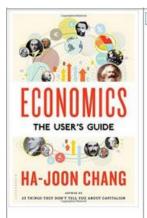
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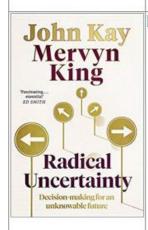
Economics is all about what is going on around us – the importance of reading current news articles is stressed and should become daily practice for you. The following are several books which you may want to dip into



## Economics: The User's Guide by Ha-Joon Chang May 2014

Page turning... A fascinating, hurtling explanation of everything... You could use it as a primer, a reference book, a brief history; it is all these things... It reflects the urgent generosity of a thinker whose depth of understanding is matched by a desire to see us all understand... Ha-Joon Chang's wealth is in his knowledge, perceptiveness, insight and vision. And he can't give it away fast enough. It flies off him like the seeds of a dandelion (Zoe Williams *The Guardian*)

Brilliant... Chang's lightness of touch makes often dry subject matter very readable... The first section is a page-turning history, the second a call to arms about how to apply economics in the real world using simple, everyday examples (Financial Times)

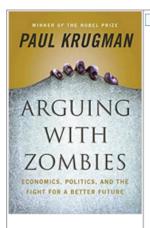


## Radical Uncertainty: Decision-making for an unknowable future by Mervyn King and John Kay March 2020

This fascinating and well-written book will resonate way beyond economics. It deserves to be widely read. -- Mike Brearley

John Kay and Mervyn King want more people to grasp the old distinction between risk and uncertainty forgotten by a later generation of economists. -- Niall Ferguson

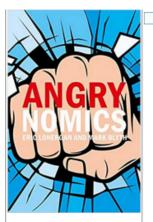
Many books will make a reader better informed or smarter. This is one of very few that will make a reader much wiser. You will live differently and better after you grasp Kay and King's seminal lessons. -- Lawrence H. Summers



# Arguing with Zombies: Economics, Politics, and the Fight for a Better Future by Paul Krugman January 2020

An accessible, compelling introduction to today's major policy issues from best-selling author and Nobel Prize-winning economist Paul Krugman.

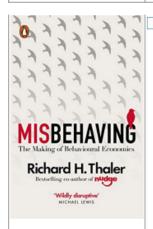
There is no better guide than Paul Krugman to basic economics, the ideas that animate much of our public policy. Likewise, there is no better foe of zombie economics, the misunderstandings that just won't die. Arguing with Zombies is Krugman "the most hated and most admired columnist in the US" (Martin Wolf, Financial Times) at his best, turning readers into intelligent consumers of the daily news with quick, vivid sketches of the key concepts behind taxes, health care, international trade and more. In this new book, in which he builds on and expands his The New York Times columns and other writings, "the most celebrated economist of his generation" (The Economist), offers short, accessible chapters on topics including the European Union and Brexit, the fight for national health care in the United States, the financial meltdown of 2007-2008, the attack on Social Security and the fraudulent argument-the ultimate zombie-that tax cuts for the rich will benefit all.



## Angrynomics by Eric Lonegan April 2020

With considerable sophistication and a good dose of humour, this book dissects the popular anger that has made our economics unsustainable and our politics dysfunctional. Lonergan and Blyth rightly call for a reset of our current model of capitalism. To their great credit, they also provide creative - and practical - ideas for moving forward.--Dani Rodrik, Harvard University

This compelling and challenging book needs to be read.--Matthew Goodwin "Sunday Times "



## Misbehaving: The Making of Behavioural Economics by Richard Thaler May 2015

Shortlisted for the *Financial Times* and McKinsey Business Book of the Year Award

From the renowned and entertaining behavioural economist and co-author of the seminal work *Nudge*, *Misbehaving* is an irreverent and enlightening look into human foibles. Traditional economics assumes that rational forces shape everything. Behavioural economics knows better. Richard Thaler has spent his career studying the notion that humans are central to the economy - and that we're error-prone individuals, not Spock-like automatons. Now behavioural economics is hugely influential, changing the way we think not just about money, but about ourselves, our world and all kinds of everyday decisions.

Whether buying an alarm clock, selling football tickets, or applying for a mortgage, we all succumb to biases and make decisions that deviate from the standards of rationality assumed by economists. In other words, we misbehave. Dismissed at first by economists as an amusing sideshow, the study of human miscalculations and their effects on markets now drives efforts to make better decisions in our lives, our businesses, and our governments.