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Oct 28 2022 Henry Petroski's previous bestsellers have delighted readers with intriguing stories about the marvels around us, from the lowly pencil to the soaring suspension bridge. In this book, Petroski delves deeper into the mystery of invention, to explore what everyday artifacts and sophisticated networks can reveal about the way engineers solve problems. It entails more than knowing the way things work. What do economics and ecology, aesthetics and ethics, have to do with the paper clip, the tab of a beverage can, the cabin design of a turbojet, or the course of a river? How do the idiosyncrasies of individual engineers, companies, and communities leave their mark on projects from Velcro® to fax machines to waterworks? Invention by Design offers an insider's look at these political and cultural dimensions of design and development, production and construction. Readers unfamiliar with engineering will find Petroski's enthusiasm contagious, whether the topic is the genesis of the Ziploc baggie or the collapse of Manhattan's sleekest skyscraper. And those who inhabit the world of engineering will discover insights to challenge their customary perspective, whether their work involves failure analysis, systems design, or public relations. Written with the flair and wit you have come to expect from his books, Invention by Design reaffirms Petroski as the master explicator of the principles and practices that turn thoughts into the many things that define our made world.

Sep 29 2022 'Educating Engineers' documents a range of solutions to the dilemmas facing the field of engineering education across all areas.

Oct 31 2022 In science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education in pre-college settings, engineering is not the silent "e" anymore. There is an accelerated interest in teaching engineering in all grade levels. Structured engineering programs are emerging in schools as well as in out-of-school settings. Over the last ten years, the number of structured engineering programs including engineering in their K-12 standards has tripled, and this trend will continue to grow with the adoption of the Next Generation Science Standards. The interest in pre-college engineering education stems from three different motivations. First, from a workforce pipeline or pathway perspective, researchers and practitioners are interested in understanding precursors, influential and motivating factors, and the progression of engineering thinking. Second, from a general societal perspective, technological literacy and understanding of the role of engineering and technology is becoming increasingly important for the general populace, and it is more imperative to gain this understanding from a younger age. Third, from a STEM integration and education perspective, engineering processes are being used in context to teach science and math concepts. This book addresses each of these motivations and the diverse means used to address them. Designed to be a source of background and inspiration for researchers and practitioners alike, this volume includes content on policy, synthesis studies, and research studies to catalyze and inform current efforts to improve pre-college engineering education. The book explores teacher learning and practices, as well as how student learning occurs in both formal settings, such as classrooms, and informal settings, such as homes and museums. This volume also includes chapters on assessing design and creativity.

Aug 29 2022 Perspectives on Conceptual Change presents case study excerpts illustrating the influence of instructional processes on and processes of students' conceptual change, and analyses of these cases from multiple theoretical frameworks. For more than a decade, during this time, this research had been changing from the general and cognitive--average effects of intervention on groups of students--to the specific and personal--individuals' reactions to and conceptual change with text structures. Studies have begun to focus on the social, contextual, and affective influences on conceptual change. These studies have potential to inform other discourses. Hence, this book shows the results of sharing data--in the form of case study excerpts--with researchers from varying perspectives of analyses. Instances of learning are examined from cross disciplinary views. Case study authors in turn provide the case analyses. The result is a text that provides multiple insights into understanding the learning process and the conditions for learning.

May 26 2022 Michael J. Gelb is the world's leading authority on the application of genius thinking to personal and organizational development. He shows you how to rethink the way you think by helping you discover your natural ability to communicate, and lead in every area of your life--from designing a dinner party to mapping out your life goals, from running an effective business meeting to improving memory and increasing your creative power. Thinking for a Change unveils fresh strategies for thriving on change and increasing productivity through synvergent thinking, the art of balancing logic and imagination, reason and intuition. It is a way of seeing the whole picture by integrating the larger elements and the details. It is the ability to entertain multiple pairs of seemingly opposite ideas simultaneously. Thinking for a Change also teaches readers how to facilitate the mind's ability to connect disparate ideas. This process of association is the basis for the skill of mind mapping, a method--originated by British psychologist Tony Buzan--that improves the organization of ideas and encourages synvergent thinking. Based on a practical understanding of the structure and design of the human brain, and research into the thinking patterns of history's great achievers such as Darwin, Edison, and Leonardo da Vinci, mind mapping unleashes your ability to generate new ideas quickly and organize them effectively. In today's global marketplace, everyone from retailers and restaurateurs to computer consultants and communications companies are restructuring, reengineering, and reinventing themselves. In a world of accelerating change, individuals and organizations can no longer afford to approach information problems and opportunities with industrial-age thinking skills. A more fulfilling life, a stronger organization, a saner society--they are all within your thinking, your actions, and your courage. So it's time to begin Thinking for a Change.

Technically Speaking Mar 24 2022 Cell phones . . . airbags . . . genetically modified food . . . the Internet. These are all emblems of modern life. You might ask what we would do without them. But an even more interesting question might be what would we actually explain how they worked? The United States is riding a whirlwind of technological change. To be sure, there have been such as the late 1800s, when new inventions appeared in society at a comparable rate. But the pace of change today, and its economic, and other impacts, are as significant and far reaching as at any other time in history. And it seems that the faster new technologies, the less we're able to understand them. What is the long-term effect of this galloping technological revolution? In a new world, it is nothing less than a matter of responsible citizenship to grasp the nature and implications of technology. Technically Speaking provides a blueprint for bringing us all up to speed on the role of technology in our society, including understanding the distinctions as technology versus science and technological literacy versus technical competence. It clearly and decisively explains what it means to be a technologically-literate citizen. The book goes on to explore the context of technological literacy—the social, political, and educational environments. This readable overview highlights specific issues of concern: the state of technology in K-12 schools, the reach of the Internet into our homes and lives, and the crucial role of technology in today's economy and workforce. Three case studies of current issues—car airbags, genetically modified foods, and the California energy crisis—illustrate why citizens need to understand technology to make responsible decisions. This fascinating book from the National Academy of Education is enjoyable to read and filled with contemporary examples. It will be important to anyone interested in understanding how the world around them works.

Everyday Engineering Jun 26 2022 A guide to the everyday working world of engineers, written by researchers trained in both engineering and sociology.

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