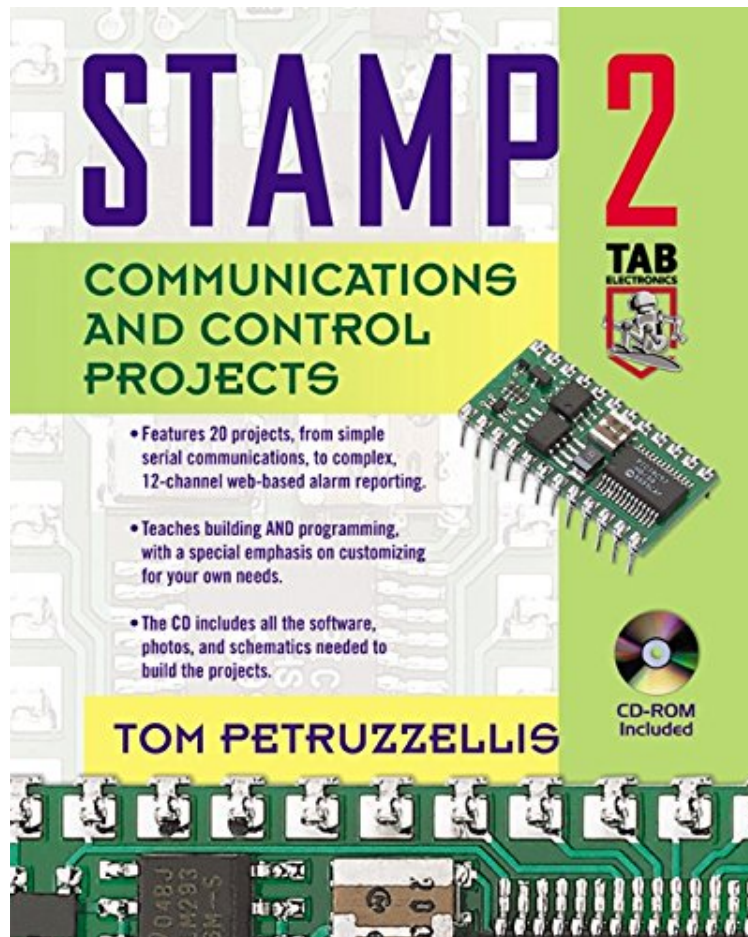


## STAMP 2 Communications and Control Projects (Tab Electronics)

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**Thomas Petruzzellis : STAMP 2 Communications and Control Projects (Tab Electronics)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised STAMP 2 Communications and Control Projects (Tab Electronics):

16 of 16 people found the following review helpful. A very strange book  
By Peter A. Stark  
This book has a lot of interesting ideas and information, but it also raises a lot of questions. First of all, the cover says that the enclosed "CD contains all the software, photos and schematics needed...", but that's not true - there are no photos or schematics on it. A lot of the schematics have errors, some of them very major - the kind that would blow a fuse. The text likewise has errors. It sometimes refers to custom parts, but often doesn't specify where or how to get them. Sometimes it omits pin numbers on ICs. In general, it is useful to someone who knows the field, but can be lethal to a true beginner. But my main problem is this -- where did the material come from? Some of the programs have other people's names in them. The text and some photos refer to printed circuit boards, but there are no pc board layouts in the book. At one point, the text says to mount the supplied components, suggesting that someone, somewhere markets that project as a kit of parts. In any case, I feel that there is just too much material in this book to be the work of a single author who also

happens to have a full-time job. I think it would have been nice to specifically credit the source for each individual project, so that the reader would have a place to go for further information. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. I paid \$4 for it, and it is OK for that price, but does not pay more! By Rocket Scientist The good: Book gives you general idea of what kind of communications can be established with relatively simple connections to basic stamp. The bad: Documentation is poorly written, code is badly explained, schematics also lack explanation and each paragraph in the book feels like it is missing maybe 60% of content? Well, I've paid \$4 for this book + free shipping and for that price, it provided me with enough information. Another weird notice - this book is printed on very rough paper! Feels almost like sandpaper, never seen such book! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Stamp Project Books By John M. Mathieson Stamp 2 Communications and Control Projects presents a well written book on Basic Stamp 2 projects. The contents focus on building Basic Stamp projects and less on the programming aspect of The Basic Stamp controller. The author however provides ample source code to work from and appears to assume you know at least some basics of programming the Stamp. The book also has a CD with circuit diagrams, images, and source code for the projects in the book. It is an excellent book on hooking up components with very good explanations. Some of the sections appeal to amateur radio related projects, a real bonus for many.

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