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**User Experience Design for Non-Designers** Createspace Independent Publishing Platform  
Demystify UX and its rules, contradictions, and dilemmas. This book provides real-world examples of user experience concepts that empower teams to create compelling products and services, manage social media, interview UX candidates, and oversee product teams. From product decisions to performance reviews, your ability to participate in discussions about UX has become vital to your company's success as well as your own. However, UX concepts can seem complex. Many UX books are written by and for UX professionals. UX Fundamentals for Non-UX Professionals serves the needs of project managers, graphic designers, copyeditors, marketers, and others who wish to understand UX design and research. You will discover how UX has influenced history and continues to affect our daily lives. Entertaining real-world examples demonstrate what a massive, WWII-era tank teaches us about design, what a blue flower tells us about audiences, and what drunk marathoners show us about software. What You'll Learn: Know the fundamentals of UX through real-world examples Acquire the skills to participate intelligently in discussions about UX design and research Understand how UX impacts business, including product, pricing, placement, and promotion as well as security, speed, and privacy.

*Graphic Design Speak* Rosenfeld Media

This critical resource gives managers, HR, and anyone who may come into contact with someone in trauma—including workplace violence, harassment, assault, illness, addiction, fraud, bankruptcy, and more—the tools they need to be prepared for what lies ahead. This book is crucial for every manager or HR representative who shouldn't just prepare to one day be faced with a report of a traumatic experience at work, but plan on it. This five-step method will help managers make survivors feel supported and understood. The Empathetic Workplace guides supervisors of any level through an understanding of how stories of trauma impact the brain of both the survivor and the listener, as well as the tools to handle the interaction appropriately, to help the listener, the organization, and most importantly, the survivor. The easy-to-follow LASER method outlined in these pages includes the following elements that all managers should know and understand: Listen-Controlling your own reaction, managing your body language, asking open-ended questions, hearing what is not being said, and winding down the speaker when the conversation becomes unproductive are essential elements in being a good listener. Acknowledge-Once someone shares a difficult

personal story with you, it is important to acknowledge that gift. Share-You can help the speaker regain some measure of control by sharing information with him or her about what happened or what happens next, your personal or organizational values, and what you don't yet know but hope to learn. Empower-You can help the traumatized person by providing him or her with resources that are available to them through the company or outside groups. Return-The final step is to ensure that the traumatized person has a way to come back later when he or she cannot remember all that you said, thinks of more questions, or wishes for updates. The LASER technique can benefit all who are responsible for others, from top-tier managers at Fortune 500 companies to Residence Advisors in college dormitories.

**The Non-Designer's InDesign Book** Reference & Specification Book  
Social sciences.

The Non-designer's Design Book Pearson Education

Graphic designers will enrich their understanding of American type design and type designers with this unique and extensive reference. The fascinating history of type in America is chronicled through the typefaces and biographies of sixty-two of the most influential type designers, including Linn Boyd Benton, Morris Fuller Benton, and Darius Wells, and through the description and history of nine American type foundries. Complete with samples of 334 different typefaces, and 700 black-and-white illustrations, this eye-popping reference reveals the expansive contribution America has made to the world of type design.

The Non-designer's Web Book Acorn Independent Press

Extra Bold is the inclusive, practical, and informative (design) career guide for everyone! Part textbook and part comic book, zine, manifesto, survival guide, and self-help manual, Extra Bold is filled with stories and ideas that don't show up in other career books or design overviews. • Both pragmatic and inquisitive, the book explores power structures in the workplace and how to navigate them. • Interviews showcase people at different stages of their careers. • Biographical sketches explore individuals marginalized by sexism, racism, and ableism. • Practical guides cover everything from starting out, to wage gaps, coming out at work, cover letters, mentoring, and more. A new take on the design canon. • Opens with critical essays that rethink design principles and practices through theories of feminism, anti-racism, inclusion, and nonbinary thinking. • Features interviews, essays, typefaces, and projects from dozens of contributors with a variety of racial and ethnic backgrounds, abilities, gender identities, and positions of economic and social privilege. • Adds new voices to the dominant design canon. Written collaboratively by a diverse team of authors, with

original, handcrafted illustrations by Jennifer Tobias that bring warmth, happiness, humor, and narrative depth to the book. *Extra Bold* is written by Ellen Lupton (Thinking with Type), Farah Kafei, Jennifer Tobias, Josh A. Halstead, Kaleena Sales, Leslie Xia, and Valentina Vergara.

*UX Fundamentals for Non-UX Professionals* HarperCollins Leadership

A call to reclaim and rethink the field of designing as a liberal art where diverse voices come together to shape the material world. We live in a material world of designed artifacts, both digital and analog. We think of ourselves as users; the platforms, devices, or objects provide a service that we can use. But is this really the case? *We Are Not Users* argues that people cannot be reduced to the entity called "user"; we are not homogenous but diverse. That buzz of dissonance that we hear reflects the difficulty of condensing our diversity into "one size fits all." This book proposes that a new understanding of design could resolve that dissonance, and issues a call to reclaim and rethink the field of designing as a liberal art where diverse voices come together to shape the material world. The authors envision designing as a dialogue, simultaneously about the individual and the social—an act enriched by diversity of both disciplines and perspectives. The book presents the building blocks of a language that can conceive designing in all its richness, with relevance for both theory and practice. It introduces a theoretical model, terminology, examples, and a framework for bringing together the social, cultural, and political aspects of designing. It will be essential reading for design theorists and for designers in areas ranging from architecture to software design and policymaking.

*Visual Design* Simon and Schuster

"Thinking with Type is to typography what Stephen Hawking's *A Brief History of Time* is to physics."—*I Love Typography* The best-selling *Thinking with Type* in a revised and expanded second edition: *Thinking with Type* is the definitive guide to using typography in visual communication. Ellen Lupton provides clear and focused guidance on how letters, words, and paragraphs should be aligned, spaced, ordered, and shaped. The book covers all typography essentials, from typefaces and type families, to kerning and tracking, to using a grid. Visual examples show how to be inventive within systems of typographic form, including what the rules are, and how to break them. This revised edition includes forty-eight pages of new content with the latest information on: • style sheets for print and the web • the use of ornaments and captions • lining and non-lining numerals • the use of small caps and enlarged capitals • mixing typefaces • font formats and font licensing Plus, new eye-opening demonstrations of basic typography design with letters, helpful exercises, and dozens of additional illustrations. *Thinking with Type* is the typography book for everyone: designers, writers, editors, students, and anyone else who works with words. If you love font and lettering books, Ellen Lupton's guide reveals the way typefaces are constructed and how to use them most effectively. Fans of *Thinking with Type* will love Ellen Lupton's new book *Extra Bold: A Feminist, Inclusive, Anti-racist, Nonbinary Field Guide for Graphic Designers*.

**Designing Design** Lars Muller Publishers

The *Graphic Design Reference & Specification Book* should always be next to a designer's computer. Completely practical with only the most needed information, this valuable book provides designers with all the little details that can make or break a design, such as how much space to leave in the gutter when designing barrel folds, how to layout a template for a box, and the ratios of each part,

as well as metric conversion charts, standard envelope sizes in the USA, Europe, Canada and Asia, and much more. This hardworking handbook is compact and accessible and is a must-have for any graphic designer.

*Woman Made* No Starch Press

Demonstrates Web design basics and offers advice on navigation, interfaces, graphic file format, image preparation, and animation, while explaining how to test, upload, register, and promote effective Web sites.

*Modern Americana* Berg

*Book Design Made Simple* gives DIY authors, small presses, and graphic designers—novices and experts alike—the power to design their own books. It's the first comprehensive book of its kind, explaining every step from installing Adobe InDesign right through to sending the files to press. For those who want to design their own books but have little idea how to proceed, *Book Design Made Simple* is a semester of book design instruction plus a publishing class rolled into one. Let two experts guide you through the process with easy step-by-step instructions, resulting in a professional-looking top-quality book

*Book Design Made Simple* Peachpit Press

*Emergencies*—landing a malfunctioning plane, resuscitating a heart attack victim, or avoiding a head-on car crash—all require split-second decisions that can mean life or death. Fortunately, designers of life-saving products have leveraged research and brain science to help users reduce panic and harness their best instincts. *Life and Death Design* brings these techniques to everyday designers who want to help their users think clearly and act safely.

*The Non-designer's Presentation Book* Potter Style

An understanding of psychology—specifically the psychology behind how users behave and interact with digital interfaces—is perhaps the single most valuable nondesign skill a designer can have. The most elegant design can fail if it forces users to conform to the design rather than working within the "blueprint" of how humans perceive and process the world around them. This practical guide explains how you can apply key principles in psychology to build products and experiences that are more intuitive and human-centered. Author Jon Yablonski deconstructs familiar apps and experiences to provide clear examples of how UX designers can build experiences that adapt to how users perceive and process digital interfaces. You'll learn: How aesthetically pleasing design creates positive responses The principles from psychology most useful for designers How these psychology principles relate to UX heuristics Predictive models including Fitts's law, Jakob's law, and Hick's law Ethical implications of using psychology in design A framework for applying these principles

*Writing and Research for Graphic Designers* Creative Minds Publishing Pty Limited

Provides information on creating an effective digital presentation, covering such topics as animation, plot, contrast, software, and handouts.

*Visual Language for Designers* Chronicle Books

"*Visual Design* speaks design, through design, to designers, presenting 95 core design principles with concise text and a touch of visual wit. Author of the bestselling *Index* series on design basics, Jim Krause uses a combination of Helvetica and Dingbats to teach a wide range of design topics (both conceptually and compositionally related) in a one-topic-per-spread format. Topics include how

to fill the space, directing the eye of the viewer, considering style, color awareness, typography, infusing with intangibles and avoiding unsightliness. Using humor, practical tips, and inspiring visual examples, Krause makes it clear how each of the 95 axioms of effective design are relevant and applicable across all forms of visuals: print, Web, and fine arts. Jim Krause has worked as a designer and illustrator since 1982"--Provided by publisher.

**Extra Bold** Phaidon

Many designers and photographers own the entire suite of Adobe's creative products, but they manage to learn only one or two of the applications really well. If Adobe InDesign CS5.5 is the one app in the suite that makes you feel like you're entering a foreign country where you don't speak the language, Robin Williams provides the perfect travel guide and translator in this new edition to the best-selling Non-Designer's series. This fun, straight-forward, four-color book includes many individual exercises designed specifically to teach InDesign CS5.5 to beginners in such a way that you can jump in at any point to learn a specific tool or technique. Along the way, Robin offers design tips for making your work communicate appropriately and beautifully. Whether you need to create your own marketing materials for a small business or organization, or you want your student or business papers to be perceived as more professional, or you want to become more proficient with the design tools you already use, this book is the fastest and most efficient path to mastering basic tasks InDesign. In this non-designer's guide to InDesign CS5.5, you'll learn: How to create basic design projects, such as flyers, business cards, letterhead, ads, brochures, CD covers, and much more How to add images to your pages and crop, rotate, resize, and add effects to those images How to use InDesign's typographic tools to make your work look professional How to use style sheets so every job is easier to create and work with How to use tabs and indents with confidence and predictability How to create nice-looking tables to effectively organize data And, of course, the basics of working in InDesign with layers, panels, tools, etc.

**Styled** Rockport Pub

"The Business Skills Every Creative Needs! Remaining relevant as a creative professional takes more than creativity--you need to understand the language of business. The problem is that design school doesn't teach the strategic language that is now essential to getting your job done. Creative Strategy and the Business of Design fills that void and teaches left-brain business skills to right-brain creative thinkers. Inside, you'll learn about the business objectives and marketing decisions that drive your creative work. You already have the creativity; now it's time to gain the business insight. Once you understand what the people across the table are thinking, you'll be able to think how they think to do what we do." -- Provided by publisher.

*Laws of UX* Peachpit Press

A lot has happened in the world of digital design since the first edition of this title was published, but one thing remains true: There is an ever-growing number of people attempting to design pages with no formal training. This book is the one place they can turn to find quick, non-intimidating, excellent design help from trusted design instructor Robin Williams. This revised classic--now in full color--includes a new section on the hot topic of Color itself. In *The Non-Designer's Design Book*, 3rd Edition, Robin turns her attention to the basic principles that govern good design. Readers who follow her clearly explained concepts will produce more sophisticated and professional pages immediately. Humor-infused, jargon-free prose interspersed with design exercises, quizzes, and illustrations make learning a snap--which is just what audiences have come to expect from this best-selling author.

**The Non-Designer's Design Book** "O'Reilly Media, Inc."

Combines two best-selling design classics by celebrated author Robin Williams to cover the fundamentals that govern good design and type.

**The Empathetic Workplace** Chronicle Books

Whether its a birthday card for a relative or a poster for a neighbourhood event, at some point in our lives, almost all of us will produce a piece of graphic design. We all make design choices everyday, in the fonts we choose for our emails, the filters and crops we use for our photos, and the colours we choose to dress ourselves in. If you have never studied graphic design formally but want something that looks smart and well made, this is the book for you. Arming you with all the basic knowledge you need to get professional-looking results, using simple jargon-free tutorials, this is the one-stop must-have guide for anyone who wants to learn about graphic design, but doesn't know where to start.

**Do Good** Rockport Pub

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