

## Chic Thompson

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Chic's first book, *What a Great Idea!*, published by HarperCollins, was a main selection of the Executive Book Club and is also published in Japanese, Portuguese, Chinese, and Spanish. In 2001, Harvard business School released a case study on Chic's speaking career entitled "What a Great Idea®." Chic's second book, *Yes, But...* is a guide to overcoming bureaucratic language that stifles innovation.

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