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The 20 digital entrepreneurs profiled span the globe; some performed their ground-breaking work in environments like Google, Facebook, Microsoft, Victors & Spoils, OgilvyOne, R/GA, AKQA, Sapient Nitro and Apple, while others performed digital miracles all on their own. Together these stories expose the secrets of success from pioneers that everyone can learn from. Packed full of unique insight, Pioneers of Digital provides advice and inspiration for readers interested in twenty-first century commercial online thinking. More at www.PioneersOfDigital.com

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Thomas Gensemer MyBO and Obama's 2008 Presidential Campaign

June Cohen Hotwired and TED.com

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Vanessa Fox Google and Nine By Blue

Gurbaksh Chahal ClickAgents and BlueLithium

Jaron Lanier Virtual reality and Microsoft Research

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Review

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"These very insightful stories are perfect for those fascinated by the history of digital." --Sir Martin Sorrell, CEO, WPP

"If you embrace new media and the spell it has cast over advertising and the world in general, this may be your lucky day...These concise profiles makes for quick reading, with useful 'sound bytes' at the end of each chapter...Readers will feel like kids in a digital candy shop." --Publishers Weekly

"The 20 tech stars [Springer and Carson] feature in the book emphasize simplicity — solving everyday problems with easy-to-grasp solutions." --Investor's Business Daily

"Pioneers of Digital makes for compelling reading about fascinating innovators. Their curiosity, passion, drive and enthusiasm for using technology in creative ways to help people connect and interact is both contagious and inspirational." -- USA Today

"Springer and Carson have done a commendable job of collecting diverse examples representing a wide array of fascinating applications while drawing general conclusions about digital innovation. 'Our aim with this book is to inspire,' write the authors. Most readers will find *Pioneers of Digital* does exactly that."

--ForeWord Reviews

"[A] treasure trove of concepts that guide the reader into the direction of becoming a future pioneer. The various stories have both a standard framework, and a unique sense of the individuals and their vision. The opportunity to learn from the successes of the pioneers, and how to learn from their experiences, transforms the book into a powerful teaching and learning tool for the aspiring digital innovator...I highly recommend the insightful and success oriented book...to anyone seeking an anthology of informative and idea filled profiles of successful pioneers in the digital world." --Blog Business World

"Great book. Easy read. Each chapter is stand alone so it is an easy book to put down and pick up again." ---Jim Estill

"The book provides an interesting series of anecdotes focusing on excellent work and success stories along with the lessons that can be learned to have an impact on the digital industry and the wider world."

-- Contagious Magazine

"Readers interested in social media or seeking interesting business people for professional inspiration will be more than satisfied. Ultimately read *Pioneers of Digital* to know what it takes to truly stand out in your field." **--SmallBizTrends**

"[O]ffers a series of stories behind key people who influenced the way advertising and marketing have evolved during the internet era, and make for a fine account that reveals the strategies and successes of some

twenty digital entrepreneurs around the world." --Midwest Book Review, California Bookwatch: The Business Shelf

"[C]oncise and engaging... Of particular value is the final chapter, which highlights the major lessons that can be gleaned from the pioneers. ...The authors go out of their way to make the lessons from the pioneers easily digestible and understandable. Profiling multiple pioneers elucidates the trials and tribulations of innovation while also providing an enjoyable reading experience. **Summing Up:** Recommended. All collections and readership levels." **–CHOICE**

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Nancy Smith:

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