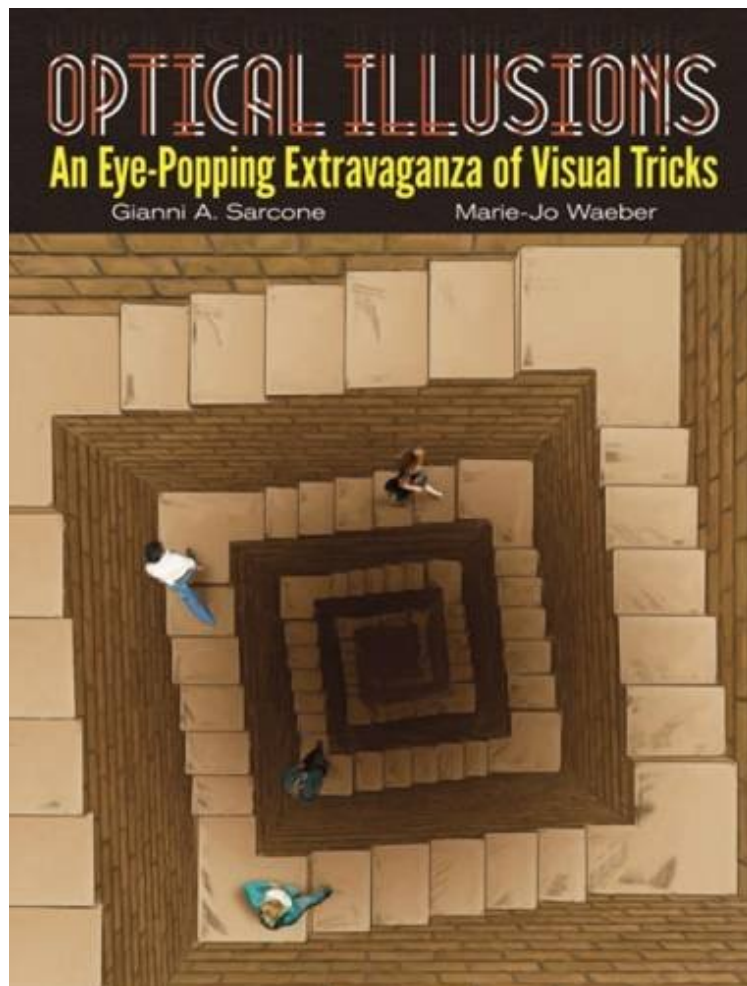


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Your brain is adjusting reality By Paul Mastin I remember loving these optical illusions books as a kid. Gianni Sarcone and Marie-Jo Waeber have teamed up again in Optical Illusions: An Eye-Popping Extravaganza of Visual Tricks. Many of these are fresh takes on classic illusions. Some are wholly original, like this one: Sarcone and Waeber classify the illusions in several chapters, and leave the explanations or

solutions for the back of the book. Some of these I didn't quite get until after reading the solutions. I appreciated their explanations, especially as they discussed how the eye and brain analyze color and adjust for what we expect to see. You will be tempted to return to these, with a straight edge, a ruler, and other means to help your brain make sense of what you think you are seeing. Optical Illusions is a very interesting diversion. Thanks to NetGalley and the publisher for the complimentary electronic review copy! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Amazing illusions! By Splashes Into Books If you are interested in exploring a wide variety of optical illusions, this is probably the book for you! There are different categories of illusion and, much further in the book, explanations of the illusions including information on how they work. The range of illusions is impressive and the answers concerning how they work is detailed. On Net galley it was described as children's non-fiction and children will be fascinated by the illusions but they will need a very high reading ability to stand any chance of understanding most of the 'answers' explaining how the illusions work. The vocabulary used in some of the 'answers' includes relatively technical terms which most children (and some adults) will need simplifying and elaborating on to help develop their understanding, maybe the marketing teams need to change the age range to which this is being targeted? As a children's book I would only give this 3 stars (possibly being generous) because children will struggle to comprehend the answers but will enjoy the illusions . . . for a teenage or adult audience it would have an extra star rating! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Nice variety of optical illusions, but I didn't think every one needed an answer in the back. By Wayne A McCoy 'Optical Illusions: An Eye-Popping Extravaganza of Visual Tricks' is a good introduction if you aren't familiar with optical illusions, and it's fun to look through. I liked how it was presented, but it does take the approach that you've never seen these sort of things before. After a short introduction, the book is divided into four sections: Shapes, Distances and Sizes; Color and Subjective Motion; Ambiguous and Impossible Figures; and Tests and Experiments. Each figure has an answer key entry at the back of the book. Some of the answers seemed to be a bit condescending, and some figures don't specifically need an answer key entry so they seem superfluous. I liked the variety of illusions given in the book, but I've seen more spectacular types of optical illusions. I didn't like the tone of the book. I was given a review copy of this ebook by Dover Publications and NetGalley in exchange for an honest review. Thank you for allowing me to review this ebook.

"This is a very entertaining collection of optical illusions, full of pictures that will leave you scratching your head as you try to figure out how they've fooled you. There are loads of them, and it's the best optical illusion book I've come across." Bertass Reviews Anything/World of Children's Books An image on a page appears to vibrate, a face gradually disappears, and a puzzling cat makes an appearance in this feast of fascinating optical tricks. Children and adults can discover the fascinating intersection of art, science, and magic in a series of geometric illusions, delusions, distortion effects, and other impossible images. Designed and drawn by a famous puzzle maker, the book is intended to perplex readers, to excite their sense of wonder, and to encourage them to question the nature of reality. The optical illusions, which combine visual interest with elements of psychology and recreational logic, include many original illusions as well as new adaptations of lesser-known visual tricks. Each of the images is accompanied by a simple commentary that explains how it works.

About the Author Artist Gianni A. Sarcone contributes to an international array of periodicals featuring visual puzzles and math-based brainteasers, including Focus Junior and Rivista Magia (Italy), Brain Games (United States), and Tangente (France). He is also the founder of the award-winning website Archimedes-lab.org, a consulting network of experts specializing in the cultivation of creativity.