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About Dogs

The fun and simple problem-solving guide that took Japan by storm Ken Watanabe originally wrote Problem Solving 101 for Japanese schoolchildren. His goal was to help shift the focus in Japanese education from memorization to critical thinking, by adapting some of the techniques he had learned as an elite McKinsey consultant. He was amazed to discover that

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adults were hungry for his fun and easy guide to problem solving and decision making. The book became a surprise Japanese bestseller, with more than 370,000 in print after six months. Now American businesspeople can also use it to master some powerful skills. Watanabe uses sample scenarios to illustrate his techniques, which include logic trees and matrixes. A rock band figures out how to drive up concert attendance. An aspiring animator budgets for a new computer purchase. Students decide which high school they will attend. Illustrated with diagrams and quirky drawings, the book is simple enough for a middle-schooler to understand but sophisticated enough for business leaders to apply to their most challenging problems.

65 Short Mysteries You Solve with Math!

Telling a story about pigeons should be simple. But what's a narrator to do when the number of feathered friends is constantly changing? Can our intrepid storyteller use math facts to keep up with the unstable quantities. . . or is this pigeon-centric tale doomed?

Pigeon Math

Halloween Tales

3 Unique Storylines. Over 50 Possible Endings. Just one question Could YOU Solve a Murder? MURDERED is a mystery novel unlike any other -- YOU are the

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main character. Follow clues, interrogate suspects, and piece together the puzzle before the killer gets away! It's up to you to solve the case in this action-packed, dark and humorous thriller. You're in a dark alley, a lost tourist in Brazil, when you stumble across a woman's body and a revolver atop a grisly note which reads, "PICK ME UP." That's when you realize you're not alone. -Pick up the gun. Go to page 7 -Leave it. Go to page 15 What starts as an exotic vacation ends up as the opportunity of a lifetime when you inadvertently witness a man fleeing the scene of a murder. Work side-by-side with US Diplomatic Security agents (DSS) and Brazilian Police Officers inside the lawless slums of Rio de Janeiro -- but choose wisely, no one is who they truly seem to be. Get MURDERED!

Narrative Intelligence

Solving complex problems and selling their solutions is critical for personal and organizational success. For most of us, however, it doesn't come naturally and we haven't been taught how to do it well. Research shows a host of pitfalls trips us up when we try: We're quick to believe we understand a situation and jump to a flawed solution. We seek to confirm our hypotheses and ignore conflicting evidence. We view challenges incompletely through the frameworks we know instead of with a fresh pair of eyes. And when we communicate our recommendations, we forget our reasoning isn't obvious to our audience. How can we do it better? In *Cracked It!*, seasoned strategy professors and consultants Bernard Garrette, Corey

Phelps and Olivier Sibony present a rigorous and practical four-step approach to overcome these pitfalls. Building on tried-and-tested (but rarely revealed) methods of top strategy consultants, research in cognitive psychology, and the latest advances in design thinking, they provide a step-by-step process and toolkit that will help readers tackle any challenging business problem. Using compelling stories and detailed case examples, the authors guide readers through each step in the process: from how to state, structure and then solve problems to how to sell the solutions. Written in an engaging style by a trio of experts with decades of experience researching, teaching and consulting on complex business problems, this book will be an indispensable manual for anyone interested in creating value by helping their organizations crack the problems that matter most.

The Usborne Book of Puzzle Adventures

Design-oriented firms such as Apple and IDEO have demonstrated how design thinking can directly affect business results. Yet most managers lack a real sense of how to put this new approach to use for issues other than product development and sales growth. Solving Problems with Design Thinking details ten real-world examples of managers who successfully applied design methods at 3M, Toyota, IBM, Intuit, and SAP; entrepreneurial start-ups such as MeYou Health; and government and social sector organizations including the City of Dublin and Denmark's The Good Kitchen. Using design skills such as ethnography, visualization,

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storytelling, and experimentation, these managers produced innovative solutions to problems concerning strategy implementation, sales force support, internal process redesign, feeding the elderly, engaging citizens, and the trade show experience. Here they elaborate on the challenges they faced and the processes and tools they used, offering their personal perspectives and providing a clear path to implementation based on the principles and practices laid out in Jeanne Liedtka and Tim Ogilvie's *Designing for Growth: A Design Thinking Tool Kit for Managers*.

More Stories to Solve

Three ghost stories present trails of clues for the reader to follow to solve puzzles that explain each of the stories.

Solve The People Puzzle:

In survey after survey, executives list attracting and retaining top talent as their #1 issue. Is it your top concern? While the people puzzle isn't easy to solve, this book features compelling research, specific personal and client stories, and key perspectives from top business leaders and experts—all in a format that's easy to read and prompts readers to act. Kathleen Quinn Votaw has years of experience working with CEOs who understand that traditional staffing methods don't work for today's companies, and in this book she offers advice on how to: keep "A Players" engaged, boosting retention and reducing turnover; attract people who will thrive in a

demanding, uncertain, entrepreneurial environment; and Always Be Cultivating (ABC) by thinking of recruitment as a sales process.

Solve the Mystery

From Ashima Shiraishi, one of the world's youngest and most skilled climbers, comes a true story of strength and perseverance--in rock climbing and in life. To a rock climber, a boulder is called a "problem," and you solve it by climbing to the top. There are twists and turns, falls and scrapes, and obstacles that seem insurmountable until you learn to see the possibilities within them. And then there is the moment of triumph, when there's nothing above you but sky and nothing below but a goal achieved. Ashima Shiraishi draws on her experience as a world-class climber in this story that challenges readers to tackle the problems in their own lives and rise to greater heights than they would have ever thought possible.

Solve Story Problems Using Pictures

Cold Cases Solved: True Stories of Murders That Took Years or Decades to Solve There is no such thing as the perfect crime but there are some crimes that go unsolved for a long time. They are called cold cases. The authorities run out of leads and clues to track down and sometimes these old crimes go years and even decades unsolved. The cases contained in Cold Cases Solved are some of these stories. Each case was finally solved after a long time. Some of the

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cases are old murders and some are famous murders we have read about. Read how the old crimes are re-examined, old evidence is subjected to newer technologies and families learn about the fates of their lost loved ones. It is really gratifying to see so many of these cases closed.

Murdered

Action-packed stories of mystery and adventure interwoven with puzzles to solve

How to Solve a Problem

Challenging assignments invite young would-be detectives to solve cases involving burglaries, murders, jewel heists, arson, embezzlement, and other criminal activities. Solutions included for cases involving the Attic Arsonist, the Bashful Bullet, the Conked Clerk, and 38 other intriguing puzzles.

Learning to Solve Problems

Characters from the American Girl books are featured in thirteen short stories with mysteries, puzzles, and riddles the reader can solve.

Let's Do This Together

From three design partners at Google Ventures, a unique five-day process--called the sprint--for solving tough problems using design, prototyping, and testing ideas with customers.

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time

How can a thirsty crow drink from an almost-empty pitcher? How does arresting a stone help a judge find a boy's stolen money? This artfully illustrated book presents fourteen intriguing mysteries from world folklore. Each brain-teasing tale is followed by a simple explanation of the solution, while notes at the back of the book describe the origins of these classic mysteries.

How to Write a Mystery

Presents seventeen short crime stories with sections giving clues and solutions for each.

Develop Critical Thinking Skills, Solve a Mystery, Learn Science

A bestselling modern classic—both poignant and funny—about a boy with autism who sets out to solve the murder of a neighbor's dog and discovers unexpected truths about himself and the world. Nominated as one of America's best-loved novels by PBS's The Great American Read Christopher John Francis Boone knows all the countries of the world and their capitals and every prime number up to 7,057. He relates well to animals but has no understanding of human emotions. He cannot stand to be touched. And he detests the color yellow. This improbable story of Christopher's quest to investigate the suspicious death of a neighborhood dog makes for

one of the most captivating, unusual, and widely heralded novels in recent years.

The Silver Pigs

A historical study on the ancient and popular Chinese puzzle game presents more than two thousand all-time tangrams, along with detailed instructions on how to arrange these intriguing puzzle tiles and presenting a variety of special puzzles for the reader to solve. Reprint.

Almost Perfect Crimes

Readers of all ages will enjoy the challenge of discovering the answers to-or being stumped by-these interactive mysteries. In brief paragraphs and black-and-white illustrations, award-winning author Sandy Silverthorne and John Warner present 70 puzzles, each with a logical "aha" answer that requires thinking outside the box. Clues and answers are included in separate sections. Mystery: A man is looking at a clock that displays the correct time, but he doesn't know what time it is. Why not? Clues: The man can see and tell time perfectly well. The clock is normal and in plain sight. More than one clock is in the room. Solution: Each clock in the room is displaying a different time, so he doesn't know which one is correct. Hours of wholesome entertainment is practically guaranteed!

It's Not About the Shark

It's Not About the Shark opens the door to the groundbreaking science of solutions by turning problems—and how we solve them—upside down. When we have a problem, most of us zero in, take it apart, and focus until we have it solved. David Niven shows us that focusing on the problem is exactly the wrong way to find an answer. Putting problems at the center of our thoughts shuts down our creative abilities, depletes stamina, and feeds insecurities. It's Not About the Shark shows us how to transform our daily lives, our work lives, and our family lives with a simple, but rock-solid principle: If you start by thinking about your problems, you'll never make it to a solution. If you start by thinking about a solution, you'll never worry about your problems again. Through real-life examples and psychology research, David Niven shows us why:

- *Focusing on the problem first makes us 17 times less likely to find an answer
- *Being afraid of a problem is natural: we're biologically primed to be afraid
- *Finding a problem creates power - which keeps you from finding a solution
- *Working harder actually hides answers
- *Absolute confidence makes you less likely to find the answer
- *Looking away from a problem helps to see a solution
- *Listening only to yourself is one of the best ways to find an answer

Combining hard facts, good sense, and a strong dose of encouragement, David Niven provides fresh and positive ways to think about problem solving.

Cracked it!

Presents sixty-five mysteries to solve using one's

knowledge of fractions, geometry, and algebra.

Longitude

WHODUNIT? YOU DUNIT! So you want to write a mystery. There's more to it than just a detective, a dead body, and Colonel Mustard in the drawing room with the candlestick. Fortunately, Larry Beinhart--Edgar Award-winning author of *You Get What You Pay For*, *Foreign Exchange*, and *American Hero*--has taken a break from writing smart, suspenseful thrillers to act as your guide through all the twists and turns of creating the twists and turns of a good mystery. Drawing on advice and examples from a host of the best names in mystery writing--from Raymond Chandler and Mickey Spillane to Scott Turow and Thomas Harris--plus some of his own prime plots, Larry Beinhart introduces you to your most indispensable partners in crime:

*Character, plot, and procedure * The secrets to creating heroes, heroines, and villains ("All writers draw upon themselves and their experience. While the whole of yourself might not be capable of being either a serial killer or an FBI agent, there are parts in each of us that are capable of almost anything.") * The fine art of scripting the sex scene *The low-down on violence ("A crime novel without violence is like smoking pot without inhaling, sex without orgasm, or a hug without a squeeze.") *And much more! From the opening hook to the final denouement, Larry Beinhart takes the mystery out of being a mystery writer.

Cold Cases Solved

The authors have retold some of the Birbal stories that they gathered, and at the end of each they have pointed out the management moral of the narrative, whose wisdom stays as fresh as ever. Each story has been divided into two parts: first contains the problem; second provides Birbal's solution.

Solve Your Problems The Birbal Way

Help first grade students learn how to break down and understand the structure of a word problem with Solve Story Problems Using Pictures. The step-by-step illustrations are easy to follow and can be used with manipulatives for greater understanding. The pages are organized sequentially by difficulty and include differentiation by beginning with full support and ending with minimal support. It includes 64 colorful pages with over 55 story problems.

The Future We Choose

Presents two mystery adventures by Sarah Dixon and one by Tony Allan

Just a Mess

Great Book of Whodunit Puzzles

The dramatic human story of an epic scientific quest and of one man's forty-year obsession to find a

solution to the thorniest scientific dilemma of the day--"the longitude problem." Anyone alive in the eighteenth century would have known that "the longitude problem" was the thorniest scientific dilemma of the day-and had been for centuries. Lacking the ability to measure their longitude, sailors throughout the great ages of exploration had been literally lost at sea as soon as they lost sight of land. Thousands of lives and the increasing fortunes of nations hung on a resolution. One man, John Harrison, in complete opposition to the scientific community, dared to imagine a mechanical solution-a clock that would keep precise time at sea, something no clock had ever been able to do on land. Longitude is the dramatic human story of an epic scientific quest and of Harrison's forty-year obsession with building his perfect timekeeper, known today as the chronometer. Full of heroism and chicanery, it is also a fascinating brief history of astronomy, navigation, and clockmaking, and opens a new window on our world.

The Usborne Book of Advanced Puzzle Adventures

A comprehensive look at four of the most famous problems in mathematics Tales of Impossibility recounts the intriguing story of the renowned problems of antiquity, four of the most famous and studied questions in the history of mathematics. First posed by the ancient Greeks, these compass and straightedge problems—squaring the circle, trisecting an angle, doubling the cube, and inscribing regular polygons in a circle—have served as ever-present

muses for mathematicians for more than two millennia. David Richeson follows the trail of these problems to show that ultimately their proofs—demonstrating the impossibility of solving them using only a compass and straightedge—depended on and resulted in the growth of mathematics. Richeson investigates how celebrated luminaries, including Euclid, Archimedes, Viète, Descartes, Newton, and Gauss, labored to understand these problems and how many major mathematical discoveries were related to their explorations. Although the problems were based in geometry, their resolutions were not, and had to wait until the nineteenth century, when mathematicians had developed the theory of real and complex numbers, analytic geometry, algebra, and calculus. Pierre Wantzel, a little-known mathematician, and Ferdinand von Lindemann, through his work on pi, finally determined the problems were impossible to solve. Along the way, Richeson provides entertaining anecdotes connected to the problems, such as how the Indiana state legislature passed a bill setting an incorrect value for pi and how Leonardo da Vinci made elegant contributions in his own study of these problems. Taking readers from the classical period to the present, *Tales of Impossibility* chronicles how four unsolvable problems have captivated mathematical thinking for centuries.

One-Minute Mysteries and Brain Teasers

Describes forty-three crime puzzles, which the reader tries to solve with the aid of clues, codes, alibis, and

other evidence.

Sprint

Climate change: it is arguably the most urgent and consequential issue humankind has ever faced. How we address it in the next thirty years will determine the kind of world we will live in and will bequeath to our children and to theirs. In *The Future We Choose*, Christiana Figueres and Tom Rivett-Carnac--who led negotiations for the United Nations during the historic Paris Agreement of 2015--have written a cautionary but optimistic book about the world's changing climate and the fate of humanity. The authors outline two possible scenarios for our planet. In one, they describe what life on Earth will be like by 2050 if we fail to meet the Paris climate targets. In the other, they lay out what it will be like to live in a carbon neutral, regenerative world. They argue for confronting the climate crisis head-on, with determination and optimism. *The Future We Choose* presents our options and tells us what governments, corporations, and each of us can and must do to fend off disaster.

Problem Solving 101

How much? How many? How far? How small? Maths helps make sense of the world around us. How many mangoes are needed to make a jar of pickle? How many toes do the monsters under the bed have? How many days till the new moon? *Let's Do This Together* is filled with stories that cleverly weave everyday

maths problems into the narrative so children can easily solve them with the help of a parent, teacher or friend. As they start with sums that are easy-peasy, move to mostly easy and then to ones that are not that easy, the book helps them build their self-confidence and number proficiency.

Let's Play Math

The first book by the reclusive inventor of the world's most iconic puzzle THE RUBIK'S CUBE. Erno Rubik inspires us with what he's learned in a lifetime of creating, curiosity, and discovery. Erno Rubik was a child when he first became obsessed with puzzles of all kinds. "Puzzles," he writes, "bring out important qualities in each of us: concentration, curiosity, a sense of play, the eagerness to discover a solution." To Rubik puzzles aren't just games—they're creativity machines. He encourages us to embrace our inner curiosity and find the puzzles that surround us in our everyday lives. "If you are determined, you will solve them," he writes. Rubik's own puzzle, the Cube, went on to be solved by millions worldwide for over forty years, become one of the bestselling toys of all time, and to be featured as a global symbol of intelligence and ingenuity. In *Cubed*, Rubik covers more than just his journey to inventing his eponymous cube. He makes a case for always being an amateur—something he has always considered himself to be. He discusses the inevitability of problems during any act of invention. He reveals what it was like to experience the astonishing worldwide success of an object he made purely for his own play.

And he offers what he thinks it means to be a true creator (hint: anyone can do it). Steeped in the wisdom and also the humility of a born inventor, Cubed offers a unique look at the imperfect science of creation.

Sleuth & Solve: 20+ Mind-Twisting Mysteries

Narrative Intelligence (NI) the confluence of narrative, Artificial Intelligence, and media studies studies, models, and supports the human use of narrative to understand the world. This volume brings together established work and founding documents in Narrative Intelligence to form a common reference point for NI researchers, providing perspectives from computational linguistics, agent research, psychology, ethology, art, and media theory. It describes artificial agents with narratively structured behavior, agents that take part in stories and tours, systems that automatically generate stories, dramas, and documentaries, and systems that support people telling their own stories. It looks at how people use stories, the features of narrative that play a role in how people understand the world, and how human narrative ability may have evolved. It addresses meta-issues in NI: the history of the field, the stories AI researchers tell about their research, and the effects those stories have on the things they discover. (Series B)

Minute Mysteries

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When Marcus Didius Falco, a Roman "informer" who has a nose for trouble that's sharper than most, encounters Sosia Camillina in the Forum, he senses immediately all is not right with the pretty girl. She confesses to him that she is fleeing for her life, and Falco makes the rash decision to rescue her—a decision he will come to regret. For Sosia bears a heavy burden: as heavy as a pile of stolen Imperial ingots, in fact. Matters just get more complicated when Falco meets Helena Justina, a Senator's daughter who is connected to the very same traitors he has sworn to expose. Soon Falco finds himself swept from the perilous back alleys of Ancient Rome to the silver mines of distant Britain—and up against a cabal of traitors with blood on their hands and no compunction whatsoever to do away with a snooping plebe like Falco. *The Silver Pigs* is Lindsey Davis' classic novel which introduced readers around the world to Marcus Didius Falco, a private informer with a knack for trouble, a tendency for bad luck, and a frequently inconvenient drive for justice.

The Usborne book of ghost puzzle adventures

How did they do it? How did a single firefly win a fight against one hundred apes? How did the priest catch a thief with a rooster? How did a student outwit the king? How did a frog escape from the pitcher of cream? These and eleven more tantalizing, brain-teasing mysteries are waiting in the pages of this book.

Stories to Solve

A boy cleans up his messy room to try to find his baseball mitt.

Tales of Impossibility

Silly Sticker Stories(TM) Halloween Tales is packed with spooky stories that get silly when readers get involved! Kids will have a blast solving the Hidden Pictures(R) puzzles, then placing the corresponding stickers in the blank spaces of the stories in whatever order they choose, creating a unique silly story from a multitude of possible combinations. This collection contains friendly witches, zany monsters, costumed trick-or-treaters, glowing jack o' lanterns, tricks and treats--and of course, stickers!

Cubed

Ready, set, investigate! Welcome to the world of Sleuth & Solve, where clues are in the details and crafty twists put readers' wits to the test. This first book in a new series of mind-bending mini-mysteries encourages readers of all ages to practice deductive reasoning, consider the most subtle details, and always think outside the box. Readers may play alone or with friends, collecting points for cracking each case and determining whose sleuthing skills reign supreme. Read the clues, then lift the flap to reveal the answer to each mystery! This compelling collection of clever, inference-based mysteries makes the perfect gift for puzzle lovers and super-sleuths of every age.

The Tangram Book

Includes two short stories and a science component to help students develop critical thinking and creative problem-solving skills.

Solving Problems with Design Thinking

This book provides a comprehensive, up-to-date look at problem solving research and practice over the last fifteen years. The first chapter describes differences in types of problems, individual differences among problem-solvers, as well as the domain and context within which a problem is being solved. Part one describes six kinds of problems and the methods required to solve them. Part two goes beyond traditional discussions of case design and introduces six different purposes or functions of cases, the building blocks of problem-solving learning environments. It also describes methods for constructing cases to support problem solving. Part three introduces a number of cognitive skills required for studying cases and solving problems. Finally, Part four describes several methods for assessing problem solving. Key features includes: Teaching Focus - The book is not merely a review of research. It also provides specific research-based advice on how to design problem-solving learning environments. Illustrative Cases - A rich array of cases illustrates how to build problem-solving learning environments. Part two introduces six different functions of cases and also describes the parameters of a case. Chapter Integration - Key theories and concepts are

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addressed across chapters and links to other chapters are made explicit. The idea is to show how different kinds of problems, cases, skills, and assessments are integrated. Author expertise – A prolific researcher and writer, the author has been researching and publishing books and articles on learning to solve problems for the past fifteen years. This book is appropriate for advanced courses in instructional design and technology, science education, applied cognitive psychology, thinking and reasoning, and educational psychology. Instructional designers, especially those involved in designing problem-based learning, as well as curriculum designers who seek new ways of structuring curriculum will find it an invaluable reference tool.

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