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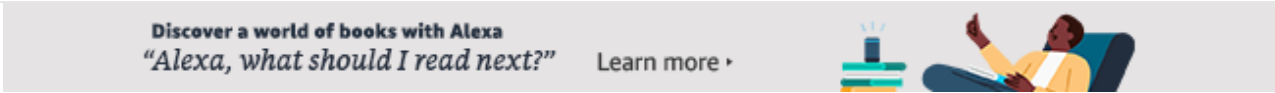
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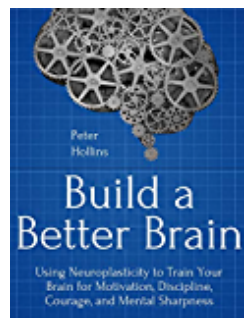
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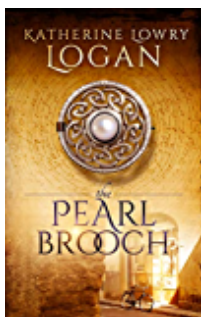
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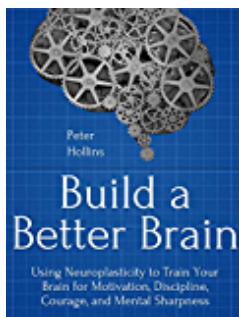


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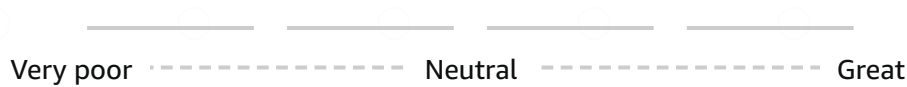
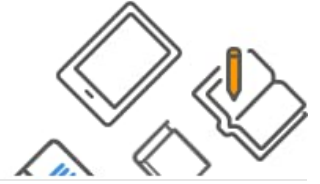
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The idea of "unpleasant" design at the intersections of design and (literally) structural oppression. Urban ares have been attempting to change human behavior for hundreds of years, and in the modern day resort to all sorts of exclusionary designs. This book is a short chronicle of these "features," as well as a brief documentation of countermovements (think "The Yes Men").

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Great collection of anecdotes, examples, and evidence of how 'public' spaces work against our most common needs of connection and fostering of social capital.

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Ideas + philosophy.

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A few good ideas. Lots of emphasis on a liberal point of view.

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Disappointing

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It was. It very detailed and read like a slapped-together-at-the-last-minute book. A missed opportunity.

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Annoying

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The aspects of design explored in this book are very, very, interesting - and keep me from giving this book a one-star rate. The authors forcibly attempt to push a form of "social justice" that feels to just be there to appear progressive: the fact that some groups are pushed away does not necessarily make them oppressed and in need for activism... some groups are simply undesirable in certain contexts. The analysis of design is excellent, the social aspect is explored clumsily.

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Angela Watkins

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For sociologists, not designers

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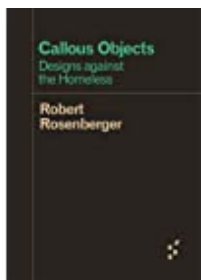
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I bought this expecting a design book. Maybe I didn't pay enough attention, but it's actually a series of sociology essays. It seems to be an unfortunate thing that so much sociology writing is verbose, dense, and much of it comes across as unsubstantiated waffle. There's some of that in this book. I'd love to debate the authors of some of the essays to pin them down on just exactly what they mean, and to justify their statements. It's not all like that, but once you got the idea of the much-discussed 'Camden bench', designs to keep pigeons away, and a couple of similar concepts, that's about it from a design perspective. If you want to plunge into the morass of theory around it all, and have your waders with you, then this is the book for you. I'll keep looking for the book that I want. Just to be fair, I'll say that the images did work well in the Kindle book.

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