

 Get Print Book

# Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything

By Steven D. Levitt, Stephen J. Dubner



Download



Read Online

**Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything** By Steven D. Levitt, Stephen J. Dubner

Which is more dangerous, a gun or a swimming pool? What do schoolteachers and sumo wrestlers have in common? Why do drug dealers still live with their moms? How much do parents really matter? How did the legalization of abortion affect the rate of violent crime?


These may not sound like typical questions for an economist to ask. But Steven D. Levitt is not a typical economist. He is a much-heralded scholar who studies the riddles of everyday life—from cheating and crime to sports and child-rearing—and whose conclusions turn conventional wisdom on its head.

*Freakonomics* is a groundbreaking collaboration between Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner, an award-winning author and journalist. They usually begin with a mountain of data and a simple question. Some of these questions concern life-and-death issues; others have an admittedly freakish quality. Thus the new field of study contained in this book: freakonomics.

Through forceful storytelling and wry insight, Levitt and Dubner show that economics is, at root, the study of incentives—how people get what they want, or need, especially when other people want or need the same thing. In *Freakonomics*, they explore the hidden side of . . . well, everything. The inner workings of a crack gang. The truth about real-estate agents. The myths of campaign finance. The telltale marks of a cheating schoolteacher. The secrets of the Klu Klux Klan.

What unites all these stories is a belief that the modern world, despite a great deal of complexity and downright deceit, is not impenetrable, is not unknowable, and—if the right questions are asked—is even more intriguing than we think. All it takes is a new way of looking.

*Freakonomics* establishes this unconventional premise: If morality represents how we would like the world to work, then economics represents how it actually does work. It is true that readers of this book will be armed with enough riddles and stories to last a thousand cocktail parties. But *Freakonomics* can provide more than that. It will literally redefine the way we view the modern world.

 [\*\*Download\*\* Freakonomics \[Revised and Expanded\]: A Rogue Econo  
...pdf](#)

 [\*\*Read Online\*\* Freakonomics \[Revised and Expanded\]: A Rogue Eco  
...pdf](#)

# **Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything**

*By Steven D. Levitt, Stephen J. Dubner*

## **Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything**

By Steven D. Levitt, Stephen J. Dubner

Which is more dangerous, a gun or a swimming pool? What do schoolteachers and sumo wrestlers have in common? Why do drug dealers still live with their moms? How much do parents really matter? How did the legalization of abortion affect the rate of violent crime?

These may not sound like typical questions for an economist to ask. But Steven D. Levitt is not a typical economist. He is a much-heralded scholar who studies the riddles of everyday life—from cheating and crime to sports and child-rearing—and whose conclusions turn conventional wisdom on its head.

*Freakonomics* is a groundbreaking collaboration between Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner, an award-winning author and journalist. They usually begin with a mountain of data and a simple question. Some of these questions concern life-and-death issues; others have an admittedly freakish quality. Thus the new field of study contained in this book: freakonomics.

Through forceful storytelling and wry insight, Levitt and Dubner show that economics is, at root, the study of incentives—how people get what they want, or need, especially when other people want or need the same thing. In *Freakonomics*, they explore the hidden side of . . . well, everything. The inner workings of a crack gang. The truth about real-estate agents. The myths of campaign finance. The telltale marks of a cheating schoolteacher. The secrets of the Klu Klux Klan.

What unites all these stories is a belief that the modern world, despite a great deal of complexity and downright deceit, is not impenetrable, is not unknowable, and—if the right questions are asked—is even more intriguing than we think. All it takes is a new way of looking.

*Freakonomics* establishes this unconventional premise: If morality represents how we would like the world to work, then economics represents how it actually does work. It is true that readers of this book will be armed with enough riddles and stories to last a thousand cocktail parties. But *Freakonomics* can provide more than that. It will literally redefine the way we view the modern world.

## **Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything**

**By Steven D. Levitt, Stephen J. Dubner Bibliography**

- Sales Rank: #20508 in Books
- Brand: William Morrow & Co, Inc.
- Published on: 2006-10-02
- Released on: 2006-10-17
- Format: Deckle Edge
- Original language: English

- Number of items: 1
- Dimensions: 9.00" h x 1.05" w x 6.13" l, 1.24 pounds
- Binding: Hardcover
- 320 pages

 [Download Freakonomics \[Revised and Expanded\]: A Rogue Econo ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Freakonomics \[Revised and Expanded\]: A Rogue Eco ...pdf](#)

## **Download and Read Free Online Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything By Steven D. Levitt, Stephen J. Dubner**

---

### **Editorial Review**

#### Review

“If Indiana Jones were an economist, he’d be Steven Levitt... Criticizing Freakonomics would be like criticizing a hot fudge sundae.” (Wall Street Journal)

“Provocative... eye-popping.” (New York Times Book Review: Inside the List)

“The guy is interesting!” (Washington Post Book World)

“The funkiest study of statistical mechanics ever by a world-renowned economist... Eye-opening and sometimes eye-popping” (Entertainment Weekly)

“Steven Levitt has the most interesting mind in America... Prepare to be dazzled.” (Malcolm Gladwell, author of Blink and The Tipping Point)

“Principles of economics are used to examine daily life in this fun read.” (People: Great Reads)

“Levitt dissects complex real-world phenomena, e.g. baby-naming patterns and Sumo wrestling, with an economist’s laser.” (San Diego Union-Tribune)

“Levitt is a number cruncher extraordinaire.” (Philadelphia Daily News)

“Levitt is one of the most notorious economists of our age.” (Financial Times)

“Hard to resist.” (Publishers Weekly (starred review))

“Freakonomics is politically incorrect in the best, most essential way.... This is bracing fun of the highest order.” (Kurt Andersen, host of public radio's Studio 360 and author of Turn of the Century)

“Freakonomics was the ‘It’ book of 2005.” (Fort Worth Star-Telegram)

“An eye-opening, and most interesting, approach to the world.” (Kirkus Reviews)

“An unconventional economist defies conventional wisdom.” (Associated Press)

“A showcase for Levitt’s intriguing explorations into a number of disparate topics.... There’s plenty of fun to be had.” (Salon.com)

“One of the decade’s most intelligent and provocative books.” (The Daily Standard)

“Freakonomics challenges conventional wisdom and makes for fun reading.” (Book Sense Picks and Notables)

“The trivia alone is worth the cover price.” (New York Times Book Review)

“An easy, funny read. Many unsolvable problems the Americans have could be solved with simple means.”  
(Business World)

“Economics is not widely considered to be one of the sexier sciences.... Steven D. Levitt will change some minds.” (Amazon.com)

#### About the Author

Steven D. Levitt, a professor of economics at the University of Chicago, was awarded the John Bates Clark Medal, given to the most influential American economist under forty. He is also a founder of The Greatest Good, which applies Freakonomics-style thinking to business and philanthropy.

Stephen J. Dubner is an award-winning author, journalist, and radio and TV personality. He quit his first career—as an almost rock star—to become a writer. He has since taught English at Columbia, worked for *The New York Times*, and published three non-Freakonomics books.

### Users Review

#### From reader reviews:

##### Young Legg:

The book *Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything* give you a sense of feeling enjoy for your spare time. You may use to make your capable considerably more increase. Book can to be your best friend when you getting anxiety or having big problem with your subject. If you can make examining a book *Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything* to be your habit, you can get more advantages, like add your current capable, increase your knowledge about a few or all subjects. It is possible to know everything if you like open up and read a publication *Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything*. Kinds of book are a lot of. It means that, science book or encyclopedia or some others. So , how do you think about this e-book?

##### Darron Hiller:

Exactly why? Because this *Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything* is an unordinary book that the inside of the book waiting for you to snap it but latter it will shock you with the secret that inside. Reading this book close to it was fantastic author who also write the book in such wonderful way makes the content inside of easier to understand, entertaining way but still convey the meaning completely. So , it is good for you for not hesitating having this any more or you going to regret it. This amazing book will give you a lot of rewards than the other book include such as help improving your proficiency and your critical thinking method. So , still want to delay having that book? If I had been you I will go to the reserve store hurriedly.

**Donald Vermillion:**

Do you have something that you prefer such as book? The guide lovers usually prefer to select book like comic, brief story and the biggest some may be novel. Now, why not hoping Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything that give your entertainment preference will be satisfied by simply reading this book. Reading behavior all over the world can be said as the way for people to know world better then how they react toward the world. It can't be stated constantly that reading addiction only for the geeky individual but for all of you who wants to become success person. So , for every you who want to start reading as your good habit, you can pick Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything become your personal starter.

**Sandra Brown:**

Do you like reading a publication? Confuse to looking for your best book? Or your book was rare? Why so many problem for the book? But any people feel that they enjoy regarding reading. Some people likes reading through, not only science book but also novel and Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything as well as others sources were given know-how for you. After you know how the truly great a book, you feel desire to read more and more. Science reserve was created for teacher or perhaps students especially. Those books are helping them to bring their knowledge. In some other case, beside science book, any other book likes Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything to make your spare time much more colorful. Many types of book like here.

**Download and Read Online Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]:  
A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything By  
Steven D. Levitt, Stephen J. Dubner #6LHZSFV4OPY**

## **Read Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything By Steven D. Levitt, Stephen J. Dubner for online ebook**

Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything By Steven D. Levitt, Stephen J. Dubner Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything By Steven D. Levitt, Stephen J. Dubner books to read online.

## **Online Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything By Steven D. Levitt, Stephen J. Dubner ebook PDF download**

**Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything By Steven D. Levitt, Stephen J. Dubner Doc**

**Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything By Steven D. Levitt, Stephen J. Dubner Mobipocket**

**Freakonomics [Revised and Expanded]: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything By Steven D. Levitt, Stephen J. Dubner EPub**