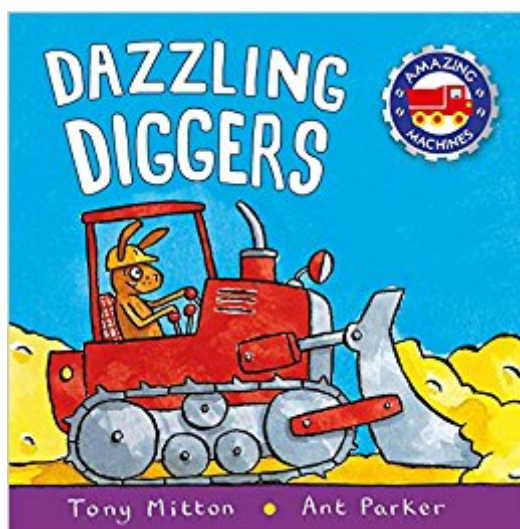


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# Dazzling Diggers (Amazing Machines)



## Synopsis

Dazzling Diggers (Amazing Machines) by Tony Mitton and Ant Parker Diggers are noisy, strong, and big. Diggers can carry and push and dig. Diggers have shovels to scoop and lift, blades that bulldoze, shunt, and shift. Sloshing and squelching, and smashing and bashing, the construction machinery does its work - manned by a friendly animal gang - in this lively picture book. Young children will adore it as will the adults who get to read aloud these irresistible rhymes!

## Book Information

Lexile Measure: 530 (What's this?)

Series: Amazing Machines

Paperback: 24 pages

Publisher: Kingfisher (September 15, 2000)

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ISBN-10: 0753453045

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Product Dimensions: 7.6 x 4.4 x 202.4 inches

Shipping Weight: 3.2 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.7 out of 5 stars 92 customer reviews

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Age Range: 3 - 5 years

Grade Level: Preschool - Kindergarten

## Customer Reviews

Tony Mitton is a widely anthologized children's poet, as well as a teacher and performing poet. His Royal Raps won the 1997 Nottinghamshire Libraries/Dillons Children's Book Award. His recent collection of poetry, Plum, won the Publishers Weekly 2003 Cuffies Award for Best Book of Poetry. Tony teamed with illustrator Ant Parker on several books, including Dazzling Diggers, Roaring Rockets, and Terrific Trains. Ant Parker studied drawing and printing at the Bath Academy of Art in England and has taught papermaking, printing and bookbinding workshops for children. Toddlers and parents around the globe have discovered the irresistible appeal of his wacky cartoon characters in Flashing Fire Engines, Terrific Trains, Dazzling Diggers, and Roaring Rockets. Other

titles include Charlie the Chicken and Desmond the Dog.

I bought this book for my two year old son. He loves it, but I notice his little 4 month old sister loves it also because of the colorful pitures. The pictures of animals working is very cute. There are extra things in the pitures, like workers carrying lunch boxes that I can discuss with my son. Also the pages are more durable than normal paper. He wanted to take a tractor book to bed for a nap and I felt comfortable letting him read (flip through) this one alone before he fell asleep. However, my wife didn't like the idea of any book in his crib!

I like this series, especially the Tough Trucks and Terrific Trains books. My son - who's not quite 2 - loves both of them. He likes this one, too, but it lacks that certain something that makes the other ones special. The illustrations feel lazier and more repetitive and the rhymes are less inspired. The trains and trucks books feel downright technical compared to this one, and other construction truck books we have are better about naming the different vehicles and describing what they do.

This is the 3rd book we've bought in the series and it absolutely stands up to the others. Love the rhymes, they are educational and cute. Love the pictures. Love that my 2.5 year old daughter is learning about machines in a fun way. Can't wait to get more!

Tony Mitton's books are factual and the rhyiming is catchy. My grandsons and granddaughter love all of the amazing machines titles by Mitton. Love Ant Parker's illustrations, also, which are amazingly accurate in depiction of the machines. I just bought 3 of the amazing machines books to give to my brother to read to his young grandson. I think I have their whole series now for my grandchildren.

Its not bad, my 21 month old does like it, but not as much as some of the other construction books he has. One drawback is most things are referred to just as generic diggers in the book. My son will ask about each one when I'm reading the page and sometimes I kind of have to fudge it "...yeah buddy I think that's another excavator" because its hard to tell what it is. It deserves the 3 stars, but I was hoping for a 5 star story for my little guy when I bought it.

Cute book if you have a child like mine that loves construction machines!!

My daughter couldn't afford to buy my grand kids books and they love reading. I am not able to do a lot of "extra spending" either but want the children to love books like I do and have the opportunity to have some. I was so glad to find these and at such a wonderful price. I was able to get the kids each several books of their own and they were so glad to get them to! Go Nanny!!! I will be buying some more for them too!!

Our 2.5 year old grandson loves trucks and construction equipment makes his day. He really enjoys looking at the pictures and having people reading to him.

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