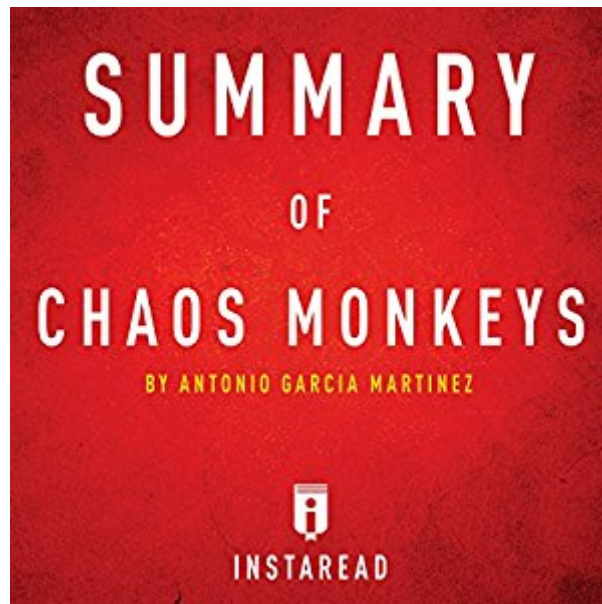


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Chaos Monkeys is a memoir of Antonio Garcia Martinez's time working as a coder at Goldman Sachs, as a startup employee and founder, and as a product manager at Facebook. Martinez began working at Goldman Sachs after college as a pricing quant, which is industry slang for a programmer who builds models for pricing credit derivatives. Quants had low status at the firm and Martinez became disillusioned with employees' reliance on the annual bonus and the gambling-heavy culture of the workplace. In late 2007, he applied for and was offered a job at Adchemy, a startup in California that was developing tools to buy advertising on Google's real-time bidding engine, the system Google uses to determine which bidder gets advertising space for every Google search. Please note: This is a summary and analysis of the book and not the original book. Inside this Instaread summary of Chaos Monkeys by Antonio Garcia Martinez: Summary of the book Important people Character analysis Analysis of the themes and author's style About the author

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Well, if you are in the market for a book that examines some of the craziness of working in the tech start-up field, look no further. This book follows one young entrepreneur as he starts up a tech business and does lots and lots of job hunting and name dropping through the biggest names in the tech industry. To me, it kind of reads like an expose of life in the trenches and at the top of these tech giants. It seemed like truly a chaotic time to be a computer engineer in the tech sector. That being said, I loved that the summary that was sent to me here for an honest review was honest about the

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Antonio Garcia Martinez worked as a coder at Goldman Sachs, and then moved to Silicon Valley where he worked at a tech startup, and then founded, along with two colleagues, his own startup. He then junked that and went to work as a product manager at Facebook. In his memoir, he takes pot shots at many of the companies that he worked at "including his own startup" and the people with whom he worked. What comes out of his memoir, *Chaos Monkeys*, referring to a programming tool that introduces unpredictable failures in programs for testing, and also refers to the impact that startups have on the economy, is a portrait of a workaholic who has little time or regard for making personal connections; including with his own family. Summary of *Chaos Monkeys* by Antonio Garcia Martinez by Instaread is an in depth analysis of the book, which shows its zigzag narrative and exposes the author's weaknesses. This short summary is a valuable tool to help a busy reader determine the worth of a book before investing in it. I received a complimentary copy of the book in exchange for my unbiased review.

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