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Preface

A manager is a person who makes other people's work meaningful.

When groups of people come together to pursue a common goal, often to satisfy their collective needs, various activities must be structured so that resources can be gathered and used to achieve the goal. The person or people who are assigned the task of keeping the whole group working toward the goal, deciding on timing and strategy and maintaining the structure of activities and relationships, are those who engage in *management*. The activities of managing are critical to any complex cooperative endeavour. Management is both the art and science of arranging and utilizing the physical and human factors of production toward a socially desirable outcome without interfering in nature's ability to regenerate itself. This book provides you, the student, with an introduction to sustainable management processes. This fifth Canadian edition is designed around the four main sets of activities that managers engage in to achieve organizational goals: Planning, Organizing, Leading, and Controlling.

In **Part I: Management, Chapter 1: Managers and Managing,** we discuss who managers are, the types and levels of managers found in organizations, the managerial skills needed to perform their main responsibilities, and the roles they perform in planning, organizing, leading, and controlling. New to this edition, we introduce how organizational culture and norms and values affect managerial behaviour in this opening chapter, whereas previous editions have dealt with this topic later on in the chapter lineup.

Chapter 2: Managing the Organizational Environment sets the management process in the environmental context of operating enterprises in Canada and the global economy. The political, economic, socio-cultural, and technological contexts, as well as the immediate agents in the organization's external environment, such as suppliers, customers, distributors, and competitors, are analyzed for the threats and opportunities they present to managers trying to gain a sustainable competitive advantage. The awareness of differences in national cultures is important in being successful in the global economy, and creating shared value among shareholders and direct producers is the most important breakthrough in making progress to toward a sustainable economy where all stakeholders' interests are highly valued.

Part II: Planning, Chapter 3: Managing Decision Making addresses the fundamental challenge facing managers to make ethical and sustainable decisions. Approaches to socially responsible decision making are addressed here. **Chapter 4, Managing Planning and Strategy**, tackles the process of planning organizational goals, formulating strategies, and finding the best ways to implement and evaluate the success of those goals and strategies. Two common techniques for analyzing the environmental context that is vital to strategy formulation for a competitive advantage, SWOT and Porter's Five Forces model, are examined.

In **Part III: Organizing**, we begin with **Chapter 5: Managing Organizational Structure**, where the elements of organizational design and structure are discussed. Students learn that ways of allocating authority and distributing control over decision making result in different organizational structures. The type of overall organizational structure depends on internal and external environmental factors, such as strategy, technology, human resources, and the degree of environmental change. **Chapter 6: Managing Communication and Information Technology** begins with examining the communication process, the types and strengths of communication channels, and the importance of changing technological impact on effective communication, including the most important elements of a social media strategy. **Chapter 7: Managing Human Resources** is focused on how managers can successfully recruit, select, develop, appraise, and compensate valued and diverse employees in the context of the Canadian legal and regulatory environment.

In **Part IV: Leading**, we first look at **Chapter 8: Managing Motivation**. Here we discuss the means by which managers can motivate good work effort and performance from employees. Several need and process theories are discussed, and the importance of a total rewards strategy utilizing both intrinsic and extrinsic factors is highlighted. In **Chapter 9: Managing Leadership**, the importance of effective leadership in managing organizational performance is analyzed. Trait, behaviour, and contingency theories are explored, and transformational and transactional leadership styles are compared. A new section on visionary leadership rounds out this discussion. **Chapter 10: Managing Teams** discusses the types of groups and teams found in contemporary organizations. Students will learn the elements of group dynamics, group decision-making techniques, and what managers can do to create high-performing teams and manage conflict in their organizations.

In **Part V: Controlling**, we start with **Chapter 11: Managing Control and Operations**, where we discuss how managers monitor and measure the use of resources to make sure processes and products are up to standards throughout the entire value chain. Corporate governance practices are examined in light of recent economic crises. The types of controls that managers use impact the success of the organization in achieving high performance and gaining a competitive advantage. And, finally, we conclude our discussion of control by examining theories of organizational change in **Chapter 12: Managing Change**. They say that the only constant is change itself, so understanding how to deal with it is an important skill for managers of organizations.

Continued in this edition is a **Focus on the Social Economy** box, which profiles a social enterprise that has both the function of creating economic value common to traditional for-profit businesses *and* creating social impact common to non-profit and charitable organizations. In each chapter, you will learn how a social enterprise applies business management processes to help people and solve social problems that were once only the responsibility of governments. Social entrepreneurs find innovative ways to deal with some of the fundamental concerns that the "business-as-usual" mentality has created, including a growing gap between rich and poor and environmental degradation. The awareness that if we continue to operate solely on a "business-as-usual" basis, where profit maximization is the only measurement of success, we will fail all of the stakeholders in any enterprise: employees, customers, partners, suppliers, investors, communities, and nature. We have to embrace innovative and sustainable ways to foster an economy that enables us to clothe, feed, and care for ourselves and others, and enjoy life without interfering with nature's diversity or its ability to regenerate itself.

Also continued in the fifth edition is the running case, **Carrot Tops.** This case gives students the opportunity to apply all the theories and models examined in the text to the management challenges facing the owner/manager of a small business operating in a dynamic organizational environment, where all levels of managers face opportunities and threats.

New in this edition are the Appendices found after each major section. After Part I: Management, you will find Appendix A: History of Management Thought. After Part II: Planning, you will find Appendix B: Developing a Business Plan. Appendix C: Career Development is located after Part III: Organizing. The online Appendix D: Operations Management and Competitive Advantage, available on Connect, rounds out your introduction to the fundamentals of managing an organization successfully.

All of the material covered in *Essentials of Contemporary Management*, Fifth Canadian Edition, has a direct application to you as a student of organizational management as well as to any business or social enterprise you may own, manage, or work for in the future.

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Guided Tour

Learning Tools Learning Outcomes have been highlighted at the beginning of each chapter, identified throughout the text, and discussed in the **Summary and Review**.

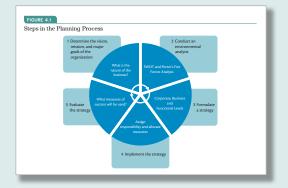
chapter, identified throughout the text, and discussed in the **Summary and Review.**



Definitions of Key Terms are highlighted in each chapter, and a list of these terms is provided at the end of each chapter and in the glossary at the end of the text.



Figures and Tables are interspersed throughout the text to illustrate concepts and provide a visual framework for students.



Rich and Relevant Examples An important feature of our book

is the way we use real-world examples and stories about managers and companies to drive home the applied lessons to students. Moreover, unlike boxed material in other books, we integrate more applied and fewer types of boxes seamlessly into the text; they are an integral part of the learning experience, and not tacked on or isolated from the text itself. This is central to our pedagogical approach.

Opening Case

sells just about everything, including furniture.

Amazon: Taking Over the Online World The rapid pace at which the world is changing is forcing the managers of all kinds of companies to develop new strategies to protect their competitive advantage. If they don't, they will be overtaken by agile com-petitors that respond faster to changing customer needs. Nowhere is this truer than in the cut-throat mobile computing business. Billionaire founder Jeff Bezos incorporated Amazon.com, Inc. in 1994 and opened its Internet store in Billionaire founder Jeff Bezei incorporated Amazon.com, Inc. In 1994 and opered Is Internet store In July 1995 with the autin to provide "articl" blogest stelcicit". It is strategy was to offer an unlimited selection of books and, where possible, to have them shiped directly from distributors to customers. The company grew to mammoth proportions, taking much of the book retailing business with It Circuit City, Bordes, and delivery service. Amazon launched an online IV and morie store in 2006, the Kindle e-book retailed is provide a store of the book retailing business with it could be not active 1007, and the MP4 digital music store in 2006. It act, manoa nimed its signified no Netfits with an instant video streaming service that's free for members. It also now offers customers an online auction service and diverse transmitter in the store in 2006. It act, manoa nimed its signified and hold exercited in the free for members. It also now offers customers an online auction service and the store that the store to store the 2006. The could be the store in 2006.



Each chapter begins with an **Opening Case**. These cases pose a real-world, chapter-related challenge and then discuss how companies or managers responded to that challenge, bringing to light the many issues surrounding the management process. At the end of the chapter, the Wrap-Up to the Opening **Case** wraps up the opening case in light of the new information gleaned from the chapter. Students are provided with the answers to the questions raised in the opening case.

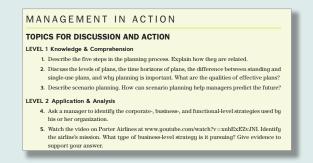
Tips for Managers distill the lessons that students can take from the chapter and apply to develop their management skills.

Tips for Managers Planning 1. Vision matters because it serves as a source of inspiration and motivation for the stakeholders of the organization. Craft the vision statement so that it reflects what the organization is striving to achieve. For example, the vision of a food bank may be "to end hunger." 2. Operationalize the vision by breaking it down into a mission-a statement of purpose of the organization. For example, the mission of the food bank may be "feeding hungry people in our community." 3. Further break down the mission into a series of cascading relating goals and objectives. For example, tennes break best break best hannannen hen somer is for det those who meet the food hand's services for six months." A related objective may be "keeping a one-week supply of food, having enough staff and volunteers to meet unexpected increases in demand, and increasing funding levels by 10 percent above the previous year's budget." 4. If each objective is met, then the broad goal of "having enough resources" is likely to be achieved and the organization is fulfilling its mission

Experiential Learning Features we have given considerable time and attention to developing state-of-the-art experiential end-of-chapter learning exercises that drive home the meaning of management to students. These exercises are grouped together at the end of each chapter in the section called Management in Action.



Topics for Discussion and Action are a set of chapter-related questions based on Bloom's three levels of developmental consideration: level 1 tests students' knowledge and comprehension; level 2 tests students' ability to apply concepts; and level 3 tests students' synthesis and evaluation skills.



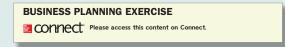
Self-Reflection Exercises are unique exercises that ask students to internalize concepts from the chapter and apply them to their personal lives and situations at this moment, helping them to grasp the relevance of key chapter ideas and concepts.



Small Group Breakout Exercises are uniquely designed to allow instructors in large classes to utilize interactive experiential exercises in groups of three to four students. The instructor calls on students to form into small groups simply by turning to people around them. All students participate in the exercise in class, and a mechanism is provided for the different groups to share what they have learned with one another.



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Managing Ethically Exercises present students with an ethical scenario or dilemma and ask them, either individually or in a group, to think about an issue from an ethical perspective in order to understand the issues facing practising managers.

MANAGING ETHICALLY EXERCISE

A major department store has received repeated criticism for selling clothes that are produced at low cost in developing countries. The CEO of the department store knows that suppliers are paying 5 percent better than the going rate of wages in these countries and feels that this is fair enough. Working conditions at suppliers' factories are no worse than at other factories in those countries. The CEO has come to you to check her assumptions that as long as the suppliers are buying from manufacturing plants that have better-than-average working conditions for the country where the **Management Challenge Exercises** present a realistic scenario in which a manager or organization faces some kind of challenge or opportunity and the student plays the role of a management consultant offering advice and recommending a course of action based on the chapter content.

MANAGEMENT CHALLENGE EXERCISE Beyond the Green Door

The Green Door is a vegetarian restaurant in Ottawa with an "eye and palette . . . focused on nourishment drawn from the local, organic, seasonal, natural, wholesome, comforting and colourful." ⁵¹ The restaurant is situated directly across from Saint Paul University⁵² (part of the

Management Portfolio Projects present an opportunity for students to follow and analyze an organization of their choice over the course of the semester. Each chapter includes an exercise that asks students to evaluate how the issues discussed in the chapter are dealt with by the organization they are following.

MANAGEMENT PORTFOLIO PROJECT

Answer the following questions about the organization you have chosen to follow:

- 1. Identify the vision, mission, and major goals of the organization.
- 2. What is the corporate-level strategy of the company?
- $\textbf{3.} \ \ \textbf{What is the business-level strategy of the company?}$
- 4. Have the strategies supported the vision and mission? How so?

A **Video Management Case** and questions are included with every chapter to help students make the connections from chapter concepts to real-world applications. Videos are available on DVD and online through Connect.

VIDEO MANAGEMENT CASE CONNECT Panera Bread Company Panera Bread Co. combines some of the best aspects of fast-food and sit-down venues. 1. How do Panera Bread's corporate vision and strategy lead to a competitive advantage in the restaurant industry?

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MANAGEMENT CASE

Turnaround at Sony?

Sony, the Japanese electronics maker, used to be renowned for using its innovation and engineering provess to turn out blockbuster new products such as the Walkman and Trinitron TV. In the 1990s product engineers at Sony turned out an average of four new product ideas every day. Why? A large part of the answer was Sonyls culture, called the "Sony Way," which emphasized communication, cooperation, and harmony between groups of engineers across the company to foster innovation and change. Engineers were given considerable freedom to pursue their own ideas, and the managers of different product groups championed their own innovations, but problems arose with Sony's approach. Companies in Korea, Taiwan, and China began to innovate new technologies like digital LCD screens and flash memory that made Sony's technologies obsolete. Companies such as Apple and

A **Continuing Case** at the end of each part provides students with an opportunity to integrate and synthesize all the concepts and material learned in the previous sections to the management and organizational challenges of one particular small business. This running case feature helps keep continuity across the entire text and allows students to focus on problems faced by small businesses.

END OF PART II: CONTINUING CASE

Carrot Tops: Building a Competitive Advantage

As the population grew, so too did the competition. Pretty soon it was apparent that Mac's Milk and Shoppers Drug Mart were able to offer customers a wider selection of lower-priced products than Mel's store. Mel had to find a new way to manage his small business if it was going to survive. He began brainstorming new strategies. He researched trends in the food industry. There might be a niche for supplying specialty products, he thought, such as organic and gournet foods, which were more profitable to sell. He would no longer be competing against giants like Shoppers. He changed the name of his store to Carrot Tops and stocked it with a wide variety of gournet Canadian food products. He began to offer fine foods, local cheeses, fresh bread, organic fruits and vegetables. **Developing a Business Plan Appendix** walks students through the steps of preparing a business plan and highlights organizational management issues. The appendix can be used with or without business planning software. Developing a Business Plan exercises are found at the end of each chapter and online through Connect.



Appendix A: History of Management Thought Appendix B: Developing a Business Plan Appendix C: Career Development Appendix D: Operations Management and Competitive Advantage (on Connect only)

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PART I

Management



CHAPTER 1

Managers and Managing

LEARNING OUTCOMES

L ⁰ 1	Describe what management is, what managers do, and how managers use resources to achieve organizational goals.
L ⁰ 2	Distinguish among planning, organizing, leading, and controlling, and explain how managers' abilities to handle each one affect organizational performance.
L ₀ 3	Differentiate among the types and levels of management, and understand the responsibilities of managers at different levels in the organizational hierarchy.
Lº4	Understand how the shared values and norms of the organizational culture affect managerial behaviour.
L05	Distinguish among the kinds of managerial skills and roles that managers perform.

Opening Case

Management at Brick Brewing Co. Limited

Brick Brewing Co. Limited is Ontario's largest Canadian-owned and Canadian-based publicly held brewery. The company is a regional brewer of award-winning premium quality and value beers. The company, founded by Jim Brickman in 1984, was the first craft brewery to start up in Ontario, and is credited with pioneering the present-day craft brewing renaissance in Canada. Brick has complemented its J. R. Brickman Founder's Series and Waterloo Dark premium craft beers with other popular brands such as Laker, Red Cap, and Formosa Springs Draft.¹ In 2011, the company bought the Canadian rights to the Seagram Coolers brand from Corby Distilleries Limited. In 2014, the company entered into a licensing agreement to sell Seagram Coolers in Quebec under Blue Spike Beverages brand.²

The Chief Financial Officer, Sean Byrne,³ is responsible for the timeliness and accuracy of all financial information that is provided to the Board and shareholders. Byrne acts as corporate secretary for audit committee and Board meetings of the company, and is a key contributor to the company's overall strategy.⁴ He was brought on board by Brick Brewing President and CEO George Croft.

Mr. Byrne graduated from Western University with a Bachelor of Arts, Economics degree and obtained his chartered accountant designation (CMA) while working with Dow Chemical. He also holds an MBA from



Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh Business School. Before joining Brick Brewing in 2013, he held senior finance roles in manufacturing companies operating in Europe and Canada.

Since 1984, Brick Brewing Co. Limited has supported thousands of cultural, charitable, and community organizations and events. From backing amateur athletes and teams to participating in festival-style events across Ontario, Brick Brewing takes a partnership approach with each sponsorship relationship.

This commitment to the community and providing innovative products makes Brick Brewing Co. Limited a high-performing organization-one that provides goods and services that customers desire.

After reading and understanding the concepts in this chapter, you should be able to answer the following questions:

- 1. What kinds of activities or tasks are involved in planning, organizing, leading, and controlling at Brick Brewing?
- 2. Characterize the type and level of management described in the case.
- 3. What skills does Sean Byrne bring to the Brick Brewing Co. as a top manager?
- 4. Which of Mintzberg's managerial roles are illustrated in this case by each manager?

OVERVIEW

The actions of the top managers at Brick Brewing Co. Limited illustrate the many challenges managers face. Managing a company is a complex undertaking, and managers must possess the skills and knowledge needed to be effective. Making the right decision is difficult; even effective managers make mistakes. The most effective managers are the ones, like George Croft and Sean Byrne, who continually strive to find ways to improve their companies' performance.

In this chapter we look at what management is, what activities or functions are involved in the management process, the types and levels of managers we find in organizations, how organizational culture affects the style of managing, and the skills and roles that effective managers need to perform well. By the end of this chapter, you will have an appreciation of the role of managers in creating a highperforming organization.

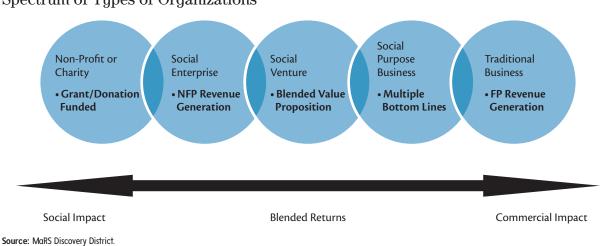
101 Describe what management is, what managers do, and how managers use resources to achieve organizational goals.

WHAT IS MANAGEMENT?

When you think of a manager, what kind of person comes to mind? Do you see someone who can determine the future prosperity of a large for-profit company? Or do you see the administrator of a not-forprofit organization such as a school, library, health care organization, or charity? Or do you think of the person in charge of your local McDonald's restaurant or Giant Tiger store? What do all these people have in common?

Management takes place in **organizations**, which are collections of people who work together and coordinate their actions to achieve a wide variety of goals and desired future outcomes.⁵ Organizations provide jobs and employment. Outside of the public sector, most people in Canada are employed in small and medium sized organizations in the private sector or in the community or social sector. We categorize organizations based on their core purposes (see Figure 1.1). Organizations range from having a strictly social mission, such as a charitable nonprofit organization, funded by grants and donations, to a strictly commercial for-profit mission, with little regard for achieving socially useful outcomes. Social enterprises, social ventures, and social purpose businesses combine social and commercial missions to varying degrees and are collectively referred to as organizations in the **social economy**.⁶ The concept of the social economy applies to all the organizations that have social objectives central to their mission and their practice, and either have explicit economic objectives or generate some economic value through the services they provide and purchases that they undertake.⁷ The social economy is often referred to as the third pillar of the economy; the other two being for-profit (FP) private enterprise and public sector (government) enterprise. Increasingly, a growing number of enterprising charities, nonprofit or not-for-profit

FIGURE 1.1



Spectrum of Types of Organizations

organizations (NPO or NFP), co-operatives, and community organizations are creating businesses with economic as well as social and environmental returns. Public–private partnerships that mobilize private capital rather than relying on tax revenue will become more and more common in the effort to change the way society deals with social problems. The goal of social enterprise is to use market-mechanisms to produce or sell goods and services that provide a social or environmental benefit. Social enterprises often employ the clients they serve and thereby provide valuable experience to marginalized groups who can use the skills in the wider economy. Together, the diverse organizations in the social economy create the infrastructure that helps Canadian communities to grow and prosper. These organizations welcome newcomers, coach kids' sports, deliver meals on wheels, run food banks, day cares, and crisis hotlines, and provide countless other public-benefit services that allow people to be well and participate in civic life. They create social and economic value, known as **blended value**.

organizations Collections of people who work together and coordinate their actions to achieve goals and desired future outcomes.

social economy A bridging concept for organizations that have social objectives central to their mission and their practice, and either have explicit economic objectives or generate some economic value through the services they provide and purchases that they undertake.

blended value Organizations in the social economy that create both social impact and economic value.

Chances are pretty good that you or someone you know works in the social sector of the economy. Canada's nonprofit and voluntary sector is the second largest in the world; the Netherlands is the largest, while the United States is the fifth. There are an estimated 162 000 nonprofits and charities in Canada. The sector represents almost 8 percent of the GDP, a contribution larger than the automotive or manufacturing industries. Two million people are employed by organizations in the social sector.⁸ Often organizations in this sector, together with public and private-sector organizations, collaborate to seek solutions to social problems. Working together, instead of in isolation, is the way to achieve **collective impact**. This is why we have included a profile of an organization in the social economy in every chapter of this text.

collective impact Public, private and nonprofit organizations working together to solve social problems.

Management is the planning, organizing, leading, and controlling of resources to achieve goals effectively and efficiently. **Resources** are assets such as people, machinery, raw materials, information, skills, and financial capital. A **manager** is a person responsible for supervising the use of a group's or organization's resources to achieve its goals.

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Achieving High Performance: A Manager's Goal

One of the most important goals of organizations and their members is to provide goods or services that customers value. As we saw in the opening case, by purchasing the rights to the Seagram Coolers brand, Brick Brewing Co. is "now able to satisfy a broader range of customers with a wider range of selection in taste and profile for those discerning drinkers."⁹ The principal goal of doctors, nurses, and hospital administrators is to increase their hospital's ability to make sick people well; the principal goal of each McDonald's restaurant manager is to produce fast food that people want to eat and pay for so that they become loyal return customers. Phoenix Print Shop is a social enterprise in downtown Toronto with the

principal goal to provide a training site for at-risk youth to gain employment skills and generate revenue that supports transitional housing for homeless youth. All of these examples illustrate how key serving the needs of customers is to the goals of managers.

Organizational performance is a measure of how efficiently and effectively managers use resources to satisfy customers and achieve organizational goals. Organizational performance increases in direct proportion to increases in effectiveness and efficiency (see Figure 1.2). What are efficiency and effectiveness?

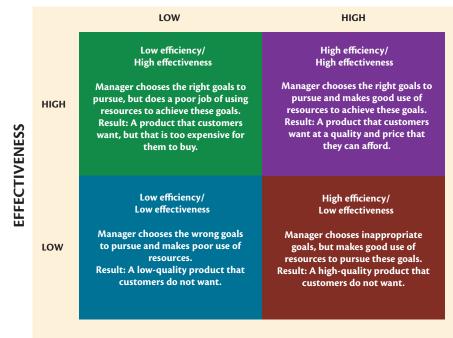
organizational performance A measure of how efficiently and effectively a manager uses resources to satisfy customers and achieve organizational goals.

Effectiveness is a measure of the appropriateness of the goals that managers have selected for the organization to pursue and of the degree to which the organization achieves those goals. Management expert Peter Drucker compared the two this way: efficiency is doing things right; effectiveness is doing the right thing.¹⁰ Organizations are effective when managers choose appropriate goals and then achieve them. Some years ago, for example, managers at McDonald's decided on the goal of providing breakfast service to attract more customers. This goal was a smart choice because sales of breakfast food now account for more than 30 percent of McDonald's revenues and are still increasing—an important reason for its record profits in 2011. Competitors such as Tim Hortons and Wendy's have quickly caught up, sending MacDonald's profits lower in 2015.¹¹

effectiveness A measure of the appropriateness of the goals an organization is pursuing and of the degree to which the organization achieves those goals.

FIGURE 1.2

Effectiveness, Efficiency, and Performance in an Organization



EFFICIENCY

High-performing organizations are efficient and effective.

Efficiency is a measure of how well or how productively resources are used to achieve a goal.¹² Organizations are efficient when managers minimize the amount of input resources (such as labour, raw materials, and component parts) or the amount of time needed to produce a given output of goods or services. For example, McDonald's developed a more efficient fat fryer that not only reduces (by 30 percent) the amount of oil used in cooking but also speeds up the cooking of french fries. A manager's responsibility is to ensure that an organization and its members perform, as efficiently as possible, all the activities needed to provide goods and services to customers. High-performing organizations such as Brick Brewing Co., McDonald's, Walmart, Intel, IKEA, and Habitat for Humanity are simultaneously efficient and effective.

efficiency A measure of how well or productively resources are used to achieve a goal.

Why Study Management?

Today, more students are competing for places in business courses than ever before; the number of people wishing to pursue Master of Business Administration (MBA) degrees—today's passport to an advanced management position—either on campus or from online universities and colleges is at an all-time high. Why is the study of management currently so popular?¹³

First, in any society or culture resources are valuable and scarce, so the more efficient and effective use that organizations can make of those resources, the greater the relative well-being and prosperity of people in that society. Because managers are the people who decide how to use many of a society's most valuable resources—its skilled employees, raw materials like oil and land, computers and information systems, and financial assets—they directly impact the well-being of a society and the people in it. Understanding what managers do and how they do it is of central importance to understanding how a society creates wealth and takes care of its citizens.

Second, although most people are not managers, and many may never intend to become managers, almost all of us encounter managers because most people have jobs and bosses. Moreover, many people today are working in groups and teams and have to deal with coworkers. Studying management helps people to deal with their bosses and their coworkers. It reveals how to understand other people at work and make decisions and take actions that win the attention and support of the boss and coworkers. Management teaches people not yet in positions of authority how to lead coworkers, solve conflicts between them, achieve team goals, and so increase performance.

Third, in any society, people are in competition for a very important resource—a job that pays well and provides an interesting and satisfying career—and understanding management is one important path toward obtaining this objective. In general, jobs become more interesting the more complex or responsible they are. Any person who desires a motivating job that changes over time might therefore do well to develop management skills and become promotable. A person who has been working for several years and then returns to school for an MBA can usually, after earning the degree, find a more interesting, satisfying job and one that pays significantly more than the previous job. Moreover, salaries increase rapidly as people move up the organizational hierarchy, whether it is a school system, a large for-profit business organization, or a not-for-profit charitable or social enterprise.

Indeed, the salaries paid to top managers are enormous.¹⁴ For example, the CEOs and other top executives or managers of companies such as Barrick Gold Corp., Onex Corp., Toronto Dominion Bank, Rogers Communications Inc., and Shoppers Drug Mart receive millions in actual salary each year. However, even more staggering is the fact that many top executives also receive stock or shares in the company they manage, as well as stock options that give them the right to sell these shares at a certain time in the future.¹⁵ If the value of the stock goes up, then the managers keep the difference

between the price they obtained the stock option for (say, \$10) and what it is worth later (say, \$33). By the time Frank Stronach resigned as CEO of auto parts giant Magna Inc. in 2010, and resigned from the Chair of the Board in 2012, he had received over \$1 billion in salary and stock options.¹⁶ When Steve Jobs became CEO of Apple again in 1997 he accepted a salary of only \$1 a year. However, he was also awarded stock options that, with the fast rise in Apple's stock price in the 2000s, were worth several billion dollars by the time he resigned and passed away in 2011. These incredible amounts of money provide some indication of both the responsibilities and the rewards that accompany the achievement of high management positions in major companies—and flow to anybody who successfully creates and manages a small business. Pay, however, is only one type of reward for high achievement, as we will see in Chapter 8. Managers also get great satisfaction from solving social problems and making a lasting contribution to the collective well-being of society. So, what is it that managers actually do to receive such rewards?¹⁷

LO2 Distinguish among planning, organizing, leading, and controlling, and explain how managers' abilities to handle each one affect organizational performance.

MANAGERIAL TASKS AND ACTIVITIES

The job of management is to help an organization make the best use of its resources to achieve its goals. How do managers accomplish this objective? They do so by performing four essential managerial functions: planning, organizing, leading, and controlling (see Figure 1.3). Henri Fayol first outlined the nature of these managerial tasks in *General and Industrial Management*, published in 1916: a book that remains the classic statement of what managers must do to create a high-performing organization.¹⁸

Managers at all levels and in all departments—whether in small or large organizations, for-profit or not-for-profit organizations, or organizations that operate in one country or throughout the world—are

FIGURE 1.3

Four Tasks of Management



responsible for performing these four functions, and we will look at each in turn. How well managers perform them determines how efficient and effective their organization is. Individuals who are not managers can also be involved in planning, organizing, leading, and controlling, so understanding these processes is important for everyone.

Planning

Planning is a process used to identify and select appropriate goals and courses of action. There are five steps in the planning process:

- **1**. Deciding which goals the organization will pursue
- 2. Analyzing the organizational environment for threats and opportunities
- 3. Deciding what courses of action or strategy to adopt
- 4. Deciding how to allocate organizational resources to implement the plan
- 5. Evaluating whether the strategy achieved the goals

planning Identifying and selecting appropriate goals and courses of action; one of the four principal functions of management.

How well managers plan determines how effective and efficient their organization is—its **performance** level.¹⁹

performance level How efficient and effective an organization is in achieving its goals.

The outcome of planning is a **strategy**, a cluster of decisions concerning what organizational goals to pursue, what actions to take, and how to use resources to achieve goals. For instance, Brick Brewing Co. follows a low-cost strategy with its popular Laker brand selling at the lowest legal price, but it also offers premium craft beers such as Red Baron Premium Blonde Lager, which won a gold medal at the Ontario Brewing Awards in 2011. The company offers award-winning quality and value beers. "It's easy to lose track of a simple foundation for customer satisfaction: Sell a quality product at a reasonable price," said George Croft, President and CEO of Brick Brewing Co. Limited. "I think there have been recent times when our beer industry lost sight of those two beacons." Planning is a difficult activity because, normally, it is not immediately clear which goals an organization should pursue or how best to pursue them. Choosing the right strategy is risky because managers commit organizational resources for activities that could either succeed or fail. Top managers at Brick Brewing created a successful management approach to the craft beer and specialty drink market, illustrating how important planning and strategy are to an organization's success. In Chapter 5, we focus on the planning process and on the strategies organizations can select to respond to opportunities or threats in an industry.

strategy A cluster of decisions about what goals to pursue, what actions to take, and how to use resources to achieve goals.

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