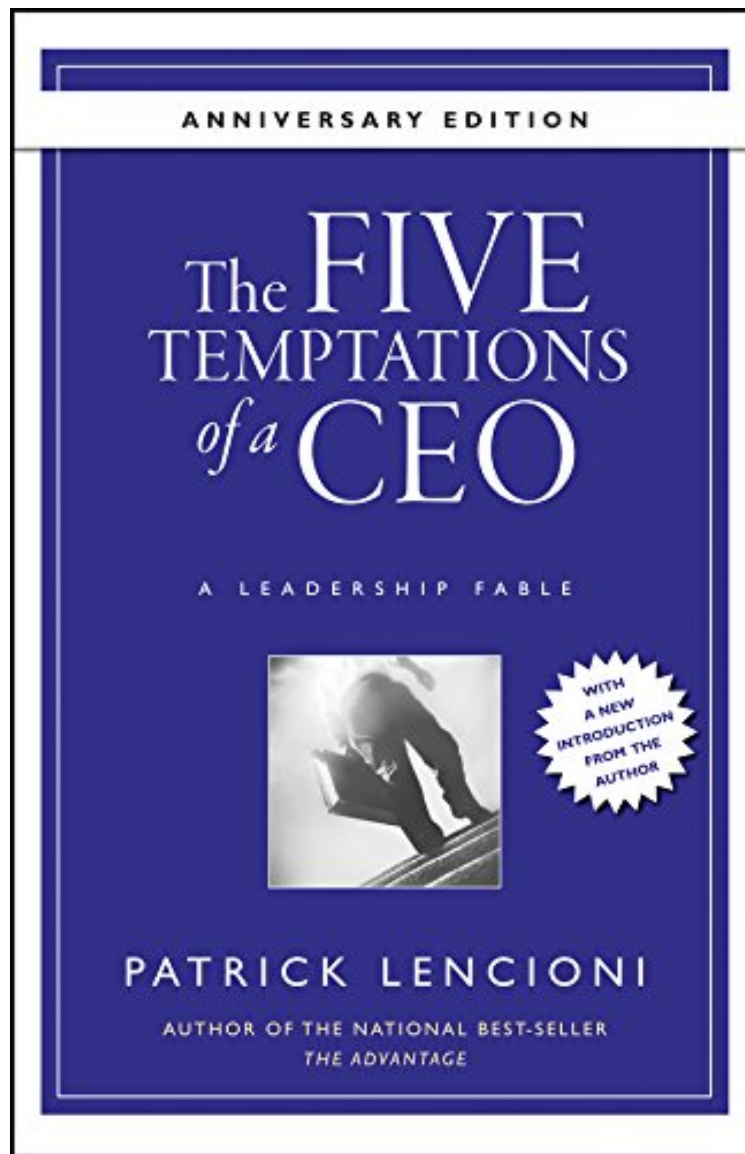


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areas in my leadership that I can work on. Any manager or leader probably will find themselves somewhere in these temptations. It's a good wake up call no matter where you lead. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Powerful Work from Lencioni...once again! By C. M. Aiken Some years ago, a friend recommend The Five Dysfunctions of a Team by this author and I fell for his writing style and wisdom. Reading books on business leadership are purposeful but also pleasurable for me. I love to dig into business leadership and seek to apply the principles to different areas of my life. I purchased this 10th anniversary edition of the book recently. Honestly I struggled a bit with purchasing it since I do not consider myself a CEO at all; however, the book would share principles of leadership and I decided to do so anyway. In this book, Lencioni shares a business "fable" whereby he examines the plight of a particular CEO. In the fable, this CEO comes across a "truth-speaker" (this time in a dream) who imparts to him 5 mistakes that CEOs who fail...make. These are not innate characteristics, but are temptations that, if not mastered, will certainly be the demise of the business leader. The temptations are: * Choosing status over results * Choosing popularity over accountability * Choosing certainty over clarity * Choosing harmony over conflict * Choosing invulnerability over trust Each of the temptations drive to the heart of what it is to be a leader. A CEO often functions without close accountability other than to a Board or Shareholders. As such, much of his daily management must come from self-discipline. While many things caught my attention in the book, one particular observation was driven home: "...A great president of the United States wouldn't be as proud of being elected as he would of actually accomplishing something. And a nonprofit agency shouldn't feel good getting funds unless they did something meaningful with the money. And there isn't a great coach alive who would say that his best day was getting hired. Winning games and championships is what great coaching is all about" (p.29). This particular quote reminds me of the fact that great leaders do not play it safe or consider their role as accomplishment. Their role of leadership is for a purpose and every great CEO must understand that he is accountable to DO SOMETHING with the mantle of leadership that benefits the organization he leads. "Leaders" who simply exist and entertain the masses or maintain the status quo...aren't really leaders at all. I recommend this book and this author. It is an easy read and offers many opportunities for self-evaluation. It also is a sobering examination for the reader. 5 stars again Lencioni! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A must read for all leaders. By Nigel Mask As an entrepreneur we often have the capital to own a business, but we often lack the intangible tools to lead a successful business. This book directly highlights the top 5 temptations all leaders face, but either do not acknowledge it or know it but do not know how to fix it. This book will guide all leaders through understanding which temptation(s) he/she naturally fall into and why all while providing ways to work through it.

A commemorative edition of the landmark book from Patrick Lencioni When it was published ten years ago, The Five Temptations of a CEO was like no other business book that came before. Highly sought-after management consultant Patrick Lencioni deftly told the tale of a young CEO who, facing his first annual board review, knows he is failing, but doesn't know why. Refreshingly original and utterly compelling, this razor-sharp novelette plus self-assessment (written to be read in one sitting) serves as a timeless and potent reminder that success as a leader can come down to practicing a few simple behaviors? behaviors that are painfully difficult for each of us to master. Any executive can learn how to recognize the mistakes that leaders can make and how to avoid them. The lessons of The Five Temptations of a CEO, are as relevant today as ever, and this special anniversary edition celebrates ten years of inspiration and enlightenment with a brand new introduction and reflections from Lencioni on the new challenges in business and leadership that have occurred in the past ten years.