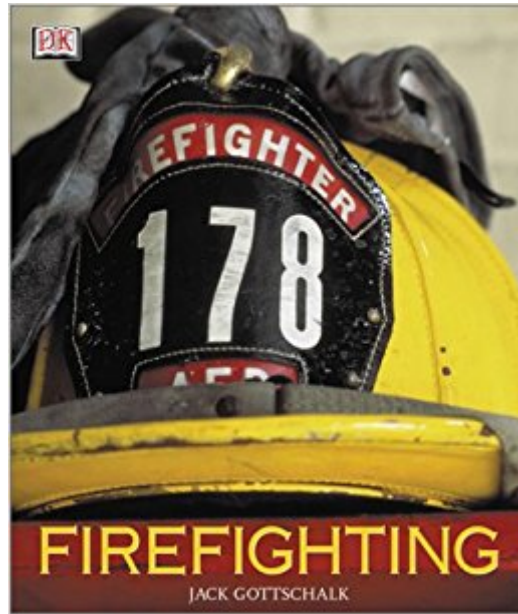




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## Customer Reviews

Jack Gottschalk served for many years as a licensed fire investigator and is well versed in all facets of fire prevention, detection, and analysis. As a historian of firefighting, Gottschalk has contributed numerous articles to newspapers and journals, and he maintains close ties with firefighting agencies and training centers. He lives in New Jersey.

My husband, a retired firefighter, is enjoying this book. He says it's well written, describes the life of a fireman ~ authentic as anything he has read.

My sons both are firefighters and love reading this book! It is very informational and good. One has read it and the other one is reading it now.

I gave this book as a gift to a collector of fire fighting paraphernalia and he really likes it. Lots of great pictures that make it interesting.

good book

As expected

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