Book Title	Main Topic			
Integrated Business Decisions for new product launch	<ul> <li>a. What is the expected Demand?</li> <li>b. Which product options to be chosen? <ul> <li>a. Expected sales.</li> <li>b. Costs</li> <li>c. Product price</li> </ul> </li> <li>c. Which Suppliers to choose? <ul> <li>a. Maximum capacity</li> <li>b. Lead time</li> <li>c. Cost</li> <li>d. Supplier relationship</li> </ul> </li> <li>d. Re-examine and modify product decision in every quarter? <ul> <li>a. Production</li> <li>b. Sales</li> <li>c. Inventory</li> <li>d. Observed demand.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
Smart Watch design case summary	<ul> <li>a. Do not look at profits but instead look at Contribution. – we know why?</li> <li>b. Concept of std deviation from past sales data and the rule of 68-95-99 forecasting rule based on past data.</li> <li>c. Types of risks in market: <ul> <li>a. Idiosyncratic risk – Specific risk faced by a supplier.</li> <li>Solution: Diversify suppliers</li> <li>b. Systemic risk – Risk faced by all (system risk)</li> <li>Solution: Keep some buffer/inventory.</li> </ul> </li> <li>d. Keep supplier relationship in mind while planning supply chain and not just on maximizing profits.</li> <li>e. Look at trade-offs between holding costs and opportunity costs.</li> </ul>			
K&S Inc. Case summary	Bullwhip Effect / Whiplash Effect in supply chain.  A step change in end customer demand/behavior results in increased variations throughout the supply chain. Raw material supplier is hit the hardest.  Demand Uncertainty  Low High Supply Uncer. Low (1) (3)			
	Low Demand – Low Supply: Efficient and well-coordinated supply chain  a. Good strong information sharing b. Good coordination  Low Demand – High Supply: Risk Hedging Supply chain a. Keep Safety Stocks b. Engage with more suppliers. c. Build supplier relationship with a broader base to reduce supply uncertainty.  High Demand – Low Supply: Responsive Supply Chain a. Build semi-finished products at far off location and delivery it near to the customer market. Complete the last process steps near the customer market. By this way, demand uncertainty can be reduced. b. Mass customization approach			

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		Functional	Innovative Products
		Products	
	Demand Uncertainty	Low	High
	Product life cycle	High	Low
	Obsolescence chance	Low	High
	Profit margin	Low	High
	Stockout price Product variety	Low	High
	Inventory holding costs	High Low	Low High
	Volume SKU's	High	Low
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		Stable Supply	Evolving Supply
		Process	process
	Breakdown chances	Low	High
	Quality Issues	Low	High
	Lead time predictability	High	Low
	Supply sources	High	Low
	Standardized	High	Low
	Capacity	High	Low
Understanding of the various Auction processes	Strategies:     a. English auction (not blind)     b. Dutch Flower auction (blind)  Types:     a. English auction     b. English reverse auction     c. Dutch flower auction     d. Dutch flower reverse auction     e. Sealed first price auction		
MARS Inc.	Combinatorial auction process was decided by MARS because:  a. They wanted to allow their suppliers to exploit "Economies of scale"  b. This is beneficial to supplier as they can participate based on their strengths.  c. It benefits MARS as they enjoy benefits due to supplier's economies of scale and subsequently their bids.		