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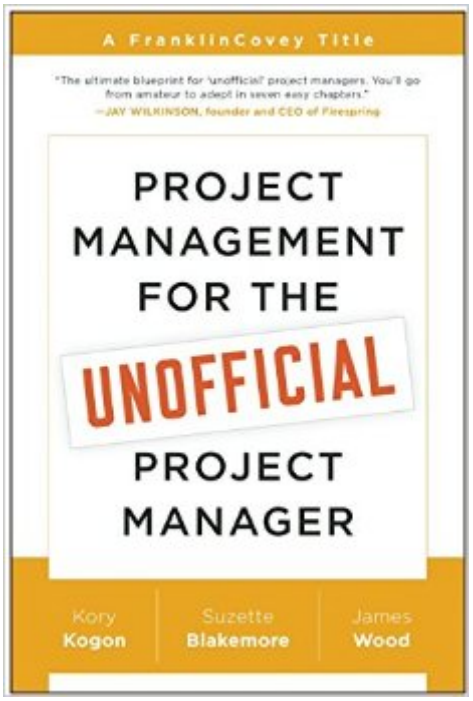

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Synopsis

No project management training? No problem!In todayâ ™s workplace, employees are routinely expected to coordinate and manage projects. Yet, chances are, you arenâ ™t formally trained in managing projects—youâ ™re an unofficial project manager.FranklinCovey experts Kory Kogon, Suzette Blakemore, and James Wood understand the importance of leadership in project completion and explain that people are crucial in the formula for success.Project Management for the Unofficial Project Manager offers practical, real-world insights for effective project management and guides you through the essentials of the people and project management process:InitiatePlanExecuteMonitor/ControlCloseUnofficial project managers in any arena will benefit from the accessible, engaging real-life anecdotes, memorable “Project Management Proverbs,â • and quick reviews at the end of each chapter.If youâ ™re struggling to keep your projects organized, this book is for you. If you manage projects without the benefit of a team, this book is also for you. Change the way you think about project management—"project manager" may not be your official title or necessarily your dream job, but with the right strategies, you can excel.

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I have managed projects large and small over the years, both formally as a PM as well as informally. It’s usually not easy, and certainly takes more discipline than most people would think. In order to be successful, I have had to develop my own tips and tricks - or what my peers call "best practices" - which have served me well. Stumbling through some incredibly complex projects

created the need for me to develop my skills and it was painful. As a matter of self-preservation, I became an expert on the PMBOK, which helped immensely.I wish I could have had Project Management for the Unofficial Project Manager years ago. It would have simplified a number of things for me. The basics are all there and simply described. There are well-placed references to PMBOK and other traditional project management staples, which are helpful but not obtrusively academic. This is a practical guide, and would serve all beginning to post intermediate project managers well. It’s a well-done book, and if you have interest or need in learning this topic, you should carefully consider buying.

If you are looking for "Project Management 101", you have found it. It’s a quick, concise read that follows the PMI PEMBOK project management formula but breaks it down into just the essentials. If you are an engineer like me who occasionally has to manage a small project but find yourself thinking "There must be a better way!", this is the book for you.It’s also a great introduction to the PMI methods if you are considering studying for the PMP certification.

I really liked all of the stories and examples. The authors made the concepts easy to understand and the book was an easy read. Before now, I never really thought about the people aspect of project management. I can see now, many of my project problems in the past were really people problems. While reading, I learned a lot, about the project management process, but not too much. This was key for me. I’ve purchased Project Management books in the past that were too technical and I never made it to the end. This book gave me everything I needed in a simple, easy to digest format.

Awesome learning source for everyone in today’s workforce. Authors share project management principles that can be applied to every aspect of our daily lives at work and at home. The author’s share proven methods that will assist anyone with managing projects at work and how to use the same methods to incorporate at home to accomplish projects/goals.

Good book that takes PM tools and techniques and arranges into a more pragmatic form. If you consider that PM is there to help you complete your project work more effectively and efficiently, then you will appreciate this book.

Great practical suggestions for managing projects and people. I liked the examples given regarding

project failures and successes as they clarified the importance of following each step in the process. I recommend this book to all individuals in leadership positions who want to become successful managers.

If you’re not a PM, but find yourself being delegated projects to oversee, people to manage, and deadlines to meet under budget, then this book is an excellent read! It’s written in a very easy style. If you’re an underliner, you’ll have to be careful - the author makes so many good points, and outlines the five principles of project management in a very clear and understandable way. I found that I could easily implement so many of his ideas and suggestions. I highly commend this book!

BOught it thinking I would learn something in between PM and Tricks to MS Project, what I got was HUGE lessons in life and heart felt instructions on how to behave in the professional world. After each reading session I came away wondering why the book isn’t required reading for all politicians and elected officials.

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