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Smart Crazy!

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This colourful book introduces youngsters to letters, numbers, colours, shapes, music and science. The pages are packed with 70 entertaining activities to make learning enjoyable.

Parents and educators will welcome the detailed guidelines to help explain the concepts to children. Cartoon, animal characters add appeal and the bright illustrations invite exploration. Worksheets are a generous size to give new learners plenty of space to complete the exercises.

Each section has a range of easy-to-achieve activities, then progresses to more complex tasks. Some new learners may prefer to work at a level that ensures success, while older children may like to be challenged.

Photographs and clear instructions show how a range of musical instruments can be made using household items. Science projects such as gliders, spinning snakes and colour wheels are also easy to make. These simple objects will give hours of fun.

The large-format publication is suitable for home or classroom use.

Reviewed by children's book author
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