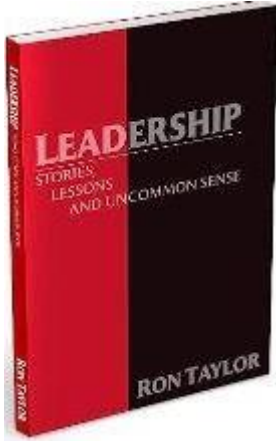


## PM WORLD BOOK REVIEW



Book Title: ***Leadership: Stories, Lessons and Uncommon Sense***<sup>1</sup>

Author: **Ron Taylor**

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### Introduction

This book provides insightful tips on how to be an effective leader. Written in 2011, *Leadership Stories, Lessons and Uncommon Sense* gives many useful tips on leadership and examples of how they look in action. These tips include: principles, nurture trust, bring the vision down to earth, be the example, lead one person at a time, and use humor to heal.

### Overview of Book's Structure

The 101-page book has 9 chapters. Other than the introduction and about the author, each chapter covers a specific principle of leadership. The end of each chapter provides a useful tipsheet summarizing the main points of the chapter allowing the reader to easily implement the various leadership techniques.

### Highlights

When one searches leadership books on Amazon the results provide 60,000+ book titles. Needless to say, Leadership is a much written about topic with many different points of view. “Leadership Stories, lessons and Uncommon Sense” provides a straight-forward, common sense and easily implemented approach to leadership. The author shares leadership techniques that have been proven to work and provides examples from many different fields, including politics, sports, comedy and music. The simple straight-forward language makes the book very engaging, and the length makes it a quick read.

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Overall, “Leadership, Stories, Lessons and Uncommon Sense” is a practical guide on how to be a leader, whether formally or informally.

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

The tip sheets are what I liked most about this book. Tipsheets provide a one-page condensed overview of each chapter and can easily be used as an everyday visual reminder of excellent leadership techniques. The stories the author shared are another item that helps the reader understand the topic in real-life situations.

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

Anyone that works with people can benefit from this book. One does not have to be a manager or supervisor to implement the techniques in this book. Even individual contributors have the need to work with other team members to accomplish goals and the techniques can be used to improve working relationships.

### **Conclusion**

This book is an excellent read for anyone who wants to improve their leadership and people skills. It is an easily understood book, which should be in everyone’s library that wants a quick reference book on leadership that includes real-life examples of how to use the techniques.

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For more about this book, go to: <https://www.amazon.com/Leadership-Stories-Lessons-Uncommon-Sense/dp/0983379300>

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