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Heard on the street: the audience does know! -- The audience doesn't lie -- It's about time! -- It all begins with courage -- Keys to facilitate fearlessly -- And on a final and very important note-- -- Organic facilitation is less known -- Organic facilitation is healthier in the long run -- Organic facilitation takes time to perfect (or, actually, make appear imperfect) -- Intimacy is key -- The fourth wall -- The wall it's ok to break -- Food, fun, and safety -- Tools for your fearless tool bag -- Rules for breaking the wall -- Dance naked!: the wisdom is in the room -- How to work (and not work) the room -- How fred friedman broke the fourth wall -- Have fun with one or with one hundred -- Take it professionally, not personally -- As you begin, notice who is "with" you through their reactions, eye contact, or what seems to be working, even in a small way -- Be ready to adapt -- Know that you can't win them all -- Yes, facilitation works with very large audiences! -- Adapting to an unexpectedly small audience -- Coach's

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Sommario/riassunto

As the workforce ages and younger trainers and managers emerge, facilitation skills take on a new importance and, with the increased use of social networks, new facilitation skills are needed. Written by two facilitation gurus, this book shows how to make any learning environment come alive. It outlines proven guidelines any trainer can use to unify groups, inspire creativity, and get audiences, teams, and colleagues to speak up, talk back, participate, and engage in meetings.