# Slow Publishing: the future is always derived from the past



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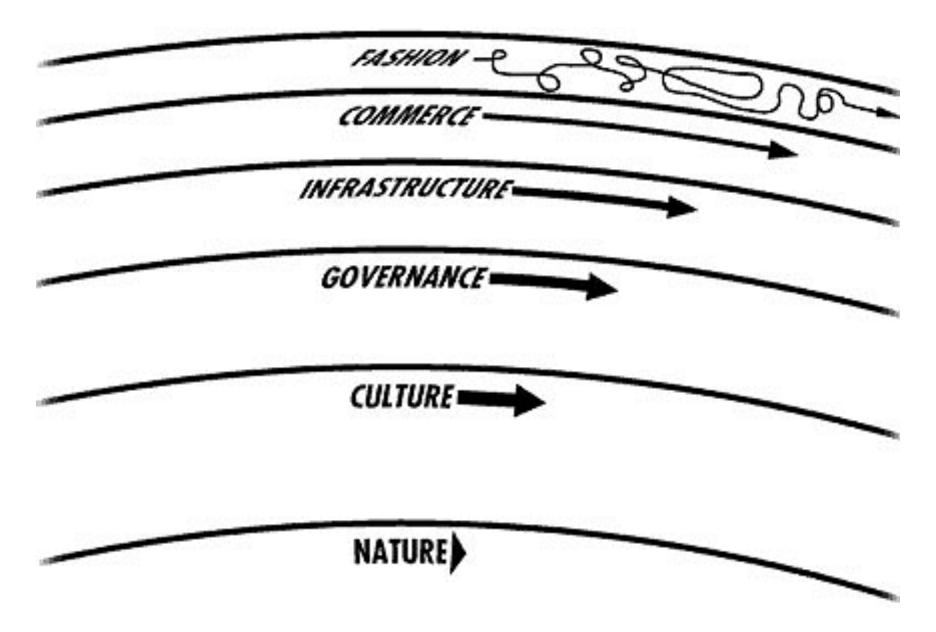
Digital publishing is faster than analog publishing:

- Eliminate print-related production steps
- Simplified distribution logistics
- Faster to market

# We cannot speed up the most critical components of the publishing process:

- Editorial (write, edit, correct)
- Design (presentation through media)
- Marketing (connect to readers)

#### Core values change slowly



## **Slow Creates Meaning**

- EDITORIAL
  - Thinking and reflecting (and reading)
- Writing the damn book takes time
- Developmental, line and copy editing, proofreading
- Creating and maintaining really good
  Metadata

### Slow Experience Matters

#### DESIGN

- Customer experience based design applies to content, presentation and devices
- Workflow and design to create digital files for e-readers (especially fixed page and enhanced)
- QA: Review output. Fix mistakes.

## Slow is Powerful

#### MARKETING

- Social media requires massive investments of time and attention
- Keeping up with market changes and new demographics requires time
- Books are always available marketing is an ongoing process

#### Print book two page spread



#### **Essential Question**

What were the military and political events of the Vietnam War and how did this conflict impact life in the United States?

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#### What You Will Learn

In this chapter you will learn about the causes and impact of the war in Vietnam.

SECTION 1: Moving Toward Conflict Communism In Southeast Asia, the United States used its military to support South Vietnam.

SECTION 2: U.S. Involvement and Escalation

fight in Vietnam, but the war quickly turned into a stalemate.

SECTION 3: A Nation Divided

Minister An antiwar movement in the U.S. pitted supporters of the government's war policy against those who opposed it.

SECTION 4: 1968: A Tumultuous Year Minister An enemy attack in Vietnam, two assassinations, and a chaotic political convertion made 1968 an explosive year.

SECTION 5: The End of the War and its Legacy President Nixon instituted his

Vietnamization policy, and America's longest war finally came to an end.



#### INTERACT

In 1965, America's fight against communism has spread to Southeast Asia, where the United States is becoming increasingly inrolue in another country's civil was. Unable to claim victory, U.S. generals call for an increase in the number of combat troops. Facing a shortage of volunteers, the president implements a furth.

#### Explore the Issues

 Should people who believe the war is wrong be forced to fight?

 Should people with special skills be exempt?

How can a draft be made fair?



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Chapter 30

#### The Vietnam War Years

30.1 Moving Toward Conflict 30.2 U.S. Involvement and Escalation 30.3 A Nation Divided 30.4 1968: A Tumultuous Year 30.5 The End of the War and Its Legacy American Literature **Chapter Assessment** 









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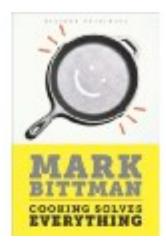






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# Design for the new environment





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## Could this happen to you?

#### (Reader) Says:

There's stray html code throughout. The typos must be bad OCR artifacts, because they are so arbitrary you can only occasionally imagine what the intended word might be. There are up to a dozen errors per page, and the punctuation misreads are spectacular. It is clear that no even semi-literate human looked at this version before it was released.

I would be happy to clean up the code myself and send it back to the publisher for redistribution. I have no idea how to go about making that offer to the powers that be.

## Quality communicates value

- Fast publishing cheapens the reading experience
- Slow publishing builds and maintains brands
- Commitment to Quality in content, design and marketing supports all publishing business models

### Publish slowly

- Fast publishing, like fast food, only has the appearance of publishing
- Slow creates nourishing works that last
- Builds close connections between writers and readers

### Slow Publishing Principles

- Slow down our thinking
- Think deeply about what we publish
- Pay attention to reader experience
- Honor principles and practices that have been proven to work

# The Slow Publishing ABC(D)

- Attention to Detail
- **B**asic principles do not change
- Customer experience foremost
- **D**esign appropriate for device

#### **Get REAL**

- Read to Learn
- Engage with your text
- Actively experience ideas
- Listen to customers

#### What ebooks are not

- eBooks are not blogs
- eBooks are not tweets
- eBooks are not Facebook posts
- eBooks are not YouTube videos
- eBooks are not apps
- eBooks are not articles
- eBooks are not ephemeral

The bad news is, time flies. The good news is, you're the pilot. -- Michael Altschuler

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