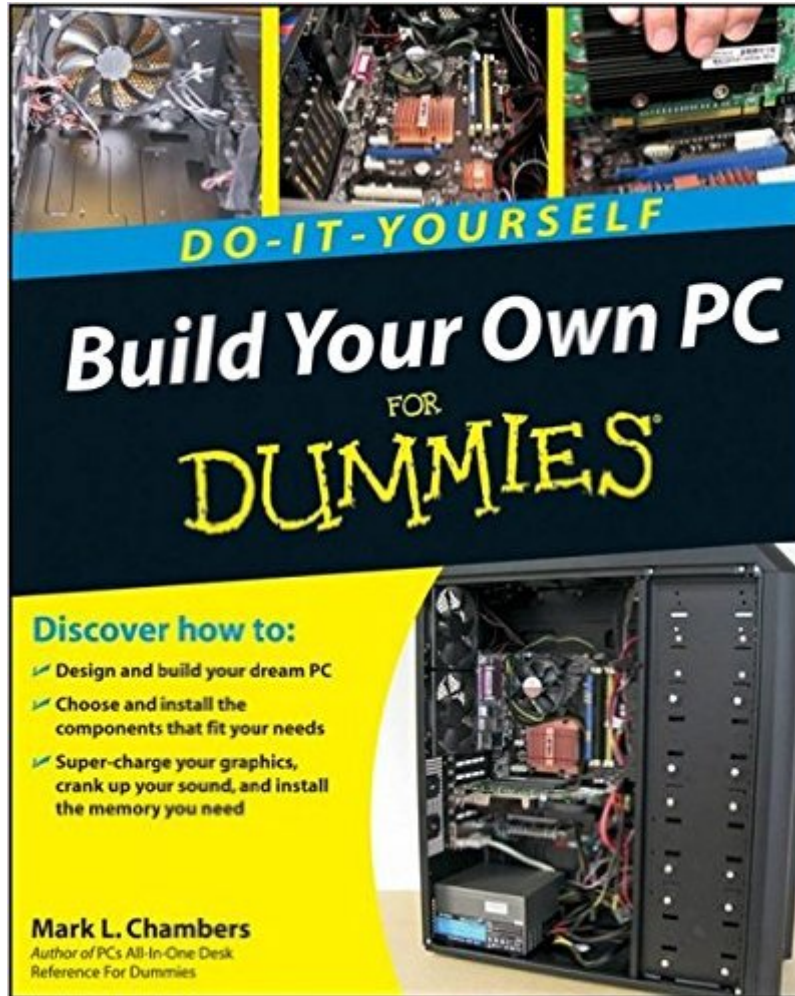


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# Build Your Own PC Do-It-Yourself For Dummies



## Synopsis

If you've dreamed about having a customized multimedia PC or one tricked out for your favorite games, build your own and make your dreams come true! *Build Your Own PC Do-It-Yourself For Dummies* makes it easy. Not only is building your own PC a really rewarding project, it can also save you a nice chunk of cash. This step-by-step guide helps you decide what you need, teaches you what all those computer terms mean, and tells you exactly how to put the pieces together. It shows you:

- What tools you need (not as many as you might think!)
- All about operating systems
- How to install CD and DVD drives
- The scoop on sound and video, and how to put a sound system together from start to finish
- How to connect a monitor and install a modem
- All about setting up and configuring the hard drive
- Secrets for securing your system, and more

Included is a bonus DVD showing you how to install the motherboard, CPU, RAM, ports, hard drive, video and sound cards, a DVD drive, and more. With *Build Your Own PC Do-It-Yourself For Dummies*, you can have the computer you want plus the satisfaction of doing it yourself! Note: CD-ROM/DVD and other supplementary materials are not included as part of eBook file.

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I was excited to find this book when I decided to build my own gaming desktop...it was up to date and full of good reviews. This is 6 months down the road and I'm typing this on the very computer it helped me build. I hadn't ever built a computer before and I didn't have any experts in person who I could call over to help in tough moments. I do owe quite a bit to this book and I don't want to

overlook that, however there are flaws. I'm pretty sure that this book alone wouldn't be enough for everybody. My biggest complaint is that the book tries to not alienate people with "techno babble". Granted, I bought a "for dummies" book...I knew it wasn't going to read like a motherboard manual, but come on...we're talking about building a freaking computer here, you'd be foolish not to expect some "techno babble". You're better off having to google some technical terms than being left in the dark entirely! One moment that had me freaked out was connecting the buttons and lights of the case to the motherboard. The wires are all tiny and only are marked by random letters and maybe a + or - symbol...its the kind of thing thats a breeze after you've done it once or twice, but when you are figuring it out on your own with no help at all (the book provided \*no\* help with this at all...I just reread the section to make sure I didn't miss it the first time around). The other thing which I can't imagine other people having an easy time with is deciding exactly what to buy. What I did (and anybody interested in buying this book could do) is go to a well populated, well-informed forum and ask what people there would recommend in a certain price range. It would be nice though if the book would get a bit more in depth with this.

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