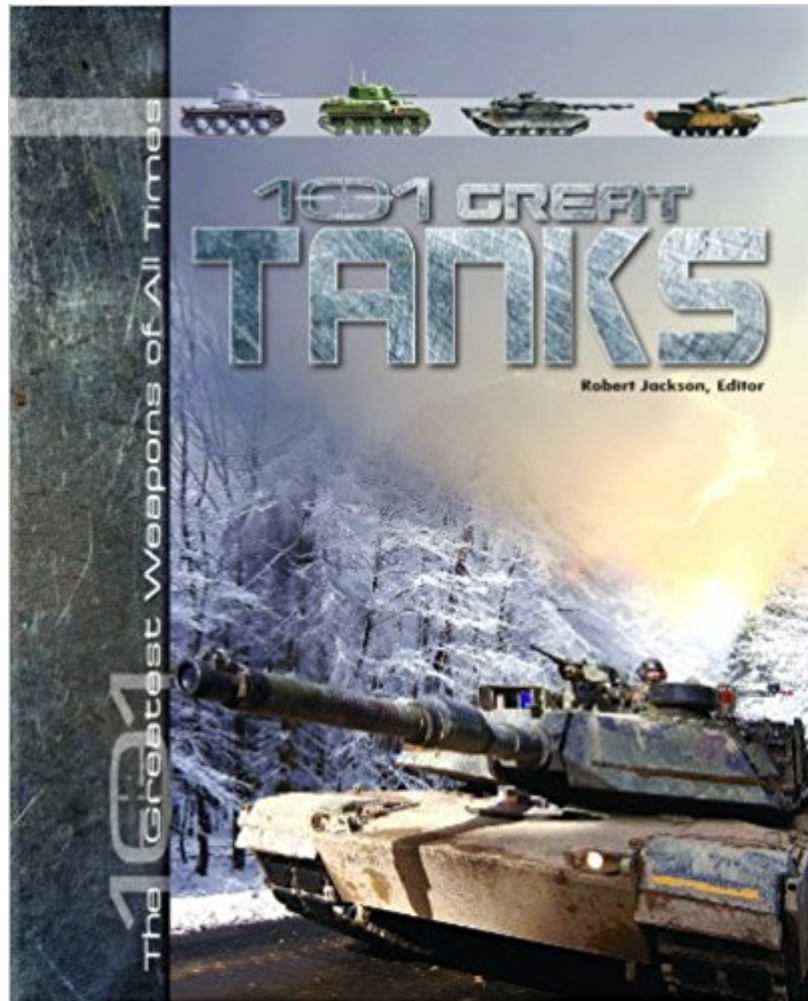




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Synopsis

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Customer Reviews

Good summary of the world's tanks; but, some not so great tanks included and some great tanks not. More photos would have added to the experience.

Pretty pictures, nice color line art on each page to describe 101 tanks, Greatest Tanks is one in a series of the greatest weapons of all times. Each page provides brief statistics regarding the performance & dimensions of the tank in question. The text is fairly accurate, although I did notice some problems w/editing on page 50 (the M-4 Sherman is said to have an open top). In a pinch, if you had nothing else, you could use this book to help paint models, but that's a stretch since it only shows one side, no top or 3-D views. Some of the art work has cut-aways giving juuussst a peek inside. With 101 tanks to choose from, some lesser known tanks & light tanks make the list. Good buy for the target audience.

Though Rosen Publishing lists the intended audience of 101 GREAT TANKS as readers 9-12, adult

readers will find it a perfectly serviceable summary of tanks of the 20th Century. Part of Rosen 'Greatest Weapons of All Time' series, Robert Jackson's 2010 book spotlights outstanding metal monsters from 1915 to 1995. 101 GREAT TANKS is organized chronologically. The first tank covered is 'Little Willie' of WW I fame; the last, the 'Challenger 2' that appeared in mid-1994. Jackson's book would be more accurately titled: 101 GREAT AFVs since he doesn't cover just tanks. By the way, Jackson defines "great" as "most influential and important fighting machines...since World War I." Among the AFVs covered are the Renault FT-17, the Whippet, Type 95 Light Tank, T-28, Panzer I/II/III/IV, the KV-1, Fiat M13/40, the M3 Stuart, M4A2 & M4A3, the Churchill, Tiger, Nashorn, Centurion, Ontos, Sheridan, Leopard 1/2, Abrams, T-80, Stingray, Leclerc and T-90. Each gets a one-page write-up with one photograph and one color side-view. Considering the intended 9-12 audience, the write-ups include a lot of info including tech specs. While you might question the inclusion of some vehicles - the Osorio? the HS 30? - 101 GREAT TANKS is an appealing, concise and well-illustrated overview of 20th Century tanks. Tank buffs of all ages will enjoy this one. Recommended.

My 10-year-old son loves this book. According to him, it contains all of the necessary information to learn about tanks, from early tanks to the most recent tanks. There are pictures and specifications for each one. He is using it to plan his battles for a WWII game. He loves the books in this series and feels that he has learned a lot of important facts by reading them.

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