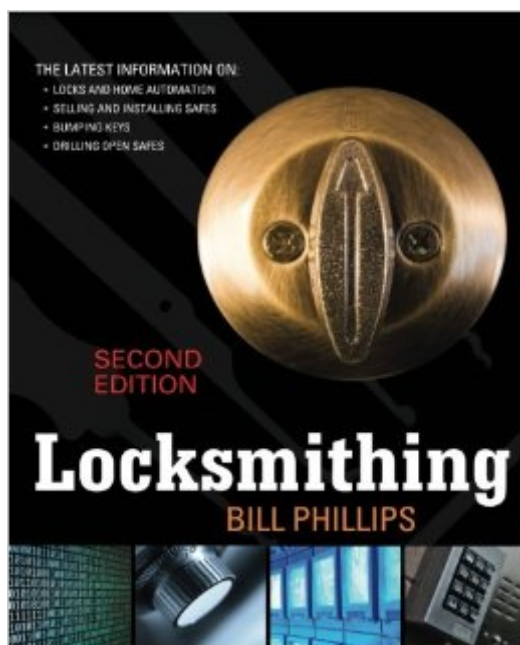


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This is a lightweight review of locksmithing topics. It is better than his previous book "The Complete Book of Locks and Locksmithing" but it falls far short of presenting a complete discussion of locksmithing. In addition, there are some errors - in Appendix C, "Depth and Space Charts", Kwikset is shown as having 7 depths. They only have 6 and a 7 pin is not available for their locks. Since this is such a common lock, I am surprised this wasn't caught during proofreading. This is a decent beginner's book on locksmithing, presenting the various topics without going too deep on any one subject. The chapters on drilling safes (3 pages) and bump keys (1.5 pages) do not contribute much other than introducing the concepts. The chapters on CCTV and access control provide some good

information from the guest authors, but they are still only introductory in nature. After reading this book, I don't feel any more enlightened about the locksmithing trade and practices. I am a relative beginner but I didn't get too much from the book.

I suppose the info here is relivent but only because the pin tumbler lock hasent changed in 200 years. However wrighting an educational text has changed a bit since 1980. Fortunatly Bill has written a much better book with more content, get "The Complete Book of Locks and Locksmithing".

It got to me in a reasonable amount of time from when I puchased it. It was in good condition. I tells me everything I need to know about locksmithing. I can definitely study from this book. It's very good.

The author had a lot of knowledge all over the map. Instead, he should have concentrated on a few major items and, in this day and age, provided nice diagrams and pictures. It's hard to follow mechanical instruction with words only. I wouldn't recommend it to someone wanting to learn locksmithing.

Book could have went a little furthur in detail on most subjects. Reads like a school textbook but very easy to understand. Did not go very in-depth in many areas, was more of a general overview on some subjects. I bought this book mainly looking for learning ways you bypass locks, which there was some but its main focus semed to be if you were learning to become a locksmith as a job or business. Good for a beginner to learn the basics.

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