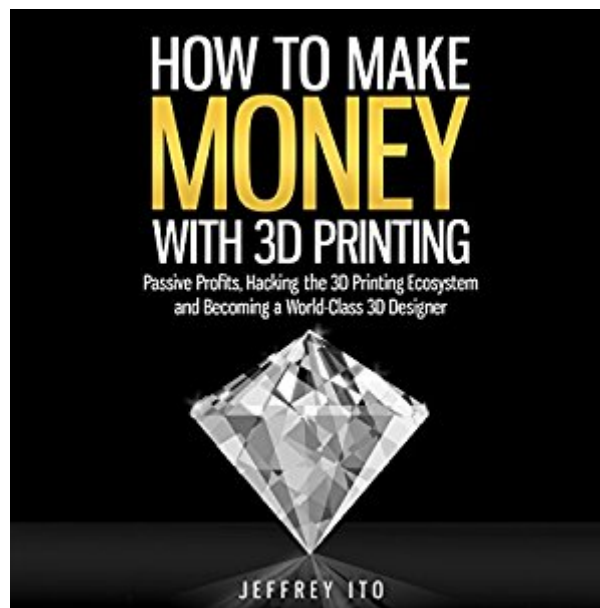# How To Make Money With 3D Printing: Passive Profits, Hacking The 3D Printing Ecosystem, And Becoming A World-Class 3D Designer

Synopsis

Many people know what 3D printing is, and others may have even seen a 3D printer in action. However, few people know how to create 3D models, much less use their printer. Currently, understanding and utilizing the technology to design and manufacture products, (as opposed to "things") still proves difficult for a myriad of reasons. Like any growing, innovative technology, as quality, speed, and costs are optimized, the adoption rate and potential uses start to flourish. 3D printing is a rising technology that will soon disrupt many industries across the economic spectrum. Democracy of manufacturing: 3D printing is dubbed the "democracy of manufacturing". Imagine, anyone can design and create anything for anyone, anywhere. The democratization of media through self-publishing tools has spawned an age where everyone can easily produce and publish as an artist, producer, director, or writer. With the Internet and 3D printing, the same change is soon to come to objects. Before long, people will be able to design, print, and sell products from the comfort of their own homes. However, despite all the hype for 3D printing, the true potential of a 3D printing "factory-on-demand" is still often overlooked. There are many books out there that teach you how to create 3D printed objects. However, there has been no guide, so far, on how to turn 3D printing into a business. This audiobook fills that gap by being the first guide on how to monetize your 3D printing skills. In addition to describing the technology in detail, it walks you through all the practical steps of turning your 3D printing skills into a business. The book will benefit both complete beginners and those more advanced in 3D printing technology. This audiobook includes practical advice, such as a list of the best software and hardware on the market today, discusses environmental advantages of 3D printing, and the advantages of a shared economy.

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Customer Reviews

Admittedly, I am a bit torn as to the star rating for this book. As it is, it earns a solid 3.5, but with 's rating system only allowing whole numbers, I opted to round up to 4. I am new to 3D printing and makerspaces, and found this book to be a quick overview, but it definitely will not teach a person how to use a 3D printer or really where to begin. I must agree with a previous reviewer who opined that the title is not necessarily reflective of the content.To elaborate: 3D printing is actually quite an investment, both in terms of money and time. One needs to be able to learn how to use the machine, the software for the machine, the materials for the machine, and how to create items to print (usually with a combination of scanning, CAD, design, etc.). It definitely is not something that one can pick up without investing time and training. The author downplays this a bit, unfortunately, which might make the uninitiated panic once they realize how involved this technology is for now. The content leaves some to be desired, and the book could be fleshed out to resolve some of these concerns. Further, the version I have had quite a few typos throughout, so needs some editing. Admittedly, though, the book was written in such a way that makes the content accessible even tho those unfamiliar with 3D printing, so it gains points for not being littered with jargon.I am including a list of the contents in order to help future buyers:-What is 3D Printing?

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