The global financial crises of recent years have made it painfully clear that psychological forces can imperil the wealth of nations. From blind faith in ever-rising housing prices to plummeting confidence in capital markets, “animal spirits” drive financial events worldwide. In this book, acclaimed economists George Akerlof and Robert Shiller present a serious alternative to the standard economic theory that has failed to account for these essential human factors, and provide a radical new way to think about the economy.

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“Two of the most creative and respected economic thinkers currently at work, George Akerlof and Robert Shiller, … [have written] a fine book at exactly the right time.”
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“Akerlof and Shiller are the first to try to rework economic theory for our times. The effort itself makes their book a milestone.”
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George A. Akerlof is the Daniel E. Koshland Sr. Distinguished Professor of Economics at the University of California, Berkeley. He was awarded the 2001 Nobel Prize in economics. He is the coauthor of Identity Economics (see page 2). Robert J. Shiller is the best-selling author of Irrational Exuberance and The Subprime Solution (both Princeton). He is the Arthur M. Okun Professor of Economics at Yale University.
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William F. Ruddiman is the author of Earth’s Climate: Past and Future, and has published many articles in Scientific American, Nature, and Science, as well as various scientific journals.
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Stephen Hawking is the Lucasian Professor of Mathematics at the University of Cambridge. Roger Penrose is the Emeritus Rouse Ball Professor of Mathematics at the University of Oxford.

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Paul J. Nahin is the author of many best-selling popular math books, including Digital Dice, Chases and Escapes, Dr. Euler’s Fabulous Formula, When Least Is Best, Duelling Idiots and Other Probability Puzzlers, and Mrs. Perkins’s Electric Quilt (all Princeton). He is professor emeritus of electrical engineering at the University of New Hampshire.
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**Robert Zimmerman** is an award-winning science writer and historian. His books include *Leaving Earth* and *Genesis: The Story of Apollo 8*.
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Using Ambiguity, Contradiction, and Paradox to Create Mathematics

William Byers

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William Byers is professor of mathematics at Concor-dia University in Montreal. He has published widely in mathematics journals.
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Investment Clubs and the New Investor Populism
Brooke Harrington

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Paul Seabright is professor of economics at the Toulouse School of Economics. He has been a fellow of All Souls College, University of Oxford and Churchill College, University of Cambridge.
Americans agree about government arts funding in the way the women in the old joke agree about the food at the wedding: it’s terrible—and such small portions! Many either want to abolish the National Endowment for the Arts, or dramatically increase public arts funding. In this book, economist and arts-lover Tyler Cowen argues why the American way of funding the arts results not in the terrible and the small but in Good and Plenty—and how it could result in even more and better.

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—Art Times

“Cowen makes the point loudly and clearly: indirect subsidy favors the decentralization of artistic creativity, particularly as it involves nonprofit institutions, and a thousand flowers can (and do) bloom.”

—J. Mark Schuster, Journal of Cultural Economics

Tyler Cowen is professor at George Mason University. His books include Creative Destruction (Princeton) and Create Your Own Economy. He frequently writes for the New York Times, Slate, and the economics blog Marginal Revolution.
Economic Gangsters
Corruption, Violence, and the Poverty of Nations

Raymond Fisman & Edward Miguel

Meet the economic gangster. He’s the United Nations diplomat who uses his diplomatic immunity to double-park on New York City streets. He’s the Chinese smuggler who dodges tariffs by magically transforming frozen chickens into frozen turkeys. And, in the wrong set of circumstances, he might just be you.

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“Smart and eminently readable.”
—Nicholas Kristof, NYTimes.com

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The delegates to the 1787 Constitutional Convention blocked the establishment of Christianity as a national religion, but they could not keep religion out of American politics. From the election of 1800, when Federalist clergymen charged that deist Thomas Jefferson was unfit to lead a “Christian nation,” to today, when some Democrats want to embrace the so-called Religious Left, religion has always been part of American politics. In Religion in American Politics, Frank Lambert tells the fascinating story of the uneasy relations between religion and politics from the founding to the twenty-first century.

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—Daniel Burke, Washington Post

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—Henry L. Carrigan, Jr., ForeWord

Frank Lambert is professor of history at Purdue University. His books include The Barbary Wars, a New York Times Editors’ Choice; The Founding Fathers and the Place of Religion in America; and Inventing the “Great Awakening.”

When the powerful forces of race and religion have converged, America has witnessed some of its greatest triumphs—and some of its most shameful failures. In God and Race in American Politics, Mark Noll reveals how this explosive mixture has profoundly influenced American political history.

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Mark A. Noll is the Francis A. McAnaney Professor of History at the University of Notre Dame. His books include America’s God, The Civil War as a Theological Crisis, and The Scandal of the Evangelical Mind.
The Case for Big Government

Jeff Madrick

Political conservatives have long believed that the best government is a small government. But if this is true, why have Americans experienced stagnant wages, rising health care costs, increasing unemployment, extreme economic inequality, and a devastating credit crisis under conservative leadership? In this perceptive and eye-opening book, Jeff Madrick proves that an engaged government—one with high taxes and wise regulations—is necessary to implement the social and economic changes that Americans desperately need.

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Jeff Madrick is a regular contributor to the New York Review of Books and a former economics columnist for the New York Times. He is editor of Challenge magazine and senior fellow at the New School’s Schwartz Center for Economic Policy Analysis.
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The Best of All Possible Worlds
A Story of Philosophers, God, and Evil in the Age of Reason

Steven Nadler

In the spring of 1672, German philosopher and mathematician Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz arrived in Paris, home of France’s two greatest philosopher-theologians of the period, Antoine Arnauld and Nicolas de Malebranche. The meeting of these three men represents a profoundly important moment in the history of philosophical and religious thought.

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—Bryce Christensen, Booklist

Steven Nadler is the William H. Hay II Professor of Philosophy at the University of Wisconsin–Madison. He is the author of Rembrandt’s Jews, a finalist for the 2004 Pulitzer Prize.
Superstition
Belief in the Age of Science

Robert L. Park

From uttering a prayer before boarding a plane to exploring past lives through hypnosis, superstition has become pervasive in contemporary culture. Robert Park, the best-selling author of Voodoo Science, asks why people persist in superstitious convictions long after science has shown them to be ill-founded.

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—Michael Shermer, Nature Physics

Robert L. Park is professor of physics at the University of Maryland. He is the author of Voodoo Science: The Road from Foolishness to Fraud.

China’s New Confucianism
Politics and Everyday Life in a Changing Society

Daniel A. Bell

In China’s New Confucianism, Daniel Bell—one of the few Westerners to teach the humanities at a Chinese university—draws on his personal experiences to reveal an unexpected portrait of a rapidly changing society. With a storyteller’s eye for detail, Bell observes the rituals, routines, and tensions of daily life in modern China. He examines the challenges that arise as China adapts ancient values to contemporary society, and suggests that Confucian social hierarchy can actually contribute to economic equality. In a new preface, Bell discusses the challenges of promoting Confucianism in China and the West.

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Daniel A. Bell is professor of political theory at Tsinghua University in Beijing. His books include Beyond Liberal Democracy and East Meets West (both Princeton).
Zen and Japanese Culture

Daisetz T. Suzuki

Zen and Japanese Culture is one of the twentieth century’s leading works on Zen, and a valuable source for those wishing to understand its concepts in the context of Japanese life and art. In simple, often poetic, language, Daisetz Suzuki describes his conception of Zen and its historical evolution. He connects Zen to the philosophy of the samurai, and subtly portrays the relationship between Zen and swordsmanship, haiku, tea ceremonies, and the Japanese love of nature. Suzuki’s contemplative work is enhanced by anecdotes, poetry, and illustrations showing silk screens, calligraphy, and examples of architecture.

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Larry M. Bartels

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Larry M. Bartels is the Donald E. Stokes Professor of Public and International Affairs and director of the Center for the Study of Democratic Politics at Princeton University.
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“Chirot and McCauley offer important wisdom.”
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**D. Graham Burnett**

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Scott Kurashige

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