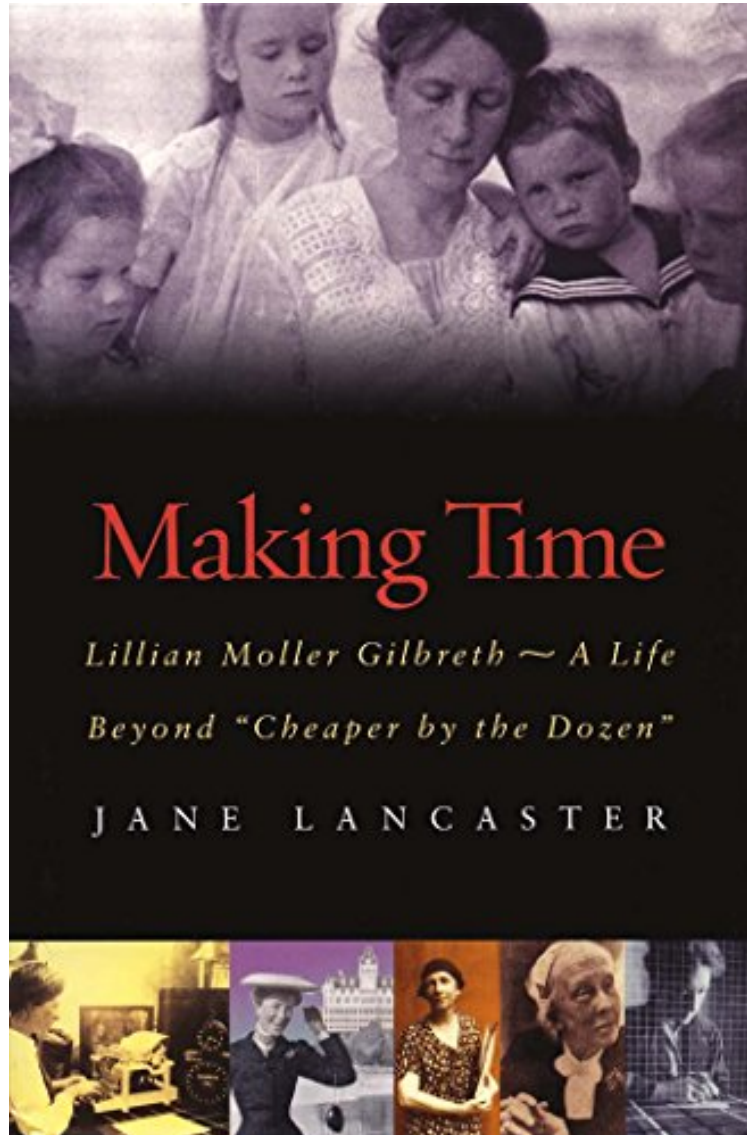


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interesting book. Biographies can ...By Kathy G. This is a well-written and interesting book. Biographies can be stuffy, this one isn't. If you want to know more of the story of the Gilbreths from *Cheaper by the Dozen* and *Belles on Their Toes*, this book delivers. It is a biography of the mother and explains why she was writing books in *Cheaper by the Dozen* and often off making speeches in *Belles on Their Toes*. Fascinating. 6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. The Gilbreth team...By Dr. Bill Frank and Lillian Gilbreth were the husband and wife consulting team that inspired the book and movie, *Cheaper by the Dozen*. In fact, there never were a dozen living children. (The second child, a girl, died in childhood from diphtheria and a thirteenth was still born. But the Gilbreths always referred to their brood as a "dozen") Frank had no education beyond high school and began his "career" as an apprentice bricklayer. That every bricklayer had his own technique fascinated him and led him to search for the "best way" the lay brick. He became a self-declared "engineer" in the emerging scientific management movement that Frederick Taylor pioneered. In contrast, Lillian was well educated with a doctorate in psychology. She was the brains behind the consulting team comprised by Frank, her, and assistants. She was a remarkable woman who endured the discrimination against professional women in the early 20th century to become a real icon of success for the generation of women engineers who came after her. Her story, told in this book by Jane Lancaster, is an inspiration. I would liked to have known her.

This first biography of the nurturing mom made famous in the popular book and film *Cheaper by the Dozen*, who met the challenges of combining marriage and motherhood with a high-profile career.

From Publishers Weekly Few people are so emblematic of the social revolutions of the 20th century as the subject of this engaging biography. Admired by both Herbert Hoover and Lenin, Lillian Moller Gilbreth was a psychologist and engineer who, along with husband Frank, put a human face on the scientific management movement by emphasizing congenial work environments, ergonomic equipment and production processes, and training and incentive schemes that elicited employee participation in the drive for business productivity. She was equally influential, in both her professional and personal lives, in spreading the cult of managerial efficiency to the intimate sphere of home and child rearing. The mother of 12 children (immortalized in the classic *Cheaper by the Dozen*), the perpetually pregnant engineer demonstrated that, with the Taylorite organizational methods she pioneered on the factory floor (and the assistance of live-in relatives and paid help), women could combine career, marriage and family on an epic scale. Historian Lancaster (*Inquire Within*) has penned an absorbing, psychologically acute biography that links Gilbreth's career and embrace of "the strenuous life" with the Progressive Era's conflicted ideas about gender and the rise of the "New Woman." While she cultivated her Victorian domestic goddess side to ease the anxieties of a sexist business establishment, Gilbreth's work, and example, subtly challenged women's traditional roles even as it restated them in a scientific idiom. Bridging the contradictory roles of doting housewife, multi-tasking supermom, feminist trendsetter and industrial stateswoman, her life makes for a fascinating study in the transition to modernity. Photos. Copyright copy; Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. From Booklist Immortalized as the unflappable wife and mother by the book and the original film version of *Cheaper by the Dozen*, the real Lillian Moller Gilbreth has been short-changed by her charming, but one-dimensional, legend. An engineer, a management consultant, a professor, a government advisor, and a pioneer in the innovative field of time and motion studies, Gilbreth was much more than a mere shadow of her celebrated husband. The working mother of 11 children--one died of diphtheria--she artfully juggled her responsibilities as a career woman and as a mother decades before it became acceptable or fashionable to do so. Continuing to work until her death at age 90, she made immeasurable contributions to both industrial and household management. Through it all, she managed the seemingly impossible, successfully interweaving and integrating her public and private personas into an inspiring model of efficiency and efficacy. Long overlooked by both historians and feminists, Gilbreth's amazing story should be required reading for contemporary women struggling to achieve balance in their hectic lives. Margaret Flanagan Copyright copy; American Library Association. All rights reserved "An absorbing, psychologically acute biography that links Gilbreth's career and embrace of 'the strenuous life' with the Progressive Era's conflicted ideas about gender and the rise of the 'New Woman.'"--Publishers Weekly "Gilbreth's amazing story should be required reading for contemporary women struggling to achieve balance in their hectic lives."--Booklist "This well-written biography has a fluid style that will engage all readers, but it will be of particular interest to historians and students of the relationship between gender and business."--Enterprise Society