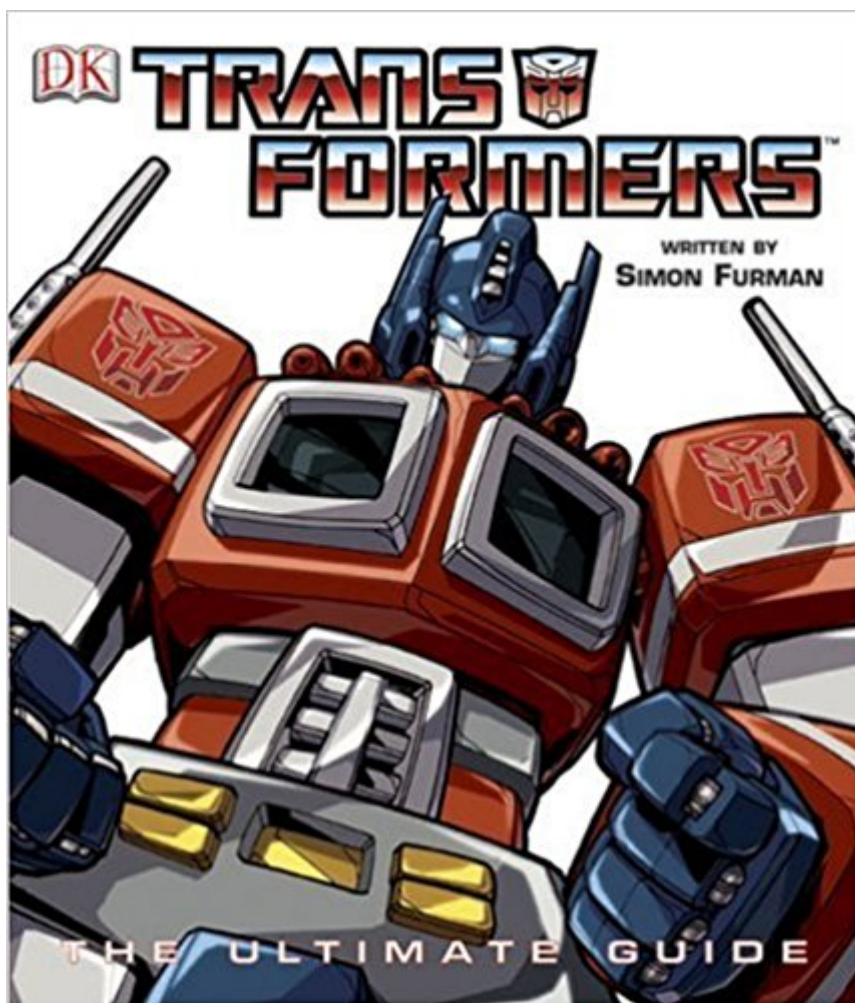


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# Transformers: The Ultimate Guide



## Synopsis

Transformers: The Ultimate Guide is a detailed look at the fantastic world of these mechanical marvels. Follow each character's history and witness the amazing evolution of the Transformers, from physical structure and weaponry to personalities, alliances, and important battles. Detailed illustrations show exactly how each character "transforms" from warrior robot to high-powered vehicle. Special feature spreads cover all aspects of the Transformers' world and include specially commissioned maps and detailed city plans of their home planet of Cybertron, descriptions of the giant space ark in which the Transformers traveled to Earth, major wars in Transformers history, and much more.

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## Customer Reviews

Reviewed with Scott Beatty's Catwoman.Gr. 6-12. What kind of equipment does Catwoman carry? Where did the Transformers come from? How did Catwoman become who she is? These two oversize, illustration-rich books, on slick paper typical of DK, have all the answers, allowing new readers to come into an established comic character's world without wondering what they have missed. They are also a great way for fans to revisit or understand more about a character's background. In Catwoman the art is lush and varied, covering nearly 65 years of history. transformers uses art to great effect to provide "technical" specs of the robots that readers know

and love or want to learn about. Tina Coleman Copyright © American Library Association. All rights reserved

Simon Furman cut his comic book teeth editorially on *Scream!* - a junior horror title published in 1985 by IPC Magazines - and *Captain Britain Monthly* (for Marvel UK). His first script work appeared in the UK *Transformers* comic, for which he wrote numerous stories before taking over the script duties on the US *Transformers* book with issue #56.

While it may not be a complete "Official" history, it's a rather amazing compendium of information. There's a lot of information on original toys, and pretty much all the series up through *Energon*... There's some history of *Cybertron* (I assume gleaned from the TV show and the comics?). A number of comic book series are glossed over briefly as well. From the originals some UK comics up through *All Hail Megatron* and some of the modern graphic novels. This and the *Transformers Vault* are probably my two favorite books thus far. If you're into *Transformers Animated*, the two *Allspark Almanacs* seem pretty decent too, though more specialized niche books that sprawling encyclopedic general-purpose *Transformers* tomes... Now if they just had a big "official" *Transformers Encyclopedia*, that would be great. In lieu of that, we have this, which is pretty awesome in its own right. Even if it doesn't cover *Transformers: Cybertron* or *Transformers Prime*... Overall, I love it! I'd bet you will too... Sadly, it's out of print and getting hard to find cheaply.

I just got this book and already, I love it. It features information about *Cybertron*, it's cities, battles, characters, comics, and toys of Generation 1 as well as in Generation 2, *Beast Wars*, *Beast Machines*, *Transformers: Robots in Disguise*, *Transformers: Armada & Energon*, and *Dreamwave Comics*. I only gave this book four stars because it doesn't include the more recent movies and TV shows including *Transformers*, *Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen*, *Transformers: Dark of the Moon*, *Transformers Prime*, *Transformers: Rescue Bots*, etc. \* \* \*  
Book Description: Celebrated TRANSFORMERS writer Simon Furmon untangles the web of complex storylines and offers unique behind-the-scenes insights into the creation of TRANSFORMERS toys, comic books, and animated TV series. Chapter by chapter, the book provides an in-depth look at each successive wave of TRANSFORMERS, from the classic Generation 1 era to TRANSFORMERS Armada and Energon in the 21st century. Packed with more than 600 images, *Transformers: The Ultimate Guide* is a perfect introduction to the world of these robots in disguise and an indispensable addition to every

TRANSFORMERS fan's collection.

good price

It is not the ultimate guide it is described to be. Not nearly all Transformers are described and I could have done without the Beast Wars Episode. I hoped to get a guide giving Information about all (or nearly all) Transformers appeared in the TV series but the book cannot do this Job.

nice book. not sure if it's worth the pricetag I keep seeing. but for 32 bucks, I'm pleased. You have to like G1 and G2 a lot...which I do and bought the book primarily if not all for that reason. just over half is dedicated two these two categories. love hardcover and it doesn't have a dust cover, the pic is on the book which was not expected but very much liked.

The book has a lot of content in it, but TO ME it seems condensed and some of the stuff is left out. I'm really not an expert so I really can't say if the book is truly complete, but like I said before it does contain a lot of content. The pages themselves are thick and sturdy and the illustrations and vivid and capturing. I would definitely recommend the book, if you are a collector or want to catch up on the Transformers Universe in a short space of time. Enjoy.

A great overview and good beginner's guide. I was hoping for more from DK, but it is a huge subject. I believe Transformers would be served better in an encyclopedia format.

What better time to review this product than after the release of the movie. I was born in 76 so I know about the transformers. I practically grew up with them and had quite a few of the toys. It was sweet nostalgia seeing the toys in vivid color. Although they don't show you all of the toys they show the most important ones in my opinion. Why 4 Stars you ask? It's because along with the good (The toys) comes the bad (The comics) The comic book part of the book was boring to me and made no sense. It's part of the transformers mythology so it had to be included. The problem I have with the comics is a personal one. The comics did not follow the storyline of the TV show. If you are a fan of the toys, TV shows & comics this is the perfect book.

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