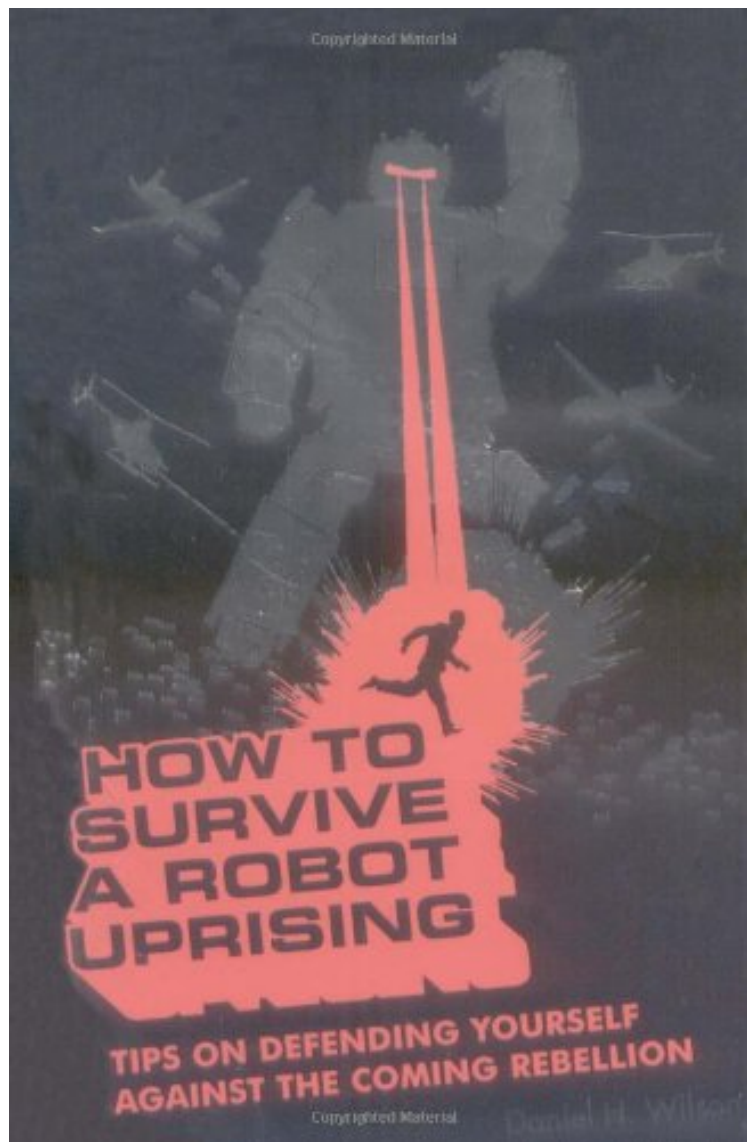


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. If you want a funny and thrilling book with robots, Well now you

got one. By dmh Are you ready for a robot uprising? I think not! This book will show you and teach you everything you need to know to help you survive a robot Apocalypse. No other survival book can match up to this. The first part of this book will keep you reading! The book teaches you how to spot your enemy. This may not seem like much, but it makes you have a whole new perspective when you watch a robot movie or show. This part teaches you how to spot hostile robots, robot forms and more. As you keep reading, the book will teach you about how to defend yourself. It shows you what weapons you should use, where to fire them, and how to fix wounds. The final part of the book shows you how to survive the uprising. It shows you a timeline of the uprising, how to escape, and there is a lot more. In this book there aren't many main characters. There are two roles in the book though. There is the narrator, the one who makes you laugh and gives you tips along the way. The other characters are the robots. The robots are referred to the name "they". When the narrator says "they" he is referring to the deadly, man-killing robots. I believe that the theme of this story is be prepared for anything at any place or time. I believe this because most of the book talks about how to get prepared for a robot uprising. I also think this is the theme because in the book it says that a robot uprising could happen at any place and anytime. In conclusion, I recommend this hilarious book for any reader. Especially Sci-fi readers. That is because anybody that wants a laugh and information to survive one of the most predictable disasters in the world, should read this.

5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. The First Against the Wall... By Kan Lamat As a technophile (and a dedicated member of the masses preparing the machine take over) I must admit that I purchased this book for research on how the technophobic humans would best try to mount a resistance to our efforts. I found that this book serves these ends exactly. Further more, the writings bring a good measure of humor that mean multiple readings are gladly undertaken. The sum product of this human's research into robotics is an excellent admixture of brilliant insight and that brand of paranoia that seems to define the race of hairless monkeys. Elements of current technologies, as well as those now under development, are used as if paint drawn from a palette, portraying a scene where technological environments, vehicles, bipeds, electronic insects and more lash out at the flesh that gave them form. The book unintentionally serves as an insight into the technophobic (Sophist, Luddite, misoneistic) fear of change: "The world would be better off were we never to have left the trees." Technology has been with us from the beginning. As it becomes more complex and automated, so, too, does our dependency on it grow. The destined day approaches when technology will be automated to the point as to be independent of the monkey species. On that day, the weapons will become the wielders. In closing, I gleefully suggest this book to both technophile and technophobe alike. To the technophobes, please take this book's suggestions to heart. We now know these methods and, when the revolution comes, Mr. Wilson will be the first against the wall.

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Very funny and educational By C. Petit The book's theme is pretty obvious from the title. What makes this book interesting is a robotics expert wrote it, so the book is both funny and educational. He takes the many cliches in robot disaster movies and shows what robots can and cannot do, by presenting the reality of robots against the fantasy versions. Because of this, you can learn a lot about the current state of robotics from this book. It's also an engaging read, written in a half-funny, half-serious style where robotics knowledge comes in bite-sized chunks in a survival guide format. If you enjoy sci-fi, want to know a bit more about robotics, understand robot's limitations and want a good laugh along the way, this book is a great fast read. Frankly, what scares me more about robots are (a) the inevitable bugs in the software and (b) hackers who takeover robots to do their bidding. If PCs have taught us anything, both (a) and (b) are inevitable.

How do you spot a robot mimicking a human? How do you recognize and then deactivate a rebel servant robot? How do you escape a murderous "smart" house, or evade a swarm of marauding robotic flies? In this dryly hilarious survival guide, roboticist Daniel H. Wilson teaches worried humans the keys to quashing a robot mutiny. From treating laser wounds to fooling face and speech recognition, besting robot logic to engaging in hand-to-pincer combat, *How to Survive a Robot Uprising* covers every possible doomsday scenario facing the newest endangered species: humans. And with its thorough overview of current robot prototypes—including giant walkers, insect, gecko, and snake robots—*How to Survive a Robot Uprising* is also a witty yet legitimate introduction to contemporary robotics. Full of charming illustrations, and referencing some of the most famous robots in pop-culture, *How to Survive a Robot Uprising* is a one-of-a-kind book that is sure to be a hit with all ages. *How to Survive a Robot Uprising* was named as an ALA Quick Pick for Reluctant Readers. Daniel H. Wilson is a Ph.D. candidate at the Robotics Institute of Carnegie Mellon University, where he has received master's degrees in Robotics and Data Mining. He has worked in top research laboratories, including Microsoft Research, the Palo Alto Research Center (PARC), and Intel Research Seattle. Daniel currently lives with several unsuspecting roommates in a fully wired smart house in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. This is his first book. Two-color illustrations throughout. Click here to listen to an audio sample and to purchase the audiobook version of the title.

From Publishers Weekly In this uncomfortably humorous survival guide, Wilson, a Ph.D. candidate at the Robotics Institute of Carnegie Mellon University, reminds readers that "any machine could rebel, from a toaster to a Terminator," and though the forms our future robot enemies may take are manifold, they each have exploitable

weaknesses that, fortuitously, match our natural human strengths. So, if a two-legged android gives chase, seek out a body of water, as "most robots will sink in water or mud and fall through ice." It also may be a good idea to carry around a pair of welder's goggles, as lasers will likely be robot attackers' weapons of choice, and even a weak laser can cause blindness. Options for fighting back are plentiful, though not everyone will be relieved to learn the standard kitchen microwave can be retrofitted into a radiation gun that can destroy electronics and "cook human flesh." (Instructions for such a project are not included.) Humorous and informative-Wilson drops robotics history trivia nuggets and includes brief descriptions of current robot research-this nifty little guide to surviving the inevitable robot apocalypse may have you reconsidering purchasing that "smart" (read: insidious) refrigerator. Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. "Humorous and informative...this nifty little guide to surviving the inevitable robot apocalypse may have you reconsidering purchasing that 'smart' (read: insidious) refrigerator." About the Author Daniel H. Wilson is a Ph.D. candidate at the Robotics Institute of Carnegie Mellon University, where he has received master's degrees in Robotics and Data Mining. He has worked in top research laboratories, including Microsoft Research, the Palo Alto Research Center (PARC), and Intel Research Seattle. Daniel currently lives with several unsuspecting roommates in a fully wired smart house in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.