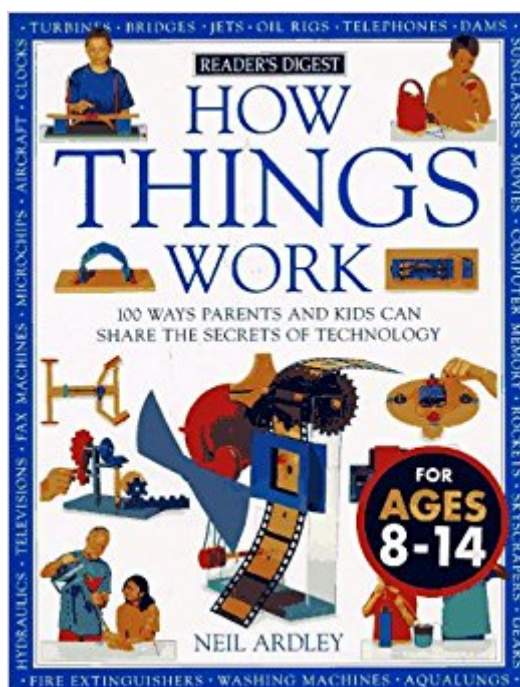


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# How Things Work: 100 Ways Parents And Kids Can Share The Secrets Of Technology



## Synopsis

Here is a fascinating guide to the world of machines and technology, packed with hundreds of hands-on experiments for the whole family. Activities are designed to use every-day materials that are inexpensive and easy to obtain. For ages 8-14.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

Hey, this is a fun book! Even a casual page-through revealed a number of things many adults probably don't know. How Things Work would be a great book for parents who don't want to look like idiots in front of their own children when asked a question they don't know the answer to. It's filled with fun experiments, clear directions, and does a splendid job of simplifying and clarifying elaborate technological concepts.

Grade 4-8?Ardley's book combines scientific explanations with over 80 experiments. Six chapters cover the basics of machines, construction and buildings, household appliances, transportation, leisure items, and information technology. Each chapter features several double-page spreads that introduce such topics as "walls and floors" or "weighing machines," usually followed by one or two activities. Captioned, full-color photographs and diagrams provide examples or additional information. In a few cases?"dams" and "combustion engines," for example?the concept is explained through captioned photos that show a child enacting an experiment. The author's weaving of history, narrative explanation, and projects is generally successful, giving children a solid

context for the activities and showing how various areas of science apply to the everyday world. The majority of the experiments include an adult help advisory, and some require materials most kids will have to purchase or borrow. On the other hand, many are easy enough for youngsters to manage on their own with common household items, and the variety and quantity insure that most readers will be able to find several that are intriguing and accessible. An attractive layout, with white backgrounds and plenty of color, adds to the book's appeal, but at times the pages are crowded. ?Steven Engelfried, West Linn Public Library, ORCopyright 1996 Reed Business Information, Inc.

I bought this book for a curious youngster in hopes that it might make things a little easier to understand and to help grown ups answer some of those questions that are hard to explain to a young person. The illustrations are helpful.

I got this so I'd be better prepared to answer (or let them read the answer to so many questions they came up with with respect to how things worked in home.

Bought this book for my nephew, who always wants to know the 'how' and 'why.' Excellent information and it is presented in a clear format. Strongly recommended for parents, grandparents and as a gift to any child with an active, inquiring mind.

My son is going to love this book. He is constantly asking how things work, and now he can read about it and do hands on experiments. The suggested age is 8-14, my son is 6 but I think it depends on the child. The explanations are clear and the some of the building plans seem pretty easy, but finding some of the pieces to build some of the things may pose a challenge. I can't wait to give it to him.

This will help you answer the 1000 and 1 questions that little minds can generate. Daily. Buy one for every single mom you know.

My kids always want to know why or how something happens. This is a great book for them to look at (marvelous pictures) and for us to select projects from that explain some of the stuff mom and dad don't know. My seven and ten year old can read and understand the vocabulary without getting lost in any scientific jargon. A great help for classroom project, science fair entries, long summer

days or rainy weekends.

This fascinating book is different from other science book. It has many, many different experiments and projects to try out. From building a escalator to making a simple computer...That really works!! Each experiment is clearly photographed step by step , it is so ever easy to follow them! This book is a must. If you enjoyed this book, why not try the others? You won't regret.

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