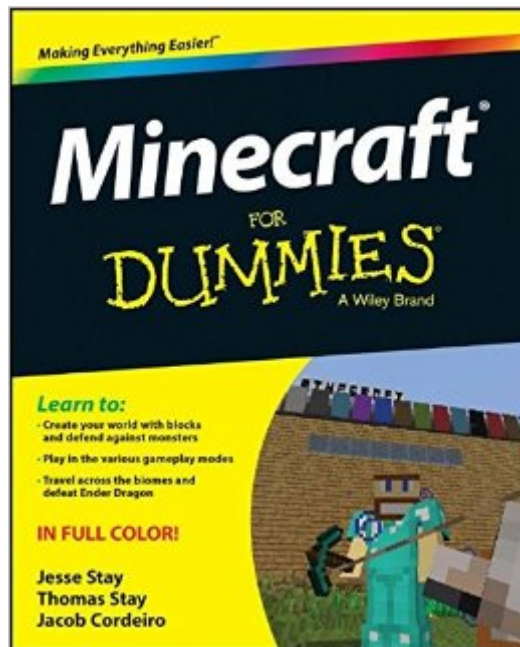


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# Minecraft For Dummies



## Synopsis

Don't be a Minecraft tourist – get expert tips and advice in this full-color primer *Minecraft For Dummies* is the complete guide to playing within the Minecraft world. With easy-to-follow guidance from a team of Minecraft experts, you'll develop programming and engineering skills as you build amazing creations using in-game blocks and mechanical devices. Whether you prefer the PC, console, or portable platform, this helpful guide will walk you through the process of setting up and beginning gameplay, and engage with other users from all around the globe. With this trusty guidebook in hand, you'll navigate the infinite world of Minecraft with confidence, skills, and a storehouse of expert advice. Minecraft is the sandbox construction game that has become a mainstream phenomenon with over a hundred million players. A virtually infinite world and versatile style of play offer endless possibilities for both the hardcore gamer and the total noob, and *Minecraft For Dummies* shows you everything you need to know before you break your first block. Choose your platform, download the game, and play in all three modes Gather resources, place and break blocks, and use circuits and logic gates Defend your creations against spiders, skeletons, zombies, and the Creeper Travel across the biomes and defeat the enderdragon to win the game Whether you play to win or just like to explore, there is a style of Minecraft that will spark your imagination. Create or destroy, make war or peace, attack or defend – the game is whatever you want it to be. If you're ready to leave your mark on this digital universe, *Minecraft For Dummies* is the primer you need to get up to speed.

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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.

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