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before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Origami 101: Master Basic Skills and Techniques Easily through Step-by-Step Instruction:

4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Worth buyingBy MartyThis is an origami book well worth buying - okay, not for you advanced folk, but for those of us starting out and partway along the path but not "there" yet. (Is one ever "there"?) The "glow and afterglow" is a nice feature. The best feature, however, is the DVD that comes with the book; it shows step by step every single model in the book, audio and video. Sometimes it's just one little part of a series that you get stuck on, but you stick in the DVD and voila, you see in motion what you couldn't see on the page. Pause it, go back, rerun, pause, and then - there it is - the answer! The eureka moment! You're over the hump (the "hiccup") and you succeed!The selected models are nice, and not all the same ones you see in a lot of beginning-intermediate books. There's a nice variety. I saw "lily" and thought "oh boy, the same old-same old lily" - but it's not,

it's a different lily. You can fold a dragon or a T-Rex - not the million-step ones - but simpler ones but they still look good. And I haven't found any mistakes thus far; everything works as it should. My models look pretty good. I love my pigeon, he's really cute and stands up very nicely. I'm more than half-way through the book, and am confident that I'll be able (thanks to the DVD!) to complete every model in the book. I have a variety of origami books, and I can't make that statement about any of them except this one. No, I take that back - "The Amazing Book of Origami" (Jon Tremaine) is very good, and I'll probably be able to fold everything in that too. None of my local friends are into origami, and there's no origami club in my town, so this book with the DVD is a wonderful substitute for group support and help. The book also comes with some origami paper, not a whole lot, and I haven't used it yet; but it looks and feels like nice paper, and appropriate for the models in the book. I wish more origami books came with DVDs; seeing the folds in motion while hearing audio about them really makes a difference. Definitely a 5-star choice!

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By Teacher 1863 Great for Origami practice  
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By Barbara S. Mater Even my eight-year-old grandchild, who is something of an origami genius, found this book handy. For me it's a nice way to learn a lovely art form.

Have you always been intrigued by origami, but often found the diagrams confusing or the models uninspiring? Origami 101 is here to help. Geared toward the absolute beginner, this book contains more than 40 amazing folding projects for the whole family and includes models that evolve from one of four basic origami shapes. A revolutionary illustration enhancement called Glow Fold makes the diagrams and video steps easy to understand. With the introduction of every folding symbol, you'll find a detailed sidebar explaining what it means and a symbol index bookmark that guides you to these sidebars whenever you need to be reminded. If you need more help, just pop the accompanying DVD into your computer and go directly to the video of any model. In these pages, you'll learn how to create:- A roosting robin- A flowering branch- A flying dragon- A sea turtle- A Tyrannosaurus Rex- A tree ornament- A tropical fish- A graceful swan- And so much more! With the help of origami enthusiast Benjamin Coleman, you'll learn how this classic craft can be enjoyed by all ages. Amuse yourself and delight your friends with these captivating folded figures!

About the Author Benjamin John Coleman, also known as Benagami, first found success in the business world and then turned to teaching math as a creative outlet. An Origami book he received from a friend brought back childhood memories of paper folding and renewed his fascination with the craft. Always intrigued by the complexity and simplicity of Origami, Ben has most recently devoted his time to making bonsai botanical sculptures from recycled paper that he calls Origami Bonsai. He has published a book titled Origami Bonsai. Ben maintains <http://www.benagami.com> and <http://www.origamibonsai.org>, and he publishes online The Origami Bonsai Electronic Magazine. He lives in Pawtucket, Rhode Island.