective phenomena) or

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to their true beliefs and opinions (subjective phenomena). Reliable information can only be acquired by observation, experimentation, multiple sources of data, formal model building and testing, document analysis, and comparison. In fifteen chapters divided into six parts-Ubiquity of Survey Research, The Problem, Asking Instruments, Asking Settings, Askers, and Proper Methods and Research Designs-The Problem with Survey Research demonstrates how asking instruments, settings in which asking and answering take place, and survey researchers themselves skew results and thereby make answers unreliable. The last two chapters and appendices examine observation, other methods of data collection and research designs that may produce accurate or correct information, and shows how reliance on survey research can be overcome, and must be.

This is the first book to show the capabilities of Microsoft Excel to teach human resource management statistics effectively. It is a step-by-step exercise-driven guide for students and practitioners who need to master Excel to solve practical human resource management problems. If understanding statistics isn't your strongest suit, you are not especially mathematically-inclined, or if you are wary of computers, this is the right book for you. Excel, a widely available computer program for students and managers, is also an effective teaching and learning

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tool for quantitative analyses in human resource management courses. Its powerful computational ability and graphical functions make learning statistics much easier than in years past. However, Excel 2010 for Human Resource Management Statistics: A Guide to Solving Practical Problems is the first book to capitalize on these improvements by teaching students and managers how to apply Excel to statistical techniques necessary in their courses and work. Each chapter explains statistical formulas and directs the reader to use Excel commands to solve specific, easy-to-understand human resource management problems. Practice problems are provided at the end of each chapter with their solutions in an Appendix. Separately, there is a full Practice Test (with answers in an Appendix) that allows readers to test what they have learned. Includes 159 illustrations in color Suitable for undergraduate and graduate students

The past twenty years have seen an extraordinary growth in the use of quantitative methods in financial markets. Finance professionals now routinely use sophisticated statistical techniques in portfolio management, proprietary trading, risk management, financial consulting, and securities regulation. This graduate-level textbook is intended for PhD students, advanced MBA students, and industry professionals interested in the econometrics of financial modeling. The book covers the entire spectrum of empirical finance, including: the predictability of asset returns, tests of the Random Walk Hypothesis, the microstructure of securities markets, event analysis, the Capital Asset Pricing Model and the Arbitrage Pricing Theory, the term structure

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of interest rates, dynamic models of economic equilibrium, and nonlinear financial models such as ARCH, neural networks, statistical fractals, and chaos theory. Each chapter develops statistical techniques within the context of a particular financial application. This exciting new text contains a unique and accessible combination of theory and practice, bringing state-of-the-art statistical techniques to the forefront of financial applications. Each chapter also includes a discussion of recent empirical evidence, for example, the rejection of the Random Walk Hypothesis, as well as problems designed to help readers incorporate what they have read into their own applications.

Problems and choices -- Who shall live? -- The physician : the captain of the team -- The hospital : the house of hope -- Drugs : the key to modern medicine -- Paying for medical care.

MacroeconomicsWest GroupManagement Information GuideConsumers Index to Product Evaluations and Information SourcesResources in EducationThe Friedman-Lucas Transition in MacroeconomicsA Structuralist ApproachAcademic Press

Essential Mathematics for Economics and Business is established as one of the leading introductory textbooks on mathematics for students of business and economics. Combining a user-friendly approach to mathematics with practical applications to the subjects, the text provides students with a clear and comprehensible guide to mathematics. The fundamental mathematical concepts are explained in a simple and accessible style, using a wide selection of worked examples, progress exercises and real-world applications. New to this Edition Fully updated text with revised worked examples and updated material on Excel and Powerpoint New exercises in mathematics and its applications to give further clarity and practice opportunities Fully updated online material including animations and a new test bank The

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fourth edition is supported by a companion website at www.wiley.com/college/bradley, which contains: Animations of selected worked examples providing students with a new way of understanding the problems Access to the Maple T.A. test bank, which features over 500 algorithmic questions Further learning material, applications, exercises and solutions. Problems in context studies, which present the mathematics in a business or economics framework. Updated PowerPoint slides, Excel problems and solutions. "The text is aimed at providing an introductory-level exposition of mathematical methods for economics and business students. In terms of level, pace, complexity of examples and user-friendly style the text is excellent - it genuinely recognises and meets the needs of students with minimal maths background." —Colin Glass, Emeritus Professor, University of Ulster "One of the major strengths of this book is the range of exercises in both drill and applications. Also the 'worked examples' are excellent; they provide examples of the use of mathematics to realistic problems and are easy to follow." —Donal Hurley, formerly of University College Cork "The most comprehensive reader in this topic yet, this book is an essential aid to the avid economist who loathes mathematics!" —Amazon.co.uk

Updated with the latest data from the field, *Environmental Science: Systems and Solutions*, Fifth Edition explains the concepts and teaches the skills needed to understand multi-faceted, and often very complex environmental issues. The authors present the arguments, rebuttals, evidence, and counterevidence from many sides of the debate. The Fifth Edition includes new Science in Action boxes which feature cutting-edge case studies and essays, contributed by subject matter experts, that highlight recent and ongoing research within environmental science. With an "Earth as a system" approach the text continues to emphasize Earth's

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intricate web of interactions among the biosphere, atmosphere, hydrosphere, and lithosphere, and how we are central components in these four spheres. This flexible, unbiased approach highlights: 1. how matter cycles over time through Earth's systems 2. the importance of the input-throughput-output processes that describe the global environment 3. how human activities and consumption modify Earth's systems 4. and the scientific, economic, and policy solutions to environmental problems

Today's economy may be tough, but economics doesn't have to be. Let Roger Arnold's *MACROECONOMICS*, 12E open up the world of economic analysis. With more detailed coverage of the financial and economic crisis than any other principles text on the market, this inviting book offers innovative and engaging learning features and easy customization. The author weaves memorable examples from pop culture throughout this edition and bolsters reader interest by illustrating the unexpected places macroeconomics occur. Readers see how economic forces link to every day events and form an important part of life 24/7. Coverage of the latest macroeconomic developments and new content reflect today's changing economy and equip readers with a thorough understanding of contemporary macroeconomics. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

'It's all in the genes'. Is this true, and if so, what is all in the genes? *Genes: A Philosophical Inquiry* is a crystal clear and highly informative guide to a debate none of us can afford to ignore. Beginning with a much-needed overview of the relationship between science and technology, Gordon Graham lucidly explains and assesses the most important and controversial aspects of the genes debate: Darwinian theory and its critics, the idea of the

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'selfish' gene, evolutionary psychology, memes, genetic screening and modification, including the risks of cloning and 'designer' babies. He considers areas often left out of the genes debate, such as the environmental risks of genetic engineering and how we should think about genes in the wider context of debates on science, knowledge and religion. Gordon Graham asks whether genetic engineering might be introducing God back into the debate and whether the risks of a brave new genetic world outweigh the potential benefits. Essential reading for anyone interested in science, technology, and philosophy, *Genes: A Philosophical Inquiry* is ideal for those wanting to find out more about the ethical implications of genetics and the future of biotechnology.

This new edition of *Crafting and Executing Strategy* continues to provide a valuable resource for European readers while embracing new and updated core concepts and key theories in strategy. Throughout the text you will find a range of examples that illustrate how strategy works in the real world and encourage the practical application of learning. Complementing the chapters is a section of new cases providing in-depth analysis of the challenges of strategic management at a range of companies. This edition includes:

- A new 6Ds framework, allowing readers to structure their approach to strategic management around the fundamental elements of the strategy process (Diagnosis, Direction, Decisions and Delivery) and the context within which that process is managed (Dynamism and Disorder).
- Opening cases that begin each chapter and feature real-life business scenarios from companies such as Tinder, Ikea and Victorinox, introducing strategic concepts and theories.
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Illustration Capsules, which have been updated to illustrate contemporary business concerns and demonstrate how companies have reacted strategically, increasing understanding of successful strategies. Companies featured include Burberry, TOMS, Aldi, Novo Nordisk and more. • Key Debates that stimulate classroom discussion and encourage critical analysis. • Emerging Themes that present contemporary strategic opportunities and issues such as ripple intelligence and technology and new organizational structures. • A Different View encouraging readers to appreciate differing viewpoints on strategic concepts and theories. • End of chapter cases that capture each chapter's main theories through engaging cases on companies such as Adidas and Nike, Lego and Uber. • New recommended reading at the end of each chapter which help to further knowledge, including classic texts and advanced reading, and author notes providing context. Connect is McGraw-Hill Education's learning and teaching environment that improves student performance and outcomes while promoting engagement and comprehension of content. New for this edition are interview-style videos, featuring author Alex Janes in discussion with business leaders, exploring how organizational strategy has developed within companies as diverse as Jeep, Levi Strauss, Novo Nordisk and a prestigious oil and gas company. The videos are provided in full-length or in segments, with questions aimed at encouraging classroom discussion or self-testing. This new edition is available with SmartBook, McGraw-Hill Education's adaptive, digital tool that tests students' knowledge of key concepts and pinpoints the

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topics on which they need to focus study time. Crafting and Executing Strategy is also available with both TheBusiness Strategy Game and GLO-BUS – the world's leading business strategy simulations.

As author Bennett Schwartz says in *Memory: Foundations and Applications*, it is hard to imagine an aspect of psychology more fundamental than memory. This unique text covers key memory models, theories, and experiments, but goes a step further to demonstrate how students can apply these concepts to their everyday lives and improve their own ability to learn and remember. A new, three-pronged organization opens the text with an overview of the psychological science of Memory, builds expertise in advanced topics, and then allows the reader to think about how memory research can benefit society. Neuroscience research is integrated throughout each chapter to demonstrate our understanding of where memory processes occur and how researchers use data to shape memory theories. New to the Fourth Edition: New chapters on memory science's relevance to the legal system, memory issues in psychiatric disorders, and application of memory research to improving the efficiency of one's own memory. Reorganized chapter on memory development and an enlarged section on prospective memory now combined with the chapter on metamemory. Updated sections on cognitive maps, autobiographical memory and emotion, and expanded discussion of the memory component of Alzheimer's disease.

The primary purpose of PV Systems Engineering is to provide a comprehensive set of

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PV knowledge and understanding tools for the design, installation, commissioning, inspection, and operation of PV systems. During recent years in the United States, more PV capacity was installed than any other electrical generation source. In addition to practical system information, this new edition includes explanation of the basic physical principles upon which the technology is based and a consideration of the environmental and economic impact of the technology. The material covers all phases of PV systems from basic sunlight parameters to system commissioning and simulation, as well as economic and environmental impact of PV. With homework problems included in each chapter and numerous design examples of real systems, the book provides the reader with consistent opportunities to apply the information to real-world scenarios.

Leading Beautifully provides a new dimension to understanding effective leadership. Drawing from lessons in the arts and the humanities, English and Ehrich explore how educational decision-making in schools can be informed by identity, personal competence, and an understanding of the field's intellectual foundations. Based on in-depth interviews of artists and educational leaders, this book provides insight into the inner world of successful leaders who have developed competencies and understandings that extend beyond the standard leadership tool box. This exciting new book explores the theory and practice of leadership connoisseurship as a human-centered endeavor and as an antidote to mechanistic, business-oriented practices. The

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authors' well-grounded reconsideration of educational leadership will enliven and enhance any educational leader's practice.

The seventh edition of *Research Methods and Statistics in Psychology* provides students with the most readable and comprehensive survey of research methods, statistical concepts and procedures in psychology today. Assuming no prior knowledge, this bestselling text takes you through every stage of your research project giving advice on planning and conducting studies, analysing data and writing up reports. The book provides clear coverage of experimental, interviewing and observational methods, psychological testing, qualitative methods and analysis and statistical procedures which include nominal level tests, multi-factorial ANOVA designs, multiple regression, log linear analysis, and factor analysis. It features detailed and illustrated SPSS instructions for all these and other procedures, eliminating the need for an extra SPSS textbook. New features to this edition include: Additional coverage of factor analysis and online and modern research methods Expanded coverage of report writing guidelines References updated throughout Presentation updated throughout, to include more figures, tables and full colour to help break up the text Companion website signposted throughout the book to improve student usability Improved and extended web links and further reading associated with every chapter. Each chapter contains a glossary, key terms and newly integrated exercises, ensuring that key concepts are understood. A fully updated companion website (www.routledge.com/cw/coolican) provides additional

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exercises, testbanks for each chapter, revision flash cards, links to further reading and data for use with SPSS.

Like other sciences, the study of economics has been shaped by rigorous arguments and debates that continue to influence economists today. In this fascinating introduction, Boumans and Davis consider the scientific nature of the methods, logic, and forms of explanation that underlie economics as a discipline.

Motivated by the proliferation of fiscal consolidation episodes in the advent of Monetary Union, this book explains the causes and consequences of fiscal policy in Europe, using theory and empirical evidence from the last four decades.

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Maths for Economics provides a solid foundation in mathematical principles and methods used in economics, beginning by revisiting basic skills in arithmetic, algebra and equation solving and slowly building to more advanced topics, using a carefully calculated learning gradient.

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"In *Travel by Design*, Boarnet and Crane demonstrate that the influence of the built environment on travel is more complex and misleading than often portrayed, a relationship that reveals predictable patterns and useful policy advice. The authors evaluate design reforms within the range of congestion management and air quality improvement policies, providing both policy advice and the first methodical assessment of the governmental and regulatory challenge of building fewer auto-dependent communities. Overall, the work gives a better understanding of how urban design influences travel behavior, while analyzing the potential for land use planning to address transportation problems."--Jacket. In this text, the author draws on her experience as creator of the ALIS project (A-

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Level Information System), a quality monitoring and feedback system in use in many parts of the UK. She asks the question "how do we get quality into education?" and uses the positive lessons of ALIS to analyze the requirements of an effective, "value-added" monitoring system.

The same unique voice that made Paul Krugman a widely read economist is evident on every page of Economics. The product of the partnership of coauthors Krugman and Robin Wells, the book returns in a new edition. The new edition is informed and informative, solidly grounded in economic fundamentals yet focused on the realities of today's world and the lives of students. It maintains the signature Krugman/Wells story-driven approach while incorporating organizational changes, new content and features, and new media and supplements. Watch a video interview of Paul Krugman [here](#).

Everything today's CPA candidates need to pass the CPA Exam Published annually, this comprehensive four-volume paperback reviews all four parts of the CPA exam. Many of the questions are taken directly from previous CPA exams. With 3,800 multiple-choice questions, these study guides provide all the information candidates need to master in order to pass the computerized Uniform CPA Examination. Its unique modular format helps you zero in on those areas that need more attention and organize your study program. Complete

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As most econometricians will readily agree, the data used in applied econometrics seldom provide accurate measurements for the pertinent theory's variables. Here, Bernt Stigum offers the first systematic and theoretically sound way of accounting for such inaccuracies. He and a distinguished group of contributors bridge econometrics and the philosophy of economics--two topics that seem worlds apart. They ask: How is a science of economics possible? The answer is elusive. Economic theory seems to be

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about abstract ideas or, it might be said, about toys in a toy community. How can a researcher with such tools learn anything about the social reality in which he or she lives? This book shows that an econometrician with the proper understanding of economic theory and the right kind of questions can gain knowledge about characteristic features of the social world. It addresses varied topics in both classical and Bayesian econometrics, offering ample evidence that its answer to the fundamental question is sound. The first book to comprehensively explore economic theory and econometrics simultaneously, *Econometrics and the Philosophy of Economics* represents an authoritative account of contemporary economic methodology. About a third of the chapters are authored or coauthored by Heather Anderson, Erik Biørn, Christophe Bontemps, Jeffrey A. Dubin, Harald E. Goldstein, Clive W.J. Granger, David F. Hendry, Herman Ruge-Jervell, Dale W. Jorgenson, Hans-Martin Krolzig, Nils Lid Hjort, Daniel L. McFadden, Grayham E. Mizon, Tore Schweder, Geir Storvik, and Herman K. van Dijk.

This book makes a significant contribution to the on-going international dialogue on the meaning of concepts such as human rights, humanity, and cosmopolitanism. The authors propose a new agenda for research into a Critical Theory of Human Rights. Each chapter pursues three goals: to reconstruct modern philosophical theories that have contributed to our views on human rights; to highlight the importance of humanity and human dignity as a complementary dimension to liberal rights; and, finally, to

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integrate these issues more directly in contemporary discussions about cosmopolitanism. The authors not only present multicultural perspectives on how to rethink political and international theory in terms of the normativity of human rights, but also promote an international dialogue on the prospects for a critical theory of human rights discourses in the 21st century.

As a nation, we spend more than \$1 billion a year on federally mandated educational tests that 30 million students must take each year. The country spends an additional \$1.2 billion on test preparation materials designed to help students pass these tests. While test mandates were put in place with good intentions, increasingly educational leaders and policy makers are questioning these test based reform efforts. Some question whether these programs are doing more harm than good. Others call for the development of more and better tests. Given the vast amount of resources our nation pours into testing, is it time we pay closer attention to these testing programs? Is it time we hold the testing industry and policy makers accountable for the tests they make and use? Is it time we invest resources to develop new ways of testing our students? The Paradoxes of High-Stakes Testing explores these and other questions, as it helps parents, teachers, educational leaders, and policy makers better understand the complexities of educational policies that use tests as a lever for improving the quality of education. The book explores: >> how testing is used to enable teachers and schools to be more effective and improve student learning, >> why testing is so ingrained in the

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American psyche and why policy makers rely on testing policies to reform our educational system, >> what we can learn from a long history of test-based reform efforts that have occurred over centuries and across continents, >> what effects testing has on teaching and learning in our schools when it is used to solve political, social, or economic problems. Most importantly, the book describes several ways in which testing can be improved to provide more accurate and more useful measures of student learning. Many of these improvements capitalize on technology to provide teachers with more detailed, diagnostic information about student learning and measure skills that some leaders argue are essential for the 21st century work force. Exploring what is within reach is critical because current testing policies are hindering these improvements. Finally, given that testing is and will continue to be an integral part of our educational system, the book concludes that, like other sectors of our society, educational testing must be more closely monitored to ensure that high quality tests are used to measure student achievement and to minimize the negative effects that testing has on students, schools, and our society. Given the opportunity our nation has to rethink and redesign its testing policies, *The Paradoxes of High-Stakes Testing* presents a clear strategy to maximize the positive effects of educational testing.

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