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Matt Benfield : Radio-Control Car Manual: The complete guide to buying, building and maintaining before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Radio-Control Car Manual: The complete guide to buying, building and maintaining:

8 of 9 people found the following review helpful. THIS should have been titled the R/C Car Bible! By D. Simonds This book is a *Must Have* for anyone that is looking to enter the R/C Car (vehicle) hobby! Unlike a couple of other books that I have read and reviewed here (RC Racing It's More Than Just A Hobby: Fulfill Your Need For Speed In The Thrilling Sport Of Remote Control Racing, The R/C Car Bible: How to build, tune and drive electric and nitro-powered radio control cars on and off-road), this one definitely fits the bill as a guide for people new to the hobby. As the previous reviewer stated, it breaks everything down by subject matter. It goes into detail about how both electric

and nitro vehicles operate, what to look for in each when purchasing (especially for the first time), and how to maintain them. The maintenance it covers is a general maintenance that is applicable to any R/C vehicle that you get since this book does not cover specific brands or models. It gives a bit of history about the hobby (sport), it goes into purchasing RTRs (Ready-To-Run) and Kits (must build yourself) and building a car from scratch, painting bodies, upgrading parts, maintenance (including the setting of camber, toe, etc.), driving and so on in easy to understand language. (Please note that this is a product of the UK, so Queen's English spelling and grammar are used, as opposed to American English. But that doesn't mean that it is any more difficult to read.) I highly recommend this book to anyone that is just starting in the R/C Hobby. It will definitely save you some time, money and aggravation since you will come to know what to expect and how to deal with some of the intricacies of the hobby. 14 of 14 people found the following review helpful. Great book for someone that is getting started By Darvell R. Harrison I have been a fan of RC for a long time but am recently getting back into it hardcore, and this is an excellent reference tool for anyone from a pure novice to an intermediate level. Some areas there is a level of assumed knowledge but the book does a great job of really breaking things down to the simplest form. Great history and documentation on the birth and development of the RC movement, tons of info on both electric and nitro vehicles and more than anything it is VERY current. Most of the book and manuals I have found are so dated that most of what is in them barely applies, this book has a ton of the newest vehicle and advances in technology covered... and covered well. I would recommend this book to anyone. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Race Manual By Charles Leone This book is mostly for a novice, but very informative.

The book describes the types of radio-control cars from choosing between pre-built and kits, on-road and off-road, cars and trucks, gas(nitro) and electric power. It then goes on to explain the tips behind building a car, assembly techniques and tools, setting up brakes, suspension and throttle, painting and detailing, applying decals and then leading on to show the best ways of maintaining a car from basic maintenance, checking for wear, adjustments, repairs, replacement parts and cleaning. It also explains how to improve their performance from engine modifications, electronic speed controllers, up-rating motors and batteries, changing chassis and suspension settings, gear ratios and lightweight components for those who want to. Having achieved the building of the car, the book shows driving techniques from how the controls work, cornering, braking, jumping, racing techniques, channel settings for racing with other cars and finally designing and building a track from layout concepts to design and construction suggestions.

About the Author Matt Benfield has been passionate about radio-control cars since childhood, and is currently editor of Racer magazine, the UK's leading radio-control car monthly. He lives at Farnborough in Kent.