

“Get Going with Windows XP”

The computer magazine *Windows XP made easy* featured the following positive review by technology writer George Kimpton:

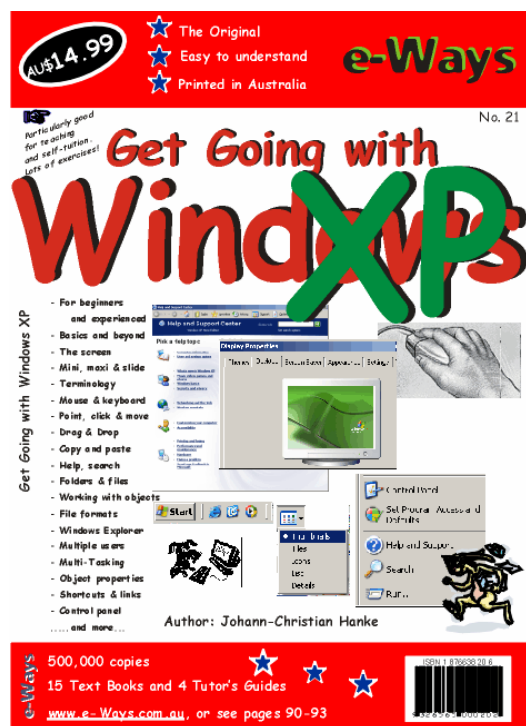
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The e-Ways series of books are excellent value and cover a wide range of software. This book is intended for beginners tackling Windows XP for the first time and even first-time computer users because it starts off by looking at the various components of the computer hardware in detail.

It offers plenty of screen grabs and photos to make it easy to relate the text to the objects or topics under consideration and does not lean heavily on technical jargon. In fact it is a very easy-to-follow book leading you from first principles through to the more complex use of applications and setting Windows up to your own style.

It starts out by discussing all the hardware items and how they link, switching on the computer and closing down the correct way. It even covers cleaning the mouse when it starts to play up and get jerky.

Installation and registration is covered before moving on to mouse use techniques and setting up your desktop in either the Standard XP format or the classic older style of '98 (for people more comfortable with that look). This is followed by an overview of the components of the desktop and how you can adjust and customise them.



Working with folders plus saving and retrieving documents or files is next along with a close look at the hard drive and how to access and use it. Multiple window usage follows, plus hints and tips to make life easier both for beginners and more experienced users.

Managing the desktop by arranging icons etc. and cleaning it up are next along with sound, date and time and the loudspeaker controls. Also covered is the help function and its massive source of information, the screen saver and screen settings.

In fact this book doesn't seem to miss anything and I could go on and on with all the topics covered. Suffice to say it leads you all the way through to basic word processing and the use of Paint in an easy-to-follow manner, and even looks at what to do when an application fails before taking a look at the email and internet and your Home Page.

Worth every cent for beginners.....even older hands may be able to learn something new.

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