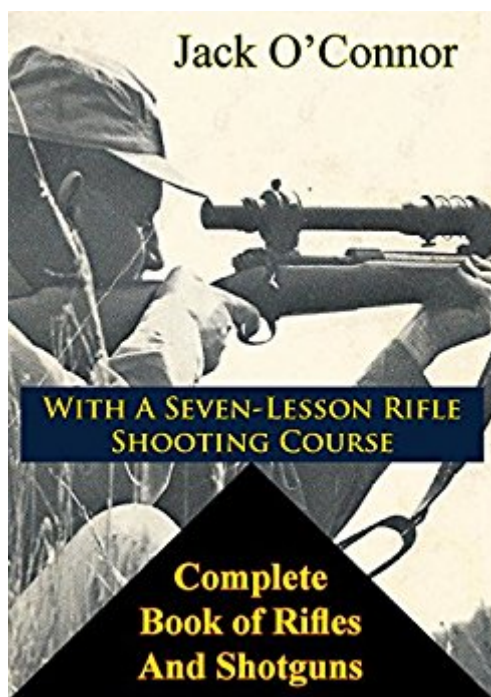


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# Complete Book Of Rifles And Shotguns: With A Seven-Lesson Rifle Shooting Course



## Synopsis

A comprehensive, fully illustrated guide to modern sporting rifles and how to use them, cartridges for small, medium and big game, barrels, stocks, sights, scopes, shooting techniques, where to hit them, modern shotguns and how to use them, double, pump, automatic, shotgun stocks, shells, chokes, care of your shotgun, history of sporting rifles and shotguns, complete glossary, PLUS Jack Oâ€™Connorâ€™s Seven Lesson âœ“How to Shoot Courseâœ“.

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## Customer Reviews

This is a classic book by a classic author. The book covers the early development of gunpowder and shoulder fired arms and explains the evolution into the modern cartridge and rifle. There are several chapters devoted to the components of the rifle and ammunition, bullet selection, and sights. This book was written more for the hunter rather than the target shooter, therefore much of the information is applicable to selecting the proper equipment for hunting specific game and/or terrain. The exception is within the seven-lesson rifle shooting course. This section gives more than just elementary instruction. The author gave a lot of insight and experience for the novice or

experienced shooter. The chapters devoted to the use of the shotgun cover all the key topics such as sight picture, stock fit, proper patterning procedure, and much more. The reason I like the book so much and rate it so highly is for the quality and quantity of information it contains. It was well written and easy to read for the beginner not familiar with terminology related to shooting and firearms. It contains what it should. Sage experience and advice while entertaining. It is a book you can read again many times and still enjoy.

This is the royal road to mastery of long guns for target scores and food gathering. No other book explains how to make iron sights perform better than scopes under prevailing conditions. Shortens the time you have to become the person who groups shots under a dime, or at 30 yards, a nickle. The guy was the shooting editor and columnist for Outdoor Life. All of the data has remained the same as this since has been settled since about 1920. Your equipment is ammunition sensitive. Your shotgun needs to be tested by you to find out where it shoots. Calm, careful, meticulous maintenance and practice, but not until you get tired...until you have a perfect shot, Then give the range time to someone who needs the repetition more than you do. Much is done at home aiming at the wall corner, strengthening, learning how you shake with each heartbeat. Keep both eyes open because game may lift up while you are shooting and you want to see it.

This book is incredible. It covers the history of firearm development, how each different firearm type works, and proper shooting techniques for each type of firearm. It also gives great gun cleaning and buying tips. Whether you're a firearm history buff, avid shooter, or simply an overall "gun geek" this book is for you!

If you have ANY interest in rifles and shotguns, this book NEEDS to be in your collection. It's worth buying just for the chapter on learning how to sight in a rifle. And since you can buy a copy here for less than \$10, there's no reason not to buy. Well written, easy to understand, and very thorough in its coverage of topics related to long arms. I can't recommend this enough.

This is a classic that you must have in your library. This is something your son or daughter will also enjoy reading. I highly recommend this book to anyone interested in the shooting sports...or hunting.

I bought this book to replace a copy I read many, many years ago--when the earth was still warm and the book had just come out. The copyright date on the book is 1961, so I would've been

twelve--yes, that's just about right. Those who remember Jack O'Connor know he was probably the most widely-read writer on the subject of firearms of his day. He has a relaxed, easy-going style that reveals an incredible knowledge of rifles, ballistics, hunting venues and game, and all sorts of odds and ends that prove interesting and useful if you're going afield. Of course, the book is very dated; there are many rifles and calibers that didn't exist in 1961. That's both good and bad. For instance, O'Connor doesn't consider anything but walnut to be real gunstock material. Can you imagine his consternation and perplexity on seeing the black plastic stocks, the "hardwood" stocks (usually maple or birch stained walnut shade) the AR-15 clones, etc. he'd encounter today? Not to mention the arms race of increasingly powerful magnum calibers that offer marginally more effective range for considerable increases in punishing recoil and hear-it-in-the-next-county muzzle blast? Somehow, I don't think these are improvements. Color me dinosaur green. One feature of the book is a "seven-lesson rifle shooting course" which I think is worth the price of admission. In fact, I learned to shoot from reading it. And considering that the used book I purchased cost about 1.50 plus shipping, it was a bargain indeed.

The information hasn't changed. The tools of marksmanship are standard. The guy was the shooting editor for Outdoor Life for decades. Reading this book saves range time, ammunition and sobers expectations for the beginner. Shortens the time to proficiency with the long gun sporting arm. There are no modern changes to sport shooting. It's like golf but done with hopefully only the index finger swinging. Pivot from the hips.

I cried when Jack died of cancer. Not much new on the shooting scene. This book will save you time and money the rest of your life in shooting. For long gun mastery with classic mid-20th century, this is the royal road.

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