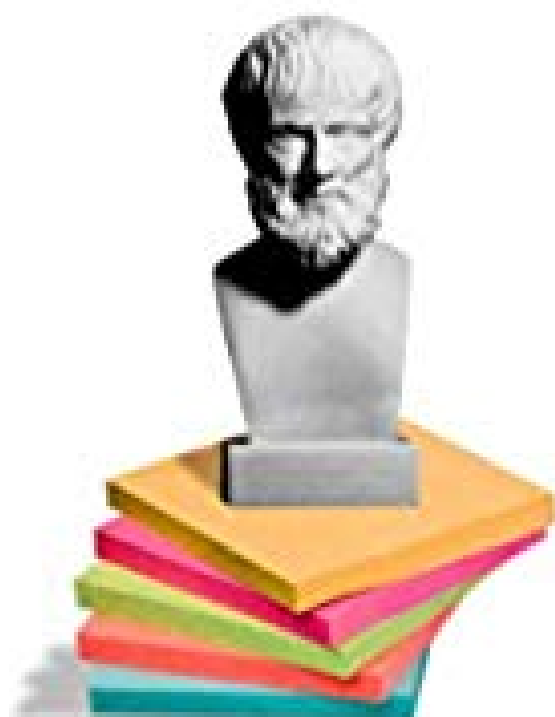


WISDOM @ WORK

THE MAKING OF A
MODERN ELDER



CHIP CONLEY

*"Chip Conley will be your guide in learning how to cultivate
a beginner's mind . . . and be the sage counselor."*

—from the Foreword by Brian Chesky, cofounder and CEO, Airbnb

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Experience is making a comeback. He didn't create code, or have an Uber or Lyft app on his phone, was twice age the average Airbnb employee, and will be reporting to a CEO young plenty of to be his boy. At age 52, after selling the company he founded and ran as CEO for 24 years, rebel boutique hotelier Chip Conley was looking at an open up horizon in midlife. After that he received a call from the young founders of Airbnb, asking him to help develop their disruptive start-up into a global hospitality huge. But Conley argues that experience is normally on the brink of a comeback. Learn how to repurpose your wisdom. Because at a time when power is shifting more youthful, companies are finally waking up to the value of the humility, psychological cleverness, and wisdom that come with age. What emerged is the secret to thriving as a mid-life worker: understanding how to marry wisdom and knowledge with curiosity, a beginner's mind, and a willingness to evolve, all hallmarks of the "Contemporary Elder." In a world that venerates the new, bright, and shiny, many of us are left feeling invisible, undervalued, and threatened by the "digital natives" nipping at our heels. He previously the industry experience, but Conley was lacking in the digital fluency of his 20-something co-workers. Conley quickly discovered that while he'd been employed as a teacher and mentor, he was also in lots of ways students and intern. Whether you've been forced to make a mid-career change, opting for to work past retirement, or are struggling to keep up with the millennials rising up the ranks, Wisdom@Work will help you write your next chapter. Component manifesto and component playbook, Wisdom@Work ignites an urgent discussion about ageism at work, calling on us to treat age as we'd other type of diversity. Along the way, Conley liberates the word "elder" from the stigma of "elderly," and inspires us to embrace wisdom as a path to growing whole, not old. And while digital skills might have only the shelf lifestyle of the most recent fad or device, the human skills that mid-career employees possess--like great judgment, specialized knowledge, and the capability to collaborate and coach - never expire.



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One of the most exciting/inspiring books you'll find out about your contribution to the world as you age Chip Conley is a completely exclusive visionary, and *Wisdom at Work* presents a way of thinking about aging that crackles with likelihood, eyesight and insight. His part could be described without reference to age group: he'll be a consultant and his contribution is so great that the company will help him fill up his knowledge gaps. I winced when he reports asking someone, "Aren't you aged for an engineer?" Last December I got sent a copy of *Wisdom at the job*, I was in the center of a lifestyle transition having left out my job and went on an adventure with my family down to Mexico. This book is usually contagious with possibility--mixed with practicality, research and smarts. Chip's wisdom and kindness have become a support through the ambiguous amount of re-booting my life. It had been a blast and reinforced my quest to reinvent myself after my beloved hubby died. an as-yet unclear storehouse of possibility awaiting within us. If you are someone who wonders in what your purpose is--and how to turn that into a life-plan that enriches you financially and personally, this is a book that must read read--no matter what your age." As an apart, Conley conveniently ignores the controversy surrounding AirBnB and its offerings. So most of us have an inchoate feeling that there is something even more; I wholeheartedly recognize. It's about learning, serving, and teaching as a built-in package, which Chip views as the most gratifying way to live also to contribute. His intellect and warmth shine through this publication, and the reader views how Chip attained such huge success in the business world-- while remaining such an unapologetic humanitarian. That our decades of work existence and personal lifestyle aren't leading us to complete up our professions, or have a side job, but instead to steadily, thoughtfully create a new synthesis of who we are and what we have to offer the globe. If you would like to keep learning and make a difference, this book can help you make that happen. Timely, practical and unique This book comes at an ideal time. This publication helps for all sorts of processes, whether they be new profession choices, family adjustments, deep reevaluations and spiritual callings. Chip Conley includes a knack for casting far and wide for wisdom, bringing it jointly and concisely braiding it all into a usable package. *Wisdom @ Work* is filled with techniques and tips on learning and imparting wisdom to others from a location of humility and emotional intelligence. Here is a small sample: Chip suggests a question to ask at work, especially for those who are respected and others would hesitate to offend: "If I am about to make a mistake, will you tell me?" Chip has reinvented himself multiple occasions: first while a CEO and founder of the US's second largest, ultra cool boutique hotel chain; after that as guide to 300 of the globe's best festivals; Based in beautiful Pescadero, Baja Mexico, MEA it really is a facilitated program to find the joy and guarantee in the next phase of life. That foray into the land of San Francisco's digital millennials was enlightening: he found himself the present day elder at Airbnb. Provides nothing ado with age group, aging, or life style.) Chip's insights led to this book, *Wisdom @ Work* also to founding his most recent creation, the present day Elder Academy (MEA) to give people a space to put the various tools to work. and today as global technique advisor to Airbnb. Some books switch your mind, some books change your life If any book puts its finger on the zeitgeist of aging in the present day age it is this one.) In a lifestyle that denigrates maturing, Chip creates a model of the contribution we old folks could make which can be visionary, however, not in a dewy-eyed method. Chip's work can help you unfold that vision for yourself--which is the reason why I can't recommend it highly enough. Millennials Alike A good course on as an "elder statesman" in today's work place. I was lucky to participate among the beta groupings when Chip, Jeff and Christine had been creating and refining the Academy. Chip reaches center a learner and he convincingly, enthusiastically invites us to join him on that path. From that day time to the *Wisdom at Work* has been a constant companion, pushing me to think about my own personal development and explore more deeply on my place in the globe, as a collaborator, as a boss, as a mentor and mother or father. Chip has written the perfect handbook of practical and evidence-based equipment and illustrations to reinvent yourself. Simultaneously inspiring, entertaining, interesting and

transformative I would recommend you browse the book and check it out. We are in a time where Wisdom at work isn't just important, it may be the only issue that may save our future. A roadmap for your life's "second tank journey". While this is a productive book for its intended audience, unfortunately it will take longer for society to capture up and see the value in older workers. This reserve facilitates the spirit of inquiry and allows answers to incisive questions bubble up lightly. It's for everyone 50 and older who's questioning what they are able to contribute (by the finish of the book, you'll have a far better idea) and what they are able to learn (ditto). I recommend this book for folks both starting and in the middle of their mid-life adjustments, whether they've done a lot of growth function or are just beginning. 110 million People in America are 50 or older and many are ready for a mid-career or life makeover. Forever Young It takes a whole lot of experience to learn how to use people of all ages, and Chip demonstrates how it is done well. How and just why to "embrace your wizard" Over the years, I've read and reviewed most of Chip Conley's previously published books and noted how receptive he has been to gaining wisdom from his own encounters (especially from setbacks) and from others' experiences (from their setbacks). He has accumulated and used this wisdom to accelerate both his personal growth and professional wisdom. 1 day in 2012, as he recalls, his longtime friend and evolutionary astrologer, Steve Forrest, urged him to "embrace your wizard." He was fifty at the time. The writer is not even old. In each of his earlier books, Conley has shared lessons discovered and does therefore again in this reserve. Conley offers some very nice insight into making the changeover into "rewiring" rather than retiring (updating technical skills, volunteering, etc). That is, "the ability to forecast a few of the costs and collateral benefits of the decisions we make." That is a precious insight to bear in mind when making especially important decisions such as Conley has produced throughout his life so far. Good quality. Bought for my hubby "Rewire Don't Retire" This is a very timely book - when all of the world appears to think only the young have value in society. In Wisdom at the job, author Chip Conley helps those folks of a particular age how to remain practical and productive as we changeover to another phase of existence. He has usually believed that each human being is a "work in progress" and the nature and extent of this progress is nearly always determined by the wisdom gained along the way. Chip offers compassionately reinforced an activity I had been in: reinventing myself in my own mid-fifties, creating new paths and journeys, and taking a genuine stock of my life as I turn into a Modern Elder. Just one AirBnB can disrupt the city of a flat building or a block of single-family homes. Written by one in the trenches, an extremely useful, thoughtful read. This publication is a superb guild. Awful Waste of time. Rip of in various senses : financially meant losing cash, still financially even free of charge is horrendous, time smart, the title, preamble, actually WSJ'S content, misleads to something different. He found out the magic of intergenerational diversity and the energy of being a novice (which dovetails nicely with some of might work at APQC on novices and professionals. Pure babble, mumbo jumbo hipster stuff. One year later on, he was "embedded in the high-tech land of the young" after selling his firm -- Joie de Vivre Hospitality -- and then accepting a position at Airbnb. Middle aged for the most part. To become sure, some folks reap the benefits of AirBnB but we have to understand it's a mixed bag. I simply don't desire to be censored. Conley defines himself and his relationship with AirBnB entirely with regards to age. Reinforces ageism and works with stereotypes Conley's book actually reinforces the very thing he's trying to attack - ageism. I guess I deserve my money back. He writes about dealing with a new function in a youth-oriented business and getting a performance review from somebody who's thirty years young. His accomplishments border on monumental, but there is a tone of humility and curiosity that suffuses his work, and units this book apart. It's about re-creation in the most thoughtful and sensible way. Thousands of people have been displaced in cities as residential apartments become high-costed touristic AirBnBs. But self-worth and fulfillment in life result from within and Conley provides jump start a lot of us require to see that people can be productive regardless of our age. There's grounds hotels have qualified

managers and security forces. I would want to use even more pictorial words to describe the book. The truth is, companies of most sizes have always earned experienced advisors of most ages to provide as consultants and sometimes as managers. Chip provides been tremendously successful as an entrepreneur, collaborator, thought head and integrator of knowledge. Tremendous for Boomers & And yes it is insightful, tweet-able and fun to read as is everything Chip writes. Where will you be in 20 years Looking forward to the next 20 years to figuring out what I will do.



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