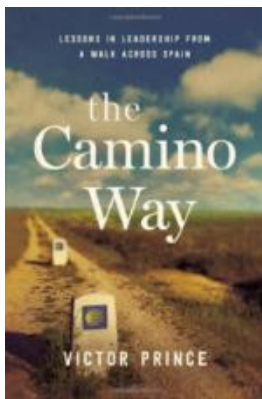


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## PM WORLD BOOK REVIEW



Book Title: ***The Camino Way: Lessons in Leadership from a Walk Across Spain***

Author: **Victor Prince**

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### Introduction

This compelling book tells a wonderful story of self-reflection, self-awareness, and the importance of putting issues at work, life events, etc. into perspective.

It is cleverly organized around the “seven guideposts of the Camino Trail” and how one can adapt those meaningful mantras to the workplace.

If you want to learn how to be a better leader, person and how to connect with your teammates, you will find this book most helpful and rewarding.

### Overview of Book’s Structure

Mr. Prince provides an interesting explanation on the origin of the Camino Trail and the reason for its allure.

The following chapters relate the seven reminders/guidepoints of the Camino Trail, for which each pilgrim (“peregrino”) must be mindful during his or her journey. Mr. Prince provides his own relatable experiences, and relays how he either could have done better or will improve in the future.

The remaining chapters, the “Post-Camino Impact”, take into consideration what the author learned about himself, others and how to improve for the better.

### Highlights

This is a book about values and how to realize what priorities in life should be. Some philosophies that resonated with me were:

1. Be thoughtful of how your actions will impact the future for others.

2. The skewed rationale in judging a person based on the company they work, the job they have versus the quality of person they are.
3. Looking beyond nationalities, race and appreciating the shared goals and interests you have with others.
4. How to address overwhelming situations by adapting a systematic approach to address them.
5. Celebrate achievements and live in the moment.

### **Highlights: What I liked!**

I thoroughly enjoyed reading this book. It is written in a conversational style so you feel as if the author is talking with you and not at you.

After reading this book, I am confident that I can adapt what I learned from Mr. Prince into the workplace. This will improve my relationships with my coworkers and solidify my position as a true leader with my colleagues.

### **Who might benefit from the Book**

Anyone that wants to be appreciated and admired as a leader, this book provides attainable steps in which to do it.

With the new generation of workers, this will be an excellent read for those who may manage them. Ruling by authority is no longer motivating for the current workforce so true leaders must identify ways to connect with and lead their teams.

### **Conclusion**

I highly recommend this insightful book. It provides just the right amount of advice so you can apply it right away.

I will be posting the seven guideposts of the Camino Trail on my bedroom mirror and in my office to serve as my leadership reminders to abide by every day.

Buen Camino!

For more about this book, go to:

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