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High-Tech DIY Projects With Robotics (Maker Kids)





Synopsis

Learning the ins and outs of robotics can take a lifetime, but learning the basics just takes reading one book! Different types of robots and their components, functions, and purposes are explored in a way that students will find helpful and encouraging when they begin working on their own projects. More than just a beginners guide, this may be the spark to ignite limitless possibility for kids who love to use their minds and hands.

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Customer Reviews

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are addressed with an emphasis on adult assistance and the value of collaborating with other DIY makers. Despite a few flaws, the subject matter makes these series relevant and solid additions to most collections. A Â (c) Copyright 2014. Library Journals LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Media Source, Inc. No redistribution permitted. --This text refers to the Library Binding edition.

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