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Have you thought about using Lean in your business or organization, but are not really sure how to implement it? Or perhaps you're already using Lean, but you need to get up to speed. *Lean for Dummies* will show you how to do more with less and create an enterprise that embraces change. In plain-English writing, this friendly guide explores the general overview of Lean, how flow and the value stream works, and the best ways to apply Lean to your enterprise. You will understand the philosophy of Lean and adopt it not as a routine, but a way of life. This highly informative book teaches you:

The foundation and language of Lean How to map the value stream and using it to your business's advantage The philosophy of Kaizen Different tools to improve management, customer service, and flow and pull How to "Go Lean" within your business and across the industry Avoid common mistakes in implementation Seek out resources for assistance This simple, continuous improvement approach that minimizes waste and adds customer value is changing organizations of all sizes all over the world. *Lean for Dummies* will show you to take charge and engage your enterprise in a Lean transformation!

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Anders Gränfors says

I am still not through. The title is not that appealing to me. Despite that, the book turned out to be spot on.

Andy Robertson says

not one of the best in the '... for dummies' series, but still a good reference book.

Eddie Tran says

It's a good start to learn about Lean

Neil Anderson says

Reasonably good introduction to Lean. Could've been better if it spent a bit more time on the harder concepts like value stream mapping or provided good references to other places with deeper discussion of it.

Daniel says

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Daniel says

This was a readable description of lean in general. it provided good insight on the tools of Lean and its philosophy of reducing waste, respect for people, continuous (small) improvements (kaisen).

It did try over and over again to say that Lean applies to more than just manufacturing where it started by Toyota. However, all its examples were around manufacturing and its key pillars (e.g. just in time) is heavy on the manufacturing side. I wish it had more insight on how to apply Lean to services and not just say that it should be applied to services (over and over again).

Du says

This is a good introduction and overview on the lean style of management, cutting out waste and looking for ways to improve customer value.

I want the next step, but this was a good foundation, or refresher on the basics.

Mike Thelen says

You know, Natalie and Bruce do a great job of giving you a basic, full-bodied picture of Lean. It really does achieve the concept that the "...for Dummies" books strive for. I wish she would have focused a little more on Mura and Muri, but everyone seems to focus heavily on Muda and blow over the other two.

Anne Ramsey says

Recently I used this book to prepare for a presentation at work that addressed the value of standards. The thing I really love about this book is that Natalie brings in how the culture of your organization is the real key to sustaining the results your company will gain by implementing Lean principles. This book is so easy to read and apply! And apply to anything you are doing. I also find it helpful to use the process when I start a new endeavor. A great read for anyone! Even the experts will learn something new about Lean.

Sean says

Good introduction to Lean Thinking, It goes over all the inportant elements and has enough depth to interest those who have previous familairity with the field.

Lee Bawanan says

Anyone looking into Lean should get this book. Bring a pillow, as interesting as the concepts are, I've fell asleep reading this bad boy many times.

Wendy says

I started reading this book because I thought I might get a chance to work on some Lean stuff at my job. But that seems to have fallen by the wayside, so I didn't actually finish it. And honestly, of all the Dummies books in my possession, I think I prefer the "Italian for Dummies". You know, being as it's related to things I enjoy: food, coffee, travel, and languages. Yes.

Oh, but as an intro to Lean and its concepts? I can highly recommend at least the first four chapters.

Donna says

To be fair I got made redundant about 3 days after being asked to work in the implementation so...,

Mark says

Good reference to get up-to-speed on lean concepts.