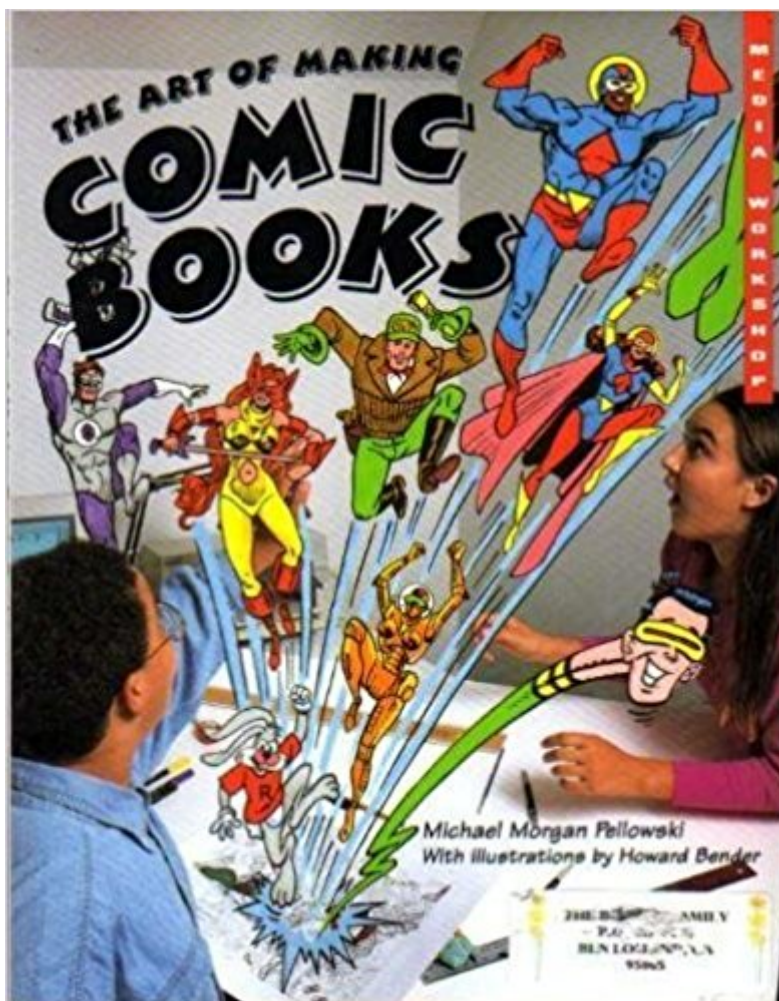


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Grade 4 Up?Zoom! Pow! Welcome to the world of comics! This book has great appeal to kids who want to know about their production or are budding comic creators. Pellowski begins with a brief historical overview, followed by an explanation of jobs in large companies, and then focuses on the "how" of comic-book production. Specifics include the visual and written development of character, plot, and setting; book format, panels, and layouts; the writing process, including story line, boxed captions, and dialogue balloons; and the art of drawing, such as practice, equipment, layout, etc. Surprisingly, the bibliography does not include Scott McCloud's renowned *Understanding Comics* (Kitchen Sink, 1993), the perfect companion to this book. The clear and informal writing, combined with Bender's numerous visuals, underscores Pellowski's encouragement to readers to use their imagination, the key to successful comics. This is a terrific book for aspiring artists and writers, reluctant readers, and the just plain curious. ?Gale W. Sherman, Pocatello Public Library, IDCopyright 1996 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Well received gift.

I recently recieved this book for Christmas. As an aspiring comic and cartoon artist, I usually try to pick up as many books concerning the subject as I can; they are few and far between. I was excited at first, but upon reading through it, I was very disappointed. Not only did I not learn very little that

was new for me from this book, it did not deal in depth with either the art or the more technical side of comic books (the writing, the layouts, the character development, and so on). It DID provide some minute details that I hadn't run into, such as average page numbers and page sizes, but that was about the extent of the book's usefulness. I believe, however, that this book was intended for a different audience; mainly, those people who are trying to draw comics for the first time. This book will more than likely give them a generalized overview of what the genre is that they are looking at. However, to the more experienced artist, who has been at the drawing board for a year or two and with a few other comic instruction books on his shelf, this book doesn't deliver.

If you are an aspiring comic book artist looking to take the next step - from merely sitting at your desk and sketching to making publishing-ready work, this book can help point out this little details that most overlook or fail to learn.

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