



Six years after Facebook CEO Sheryl Sandberg advocated for women to take charge, assert themselves in the workplace and start “leaning in” to their ambitions, the backlash to her once- celebrated bestselling book “Lean In” is becoming a widespread counter-phenomenon in its own right. A simple Google search of recent articles finds everyone from *The Telegraph* to *Yahoo! Finance* and *Glamour* magazine chronicling the cultural shift. At her recent promotional stop in Brooklyn for her memoir “Becoming,” former First Lady Michelle Obama even said, “It’s not always enough to lean in because that s\*\*\* doesn’t work.” The time could not be better for a radical new mindset, and that starts here and now with “Lean Out: The Truth About Women, Power and the Workplace” by Google and Facebook veteran Marissa Orr.

Based in part on *The Nature of Compelling Women*, a popular lecture series Marissa first launched during her successful 13-year stint at Google, “Lean Out” is not simply a retort to Sandberg’s premise, which the author believes is based on a male worldview. Rather, it’s a revolutionary path forward that has the power to change the lives of women in the corporate world and beyond. Blending poignant and humorous insights from her time ‘playing the game’ in the corporate trenches with in depth research, Marissa - a New Jersey based single mom of three young children - calls for a complete overhaul to the business world’s limited, carefully constructed paradigm of what constitutes a successful leader in today’s day and age.

In her view, our systems of organizing employees, evaluating performance and motivating people, were built by men, from a male worldview, with the intention of making male employees more productive - all bui...

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