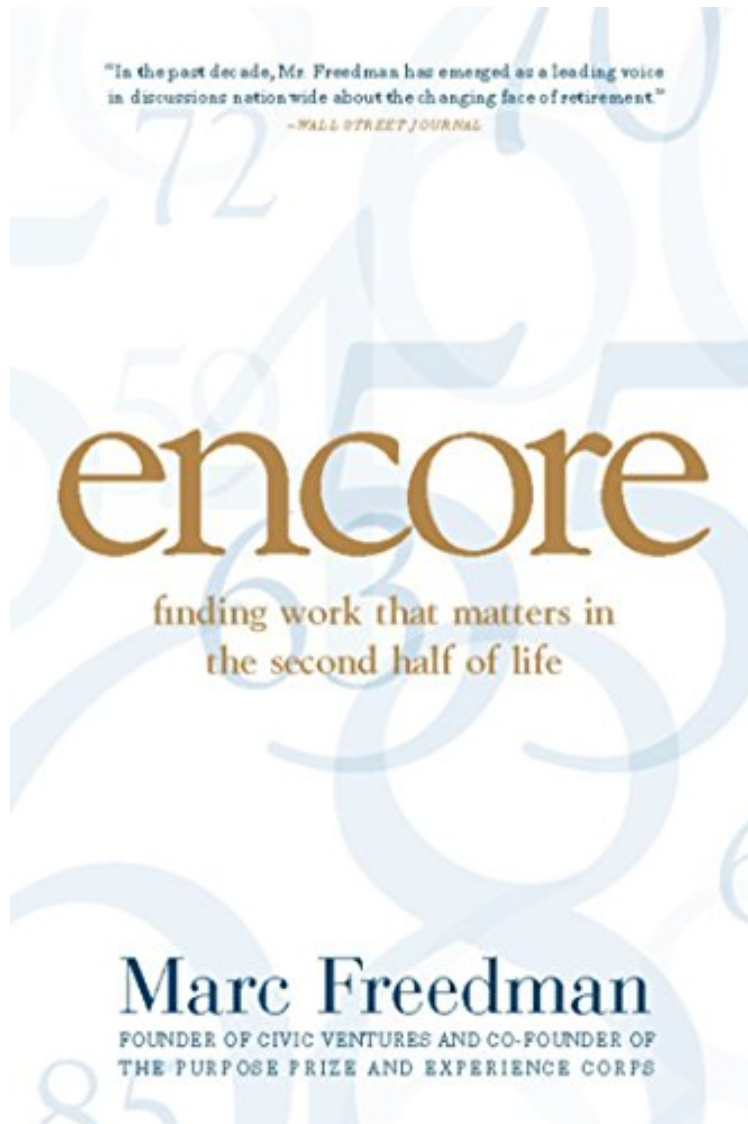


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I bought this book by accident, there is a newer book with a similar title that according to marketing I had seen on Linked In, was helpful to those over 50 looking for a job. This book, while interesting, isn't specifically for those unemployed and over 50. Being unemployed, and having also had to purchase a college textbook I haven't had the funds to purchase the book I

really wanted. So it was disappointing to me that this was written to a more general audience, and has a tone of being more about what careers people are leaving and what careers they are taking up in their place, instead of being helpful for those whose circumstances force the starting of a new career later in life. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Encore: Finding Work that Matters in the Second Half of Life book review By Mark B This book delivers on what one would expect to get from it. While I believe it could have been shorter in length because it is often repetitive, I enjoyed the way it painted a picture describing the different phases of one's work life. I bought it because I recently retired, and I wanted to see what options are available to me, both paid and voluntary, in seeking ways to "give back" to society. I have not actively pursued any of the options presented in the book as of yet, but the resources section at the end of the book offers a tremendous amount of opportunities. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Never give up on your dreams! By Annie Oakley Awesome read. So relevant to today when so many people are ready to reinvent themselves and pursue a second career that allows them to follow their real passion in life. Many people who were forced into "early retirement" as a result of the financial "crisis" when so many companies reduced staff, have now discovered that they are not ready for retirement and want to pursue something meaningful for the next chapter of their lives!

In one of the most significant social trends of the new century, and the biggest transformation of the American workforce since the women's movement, members of the baby boom generation are inventing a new phase of work. Encore tells the stories of encore career pioneers who are not content, or affluent enough, to spend their next thirty years on a golf course. These men and women are moving beyond midlife careers yet refusing to phase out or fade away. As they search for a calling in the second half of life and focus on what matters most, these individuals stand to transform the nature of work in America. They also hold the potential to create a society that balances the joys and responsibilities of contribution across the generations; in other words, one that works better for all of us.

"[Freedman] says work will be essential for boomers. They have both a financial necessity and a psychic identity with work, he says...If the old notion was freedom from work, the new one should be freedom to work, says 'Encore' author Freedman...Who says you can't carve a new life after 65?" -- Orange County Register, July 16, 2007 About the Author Marc Freedman is founder and CEO of Civic Ventures. A former visiting fellow of King's College, University of London, a frequent commentator in the national media, and the author of both Prime Time and The Kindness of Strangers, Freedman spearheaded the creation of The Experience Corps and The Purpose Prize. He lives in San Francisco.