

## *Getting Started In Consulting Alan Weiss*

When it comes to how to succeed as an entrepreneur, we are besotted with advice. According to bestselling author Alan Weiss, success is a combination of opportunism, very disciplined work, luck, timing, and ignoring most advice. In other words, it means striking out on your own, original path to success. In *Million Dollar Maverick*, he explains that entrepreneurs don't take advice, they create value and then monetize it.

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They do what they love and are great at and find a way to sell it to people. They do not--contrary to "conventional wisdom"--chase money. They attract money. And most of all they think differently, act decisively--and, if talent and timing are with them, succeed quickly. Drawing on over thirty years of experience as a consultant, speaker, and global expert, Weiss shares his story and "Million Dollar Tips," not found in any of his other books, to help entrepreneurs gain influence, build confidence, and develop the critical thinking skills they need to discover the inside track to rapid success

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NEW EDITION, REVISED AND UPDATED In America, organizations spend \$175 billion in training initiatives and more than \$500 billion in human resource solutions every year yet often have little to show for it. One reason is that people “jump to solutions” before they identify the causes of the problem. Performance consultants are effective because they partner with clients to clarify business goals and determine root causes for gaps between desired and current results. Only then are specific solutions agreed upon and implemented. This third edition of the classic book that introduced

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performance consulting adds a wealth of new material. There are new case examples throughout and four new chapters providing detailed steps for measuring results from performance consulting initiatives on five different levels, including ROI. The book includes a never-before-published Alignment and Measurement Model, allowing you to connect organizational needs and performance consulting initiatives designed to address those needs with the appropriate level of measurement. This remains a profoundly practical book, featuring tools, models, and checklists. It will enable you to make a difference in your organization

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that is valued, measurable, and sustainable.

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every project - The proposal template that has generated millions of dollars in consulting engagements - How to develop a pipeline of business and attract ideal clients - Productivity secrets for consultants including how to get more done in one week than most people do in a month - And much, much more

The intent of this book -- the author's goal for you -- is to understand the baseless underpinnings of almost all our fears. You read that correctly -- almost all our fears -- and therefore to discard them. The author has expertly coached leaders and managers in the

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discovery of, examination of, elimination of, and sustained freedom from fears. We all know people who are charming and articulate, but flounder on a stage addressing colleagues; musicians who master intricate scores but can't play the basics when asked to solo; athletes who "choke"; business people who are strong until it comes time to ask for the business; people who consistently feel like "imposters." We are far better at dealing with external, tangible fears than our own imagined ones. We purchase insurance, watch the safety demonstrations, know how to use the Heimlich Maneuver. But those are responses to rare and often

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never-occurring emergencies. Our mythical and monstrous fears are daily dark clouds, masking our talents no less than depression or guilt. It's time to realize there is no monster under the bed, never has been, and never will be without having to check nightly and without needing a weapon on the night table. Picture yourself freed of restraints that you could never properly articulate and were loath to discuss, but which you carried on your shoulders constantly, a dead weight, nonetheless. Essentially, this book is for entrepreneurs, business owners, and those who seek a better position for themselves and their



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talents, but who procrastinate, delay, and hang back. It's about isolating and overcoming the internal fears that we generate every day like a geyser, triggered by time, events, or shifts in the environment. We are our own worst enemies and we ignore the practical remedies to escape fear because we use our energies instead on blaming everyone else.

A New Paradigm for Business Creativity

The Everything Start Your Own Consulting Business Book

A Strategic Process to Improve, Measure, and Sustain Organizational Results

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A New Way to Uncover Profitable Growth For Your Business

A New Mindset for Profitable Growth  
Money Talks

Getting Started in Consulting (Summary)

Consultants work in all fields. They operate from offices and from home, work for investment firms and as personal trainers, or have expertise as accountants and wedding planners. The independence, flexibility, and potential income it brings make for an exciting and satisfying career. And it's an increasingly popular one for highly skilled,

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motivated professionals who've been laid off in this unstable economy. This guide features tips and tricks to help beat the competition, including how to:

- Set—and keep—personal and financial goals
- Organize important paperwork
- Price and market specific services
- Create advertising and publicity plans
- Grow a business, from finding a partner to managing employees
- Minimize and eliminate business risks

Consultants are paid well for their advice—if they know how to operate a successful business. With advice from experts in a variety of areas, this valuable guide helps you create the

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Bestselling author of Million Dollar Consulting share the secrets of writing winning proposals. Intended for consultants, speakers, and other professional services providers, Million Dollar Consulting® Proposals ends forever the time-consuming and often frustrating process of writing a consulting proposal. It begins with the basics—defining these proposals and why they are necessary—and coaches you through the entire proposal process. In this book, you'll learn how to establish outcome-based business objectives and

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your consulting business to unprecedented success, and it all starts with a million dollar proposal.

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Retainer business Internet marketing Praise for the previous editions of Million Dollar Consulting: “If you’re interested in becoming a rich consultant, this book is a must read.” Robert F. Mager, founder and president, Mager Associates, and member of the Training & Development Hall of Fame “Blast out of the per diem trap and into value billing.” Jim Kennedy, founder, publisher, and editor, Consultants News “The advice on developing price structure alone is worth a hundred times the price of the book.” William C. Byham, Ph.D., author of Zapp! “Must reading for those who are beginning a practice

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or seeking to upgrade an existing practice.” Victor H. Vroom, John G. Searle Professor, School of Management, Yale University

The practical toolbox for readers of Million Dollar Consulting This useful guide provides specific checklists, guidelines, templates, and actual examples for every step of the consulting process. It covers marketing, sales, meetings, implementation, follow-up, invoicing, practice management, insurance, equipment, subcontracting, and scores of other elements. Thousands of people have bought Weiss's Million Dollar Consulting



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The Proven Guide to Start, Run and Grow a Successful Consulting Business

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guide for anyone seeking to cut their own path to their own consulting business. The expert guide to effective internal consulting This book guides internal consultants through the steps necessary to bolster their credibility, build relationships within the organization, develop internal marketing abilities, and apply proper methodologies to their work. Alan Weiss, an experienced consultant, provides practical techniques the internal consultant, internal human resources practitioner, and any other internal change agent can use to excel at work, advance their

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careers, and become valued assets to their organizations. Some of the major subjects covered include setting up the proper environment for success and establishing peer-level interactions. Alan Weiss, PhD (East Greenwich, CT), has consulted with hundreds of organizations around the world, including Mercedes-Benz, Hewlett-Packard, Merck, and Chase. He lectures widely and appears regularly on radio and television to discuss productivity and performance. He is the author of twelve books, including *Getting Started in Consulting* (Wiley: 0-471-38455-0), *The Ultimate Consultant* (Jossey-Bass:

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Your Formula for Leadership Success

How to Write a Proposal That's Accepted Every Time

Expert, step-by-step advice for a successful and profitable career

Detective Mihd Montgomery is not your average mystery novel detective. Far from being a hardboiled, reticent loner, he is an outgoing, happily married father of two children who relies on spiritual principles for guidance in both his work and personal life. But when a rabbi is murdered in a Jewish synagogue in an

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apparent hate crime, Detective Montgomery's faith is put to the test. A rabbi in the Beth Shalom Synagogue has been murdered through a blow to the head with a heavy brass candleholder, and hateful graffiti has been spray-painted throughout the synagogue. As he begins interviewing people with connections to the killing, Detective Montgomery finds that different people had plenty of motives to murder the rabbi. Perhaps it was the real estate agent who was hoping to buy the synagogue if people moved out.

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Perhaps it was the jealous ex-boyfriend of the woman who was in love with the rabbi. Or perhaps it was the white nationalist who has a history of posting racist flyers in the area. With such a diversity of suspects, Detective Montgomery must move quickly to pinpoint the suspect if he is to keep the synagogue, the town, and his family out of harm's way.

getAbstract Summary: Get the key points from this book in less than 10 minutes. Alan Weiss is blessed with the ability to pay attention to details

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without losing sight of the big picture. He gets down and dirty when he has to, telling would-be independent consultants to take an honest look at your balance sheet and to shave every spare penny off your monthly bills. Yet he also flies high with some broad (and occasionally obvious) advice - such as promoting yourself so that business comes looking for you, rather than the other way around. getAbstract.com particularly appreciates the inspired editorial design, which features important principles, definitions

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Do you have a grip on your business, or does your business have a grip on you? All entrepreneurs and business leaders face similar frustrations—personnel conflict, profit woes, and inadequate growth.

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apply Traction to your business, check out its companion book, Get A Grip.

Where Value Hides introduces the Strategic Market Positioning theory, which accurately reveals a company's true health based on factors like market share. SMP helps your business define its markets, measure the real value of those markets, and correct bad assumptions. This book uses real-life examples to explain how to use SMP to directly and positively impact corporate health and profits.

How to Launch, Implement, and Conclude

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Ideas are Free

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The Visible Expert

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speaking career (and why you don't necessarily need any special credentials); craft a winning speech; multiply your earnings through passive sales; keep your costs at rock bottom; overcome your natural fear of public speaking (or: Why dying is only the second greatest fear); develop and enjoy star status as a speaker! Packed with boxed tips, checklists, lists of resources, and plenty of helpful examples, this book is your entree into the lucrative world of professional speaking.

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Meetings are probably the largest unmanaged cost area in large organizations. Today meetings consume about 40% of working time for managers and professionals (our most senior and expensive people). People are frustrated with too many boring, irrelevant or badly run meetings. Research shows that managerial and professional people on average spend two days per week in meetings. For business, this is a huge cost. Kill Bad Meetings will show you how to cut out the unnecessary meetings,

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When BIC, manufacturer of disposable ballpoint pens, wanted to grow, it looked for an idea beyond introducing new sizes

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and ink colors. Someone suggested lighters. LIGHTERS? With an idea that seemed crazy at first, that bright executive, instead of seeing BIC as a pen company—a business in the PEN “box”—figured out that there was growth to be found in the DISPOSABLE “box.” And he was right. Now there are disposable BIC lighters, razors, even phones. The company opened its door to a host of opportunities. IT INVENTED A NEW BOX. Your business can, too. And simply thinking “out of the box” is not the answer. True



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ingenuity needs structure, hard analysis, and bold brainstorming. It needs to start THINKING IN NEW BOXES –a revolutionary process for sustainable creativity from two strategic innovation experts from The Boston Consulting Group (BCG). To make sense of the world, we all rely on assumptions, on models—on what Luc de Brabandere and Alan Iny call “boxes.” If we are unaware of our boxes, they can blind us to risks and opportunities. This innovative book challenges everything you thought you knew about business creativity

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by breaking creativity down into five steps:

- Doubt everything. Challenge your current perspectives.
- Probe the possible. Explore options around you.
- Diverge. Generate many new and exciting ideas, even if they seem absurd.
- Converge. Evaluate and select the ideas that will drive breakthrough results.
- Reevaluate. Relentlessly. No idea is a good idea forever. And did we mention Reevaluate? Relentlessly. Creativity is paramount if you are to thrive in a time of accelerating change. Replete with

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practical and potent creativity tools, and featuring fascinating case studies from BIC to Ford to Trader Joe's, *Thinking in New Boxes* will help you and your company overcome missed opportunities and stay ahead of the curve. This book isn't a simpleminded checklist. This is *Thinking in New Boxes*. And it will be fun. (We promise.) Praise for *Thinking in New Boxes* "Excellent . . . While focusing on business creativity, the principles in this book apply anywhere change is needed and will be of interest to anyone seeking

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to reinvent herself.”—Blogcritics

“Thinking in New Boxes is a five-step guide that leverages the authors’ deep understanding of human nature to enable readers to overcome their limitations and both imagine and create their own futures. This book is a must-read for people living and working in today’s competitive environment.”—Ray O. Johnson, Ph.D., chief technology officer, Lockheed Martin

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thinking about: how to think creatively, in order to innovate and differentiate our brands. We need to thrive and lead in a world of accelerating change and this book challenges us to even greater creativity in our thinking. One of the best business books I've read in a long time."—Jennifer Fox, CEO, Fairmont Hotels & Resorts "As impressive as teaching new tricks to old dogs, *Thinking in New Boxes* is both inspirational and practical—a comprehensive, step-by-step guide to sharpening one's wits in order to harness

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That Launched America into the Space Age  
How the Idea Revolution is Liberating  
People and Transforming Organizations  
How to Launch and Grow a Seven-Figure  
Consulting Business  
Million Dollar Coaching

In the past decade, the French delicacy foie gras—the fattened liver of ducks or geese that have been force-fed through a tube—has been at the center of contentious battles. In Contested

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Tastes, Michaela DeSoucey takes us to farms, restaurants, protests, and political hearings in both the United States and France to reveal why people care so passionately about foie gras—and why we should care, too. Bringing together fieldwork, interviews, and materials from archives and the media on both sides of the Atlantic, DeSoucey offers a compelling look at the moral arguments and provocative actions of pro- and anti-

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foie gras forces. She combines personal stories with fair-minded analysis and draws our attention to the cultural dynamics of markets, the multivocal nature of “gastropolitics,” and the complexities of what it means to identify as a “moral” eater in today’s food world. Investigating the causes and consequences of the foie gras wars, *Contested Tastes* illuminates the social significance of food and taste in the twenty-first century.

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business fiction. In this compelling and highly instructive tale you can follow the journey of newly promoted Operations Manager Sam Mitchell as he faces the everyday pressures and challenges of managing a team, and then relate his experiences to real life scenarios in your workplace.

Conversation #1 - What can you do about that? Conversation #2 - Who should really own this? Conversation #3 - How should we be behaving? Conversation #4



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- Who's really doing this? Conversation #5 - Where are we heading? Conversation #6 - How are we doing? This highly practical guide concludes with a simple how-to chapter, explaining why and how each conversation works, and when to use them, as well as providing accompanying tips and techniques. The Six Conversations of a Brilliant Manager is an instantly-applicable and hugely powerful toolkit for every manager and HR department looking to

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**improve the performance of their teams through the calculating of “priorities,” “who” and “relationships” and by increasing that total, realize more value, impact, earnings and overall success.**

**Like all of us, though few so visibly, Alan Greenspan was forced by the financial crisis of 2008 to question some fundamental assumptions about risk management and economic forecasting. No one with any meaningful role in economic decision making in the world saw beforehand the storm for what it was. How had our models so utterly failed us? To answer this**

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**question, Alan Greenspan embarked on a rigorous and far-reaching multiyear examination of how Homo economicus predicts the economic future, and how it can predict it better. Economic risk is a fact of life in every realm, from home to business to government at all levels. Whether we're conscious of it or not, we make wagers on the future virtually every day, one way or another. Very often, however, we're steering by out-of-date maps, when we're not driven by factors entirely beyond our conscious control. The Map and the Territory is nothing less than an effort to update our forecasting conceptual grid. It integrates the**

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**history of economic prediction, the new work of behavioral economists, and the fruits of the author's own remarkable career to offer a thrillingly lucid and empirically based grounding in what we can know about economic forecasting and what we can't. The book explores how culture is and isn't destiny and probes what we can predict about the world's biggest looming challenges, from debt and the reform of the welfare state to natural disasters in an age of global warming. No map is the territory, but Greenspan's approach, grounded in his trademark rigor, wisdom, and unprecedented**

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**context, ensures that this particular map will assist in safe journeys down many different roads, traveled by individuals, businesses, and the state.**

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**Every manager has to deal with difficult employees. However, what separates the great managers is their ability to turn them into productive team players. Control freaks. Narcissists. Slackers. Cynics. Their outbursts, irrational demands, gripes, and countless other disruptions need to be dealt with, and you are the unlucky one with that job description. This book turns this seemingly difficult chore into a straight-forward process that gently, yet effectively, improves behaviors. It all begins with understanding a**

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**core truth: most people actually want to contribute results, not cause headaches. When the manager resets to that fundamental principle, the potential for change can reveal itself in even the most hopeless situations. Written by tech industry expert Alan Willett, Leading the Unleadable explains how to: Master the necessary mindset Explain the problem calmly in a short feedback session Get a commitment to change, then follow up Coach others to replicate the process Develop the situational**

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**book, Johnson directs her attention to teaching women, in particular, a three-step model for personal advancement and happiness. She first encourages us to Dare to boldly step out, to consider disrupting life as we know it. Then she teaches us how to Dream, to give life to the many possibilities available, whether to start a business, run a marathon, or travel the world. She shows us how to "date" our dreams (no need to commit!) and how to make space for dreams. Finally, Whitney's model brings out the**

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