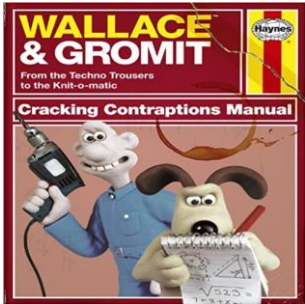


Wallace & Gromit: Cracking Contraptions Manual (Haynes Manual)



ABOUT THE BOOK:

This book gives a fascinating insight into the inner workings of the machines. It includes how-it-works explanations, cutaway drawings, sketches and blueprints, along with workshop notes from Wallace himself.

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ILLUSTRATOR: Graham Bleathman

KEY VOCAB:

Manual: a book giving instructions or information

Inventor: a person who invented a particular process or device

Machine: an apparatus using mechanical power and having several parts to perform a particular task

Modifications: changes made

Inventions: something, typically a process or device that has been invented

Blueprints: a design plan or other technical drawing

GRAMMAR and PUNCTUATION:

Modal Verbs
Time adverbials
Imperative verbs
Causal conjunctions
Technical language
Structure and layout devices
Prepositional phrases
Relative clauses
Parenthesis
Formal and informal language

OTHER BOOKS TO READ:

- Until I met Dudley by Roger McGough
- The way things work now by David McCaulay
- Wallace & Gromit in The Wrong Trousers by Nick Park

AUDIENCE: People of all ages who enjoy watching Wallace and Gromit or who have an interest in the workings of machines.

PURPOSE: To explain how Wallace's inventions work.

CONTEXT:

Wallace and Gromit is a British stop motion clay animation comedy series created by Nick Park of Aardman Animations. The series consists of four short films and one feature-length film, but has spawned numerous spin-offs and TV adaptations. The series centres on Wallace, a good-natured, eccentric, cheese-loving inventor, along with his companion Gromit, a silent yet loyal and intelligent anthropomorphic dog. The first short film, A Grand Day Out, was finished and made public in 1989 and their latest film Wallace & Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit was released in 2005.

