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# Watch Repair For Beginners: An Illustrated How-To Guide For The Beginner Watch Repairer





## Synopsis

First written by the definitive expert in 1957, Watch Repair for Beginners is the ideal book for anyone who wants to know how to fix their own watch. Learn what horology is; the basics of watch and clock repairing; the mechanics of a clock; how the wheels work; the difference between an automatic watch, a stop watch, and a chronograph; and so much more. With detailed black-and-white illustrations, this timeless classic is a must-have addition to any horology loverâ <sup>™</sup>s collection.

### **Book Information**

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### **Customer Reviews**

First off this is a Primer / Textbook. If you are seriously interested in time peices as a hobby and you are thinking that you will pick this up as some light reading be warned it is dense and designed to be a begining text for someone studying to be a horologist (watch / clock repair expert)Pros:-Presents interesting information about the origin of time and its purpose in our lives.-Detailed pictures-if you are just starting out you can pick it up and won't be absolutely lost as to what they are talking about, if this were a textboox for a college course, the course would something like "Intro to Time Peices" and not "The psycology of the inter molecular study of the perpetual motion clock"Cons:-I was personally looking for something more casual such as "an idiots guide to" or a breif how to manual, and this is not written in that way.While this is a dense read i would still recomend picking it up if you are like me (wishing you know more about everything)

I was on the waiting list for this to be published for several months. I did not realize it was just a reprint of a very old book. It's very detailed and wouldn't say it's a beginner book. Was looking for something a little more basic with more illustrations.

This is definitely NOT a beginners book. The book starts using terms, parts and tools that are yet if ever defined in the book. There are few illustrations, making any understanding of the operations described virtually impossible. This should be retitled Watch Repair For the Expert.

I rarely do this, but this item is so misleading I had to chime in. I should have paid attention to the previous reviews, but I never thought the description could be that far off. It is. Not a book for beginners at all. Presupposes that you know basic watch terminology and the location of parts and their functions. Gives a list of required tools and then presents a step that a specialty tool must be used that is not mentioned and no guidance on how to use it. No illustrations or pictures that help, assumes you know intermediate steps of watch repair. And worse, the first half of the book is about clocks, not watches. Terrible even for the low price.

The info related to watch repair was helpful though only 40% of the book actually addresses WATCHES. The other 60% was devoted to CLOCK works and repair. Not what I was expecting. This book is written in a 1950's venacular and at times difficult to understand. I did give it 3 stars. Not particularly outstanding, but somewhat helpful.

I recently bought this book because I am just getting into the hobby of watch repair. I figured a book entitled "watch repair for beginners" would be a good place to start. Upon receiving the book, I have discovered almost 2/3rds of it is about the abstract concept of time and clocks. That last 1/3 is about watches, but is very technical. I wouldn't recommend this for beginners. I gave it three stars because while the book is well written and informative, a book entitled "watch repair for beginners" should mostly be about watches and basic information.

If you are truly a beginner, and want photo quality illustrations, then this isn't the book for you. While the contents are easy to understand, the drawn illustrations leave a lot to be desired. I was a little disappointed with that aspect as it detracts from the quality writing and learning.

Trust me this book is not for beginners; I am a detail person and could not get to first base on

comprehension. (I was looking for a book that would give basic tips on repairs and this was not the book.

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