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What Went Wrong?, Fifth Edition: Case Histories Of Process Plant Disasters And How They Could Have Been Avoided (Butterworth-Heinemann/ICHEME)



Synopsis

"What Went Wrong?" has revolutionized the way industry views safety. The new edition continues and extends the wisdom, innovations and strategies of previous editions, by introducing new material on recent incidents, and adding an extensive new section that shows how many accidents occur through simple miscommunications within the organization, and how straightforward changes in design can often remove or reduce opportunities for human errors. Kletz' approach to learning as deeply as possible from previous experiences is made yet more valuable in this new edition, which for the first time brings together the approaches and cases of "What Went Wrong" with the managerially focussed material previously published in "Still Going Wrong". Updated and supplemented with new cases and analysis, this fifth edition is the ultimate resource of experienced based analysis and guidance for the safety and loss prevention professionals. * A million dollar bestseller, this trusted book is updated with new material, including the Texas City and Buncefield incidents, and supplemented by material from Trevor Kletz's 'Still Going Wrong'* Now presents a complete analysis of the design, operational and for the first time, managerial causes of process plant accidents and disasters, plus their aftermaths* Case histories illustrate what went wrong, why it went wrong, and then guide readers in how to avoid similar tragedies: learn from the mistakes of others

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Customer Reviews

Great book for both new and old process industry folks alike. I bought this book the week I got my first job offer from an oil company, and it's been on my shelf (in various editions) ever since. Great summary of things to watch out for, common mistakes that have nailed us in the past. This is the book you buy & give to the new hires as Required Reading before you let them touch anything.

A must read for everyone who is involved in or has any relation to process plant design, operations, maintenance or management. Provides a deep understanding of the industry and its risks. The fifth edition has the second book Still Going Wrong from 2003 as part B. Simply great.

I had read the other two recent books by Kletz, 'Still going wrong' and 'Learning from accidents'. The style is easy to read and the stories are really fascinating if you are into safety and industrial chem. The only negative really is that the three books contain similar content to each other in that they overlap with the same stories for say 50% of the items. Regardless, this particular volume WWW 5th Ed is an extremely good reference tool for safety and process professionals.

Strongly recommended for chemical engineers. I can't flip to a page of this book without finding something new and, more often than not, relevant to what I'm working on.

The Instrumentation and Controls sections are slightly out dated. Everything else is outstanding. Many great examples and corrective actions are covered.

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