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We all know that meetings suck, right?

You hear it all the time. It's the one thing that almost everyone in business can agree on.

Except it's not actually true. Meetings don't suck we suck at running meetings. When done right, meetings not only work, they make people and companies better.

In Meetings Suck, world renowned business expert and growth guru Cameron Herold teaches you how to use focused, time effective meetings to help you and your company soar.

This book shows you immediately actionable, step-by-step systems that ensure that you and everyone in your organization improves your meetings, right away.

In the process, you'll turn meetings that suck into meetings that work.

Meetings Suck Details

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Philippa says

Lots of good ideas, most of which should be common sense

Practical, immediately applicable, not especially deep. With practice and clarity, most companies and organisations should be able to implement these ideas relatively quickly, with immediate, improved productivity

Alejandro Davila says

Eye opener!

I have worked in the QSR business for over 25 years. The different hats I wear entitled me to constant communication either virtually or face to face, it is quite surprising how little guidance and materials are out there that consolidate and put together a magnificent set of systems to run productive meetings as Cameron puts it in this book.

Highly recommended it to leaders of all levels.

Thanks for the new window I was able to open with this great book.

A. Davila

Elijah C says

Overall a good read and worth my time, although at times a bit dry and repetitive, and also a few weird writings, like a contradiction for why you can't have huddle meetings virtually and then 4 paragraphs after explaining about people who actually do.

Danielle Gignac says

I very quick read. Very instructional, lots of good ideas.

Brad Johnson says

Great blueprint to properly run meetings

Short powerful read that every organization can learn from, just as Cameron says to run meetings, this book cuts out the fluff and gets right to it.

Mark says

Very good book. While some of it is largely typical (e.g. it's a good idea to have an agenda), yet some parts are very valuable (e.g. classifications of attendees, and asking more reserved people for answers first and only then ask the execs and more conversationally dominant attendees). For some who will put it in action, this could be a 5. It's also noteworthy that Cameron didn't fill with fluff... this gets right to the core points and hits them one by one, then ends. THAT made it easy to listen to parts I already address and get to parts that really help me. It's good for most even if not a 5. For many, it will be a 5. So, I do highly recommend this book.

Jan Kaeo says

Solid strategies, Insightful tips

Practical, insightful tips on getting the most out of various types of meetings and how to utilize them to develop organizations and people. Excellent read.

Carolyn says

If you feel you have to read a book on meetings, this is the one to read.

Owen says

Short book. Interesting insights. Few new takeaways. Specifically, liked the use of roles in a meeting and setting an agenda with times.

Lp Bell says

Few good tips. Simple read. 3 stars.

Matt Beck says

It was just okay.

A lot of the book stems from common business practices or other business books. It doesn't add any

revelations as to how to make meetings more engaging other than involve the right people and dont waste their time.

Matt Ulrich says

Some basic principles but a few great nuggets that I took away for hosting effective meetings.

Michael Dubakov says

You have to fish 10% of useful things in 90% water. The good thing is that these 10% are practical, but the bad thing is that 90% are muddy.

Nessy Dimitrova says

I read this book thanks to Blinkist.

The key message in this book:

It's true what they say: time is money, especially in the corporate world. So to make sure you're not wasting people's time and throwing money away, meetings need to be both effective and efficient. Holding regularly scheduled meetings is still the best way to communicate and get everyone on the same page. But that's not all – meetings can also improve employee skill sets, strengthen teams and help build the very foundation of your company's values and goals.

Actionable advice:

If an employee says they don't want to attend a meeting, respect that.

You should foster a culture where employees take the initiative to read the agenda and decide for themselves whether or not to attend a meeting. Far from being lazy, a well-organized employee may realize that they cannot contribute anything.

Suggested further reading:

Reinventing Organization by Frederic Laloux

Reinventing Organizations discusses why companies around the world are getting rid of bosses, introducing flat hierarchies and pursuing purpose over profit. And ultimately, by adopting a non-hierarchical model, these organizations thrive.

August Schiess says

Straight forward, practical, concise. Like meetings should be!
