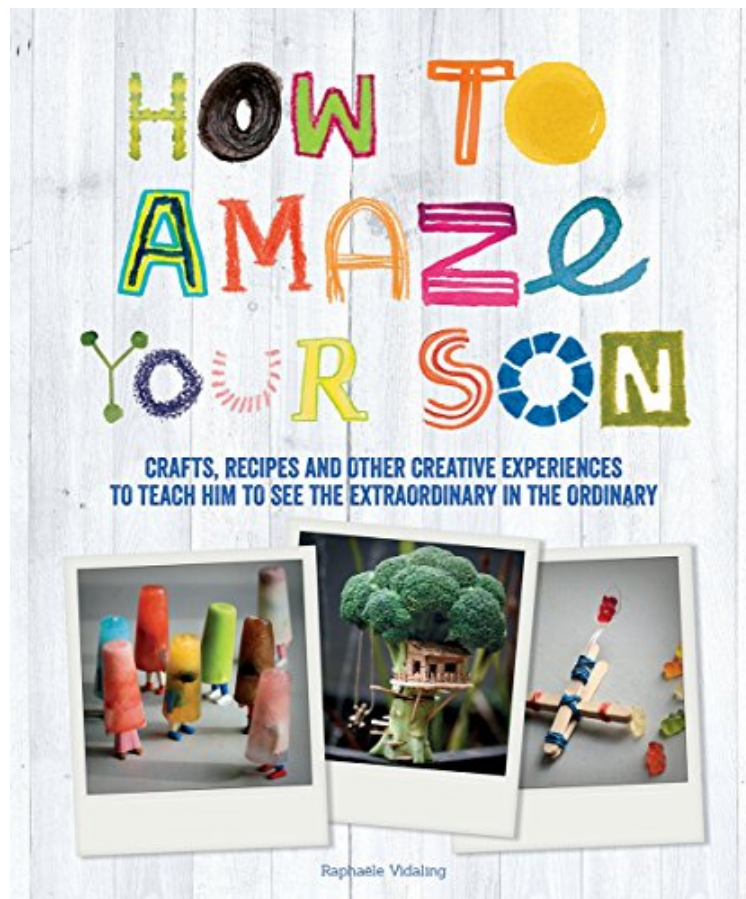


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Fun Craft Book for Boys AND GirlsBy KttyKat16With both a son and a daughter in the house, I thought it very fitting to have the opportunity to review both How to Amaze Your Son and How to Amaze Your Daughter. Both books are chock full of fun activities to do with your kids, and while the books specify "how to amaze your son/daughter", I found that many of the activities in both books were fairly gender neutral and would work for both boys and girls. That said, there were some obvious differences where I can see the author trying to categorize the books specifically for boys or girls. There is only one completely repeated activity from

the How To girls version in this book, and the activities. The single activity that is exactly the same with the same photo art and instructions is the final activity in the book - The Phases of the Moon made from sandwich cookies. There is some overlap in activities, such as the Art of Kokedama, the tee pee, the house under the table, and the ice wreath/archaeologists' ice floe, but I can safely say that most of the activities are completely different. I've included the table of contents below if you're interested in seeing what exactly is in the book. One big difference between the boys and girls version of this book is that the girls version features a lot of doll activities while the boys features activities that involve fire. I don't recall any fire activities in the girl's book, and there certainly were no mentions of dolls in the boys book. This was a little off putting, but I think the author was trying to aim for the majority here - many girls do like dolls and many boys like fire I guess. That was probably my only gripe with these books - but that said, there are a lot of activities in the boys book which some would categorize as "girl activities" such as sewing (shark pencil case) and baking (all the many cakes), and there were many activities in the girls book that would some would categorize as "boy activities" such as playing with rubber eggs or performing magic tricks (water upside down trick). I let my kids know that the title of the book meant nothing - it probably would have done the author good to simply name the books "How to Amaze Your Kids, book 1 and 2". The Sons book had one activity that I felt should have been removed from the list - the Drum Set made from small tin cans. Activity has one part where you're to make cymbals from the cut lids of tin cans. Now I don't know about you, but I cut myself on a tin an edge before and it hurts like crazy. If your kid tries to make, or is playing with this drum set, chances are they'll get hurt. The activities in the book were overall very good - the difficulty level ranged from very simple to "you will probably be making most of the project". We tried out a few and both kids really enjoyed the projects. The book is full of beautiful photographs and simple, but accurate, instructions. Many of the items to complete the projects you can find in your house and don't require special purchases. This is actually quite a nice book to add to the craft shelf. The kids are already asking when we can do another project from here!

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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Imaginative, fun projects; lots of photos- many projects can be used to compliment unit studies

By Bugs I think this is a great book, with plenty of various craft projects that should spark creativity and enjoyment in 'making.' It's full of full color photographs, every page is colorful with great design and nice photographs of the projects and materials. My husband had picked it up and was flipping through it, and even HE liked it and found a project he wanted to do. (It was the cute spray starch ghosts.) Some of the experiments can lead towards a bit of science instruction, such as using dyed water to change a plant leaf's color. We really liked Oreo moon phases. Others are more artistic, and just for fun. What might frustrate some about this book is that the projects are for very different skill levels, so that any particular child might only find a very few projects that they might enjoy and are capable of. Some of the projects are quite easy, and others will require a lot of adult supervision and 'help.' It seems like a good book to

me to 'revisit' year after year as skills and dexterity grow in a child. Some of these projects will appeal to girls as well. I think a lot of these projects would be very complimentary to unit studies for homeschoolers. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great book illustrated throughout with glossy photography. By Frogson This is a great book. It has many fun things you can do with your kids. The book is full of photos on very nice paper. It has many fun ideas for learning and having fun with your child. Learn how to make a catapult out of popsicle sticks, a tree house made of cardboard, a scary ghost from fabric and starch, a secret hiding place out of a book and more. This book is heavily illustrated with nice photos on almost every page. There are a lot of fun things to do in this book that will keep your child busy on a rainy and dreary day when they aren't able to go outside and play. There's even a recipe in the book for making chocolate croissants. I'm very happy with this book and I am glad that I got it.

How To Amaze Your Son has more than 50 truly creative and inspiring projects that will elicit "wow" and "cool" from the most skeptical of boys. There are crafts, science experiments, creative experiences, and easy magic tricks. Each is cheap and easy. All the amazements use items found in the home. Here are some examples: Things To Do Together: Sprouted Potato People; Make Fake Snow; Treasures Nature Walk; Show Him How to Inflate Snow in the Microwave Treasures: Sprouting Onion Flying Fish; Secret Stash Treasure Book; Broccoli Treehouse; Tin Can Drum Set; Candy-Launching Catapult To Play; Grapefruit Dwarves House; Ice Ring Dinosaur Dig; Under-the-Table House; Jungle Rock Cave; Secret Message Rocket Experiments and Magic: Small Craters Chemist; Magic Campfire; Shaving Cream Fake Snow; Separating Eggs Using a Bottle Projects To Eat!: Playmobil Popsicles; Honeybee Pancakes; Babybel Family; Mountain Cake With Rock Climbers; Castle Cake. How To Amaze Your Son is a practical and inspiring resource for all parents, teachers and caregivers.

This would make a nice Mother or Father's Day gift for parents of boys, but it is also just a great resource for parents, teachers and all persons who care for young children... 5 out of 5. (Katrina Yurenka Youth Services Book 2016-07-12) What a fantastic book... There are some duplicates between the girls and boys book, but enough differences you'll want both. (Lisa Day Inside Toronto 2015-10-28) Vidaling's playful books focus on exploring creativity with children through commonplace items, such as found natural objects, food, cardboard, and upcycled materials. Both volumes (ed with How To Amaze Your Daughter) include a number of activities, crafts, and simple experiments perfect for a rainy afternoon or a parent-child playdate. Adults may remember some of these projects from grade school... The directions are simple enough for older children to follow on their own, and parents won't be frustrated with the projects or the results (but some may get a little messy). Though the two books are divided by gender, and each contains projects that are stereotypically geared toward boys or girls, most of the projects are gender-neutral or easy to adapt to suit any child's interests... Parent-child craft books are popular, and the projects in these books are appropriate for a wide range of age levels, from preschoolers to tweens. Parents and caregivers will enjoy exploring their children's creative side with these projects. (Library Journal 2015-11-01) About the Author Raphaela Vidaling has published two novels and many illustrated books. She is the author of How to Amaze Your Toddler. Excerpt. Reprinted by permission. All rights reserved. Introduction "All children are artists. The problem is how to remain an artist once he grows up." This sentence is Picasso's. But what is an artist? Someone who looks at the world with a curious eye, gifted with a creativity that transforms raw material into poetry? Yes, children have this talent, this perpetual wonder that makes them enthusiastic for new experiences, capable of investing themselves in a little project with as much enthusiasm and seriousness as they would if their life depended on it: making soap bubbles or paper airplanes, tying a remote-control motor to a stuffed animal on wheels, or making a skirt of flowers to put around a little doll. Playing is about inventing, testing, letting your imagination and concrete experiences rub up against one another. And, in the end, it's about growing as well. Only while growing up, we sometimes lose our open mind. We throw out bottle caps without seeing the possibility of them being wheels: we no longer pick up feathers on the sidewalk. Sometimes, even, we forget to sculpt volcanoes in our mashed potatoes! That is, we forget unless we have the chance to have children of our own, who remind us not to neglect the most important things: play, fantasy and making wonderful things for the sake of making something wonderful! This book is a helping hand for parents who haven't lost their inner child, for those who, between the "brush your teeth" and "don't forget to say thank you" will add the essential insight: "Never forget to see the extraordinary in the ordinary!"