



Make Talent Work

Unravel the 6 B's of Talent Management in Your Company

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- Highlights talent as a strategic business driver — not just an HR concern
- Offers a modern answer to one of today's biggest challenges: finding and keeping the right people
- Helps future-proof your workforce in an unpredictable and fast-moving world
- A hands-on framework based on the 6 Bs of talent management
- Real-world insights into how top organizations build talent-driven cultures
- Clear strategies to make talent visible, valuable and impactful — at every level
- For business leaders and HR professionals who want to build strong, future-ready teams
- For organizations that want to build, deploy, and retain talent in a sustainable way
- For anyone who sees talent not as a buzzword, but as a key to future success

Talent doesn't manage itself. In a world where people make the difference, smart talent management is your biggest competitive edge. This book reveals a clear, strategic approach to attracting, developing and retaining the people who truly matter. Based on the 6 Bs – Buy, Build, Bind, Borrow, Boost and Bounce – it shows how to unlock human potential and turn it into real business value. A must-have for leaders who take talent seriously.

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