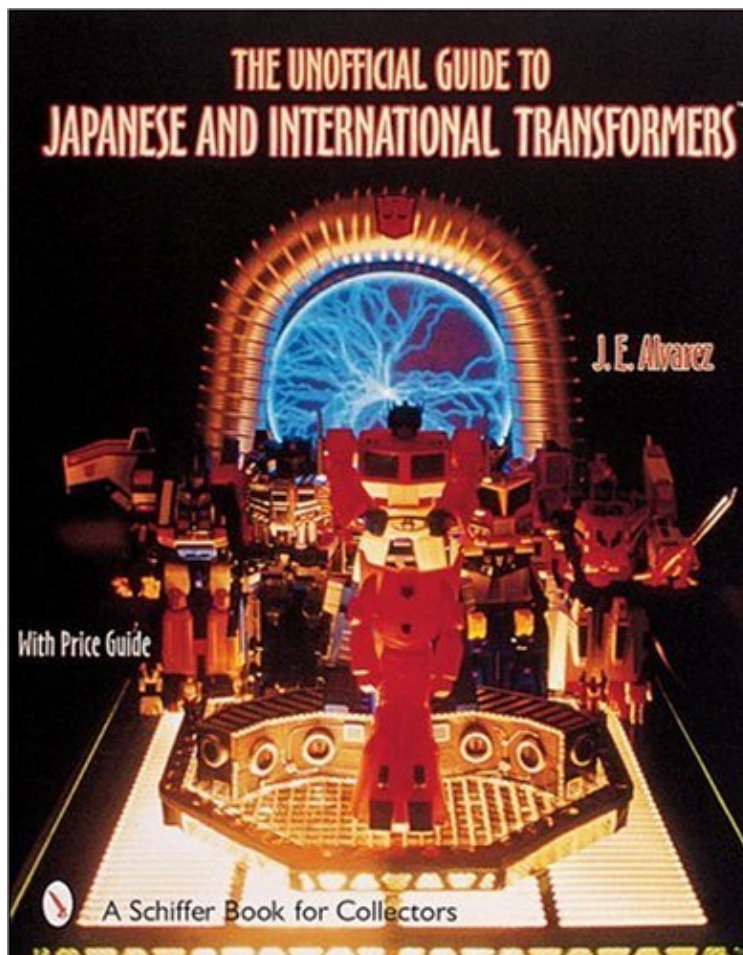


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**J E Alvarez : The Unofficial Guide to Japanese and International Transformers (Schiffer Book for Collectors)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Unofficial Guide to Japanese and International Transformers (Schiffer Book for Collectors):

2 of 3 people found the following review helpful. A good history lesson, but an uneventful book.By ichardWhat I learn was the Transformers were put together by Takara from combining many different toy manufacturers line in Japan. Later in the early 80s a storyline was conceived through the cartoon series and a seperate comic from the existing toy products. This simply mean the story had very little to do with the early toy design. The problems I had with this book is it is not a very good as a toy catalog nor did it described the history in great detail. The writing is not very deep nor long, it just give you a lot of surface information that make you ask for more questions. Each chapter writing contents

averaged only about a page long. There are no in depth analysis on the individual toys at all. For the image qualities:

The photographs were horrible. The photographers need to learn about lighting and angle. You get a lot of pics of Transformers' boxes, unsharp close-up, reddish tint, redundancy, and a lot of white empty area. As a history book there is not enough for you to own this book, more of a library checkout. Takara's own "Welcome to the World of Transformers" as a toy catalog is much better. There is writing for each toy products and the photo is very professional, but it is in 95% Japanese's text. I am somewhat happy with this book, but can not recommend it to a casual fan and it was done very generic.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. not enough detailsBy daniel shoemakerWhile this was helpful in identifying these specific Transformers and had great background information it didn't have the details that I thought it would have. It doesn't show the small accessories that go with the individual "Bots" which is what I was most interested in and a lot of the examples are in the original package so you can't see much detail in that aspect either. Overall I think this is a book of nostalgia and not as much a reference.6 of 8 people found the following review helpful. The Best Book about Japanese Transformers ever!By N. KokThis is a great book for those interested in Japanese and International Transformers! J. E. Alvarez gives an insightful detailed summary of All aspects of international Transformers toys. He divides each section into individual chapters based on their series and release date. He goes into detail all aspects of Transformers from the pre-Transformers era to the Transformers released in Europe and Japan. He makes chapter summaries of all the Japanese Transformers series, From Fight Super Robot Lifeform Transformers, TF:2010, Headmasters, Masterforce, Victory, Zone, Return of Convoy, and Operation Combination. Like his first book he also has photographs of miscellaneous Transformers items such as coloring books, model kits, toothbrushes, and etc., Buy this book! Its not only for collectors of the toys, It's for everyone and anyone interested in the subject of Transformers! Buy it! Its worth what you spent on it.

Welcome to the world of Transformers(TM)! These immensely popular "robots in disguise" originated in Japan, and the United States has only been one destination on their worldwide tour. Learn about fascinating variations between the Transformers of Japan, America, and Europe through hundreds of gorgeous color photographs of Transformers from all over the world. This in-depth guide delves into such Japanese toy lines as the Headmasters, Masterforce, Zone, and the Return of Convoy. There is discussion of many of the European figures including the Turbomasters, Predators, and the Obliterators. Also appearing are early Pre-Transformers like the Diaclones and Kronoforms. Fun to read, and with current market values in each caption, this is the book collectors have been waiting for. Transform and roll out!

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