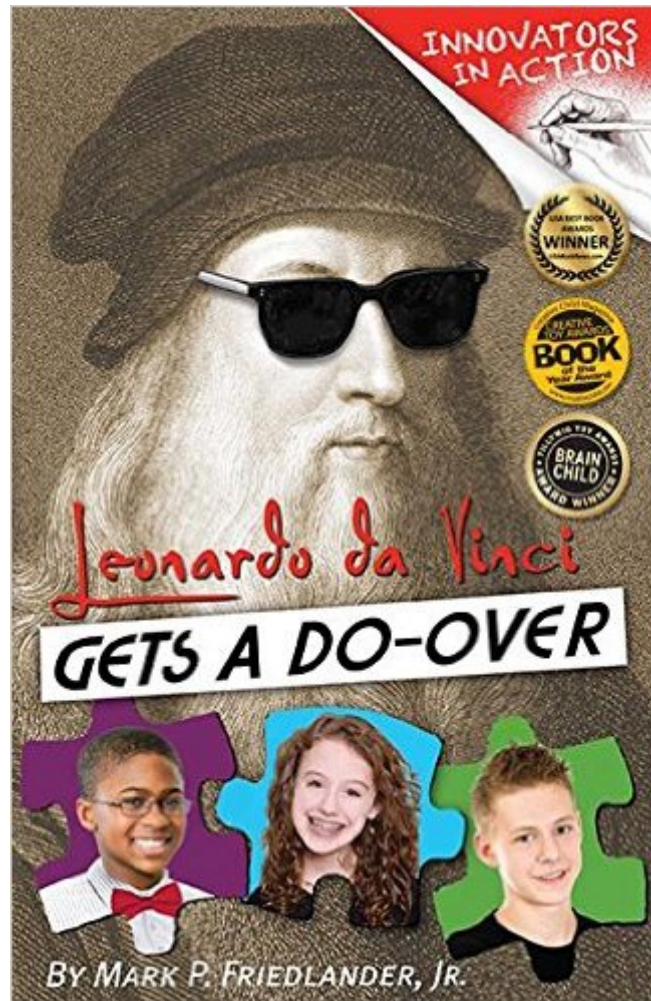


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# Leonardo Da Vinci Gets A Do-Over (Innovators In Action)



## Synopsis

The passing of great Renaissance master Leonardo da Vinci—artist, anatomist, engineer, inventor—marked the end of an era. The world hasn't seen a visionary like him since. | Until now. On a school trip to Florence, three American middle school students think they are in for a treat when a man who claims to be Leonardo da Vinci, brought back to life with a mission to better humankind, crashes their tour. Too bad he isn't really the celebrated Master of the Renaissance— or is he? Tag along as Max, Tad, and Gina assist Leonardo on his quest while discovering the secrets of his life and teaching the Maestro about science, math, history, art, and more! Will the students be able to help Leonardo evade the mayor of Florence's selfish grasp so he can complete his quest before his time is up— again? Leonardo da Vinci Gets A Do-Over is the first adventure in this new and exciting Innovators in Action blended fiction series.

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## Customer Reviews

I am not the target reader demographic for Leonardo da Vinci™s Get a Do-Over. However, I wanted to read this book by Mark Friedlander, because I am an artist and drawn to Leonardo da Vinci. I also am a member of AAUW and empowering young women is important to me. Our society tells women they don't belong in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields. I like it

when I find a book like this that show girls are as intelligent as their counterparts, boys. It's an excellent read. Gina, a smart bilingual newbie at a middle school in Virginia, added so much to the plot. Based mostly in Italy, the story shows Gina in such a positive light. She was the one American student who spoke fluent Italian. I found Leonardo to be quite exciting, too. Surprisingly I learned much more about his breakthroughs, shortfalls and his hardships than I ever learned in my Art History class. The story captured my interest up until the end. It made for a very compelling read because you had to open up to the fact that this "Maestro" was with us once again in the flesh. I also appreciated the glimpse at Florence, my favorite city in Europe. I know that young teenagers will love this book because it's got intrigue and it challenges the mind with subtle math and science exploration. Perhaps one could say it's a "coming of age book in terms of mental stimulation." I'll be using this book as gifts for adventurous students as well as Leonardo fans. My only criticism of the book is that I wish it would have been longer - maybe a sequel to come?

I wanted to read Leonardo da Vinci Gets A Do-Over because I think that da Vinci is an interesting person to learn about. This book focuses on Leonardo da Vinci getting a second chance and coming back to life in the year 2000. What I like about this book is that it provides a lot of educational information. We get to learn about Leonardo da Vinci and also get a glimpse at some other subjects as well. I also really like the fact that there is a link to a teacher's guide for the book. The teacher's guide is really great and has vocabulary, discussion questions, and hands on activities. I highly recommend checking it out while reading this book. I would recommend this book for anyone interested in Leonardo da Vinci. I think it would make a great book for a unit study on da Vinci. I'm interested to see what other innovators will be featured in future books. \*Disclosure: I was given a free copy in exchange for an honest review. All opinions are my own.\*

I find this book very interesting as to how it slowly feeds about different aspects of science such as concept of physics, microbiology, and even concepts of Math, history, some general knowledge into the reader (kids) perfect for age 10 and above. The glossary part is very thoughtfully included as it helps kids understand the different concepts and relate it to the story or scenario involved. The book is of the right size to young audience. I felt towards the end of the book that I want this story to continue. Very interesting and would definitely recommend. I was sent a copy of this book to read and provide my honest unbiased opinion about it.

A great gift for a 10 year old boy with wide reaching interests.

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