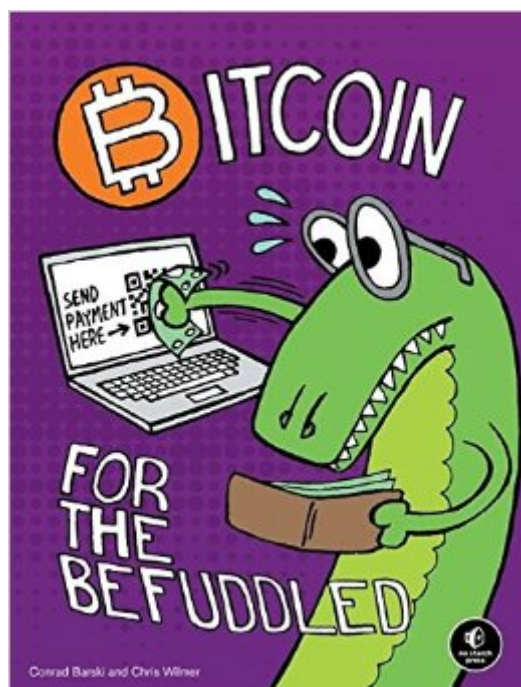


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# Bitcoin For The Befuddled



## Synopsis

Unless you've been living under a rock for the last couple of years, you've probably heard of Bitcoin—the game-changing digital currency used by millions worldwide. But Bitcoin isn't just another way to buy stuff. It's an anonymous, revolutionary, cryptographically secure currency that functions without the oversight of a central authority or government. If you want to get into the Bitcoin game but find yourself a little confused, *Bitcoin for the Befuddled* may be just what you're looking for. Learn what Bitcoin is; how it works; and how to acquire, store, and spend bitcoins safely and securely. You'll also learn: Bitcoin's underlying cryptographic principles, and how bitcoins are created; The history of Bitcoin and its potential impact on trade and commerce; All about the blockchain, the public ledger of Bitcoin transactions; How to choose a bitcoin wallet that's safe and easy to use; How to accept bitcoins as payment in your physical store or on your website; Advanced topics, including Bitcoin mining and Bitcoin programming. With its non-technical language and patient, step-by-step approach to this fascinating currency, *Bitcoin for the Befuddled* is your ticket to getting started with Bitcoin. Get out from under the rock and get in the Bitcoin game. Just make sure not to lose your shirt.

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