

Ozan Varol

Rocket Scientist, Professor, and Author, *Think Like a Rocket Scientist*

Ozan Varol is a rocket scientist turned award-winning professor and #1 bestselling author. He is one of the world's foremost experts in creativity, innovation, and critical thinking.

Ozan has been called a "true original" by Adam Grant and dubbed a "superhero" by Dan Pink. His work has been described as "must read" by Susan Cain and featured in the Wall Street Journal, Time, BBC, CNN, Washington Post, and more.

A native of Istanbul, Ozan grew up in a family of no English speakers. He learned English as a second language and moved to the United States by himself at 17 to study astrophysics at Cornell University. He served on the operations team for the 2003 Mars Exploration Rovers project that sent two rovers to Mars. He built stuff that went to the red planet and wrote code that snaps photos of the Martian surface. He then pivoted and became a law professor to influence others to make giant leaps on Earth.

Ozan is the #1 bestselling author of *Think Like a Rocket Scientist*. In the book, he reveals nine simple strategies from rocket science that you can use to make your own giant leaps in work and life. Today, thinking like a rocket scientist is a necessity. We all encounter complex and unfamiliar problems in our lives. Those who can tackle these problems—without clear guidelines and with the clock ticking—enjoy an extraordinary advantage. *Think Like a Rocket Scientist* is:

- One of Inc.com's "6 Business Books You Need to Read in 2020 (according to Bill Gates, Satya Nadella, and Adam Grant)"
- An Amazon Best Book of April 2020
- Adam Grant's # 1 pick of his top 20 leadership books of 2020
- One of 6 Groundbreaking Books of Spring 2020 (according to Malcolm Gladwell, Susan Cain, Dan Pink, and Adam Grant).

Ozan's diverse personal background allows him to connect with wide-ranging audiences. He's delivered keynote speeches to small and large crowds at conferences, start-ups, and Fortune 500 companies across numerous industries. He's trusted by institutions like Microsoft, Intel, adidas, the U.S. Department of State, and the U.S. Navy.

Ozan is consistently ranked one of the top speakers at conferences and private events. Audiences love Ozan's blend of big ideas, witty stories, and down-to-earth humor. He's a master at simplifying complex topics and delivering numerous "a ha!" moments. Ozan has the rare ability to get people to drop their phones and leave them with practical insights they can implement right away to level up in work and life.