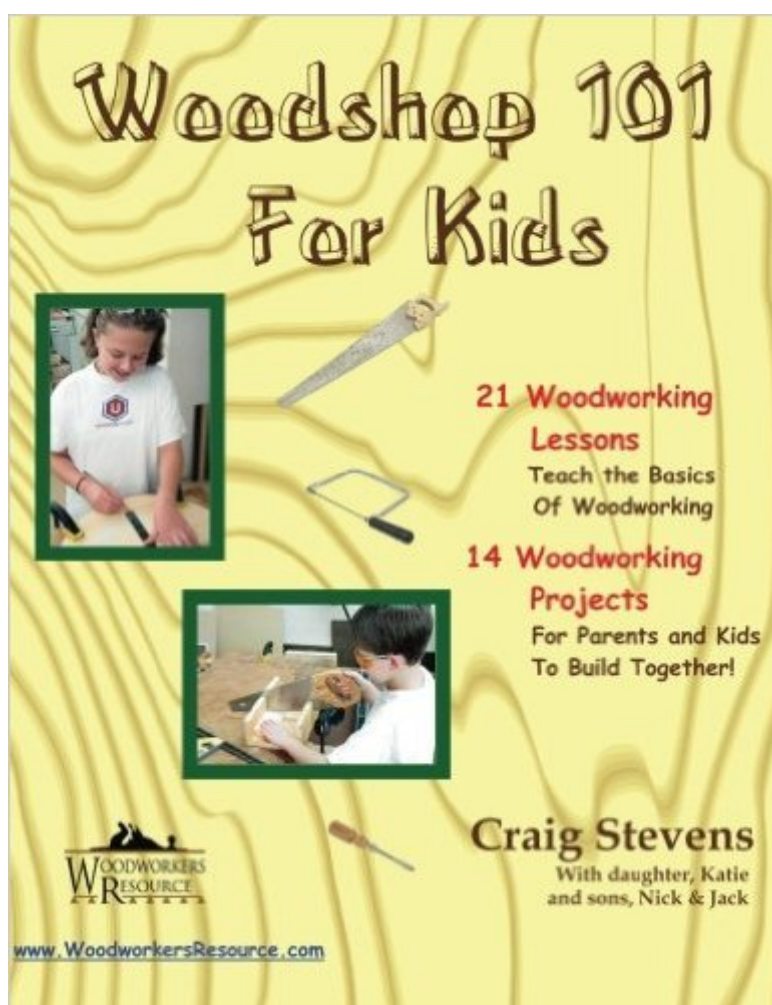


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Woodshop 101 For Kids: 21 Woodworking Lessons: Teach The Basics Of Woodworking. 14 Woodworking Projects For Parents And Kids To Build Together



Synopsis

Do you know a child who wants to learn how to build things with wood, but you don't know the first thing about woodworking? No problem! "Woodshop 101 for Kids" is written as a woodworking curriculum for your kids, it's not just another book that has woodworking projects for kids. Each lesson is laid out step by step so it's easy to understand. Here's what you get: * Fun projects that kids will want to build. * Projects are designed to build confidence. * Every project has a "Things You Need" box so you'll know to have on hand. * A cutlist is provided that tells exactly what size to cut each piece of wood. * All the head scratching has been done for you. * All you and your kids have to do is follow along, it's that simple! In "Woodshop 101 for Kids" Your Kids Will Learn... * 21 woodworking lessons that teach the basics of woodworking. * A simple way to read a tape measure. * How to swing a hammer correctly so nails aren't bent and fingers don't get smashed! * How to saw a straight line (most adults can't do this)! * How to set up and use a block plane correctly. * How to finish your projects so they'll last a lifetime. * Why math is so important when doing woodworking (like fractions, geometry, etc.). * Science - Basic laws of physics - Force, friction, and Inertia. * And last but not least, your kids will learn valuable life skills they will keep with them for the rest of their lives! YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY IS OUR BIGGEST CONCERN! You only need simple hand tools to build every project in the book. This is much safer than using power tools and allows younger kids to get involved. Using only hand tools has another HUGE advantage: You won't have to go out and spend a bunch of money on tools. You already own most of the tools you'll need! Here's a list of the projects you can build: * Peg Game (easy to build and play, tough to beat!) * Crosscut Box (a jig to help cut boards straight) * Birdhouse (a must for any woodworker!) * Toolbox / Art Caddy (customize your to hold tools or art supplies) * Baseball Rack (holds a baseball, bat, and glove) * Pencil holder (rotates to easily find the right one) * Battleship (built from scrap pieces of wood) * Media Storage Rack (small in size but holds 75 DVDs) * Step Stool (sturdy, and just the right height) * Two for One Bird-feeder (holds seeds and suet) * Workbench (with information on customizing to your child) * Doll Cradle (for that special doll) * Marshmallow Catapult (our most popular project!) * Planter Box (made to last for years outdoors) Children are visual and that's why we didn't skimp on the pictures. There are 188 pages with over 280 pictures throughout the book. There are also many graphs, illustrations and definition blocks that will help avoid any confusion about what the lesson is teaching. Why Woodworking for Kids is so IMPORTANT! * It builds self-esteem * It builds self-confidence * It builds a sense of accomplishment * It builds creativity * It builds stronger relationships between you and your children! QUESTIONS: - What's the age range for "Woodshop 101 for Kids"? * A general guideline is 7-13 yrs/old, but there's much more than age to consider.

Reading ability, motor skills, and attention span are really what's important when trying to decide if your child is old enough. I've had 5 year old kids do very well with the material in this book (with much more supervision of course).

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Customer Reviews

Woodshop 101 for Kids provides an in depth explanation of different tools, their uses and the proper way to utilize them. It includes 21 Woodworking LESSONS, with clear instructions, not just projects. Much more than just a collection of projects, this book lays a solid foundation for advanced woodworking skills. The book is heavily and clearly illustrated and very well written. It is an excellent book for a parent who wishes to teach basic woodworking to their child, but may not be confident in their own skills. By adhering to the methods in this book, even a parent with moderate skills can successfully teach their child the basics. If I had one complaint (and it really is a minor one) it would be that some of the designs of the projects are a little outdated, but the skills they utilize are invaluable. If you want to enjoy the hobby of Woodworking, whether you are a novice or expert, I would highly recommend this book for as a lesson plan teaching basic skills.

I absolutely love this book! As a dad, I am always wanting to spend more time with my girls (other than just playing tea parties:). My girls and I built a couple of projects and they loved "doing woodworking like Daddy". This will be a great gift for my buddies who want their kids to get involved in their hobbies. Really fun memory makers! The author needs to write a part 2 before we run out of

projects!

This book is a great to use as an elective class for homeschoolers. It has lessons that teach about wood, tools etc. as well as fun projects. My kids love it doing the lessons with their father.

Nothing baffles me quite so much as the electronics addiction that is prevalent amongst today's generation, and believe me, I'm not electronics ignorant - it's not a "sour grapes" analogy. Much of my childhood was spent doing things, rather than looking at things that do things. Craig Stevens has the cure with his book *Woodshop 101 for Kids*. From the standpoint of a seasoned craftsman, Stevens reveals the steps to awakening the time honored - and long lost - craft of woodworking in young people. Simple, easy to complete woodworking projects will captivate your young craftsman. As an experienced Dad, Stevens has road tested woodworking projects on his own brood. There's some great photography of his own children, woodworking whizzes Katie, Nick and Jack. The crafts portion of the book includes fun items such as the Peg Game, Marshmallow Catapult and Doll Cradle. The girls are not forgotten here! These ultimate teaching moments are packed full of plenty of background information about topics such as tools, wood grains, and the skills of accurate measurement. Apparently, I'm using a hammer incorrectly, but that is going to change now that I've seen Stevens' diagram of the proper technique. Admittedly, I'm also a bit frightened by power tools, but the book made me feel like I could handle it safely and efficiently. No extra charge for confidence building! You don't have to know the difference between coniferous and deciduous trees to do the crafts, but it sure doesn't hurt. The end of each chapter includes added activities really make this book the gateway to fun for everyone involved.

My son is almost ready to begin some of these projects. He can use tape measure, screw driver, straight edge, and hammer. I appreciate the photos, diagrams, and explicit instructions. We are going to enjoy this book for several years.

My husband, a woodworker, tried to go through this book with our boys. The first several lessons were okay, but overall, he thought the instructions were not very clear.

As a woodworking teacher I now have 7 or more different books on introducing woodworking to kids. This book is by far the best.

I read through this and then gave it to my son so he can teach basic skills and safety in the shop to his sons. I think it is great.

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