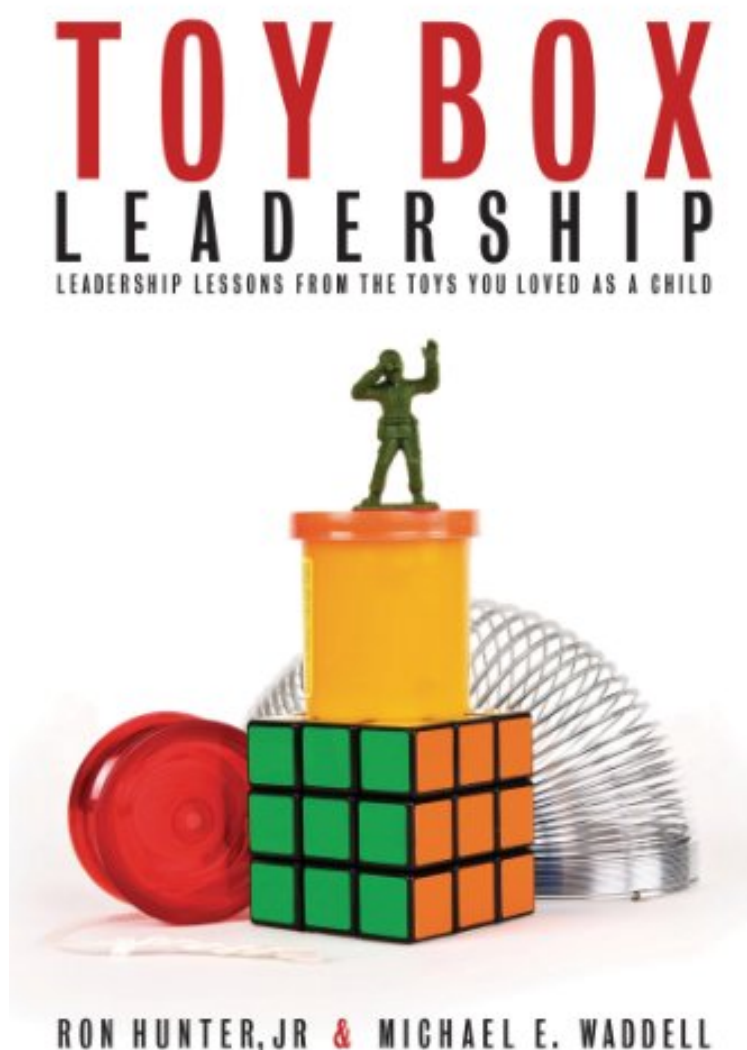


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Mr Potato Head stands out - that flicker of response across your face at moments interacting with people is what will cement your relationship with them. If you look irritated instead of sympathetic due to a family crisis disrupting your plans, people will see you as heartless and will withdraw. Show sympathy first then reorganise and people will respect you. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Learning from your toys - great idea for a book

By Eric D. Brown
I just finished *Toy Box Leadership: Leadership Lessons from the Toys You Loved as a Child...*...somewhat flawed but a good book nonetheless. Flawed may be a bad word to use for this book. The idea is a great one (more on it later) but the narratives about the lessons could have been stronger. In addition, I noticed some editorial issues (spelling, words out of order, etc) which I wholly attribute to the publisher / editor for not catching. That said, I love the ideas presented in this book. The main idea of this book is this: Think back to the toys you had as a kid. Think about LEGO, Play-Doh, Mr Potato Head, the Yo-Yo...all those things we used to play with when we were younger (and maybe we still do play with today?). The ideas learned from these toys can be used as leadership lessons. For Example:

- * LEGO - using the idea of LEGO bricks, the authors present the idea of connectedness. Connecting the right people together in business is essential. Connecting the right businesses together is also important.
- * Play-Doh - This great toy can be shaped and made into anything. The same can be true of organizations...a great leader can shape the organization to meet future goals. There may need to be lots of different experiments done to find the right shape, but it can be done.
- * Rubik's Cube - The author's use the Rubik's Cube as a toy that describes ethics. While I tend to disagree with that premise, it does make a great toy to demonstrate strategy tactics. You know where you want to get to (all sides with same colors) and you have to determine the tactics to get there (which turns to make and in what order). While not perfect, I'd suggest this book to anyone looking for new ways to think about leadership, strategy business.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Not what you think it is, It is BETTER!!

By Julie Carson
Great book. Love how it relates to toys that I played with growing up and to Toy Story toys that I can buy today. It made me stop and think about being a leader with the Slinky dog. If you are a school or a person that follows Steven Covey's Seven Habits this is a great book to read. I was able to relate to this book in many ways. If you have not read this book, give it a try.

Reach back into your childhood and recapture the leadership principles you learned from your favorite toys. What can LEGOS teach you about building your business through connection? How can Slinky Dog demonstrate the value of patience when you're growing your organization? What has every little boy learned from his Little Green Army Men that he can use in business strategy? Whether you are an executive, a manager, or a parent, in *Toy Box Leadership* you will find the toy box a great place for lessons to successfully influence and lead others.