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Dr. Shigeo Shingo	A Study of The Toyota Production System (Green book) A Revolution in Manufacturing - Single Minute Exchange of Die (SMED) Zero Quality Control - Poka-yoke (Gold book) The Sayings of Shigeo Shingo (Blue book) Non-Stock Production (Black book) The Shingo Production Management System (Orange book)
Taiichi Ohno	Toyota Production System Workplace Management
Seiichi Nakajima	Introduction to TPM: Total Productive Maintenance TPM Development Program: Implementing Total Productive Maintenance
Yoji Akao	Quality Function Deployment (QFD) Hoshin Kanri - Policy Deployment for Successful TQM
Shigeru Mizuno	Management for Quality Improvement - The 7 New QC Tools
Hiroyuki Hirano	5 Pillars of the Visual Workplace The JIT Implementation Manual
Shigehiro Nakamura	The New Standardization
Yasuhiro Monden	Toyota Management System