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Amazing Leonardo Da Vinci Inventions You Can Build Yourself (Build It Yourself Series)



Synopsis

From armored tanks and gliders to "plastic glass" and drawing machines, this interactive book explores the incredible mind of Leonardo da Vinci through hands-on building projects and activities. Most of Leonardo's inventions were never made in his lifetime and remained sketches in his famous notebooks; kids examine some of these original sketches and learn about the models he made of his inventions. From there they delve into detailed step-by-step instructions, diagrams, and templates for each project, which are interspersed with historical facts, biographical anecdotes, and trivia. Most of the building can be done using simple household supplies: construction paper, tape, markers, glue, cardboard tubes, aluminum foil, and cardboard boxes. Background about the Renaissance as a period of remarkable achievement in art and science appears throughout the book.

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A hands on kind of book where you learn a bit about DaVinci and you also get to reproduce some of his projects. PProjects are reasonably interesting and done with various easy to find materials like cardboard, pieces of wood and other household materials. Make your own paint, Hydrometer, hygrometer, trebuchet and stuff like that. Over all I like the way this book is handled with both interesting stuff about Davinci and some hands on projects. Great for curious minds.

This was a gift for a Science-obsessed niece. Some of the projects are a lot more difficult than others, but she seems to like it.

I was expecting a little more challenging inventions.

I purchased this book for a summer camp program. It gives you some good ideas but the directions are terrible. You have to do a ton of experimenting to get anything to work. The project on page 80, the ornithopter even has errors in the diagrams. Disappointed!

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