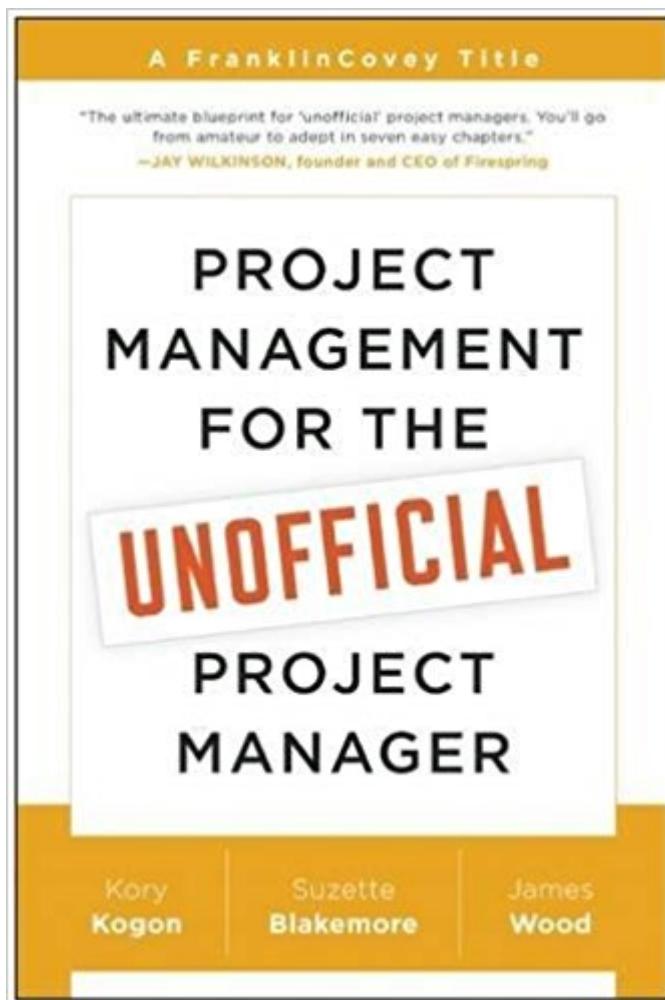


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Project Management For The Unofficial Project Manager: A FranklinCovey Title



Synopsis

No project management training? No problem! In today's workplace, employees are routinely expected to coordinate and manage projects. Yet, chances are, you aren't formally trained in managing projects; you're an unofficial project manager. FranklinCovey experts Kory Kogon, Suzette Blakemore, and James Wood understand the importance of leadership in project completion and explain that people are crucial in the formula for success. Project Management for the Unofficial Project Manager offers practical, real-world insights for effective project management and guides you through the essentials of the people and project management process: Initiate, Plan, Execute, Monitor/Control, Close. Unofficial project managers in any arena will benefit from the accessible, engaging real-life anecdotes, memorable Project Management Proverbs, and quick reviews at the end of each chapter. If you're struggling to keep your projects organized, this book is for you. If you manage projects without the benefit of a team, this book is also for you. Change the way you think about project management; "project manager" may not be your official title or necessarily your dream job, but with the right strategies, you can excel.

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Kory Kogon is the Global Practice Leader for Productivity, focusing her research and content development around time and project management, and communication skills. Before joining FranklinCovey, Kory spent more than six years as the Executive Vice President of Worldwide Operations for AlphaGraphics, Inc. She was responsible for the teams helping franchisees start up their business, develop staff, and reach profitability in a highly competitive, commodity-driven industry. She also led the implementation of ISO 9000, supervised the move of the corporate headquarters from Tucson to Salt Lake City, and managed the installation of the first company-wide global learning system. In 2005, Utah Magazine honored Kory as one of the "Top 30 Business

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I have managed projects large and small over the years, both formally as a PM as well as informally. It's usually not easy, and certainly takes more discipline than most people would think. In order to be successful, I have had to develop my own tips and tricks - or what my peers call "best practices" - which have served me well. Stumbling through some incredibly complex projects created the need for me to develop my skills and it was painful. As a matter of self-preservation, I became an expert on the PMBOK, which helped immensely. I wish I could have had Project Management for the Unofficial Project Manager years ago. It would have simplified a number of things for me. The basics are all there and simply described. There are well-placed references to PMBOK and other traditional project management staples, which are helpful but not obtrusively academic. This is a practical guide, and would serve all beginning to post intermediate project managers well. It's a well-done book, and if you have interest or need in learning this topic, you should carefully consider buying.

I like this a lot. In a very concise fashion the authors detail a sound approach for the Unofficial Project Manager. I wish that I had this 25 years ago!

Well written, easy read. Good introduction to PM that allows to later follow with more in depth literature on the subject.

Finally a project management book that actually makes sense and is practicable.

Great book! Answer the questions at the end and reread the material. It makes more sense the second time around because you have objectives and learn from answering. It's like a scavenger hunt, which makes the book fun... don't judge me.

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