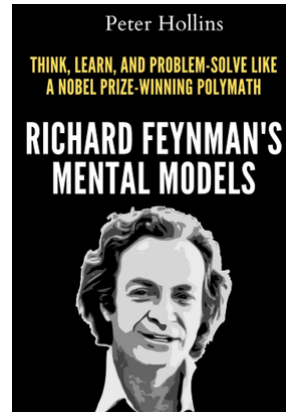


Borrowed Brilliance: how to learn like Richard Feynman

"I would rather have questions that can't be answered than answers that can't be questioned." - Richard Feynman

Nobel Prize-winning physicist Richard Feynman was famous for his science, but his curious, playful way of learning is just as inspiring.



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Ideas for action



Make learning Last Try the Feynman Technique

When you're learning something new, explain it as if you're teaching a child.

It helps you spot gaps in your knowledge, organise your thoughts, and by articulating your learning, it becomes clearer and lasts longer.

Learn from not knowing Start a Don't Know Notebook

Notice what you don't know instead of ignoring it. Keep a list, return to it, and turn it into a to-learn list.

It stops the unknowns from swirling in your head, reduces overwhelm, and creates clarity.

Learn through problems Do some Problem Testing

Keep two lists: your problems and smart solutions you spot anywhere.

Look for unusual connections to treat problems as a playground for curiosity.

AI prompt to try

"I am a, [insert your job title] in a [insert the context with which you work in]. I want to tweak my week to bring in some Richmond Feynman style learning. Write down five questions I could start my day with."