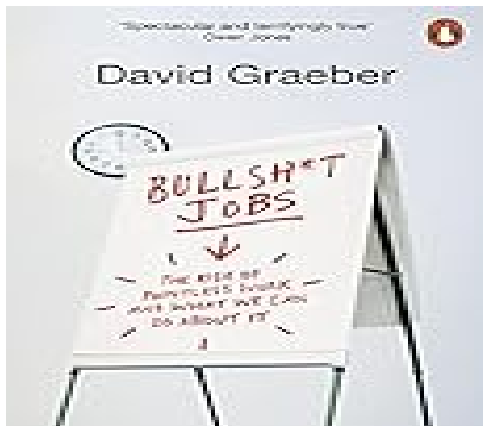


Bullshit Jobs: A Theory By David Graeber **Book bullshit jobs** In doing so he looks at how rather than producing anything work has become an end in itself; the way such work maintains the current broken system of finance capital; and finally how we can get out of it. **Bullshit jobs book review** This book is for anyone whose heart has sunk at the sight of a whiteboard who believes workshops should only be for making things or who just suspects that there might be a better way to run our world. **Bullshit jobs epub** Bullshit Jobs: A Theory David Rolfe Graeber (/ˈɡreɪbər/; born 12 February 1961) is a London based anthropologist and anarchist activist perhaps best known for his 2011 volume Debt: The First 5000 Years. **Bullshit jobs book review** They must not have gotten very far as the book spends about 2 chapters on classifying BS jobs and the rest on a deep dive into the effects of pointless employment the political and cultural reasons that it might exist and the way that jobs for the sake of jobs damages us. **Book bullshit jobs** It then takes us on a whistle stop tour of the history of managerialism the roots of the protestant work ethic and how it informs some of the ideas that proliferate this type of employment. **Bullshit jobs pdf** Despite the fact the book does actually use quite a few graphs and figures to inform its argument its main strength is of course the rigorous qualitative analysis Graeber engages in as should be expected in a book about human social structures and organizations. **Bullshit jobs book review** The obvious ramifications are left entirely unaddressed: CEOs bankers military (BS job examples the author uses) do not acknowledge their job as such; engineers and SW developers instead often fall over each other to do that. **Book bullshit jobs**) The figures (all two of them) are a joke: still unsure what Figure 1 supposedly shows but it's neither trend (two datapoints one year apart) nor that >50% of work is BS (unless emails good and bad meetings admin tasks and are BS; anyone with teamwork experience can disprove that). **Bullshit jobs book review** He tries to put up a convincing case that most jobs are not needed but fails to give any even remotely convincing evidence so you really have no idea how many unnecessarily jobs actually exists. **Book bullshit jobs** One of the specific predictions he made that sadly did not come true was that by the end of the twentieth century the major Western societies would have achieved the fifteen hour work week because technology would have alleviated hitherto long menial hours. **Book bullshit jobs** Why has that not happened and instead employees are working longer and longer hours? Graeber blames the creation of what he calls 'BS jobs' (I had to shortened the word to pass censorship rules) and the 'BSization' of proper jobs. **Bullshit jobs pdf** Graeber's defines a BS job as 'a form of paid employment that is so completely pointless unnecessary or pernicious that even the employee cannot justify its existence even though as part of the conditions of employment the employee feels obliged to pretend that this is not the case'. **Bullshit jobs epub** He had taken 'the default choice of many directionless folk: law school' but has found his job as a lawyer to be 'utterly meaningless contributed nothing to the world and in his own estimation should not really exist'. **Bullshit jobs book pdf** There are also 'goons' who exist only because people employ them - soldiers for example; and 'duct tapers' who are employed to help one part of an organisation communicate with another in the same organisation. **Bullshit jobs book review** This is what Graeber has to say in middle management in academia: 'Now those of us toiling in the academic mills who still like to think of ourselves as teachers and scholars before all else have come to fear the word "strategic". **Bullshit jobs pdf** "Strategic statement" (or even worse "strategic vision documents") instil a particular terror since these are the primary means by which corporate management techniques - setting up quantifiable methods for assessing performance forcing teachers and scholars to spend and of their time assessing and justifying what they do and less and less time actually doing it - are insinuated into academic life'. **Bullshit jobs pdf** So they then started to try and bully everyone into using it...Then they tried to entice people in by having HR post a load of touchy feely crap or people writing "internal blogs" that nobody cared about. **Bullshit jobs book pdf** What is clear that we must resist 'The pressure to value ourselves and others on the basis of how hard we work at something we'd rather not be doing...if you're not destroying your mind and body via paid work you're not living right'. **Book bullshit jobs** The last part of the book is devoted to answering the question 'How have so many humans reached the point where they accept that even miserable unnecessary work is actually superior to no work at all?' From there Graeber

discusses the modern culture of managerial feudalism and the resentment it generates yet is itself oblivious to it,

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