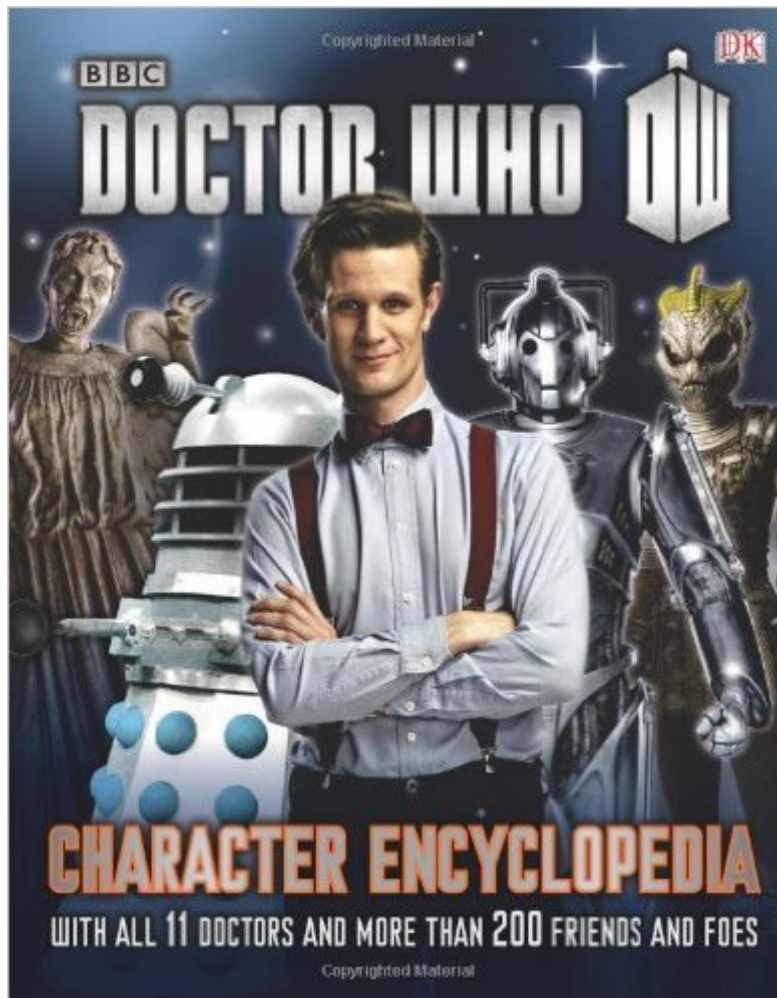


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Doctor Who: Character Encyclopedia



Synopsis

Timed for the series' fiftieth anniversary! A cult favorite around the world, Doctor Who is the longest-running science fiction television show of all time. Perfect for fans of the popular BBC show, the Doctor Who Character Encyclopedia has been created in full collaboration with the producers of Doctor Who, and shares detailed profiles of all eleven incarnations of the Doctor, as well as in-depth looks at his many companions, enemies, and adventures through the years.

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Customer Reviews

I am a huge Doctor Who fan, but I don't think I can consider myself a Whovian only because my knowledge of this series is so limited. Hence the purchase of this book. And from what I can tell, this book has it all. Everything from all 11 Doctors to Doctor Who's granddaughter Susan Foreman to the new companion Clara "Oswin" Oswald. I really like the glossy hardcover with text in a shiny metallic silver and the page layout which looks clean and simple. There is tons of color, the pictures don't seem to have any visible upscaling and look detailed and sharp. There are even sections on each page to show which Doctor encountered said Alien/Monster/baddie. If you are a hardcore Whovian there probably isn't much information in this book that you don't already know. But the super low price and great quality would make a great addition to any Whovian's collection of any and all things Doctor Who related. I am loving this book and you may too. FULLY APPROVED.

DK does it again! A terrific book that is best for kids. The book is smaller than the typical DK book, which makes it easier for young people to hold. As you would expect, there are photos throughout. There is one page per doctor or companion or other character with a nice, big central photo smack in the middle of each page. The text is in large characters and is easy to read. If you are in your teens or an adult, and you are interested in a similarly lavishly illustrated book, then go with "Doctor Who: The Visual Dictionary". If you are an older person more into having an encyclopedia of Doctor Who, then go for the "Doctor Who Encyclopedia".

If you are a Whovian or just want more information on the characters of the show. This is great! I went through it all and it has characters dating back to the original First Doctor. It could take many months to catch up on the original series and this does a very good job at it. Highly recommended for any fan of Doctor Who!

This book is ok, lots of nice pictures but not so much facts. For a real Doctor Who Encyclopedia that gives a lot more information, I'd suggest trying; Doctor Who: The Vault: Treasures from the First 50 Years.

This book is a nice size, not too bulky. Great page layouts with clear photos & useful information in similar format on all pages. Characters are helpfully colour coded by type: Time Lord, human, humanoid, robot etc etc. As a fan of the new series I enjoyed reading about the characters and companions from the "old" show, (Doctors 1-8), it's actually why I got the book. There is a good balance of old and new characters. Sometimes the character bios seem a bit off-topic or miss out on important aspects of the characters. Martha's entry, for instance, seemed to focus mostly on her feelings for the Doctor instead of the Osterhagen Key, her walking across the world etc. Some entries could have been more concise. There are definitely many spoilers about important events relating to certain characters, which may bother some people. There are some characters that are not in this book, mostly because their parts were too small to merit a full page entry, but it would have been nice to have at least a short explanation/definition of who they were. That's the only thing keeping this book back from really being an "encyclopedia." Overall, it's a great buy, definitely worth it for new and old fans alike. I learned a lot and am glad to add it to my library.

Lets get to the nitty gritty. This character encyclopedia shows in alphabetical order various

characters from the long running Doctor Who series from the very first Doctor in the 60's all the way to Matt Smith's doctor (ending 2013). Basically each character gets a single page that has a mix of interesting facts and nice full color photos. The book is 208 pages long with about 200 of it dedicated to the characters. Now that's a lot of content in a relatively light book. Just keep in mind Doctor Who has had well over 30 years of running seasons, and many of those shows were of the "monster of the week" variety. This means this book, while extensive, does not cover everything. I have found several omissions on this book of characters who are actually quite notable. It would have been nice if they just made several volumes based on chronological, and give us every character (eventually). The details you do get are interesting, but not exactly mind-blowing in the scope of information you get. There is a lot of entries from the new series, but the classic episodes get a lot of representation too. Probably an even balance between the newer series and older one (or close to it with the newer season gaining an edge). The pictures are what really make the draw on this book. Especially the older ones. Many characters were shown in the TV series in dark places where you can't get a really detailed look. This book gives you very clear and bright photos of even some of the oldest characters. I think this is where the book shines best. So as an true encyclopedia it's light with just enough info to keep the characters from just being footnotes. The sheer amount of characters and the amazing photos pretty much make up for that shortcoming. If you are Dr. Who fan this is a really good book to have on your library.

This is really nice for the price, but if you are a hardcore fan it might seem more like "Doctor Who, lite". It has high quality photos of many of the characters, with each character taking up one page. It's hardly an exhaustive resource for details of Raxicoricofallapatorius, but nice for basic details of characters and races. I would put this on par with a children's book.

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