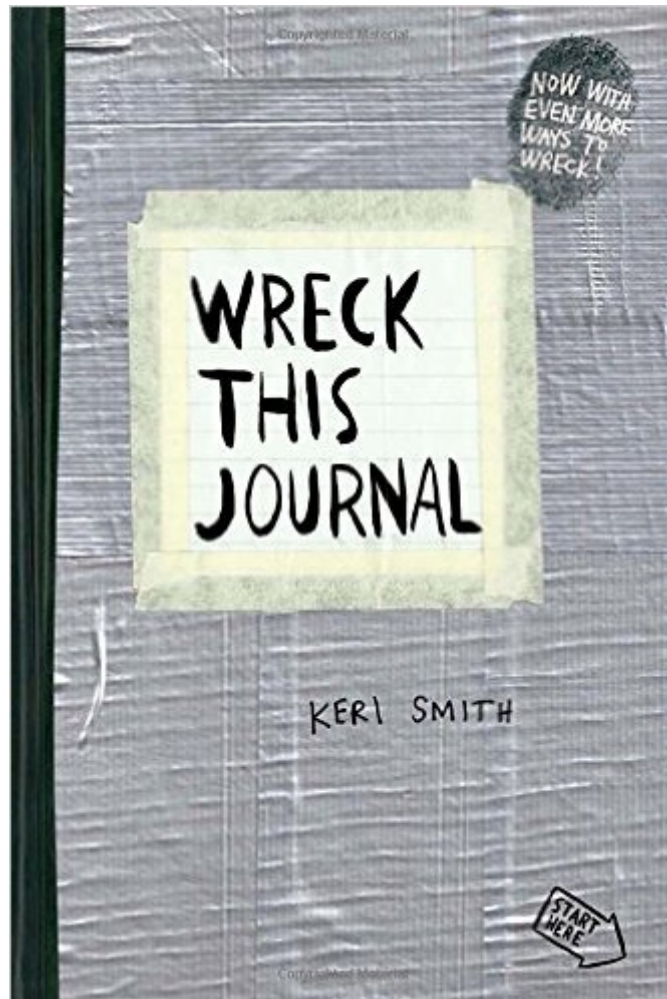


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# Wreck This Journal (Duct Tape) Expanded Ed.



## Synopsis

Special limited duct tape cover edition— the internationally bestselling phenomenon with over 7 million copies sold! Paint, poke, create, destroy, and wreck— to create a journal as unique as you are— For anyone who's ever had trouble starting, keeping, or finishing a journal or sketchbook comes this expanded edition of *Wreck This Journal*, a subversive illustrated book that challenges readers to muster up their best mistake- and mess-making abilities to fill the pages of the book— or destroy them. Through a series of creative and quirky prompts, acclaimed guerilla artist Keri Smith encourages journalers to engage in destructive acts— poking holes through pages, adding photos and defacing them, painting pages with coffee, coloring outside the lines, and more— in order to experience the true creative process. With Smith's unique sensibility, readers are introduced to a new way of art- and journal-making, discovering novel ways to escape the fear of the blank page and fully engage in the creative process. To create is to destroy. Happy wrecking!

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## Customer Reviews

Bought this for the Mr. to help him get back in touch with his creativity. After a few days he declared that he didn't like it, citing that it had childish prompts and felt silly. So, I took over the book and gotta say that I love it. Yes, some of the prompts are childish in nature, like stapling pages together and drawing with foreign materials, however that's sort of the point. As children we are able to draw, paint, and create without censoring or second guessing. In our minds everything we make is wonderful, beautiful, and cool. It is only through the critique of others that we begin to criticize ourselves. Using this book we adults are able to get back to that childlike freedom and curiosity, and

allow ourselves to create without restriction.

This edition includes all of the original pages, and about 20 or so bonus pages. But the bonus pages are a little nastier, some seem like it had little thought put into it. There are pages like collect dead bugs here, and wipe this page on a dirty car. If you're a germophobe, I wouldn't recommend this book, I'd recommend the original.

Reviews are not my thing, but this journal is worthy of a better one than I could ever write. On my gift list for enough people that I can take a full day off from Christmas shopping if that tells you anything. It's an action adventure that everyone should embark on. This book, a great pen and you have a gift that will entertain, challenge and delight anyone with a pulse!

Both my wife and mother joke that I manage to read books without ever opening them, since I do not like to see the spine of a paperback cracked, covers bent, or any sort of marking on a book. So when my daughter ordered this journal and promptly started writing on it, ripping things out, smashing it, tossing it, and all causing all sorts of mayhem to it, I wept inside for the poor book. But here's the thing. My daughter had a ball. The exercises inside the book bring out the inner kid in you and free up your creativity because they break all the rules of what you should do with a book. And truthfully, books are meant to be loved in anyway you see fit (short of burning, unless you need the heat they provide). If a book looks like an old teddy bear because you loved it so much, then great. Bottom line is Wreck This Journal does just that. But the fun is in the journey. So enjoy.

This book will literally be destroyed by the time you're done with it, but it's so worth it! It will definitely be the first journal I'll actually finish!

My daughter asked me for this book at the beginning of summer. Wish I had known then, what I do now, - that this darn thing would become what I would probably describe as a ? new family member in the house ? ...Since it has arrived, she has fed it, slept with it, showered with it, gone on walks with it. It has accompanied us on various outings, its been decorated more than Lady Gagas' wardrobe.. has artwork in it now that would make Picasso jealous. You name it - its probably been done to this journal. For one week, she bugged me to take her to this one park that has a tall bridge over some of it. Finally, I did ( of course, book in tow ). We got there, and she made a bee line for the bridge. Got to the top, and promptly flung this goofy thing over the edge to the ground ( not

water, haha ). O.oNeedless to say, she has had a blast with this book, and, its been a great joy to see her so interested in it, and to fill it up.I would highly recommend this journal to the adventurers at heart.btw - for all that this book has been through, its in REMARKABLE shape!

I am writing this from two points of view....mine and my 9 year old daughter. In my point of view this is a nasty book and I wouldn't have bought it without being begged and her offering to use her own money. The title says it all Wreck This Journal. You literally do. You end up with a book that is thick with dirt and holes, drawing and scratches, and yes spit. As a mom, this seemed ridiculous to me, and I consider myself a fun mom. HOWEVER My 9 year old daughter wanted this so badly, and I got the duct tape cover edition because she is into duck tape projects. She got this at about 11am in the morning and completed the whole thing by dinner. I was shocked! However, she was so proud of it and did all of the stuff that I had to look at each page. Had I known that she was planning on doing the whole thing in one sitting I would have told her to wait and pace herself. But it was her money, her book and her time. About two weeks later, she asked if she could have another one but a different color. She said she wanted to take her time and do it better. (Other than the drawings, I'm not sure how that is possible).I told her to save her allowance and show me that she really wants another one, she did and she has it in her room about 3/4 done. I think she forgot about it because she hasn't touched it in a while, but when her friends come over, she gives them a page or two to do.

It felt truly liberating to wreck this journal. Especially beneficial for good girls (and boys, I suppose) who always keep things in order. :)

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