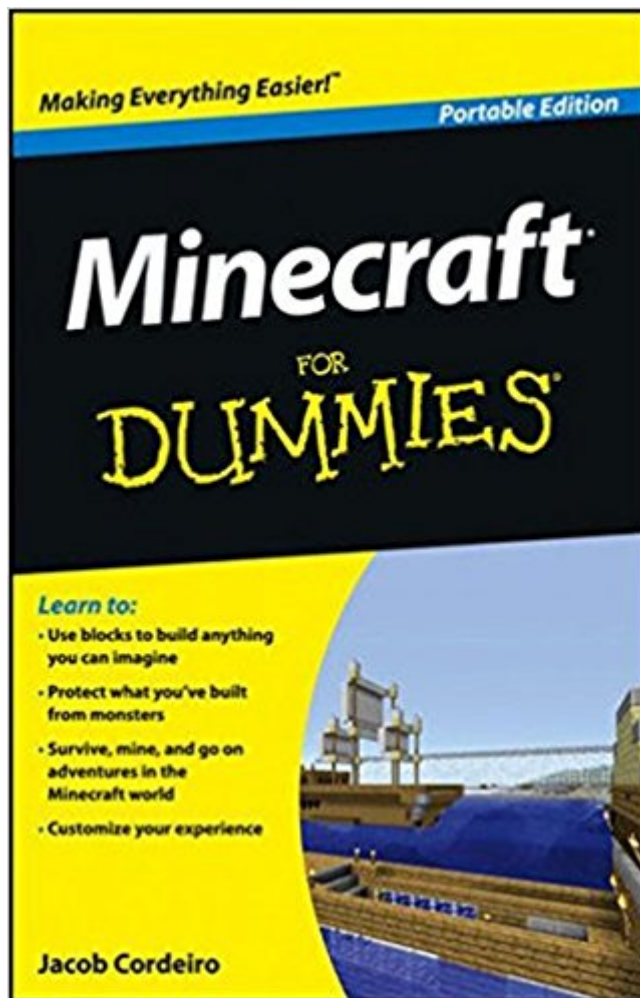




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# Minecraft For Dummies



## Synopsis

Craft yourself an amazing game of Minecraft! More than just a game, Minecraft consists of players using an avatar to create or destroy various types of blocks, form fantastic structures, create artwork, and do much more, all in a three-dimensional environment and across various multiplayer servers in multiple game modes. With this fun and friendly beginners guide, you will quickly grasp how to play Minecraft in the three modes of game play: survival, creative, and hardcore. The easy-to-understand writing style walks you through every step of the way, from downloading the game to choosing a gaming platform to defending your creations against monsters and winning the game by defeating the Ender Dragon. Explains how to use blocks to build amazing creations and engage in gameplay with other players Details techniques for travelling across the biomes Zeroes in on playing wisely in Survival mode so you can acquire resources to maintain your health and hunger Shares tips for playing carefully in Creative mode, using your unlimited supply of resources, the ability to fly, and more Helps you play in Hardcore mode Minecraft For Dummies, Portable Edition goes where you go as you create a world you won't want to leave!

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You can play with your child There's no reason you can't play Minecraft with your child, either watching what he or she does, or playing in multiplayer mode alongside your child. You can even work as a team! You can keep play private If you're concerned about who your child is playing with, you can limit his or her play to single mode, where he or she plays alone.

You can also join a server where you know all the players, or create your own server and invite only people you know to play with your child. Develop your child's creativity Minecraft isn't just about stacking and unstacking blocks. Encourage your kids to build something learned in school, like a Scottish castle or an Egyptian pyramid. Or create an entire world from their imagination. You can keep Minecraft non-violent If you don't want your child fighting off creepers and other monsters, you can set Minecraft to peaceful mode.

You can learn a new language Want to expose your child to another language? Set Minecraft to a foreign language - like German, French, or Japanese! Your child can master useful skills Many Minecrafters learn useful skills that can lead to future jobs. How about programming to create mods for Minecraft? Or discovering the intricacies of architecture to build houses? Or engineering to hookup an electric lamp or rig a door to open as you approach it? Minecraft is pretty inexpensive The game itself doesn't cost much - you can even have your child pay for it through allowance - but because of the simple graphics, you don't need a super expensive computer to run it on either. Boredom doesn't come easily There is an infinite number of worlds to explore. Have you explored all you wanted in one world? Find or create another world to explore.

Learn to think strategically In Minecraft, you have to learn how to build things - something as simple as a shelter to something as complicated as an entire village. Your child has to learn how to gather the materials and manage the inventory to complete the challenges. It's a cooler version of Legos Do you have fond memories of playing Legos, building elaborate buildings and landscapes, then breaking it all down and starting over? Minecraft is, on its face, a 21st century version of Legos.

Learn to: Use blocks to build anything you can imagine Protect what you've built from monsters Survive, mine, and go on adventures in the Minecraft world Customize your experience Get started in Minecraft or go deeper &#151; this book helps you do both Playing Minecraft is an intriguing, creative experience. If you've been curious and want to get started, this book shows you the ropes. And if you know the basics but long to become a mad scientist or venture into Hardcore mode, you'll find out how to do that too. Learn to play Minecraft and enjoy endless entertainment! Enter the game &#151; purchase and download Minecraft and register your account Create your world &#151; build your Minecraft world and explore it in a single-player game Learn to survive &#151;

find out how to create a shelter, avoid hunger, start a farm, and begin mining Refine your skills  
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filesystem Open the book and find: How to survive your first night in Minecraft What to monitor as  
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to start and join a LAN server Ten useful gameplay tips

Jacob Cordeiro has been playing Minecraft since the Alpha pre-release. Jacob attends Stanford  
Online High School and won an award in the 2011 Scholastic Art and Writing competition for his  
game entry.

I am a parent who does not know anything about Minecraft. I bought the book for my Minecraft  
addicted seven year old. The bonus for me was the discovery that the author is a high school-er  
who is home-schooled! My seven year old found it somewhat useful, but he complained that it did  
not apply to certain editions of Minecraft. I forget which one, but he is the video game guy, not me. I  
am extremely impressed that a homeschooling kid wrote the book. I am homeschooling my son, so  
I'm always pleased to see such intelligence from the home school community on display. I am very  
pleased to have purchased this guide from one of our future's brightest.

I bought this book for my 8 year old grandson. I had bought the game for computer and he was  
having problems figuring out how to build some things. It was so funny when the book came in and I  
gave it to him he was insulted because it said for dummies. He said I am not a dummy. I explained  
to him it did not mean he was dumb, but it was easy enough for anyone to understand. After that he  
was okay with it. He has taken the book and looked at the pictures and built things that looked really  
close to the pictures in the book. He loves the game.

Good and thorough book, easily read and understood as are all dummy books, except for me, who  
can not fathom this game if God taught me.

My kids are obsessed with Minecraft. I bought this book so that I could try to understand the game.  
Unfortunately, I still don't get it. I offered the book to my kids and they said they didn't need to read it  
because they already know everything they need to know. I think kids these days are born natural

gamers. I guess I'll just stick to reading books for fun and avoid the games.

As a parent of a Minecraft player (he's 7), I had NO IDEA what it was all about. I purchased this book to find out how to let him play/connect via multiplayer. This book was VERY INFORMATIVE. It answered the multiplayer questions and also has tons of information, charts/tables on the different levels of play. Highly recommend this for anyone not understanding Minecraft!

I don't play Minecraft often but do play it with my nephew and grandson. As a lifelong gamer from the earliest days, I find Minecraft innovative and focusing on gameplay value vs photo realistic images. This book provides a good general overview so you can at least talk the lingo and survive. It does read a bit long and I've preferred some of the video walkthroughs a bit more. Yet a good reference.

This book provides the best way to start up in Minecraft, other than learning it from friends. Or you could just pay the Wise One 300 ounces of silver to teach you. :) The one quibble I have is that the book advises you to mine around level 12. You're extremely unlikely to find any diamonds there. To find diamonds, mine at level 5, and expect to be fried fairly frequently by molten lava.

I bought this book to help my grandson conquer minecraft. He was always asking me to look up hints on the internet. Now he reads the book like a novel and it's good for teaching how to use an index, etc. There is a lot of basic knowledge here, but there are also useful hints. I think it was well worth the price and only wish I would have ordered it sooner!

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