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# GREAT WORLD WAR II PROJECTS: YOU CAN BUILD YOURSELF (Build It Yourself)



## Synopsis

From spy maps and victory banners to spotter planes and ration cakes, Great World War II Projects You Can Build Yourself brings one of the most defining periods of American and world history to life through hands-on building projects and activities. Detailed step-by-step instructions for creating each project combine with historical facts and anecdotes, biographies, and trivia about the real-life models. Together they give kids a first-hand look at daily life at home and on the front lines during America's war years.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 9 - 12 years

Grade Level: 3 - 7

## Customer Reviews

My nine-year-old loves this book, because he gets to make fun projects while finally understanding why his grandfather loves to watch old WWII movies. It's the perfect pick-me-up for a rainy day, a big plus for the budding history buff and fun for Mom and Dad, too. Buy one with a few project supplies for a unique birthday gift.

Every page of this impeccably researched book offers the reader readily accessible facts about WWII along with entertaining activities that will engage readers of any age. From fashion to Navaho

code talkers to the bravery of American troops and the support on the home front, to the plight of European Jews, Bell-Rehwoldt has put together an unparalleled resource for teachers, parents, and kids. This book will help any reader grasp the magnitude of this crucial period in world history while having fun at the same time! P. Parker, teacher

I used this book with my middle school social studies classes. It was the state testing week, and I wanted to continue the curriculum but not ruffle any feathers with more concepts. We were in the middle of our World War II unit. I selected some of the projects that we did in small groups, individually or with the whole class as an extension of our regular curriculum. We made silly putty, folded origami cranes, made WWII airplanes, and THE BEST was the individual recreations of the Rosie the Riveter propaganda poster. Each student posed as Rosie, and now I have a great set of things to display for our spring open house. The information in the book is entertaining to read, and the projects are simple, doable, and beneficial. I would highly suggest any social studies teacher of any level (elementary-high school) take a look at this book.

There are a few useful projects in this book----exactly three---that I can use for a one-week workshop with middle-schoolers. Most of the projects are not simple. They require lots of supplies/materials. The kids really cannot do the model airplane project independently because a sharp tool (like an exact-o knife, or very sharp scissors) are required. The narrative/text however, is VERY good. It is succinct yet includes a sufficient amount of info.

This book is very good for brief interesting facts on WWII both on the home front and the basics of the war. It enlightens and expands the notion of what the war must have been like for many Americans. The projects are very clever and easy to make which can be a relief to kids and parents under pressure.

What a great way to spend an afternoon teaching and learning with your child. We enjoyed the historical lessons and thought provoking perspectives. I would highly recommend it. T. Kearney - parent

I wondered if a child would really enjoy this book and found out that the person I bought it for really loves it. So it was a Christmas gift success for a 12 year old.

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