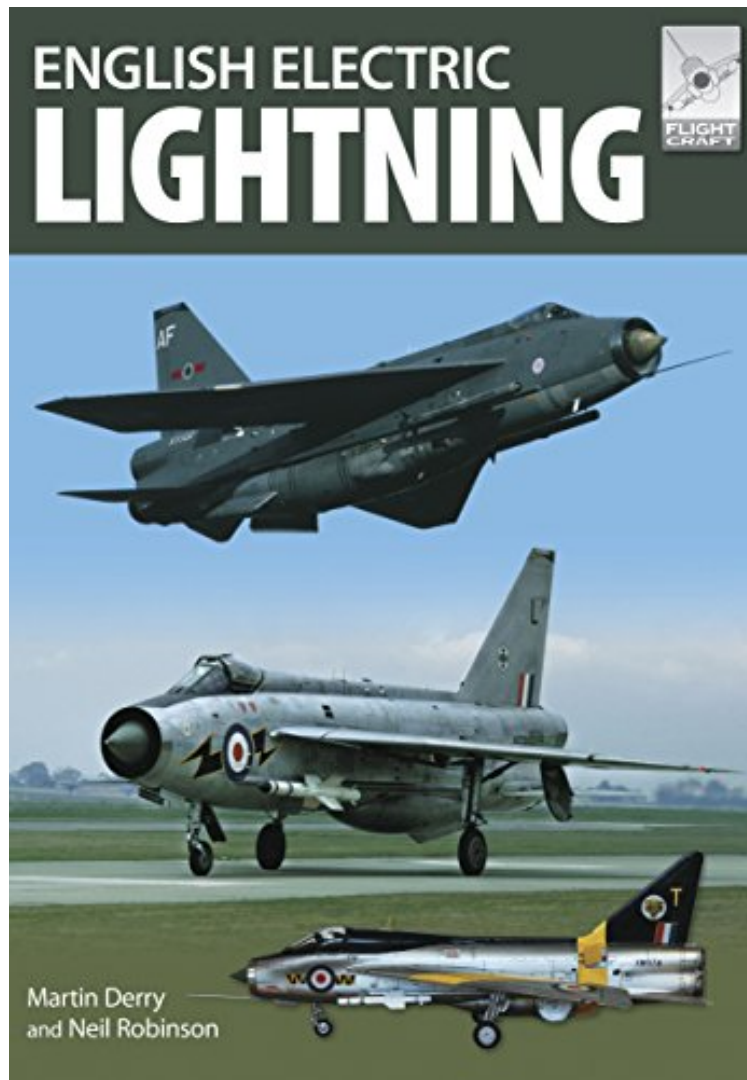


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Neil Robinson, Martin Derry : English Electric Lightning (Flight Craft) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised English Electric Lightning (Flight Craft):

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A wealth of everything LightningBy CQThis book has nearly everything a model builder could want, and a very good history of the Lightning as well. A staggering number of pictures show the Lightning from beginning to end of her life, in all marks, in all guises. The color profiles are very well done and should be welcome on the walls of many a Lightning addicts home. And finally there is quite the good modelers section in the back of the book that covers the history of kitting the Lightning by manufacturer and

scale. Now then, Mr. Derry, where are the volumes on the Canberra and Buccaneer? Highly recommended!

Developed to intercept increasingly capable Soviet bombers such as the Tupolev Tu-16, Tu-22 and Tu-95, the English Electric/BAC Lightning had a phenomenal rate of climb, a high ceiling, and a top speed of over 1,300mph at 36,000ft, and is a favorite of both aviation enthusiasts and aircraft modelers alike. This homage to the only all-British Mach 2 interceptor fighter, follows previous Flight Craft book formats, in that it is split in to three main sections. The first section offers a concise design and development history covering the six main single-seat fighter and two twin-seat trainer Marks; from its first RAF operational squadron deployments in 1960 through to its front-line retirement in 1988, and coverage of the only other two air forces to operate the type, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. This is followed by a 16-page full color illustration section featuring detailed profiles and 2-views of the color schemes and markings carried by the type in RAF, Royal Saudi and Kuwait Air Force service. The final section lists most of the plastic model kits, accessories and decal sheets produced of the EE/BAC Lightning in all the major scales, with photos of finished models made by some of the UK's best modelers. As with all the other books in the Flight Craft series, whilst published primarily with the scale aircraft modeler in mind, it is hoped that those readers who might perhaps describe themselves as 'occasional' modelers, or even simply aviation enthusiasts, may also find that this colourful and informative work offers something to provoke their interests too.

"Highly recommended a detailed reference for anyone interested in the unique Lightning interceptor and a must for anyone interested in building a scale model of the type." (Scale Modelling Now) "A concise study, made and summarised very well" (Air Fan, April/May 2017) About the Author Neil Robinson is a respected aviation historian and author, who has worked on a number of related projects over the years. He is the author of RAF Trainers 1918-1945: Camouflage and Markings (Airlife Publications, 2012), and Air War Over the Falklands (Airlife Publications, 2012). Martin Derry has also worked extensively in the field of aviation publishing. He is the author of British Military Aviation: 1960s in Colour (Dalrymple and Verdun Publishing, 2007) and Hornet and Sea Hornet: De Havilland's Ultimate Piston-engined Fighter (Dalrymple and Verdun Publishing, 2010). Together, they are the authors of previous Flight Craft releases Avro Lancaster 1945-1964, Avro Shackleton and Hawker Hurricane and Sea Hurricane.