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Robert Crowther's Pop-Up House Of Inventions: Hundreds Of Fabulous Facts About Your Home



Synopsis

"Junior trivia masters will pore over this pop-up book." — Child Magazine
Would you believe that a scientist caught a cold and died while conducting experiments in early refrigeration? Did you know that soap was once made from goat fat? Can you guess how pumpernickel bread got its name? Did you know there is polytetrafluoroethylene somewhere in your kitchen? It's all true! It's all amazing! And it's all in the updated, reissued Robert Crowther's Amazing Pop-up House of Inventions. Just step inside, open the cupboards, peek in the closets and drawers, and learn about hundreds of inventions you can find right in your own home — including DVDs, MP3s, wireless headsets, and PDAs.

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Customer Reviews

There's always just a little more to see in this infinitely interesting book that tells so much about everyday objects found around the house. With each spread focusing on a particular room, readers open the first page and the kitchen pops up. Open the stove door, and the date of the first oven is there. Next comes the living room, and there's information about the board games on the floor and the phone on the wall. So it goes, on to the bathroom, bedroom, and garage. Between its dollhouse-like appeal and its passel of factoids, this is a book that will keep kids looking for more.

Grades 3-5. --Ilene Cooper

Robert Crowther is the creator Ships, Trains, and Flight as well as numerous other pop-up books, including COLORS, OPPOSITES, and SHAPES. He lives in Norfolk, England.

I bought this book for my grandsons ages 4 and 6. The book is divided into pages with pop ups of every room in your home and the things that are usually found in that room, including the garage. The rooms each take up 2 thick board pages, and the info for each item is written next to that item. There are also lift up flaps that when opened give you even more info. Each room makes for a warm and cozy reading experience and the facts are unfamiliar which make them that more interesting. They are written so that a child from the age of 4 and up can understand them easily. The wording is simple without being babyish and to the point. My 6 year old grandson became very interested in some of the information regarding certain items he sees everyday and takes for granted. The book encouraged him to investigate other avenues of information for a particular item and he found out even more details relating to the item. He used his computer to look up more information about those items. Both boys were very interested in learning about appliances, electronic devices, simple things that are part of everyone's life and things that they use outside the home. The illustrations are well done and when viewing one of the pages, for example a 2 page spread of a kitchen it was almost like I was standing in the middle of the illustration. This is a great way to encourage youngsters to research these facts and find out more about the ordinary everyday objects that people are exposed to on a daily basis. This book makes children think, do some investigating on their own and ask question all of which to me are very significant factors and should be a part of a child's early learning experiences. How else does one learn about all the wonderful things that make our life a little easier and more enjoyable.

I ordered this book as a Lightning Deal. I intend to give it to my 8 year old for Christmas. It is so cool!! Each page has a different room of a typical house. They each pop up, and are quite intricate, with moving parts. It is chock full of information about things that we now take for granted, but have all been invented in relatively recent history. I foresee this being a book that will provide hours of enjoyment, and is full of little gems that we will continue to discover over time. My husband and I enjoyed looking over it today when it came, and I can't wait to spend more time looking at it with my daughter. I think it's appropriate for older children and adults. Definitely not something for kids younger than 8-10 years old. Any younger, and they probably wouldn't appreciate it or be able to handle the many smaller, moving parts of the pop-ups to keep from tearing or breaking them.

My grandchildren, 6 and 9, love this book. The nine-year-old is as fascinated with the interesting facts as the six-year-old is with all those tiny windows, doors, cabinets, loose floor tiles, shower curtains, to name but a few of the things that can be opened to reveal fun things. Her favorite is the cookie sheet that slides out of the oven. My favorite is the tiny pop-up book on the floor, or is it the wine cellar or the clothes in the closet--oh, I can't decide. Each page is a pop-up room in the house filled with all the appropriate things plus dozens of hidden treasures, facts and moveable parts. This is the new favorite 'toy' at Gramma's house. Highly recommended for all ages.

This book is great for children or adults. I love pop-up books. But what I love even more is when the pop-ups are more than just engaging artwork...but actually help convey the thoughts that the book is meant to convey. This book is very entertaining, educational, and fun. It's a great way to get children interested in inventions (and history), and to help them appreciate all the little things around the house. Very interactive.

I got this for my 7 year old son who loves pop up books, he loves it! It's age appropriate, as kids are curious about everything around them, so this book literally gives them a window to understand some of the things in their everyday lives. I highly recommend this book for practically anyone.

This book is brilliantly designed to cleverly tell you all kinds of information but in the most fun and clever ways. I just gave it to some children for Christmas and they were delighted with it, showing each other and their parents, who enjoyed it too. VERY GOOD QUALITY PRODUCT.

This is a wonderful pop-up book for a 5 yr. old, which I wanted, but the writings are in very small print and interesting only for an adult. This seemed strange to me. Maybe it was intended that way. I would have thought the words would have been for an 8 or 9 yr. old who could enjoy both the pop-up house and the words. The book arrived in good time and in fine shape.

This is a fun book full of information about all kinds of around the house. There aren't a lot of true pop-up it's mostly flip that you lift to reveal the text. it's still fun.

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