## Suggested Readings

* John Hockenberry, *Moving Violations: A Memoir* (New York: Hyperion, 1995): Hockenberry’s book tells a great story about a career in radio and about living with a disability. You can view an interview with Hockenberry from C-SPAN’s video archives:  
    
  <http://www.c-spanvideo.org/program/66079-1>
* Kenneth Bilby, *The General: David Sarnoff and the Rise of the Communications Industry* (New York: Harper & Row, 1986): David Sarnoff was the most powerful man ever in the broadcasting industry. This biography looks at Sarnoff and how he created the myths that surrounded him.
* Howard Stern, *Private Parts* (New York: Pocket Books, 1997): Stern tells his own story of his bumpy road to radio stardom as the original shock jock.
* Linda Wertheimer (ed.), *Listening to America: Twenty-five Years in the Life of a Nation, as Heard on National Public Radio* (Boston: Houghton Mifflin Company, 1995): Read the stories that put National Public Radio’s news programs on the map.
* Neil Baldwin, *Edison: Inventing the Century* (New York: Hyperion, 1995): This is the most recent authoritative biography of inventor Thomas Edison. You can view an interview with Baldwin from C-SPAN’s video archives:  
    
  <http://www.c-spanvideo.org/program/63449-1>
* Patricia Romanowski, Holly George-Warren, and Jon Pareles (eds.), *The Rolling Stone Encyclopedia of Rock & Roll (Revised and Updated for the 21st Century)*, Completely revised and updated ed. (New York: Rolling Stone Press, 2001): the ultimate reference book for settling rock ‘n’ roll arguments. Just don’t pull it out when you have work to do.
* James Miller, *Flowers in the Dustbin: The Rise of Rock and Roll, 1947*–*1977* (New York: Simon & Schuster, 1999): one of the best histories of rock ‘n’ roll covering the genre from its inception through the release of Bruce Springsteen’s *Born to Run*.
* Gerald Early, *One Nation Under a Groove: Motown and American Culture* (Hopewell, NJ: Ecco Press, 1995).
* Lucy O’Brien, *She Bop: The Definitive History of Women in Rock, Pop and Soul* (New York: Penguin Books, 1995).
* All of the Chapter 7 links posted to my RalphEHanson.com blog  
  <http://www.ralphehanson.com/category/chapter-7/>