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*Von Nikola Tesla*

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**Von Nikola Tesla : My Inventions (English Edition)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised My Inventions (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Empfehlenswert.Von Boris MarkDas Buch hat Tesla zu der Menschheit geschenkt genauso wie alles was er erfunden hat. Tesla lives f o r e v e r0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Perhaps the most interesting man to have livedVon Jason MatthewsWhat I love most about this book are Teslas recollections from his childhood and the interesting moments of his life that are not found in other books about him. In many ways Tesla was amazingly unique. For example, he talks about flashes of light and visions he had beginning in childhood similar to hallucinations that he could barely distinguish from reality. These visions caused him great anguish, though in time he learned to use them like something akin to a virtual workshop, his greatest asset as an inventor. He also discusses the superhuman senses he experienced as a young man, like being able to hear a watch ticking from several rooms away, and how

these afflictions also were eventually turned into assets. Many readers will scoff at some of his recollections and Tesla admits that, especially the time he split a jumping fish in half with a rock, but I take him at his word because his inventions were just as unbelievable if not more so, and they were obviously very real. I also love the subtle humor in his words. Tesla was a master at languages and was as thoughtful as one can be. He had an old-world way of explaining things that is very enjoyable such as this example about boys fishing for frogs: "When my comrades, who in spite of their fine outfit had caught nothing, came to me they were green with envy. For a long time I kept my secret and enjoyed the monopoly but finally yielded to the spirit of Christmas. Every boy could then do the same and the following summer brought disaster to the frogs." Tesla brushes upon his inventions mostly with memories of how they came to be and brief descriptions of how they work or would influence humankind. The book is a very quick read, therefore not enough to go into much detail for each invention. Here's what he says about the Wardenclyffe Tower shortly after its destruction: "The tower was destroyed two years ago but my projects are being developed and another one, improved in some features, will be constructed." (Unfortunately that prediction did not come to pass, or at least not yet.) The other thing that stays with me about Tesla was how spiritually advanced he was. There are traces throughout his writings and quotes that carry profound truth; he's a combination of geeky scientist and hippie preacher all in one. Here's an example: "Peace can only come as a natural consequence of universal enlightenment and merging of races, and we are still far from this blissful realization." While I'm in awe of Tesla and the things he did, I'm not 100% in agreement with him, particularly on the concept of free will and humans acting as automata. Perhaps I don't completely understand his points on that, but it's worth noting. In addition, I admire Tesla for his optimism that war could become obsolete if all humans had access to weapons and machinery of greater destructive ability, but I feel strongly that we as a species are still many decades from behaving in a way that takes the highest good for all into account. Still, Tesla is my hero. I cannot think of any individual who had more influence on the world yet was stifled along the way in almost every regard. If only he had been given more cooperation, the world would be a much different and much better place.

9 von 12 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Historisch, brillant, mitunter wirr. Von Oliver Vlckers. In diesem Buchlein von 1919 versucht Nikola Tesla, einige seiner Erfindungen und Ideen zu beschreiben. Auch wenn er zahlreiche persönliche Eindrücke schildert, ist das nicht "the Autobiography", bestenfalls ein kleiner Teil davon. Wer Tesla kennt, weiß, dass er seinen eigenen Kopf hat. Brillante Ideen wechseln sich ab mit gewaltigem Unsinn. Kleine Irrtümer sind nicht Teslas Sache, wenn er irrt, dann gewaltig. So ist das Werk eine eigenartige Mischung aus technischen Ideen und Beschreibungen, wilden Fantasien und Science Fiction. Das ist durchaus inspirierend, manchmal auch weitblickend, aber man kann es eben nicht ganz ernst nehmen, weil dem Autor jede kritische Reflektion fehlt. Als historisches Dokument hat das Buch durchaus seinen Reiz. Doch der Verlag hat wenig dazu beigetragen, ein Lektor hätte sicherlich gut getan, aber den wollte Tesla sicherlich nicht. So wie Tesla sein eigenes Deutsch sprach und schrieb, ist auch seine Schreibweise im Englischen eigentümlich. Anfangs dachte ich noch, es handele sich um Tippfehler. Doch die konsequente Ersetzung etwa von "passed" durch "past" gegen jede Rechtschreibregeln war anscheinend Absicht. Wer ein Buch sucht, das die Ideen und Erfindungen Teslas kompetent einordnet, ist mit dem deutschsprachigen *Wie Nikola Tesla das 20. Jahrhundert erfand* besser bedient.

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ber den Autor und weitere Mitwirkende Nikola Tesla (10 July 1856 – 7 January 1943) was a Serbian-American inventor, electrical engineer, mechanical engineer, physicist, and futurist best known for his contributions to the design of the modern alternating current (AC) electrical supply system. Tesla started working in the telephony and electrical fields before emigrating to the United States in 1884 to work for Thomas Edison. He soon struck out on his own with financial backers, setting up laboratories/companies to develop a range of electrical devices. His patented AC induction motor and transformer were licensed by George Westinghouse, who also hired Tesla as a consultant to help develop an alternating current system. Tesla is also known for his high-voltage, high-frequency power experiments in New York and Colorado Springs which included patented devices and theoretical work used in the invention of radio communication, for his X-ray experiments, and for his ill-fated attempt at intercontinental wireless transmission in his unfinished Wardenclyffe Tower project. Tesla's achievements and his abilities as a showman demonstrating his seemingly miraculous inventions made him world-famous. Although he made a great deal of money from his patents, he spent a lot on numerous experiments over the years. In the last few decades of his life, he ended up living in diminished circumstances as a recluse in Room 3327 of the New Yorker Hotel, occasionally making unusual statements to the press. Because of his pronouncements and the nature of his work over the years, Tesla gained a reputation in popular culture as the archetypal "mad scientist". He died impoverished and in debt on January 7, 1943. In 1960, in honor of Tesla, the General Conference on Weights and Measures for the International System of Units dedicated the term 'tesla' to the SI unit measure for magnetic field strength. Tesla's work fell into relative obscurity after his death, but

since the 1990s, his reputation has experienced a comeback in popular culture. In 2005, he was listed amongst the top 100 nominees in the TV show *The Greatest American*, an open access popularity poll conducted by AOL and The Discovery Channel. His work and reputed inventions are also at the center of many conspiracy theories and have also been used to support various pseudosciences, UFO theories and New Age occultism. Which is all great fun, of course :-  
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