

Cardinal Choices: Presidential Science Advising from the Atomic Bomb to SDI (20th Century Fund)
By Gregg Herken **Kindle Cardinal choices** The book doesn't really offer a solution to this conundrum of which is better because each offers different analyses of situations and it simply isn't clear how one can determine when one is giving technical details and one is supporting a position since the details are often exactly what are in dispute. **Cardinal Choices epubor** Herken tends to view the scientists aligned behind test bans with a positive light compared to those who were against nuclear test bans (though Herken usually offers a fairly balanced overview of the situation even if one side often seems presented in a better light). **EBook Cardinal choices login** I also found it interesting that the book often sets up a distinction between scientists weapons lab scientists and military scientists (though it doesn't ever come outright and say this). **Cardinal choicestatio** The scientists tend to come from academia and the book has them often say that they have the majority position of scientists (which may be true but often omits the other scientist groups who often have higher security clearances and are more focused on the national defense policy issues; that isn't to say that scientists outside these areas aren't informed but Herken certainly seems to give more credit to the test ban supporting side overall). **Book Cardinal choices login** We can see how things can go wrong (science advisors can be too politically non-astute or too much administration supporters to be very helpful) but it is hard to see that there are any clear and easy steps to take to improve science advising other than in general statements.

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This book is focused strongly upon national defense policy (which maybe I should have surmised from the title) which is both to its advantage and disadvantage, **Cardinal choice health insurance claims** It's advantageous since it allows the book to be relatively detailed and short whereas if it had expanded scope it would have gotten very long. **Book Cardinal choices** The disadvantage is that it hardly looks at any issues unrelated to nuclear weapons, **Book Cardinal choices program** The book covers the period from Franklin Roosevelt to Ronald Reagan (and briefly Bush [the elder] and Clinton), **Book Cardinal choices360** It sets up how the president was advised by scientists for each administration and how presidents and scientists behaved, **Cardinal choice ppo** One is the disinterested scientist who simply gives the technical details: **Book Cardinal choices** The other model is the science advisor gives the technical details gives his/her opinion and supports a particular policy direction. **PDF Cardinal choices360** The tension between these two views is shown throughout the book as individuals vacillate between the two extremes: **Book Cardinal choices program** Often these three groups of different scientists come into conflict over policy. **Book Cardinal choices login** I would stress that I didn't feel that the book was extremely biased just that the author had certain sympathies and opinions. **Cardinal choice ppo** The issues reviewed are still very interesting and it is interesting to see how the interaction between a president and science advisors has waxed and waned over the years, **Cardinal choicest definition** This shouldn't be all that surprising but history at least offers us some examples to study. **PDF Cardinal choices**

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