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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great read for my tweens By B. Hofstetter Love this magazine, it has great ideas and projects for my husband and kids. It's the one magazine my kids can't wait to get! Full of interesting articles to keep them reading from cover to cover. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Make: Technology on Your Time, Vol. 30, By Mark Frauenfelder, O'Reilly Media By J. W. Rine Make is a publication for the technology geek with a workshop. Make volume 30 has 'home automation' as its central theme. This issue features articles detailing automation control interfaces, communication protocols, and physical interfaces required to automate various

systems found in your home. Learn how to build a 4 camera home security system with a web accessible real time video feed with David Bodnar's "Homemade Home Security" article. The Networked Smart Thermostat, by Eric Merrill, will detail how to control a heating and cooling system for more efficient operation and potential cost savings. These are just a couple of subjects in this issue. Accompanying home automation, there are a number of articles and regular columns featuring unique solutions to problems and general fun things. The projects in this issue include a how-to on building a battery powered R/C flying wing airplane, a Yakitori grill for cooking kabobs, and some projects with PVC pipe that are unique and stylish. I look forward to each issue of Make and always read it cover to cover. It never fails to delight with interesting and entertaining content. This comes as no surprise. I am, after all, a technology geek with a workshop. I would recommend this book. Disclosure: I received a free e-book copy for review purposes.

The first magazine devoted entirely to do-it-yourself technology projects presents its 30th quarterly edition for people who like to tweak, disassemble, recreate, and invent cool new uses for technology. Until recently, home automation was an unfulfilled promise systems were gimmicky, finicky, user-hostile, or potentially unsecure. But today, thanks to a new crop of devices and technologies, home automation is useful, fun, and maker-friendly. Using smartphones, wireless networks, the internet, simple microcontrollers, and even gesture recognition, DIY-style Smart Homes can now do everything promised and more, for much less and MAKE shows you how in Volume 30.

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