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## **Grey House Publishing announces the Spring 2012 Edition of *TheStreet Ratings' Guide to Bond and Money Market Mutual Funds***

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The introductory section begins by welcoming the user and laying out TheStreet's mission statement. Then follows a "How To Use This Guide" orientation to the book. The final components of this section are an explanation of the Investment Ratings used in the book and a page of important warnings and cautions for the user to take into account when considering investments.

Section I is an **Index of Bond and Money Market Mutual Funds**. This section is an analysis of all rated and unrated Fixed Income Mutual Funds, listed alphabetically by fund name. Each company represented is measured on factors such as: Fund Type, Overall Investment Rating, Performance Rating/Points, 3-Year Total Return, Expense Ratio, Standard Deviation, Cash %, Portfolio Turnover Rate and many more, 34 in total.

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Section VI, **Risk: 100 Best and Worst Bond Mutual Funds** is a compilation of those Fixed Income Mutual Funds receiving the highest and lowest Risk Ratings, listed in order by rating. This rating is based solely on each fund's level of credit risk and interest rate risk. This section is most commonly used to identify those funds that have historically given shareholders the most consistent returns on their investments.

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