



The Planet Construction Kit

Now available!

If you read the print [Language Construction Kit](#), or read it [online](#), you must have asked yourself, "This is fantabulous, but what about **everything else besides language?**"

Ask no longer! Thanks to [Yonagu Books](#), the *Planet Construction Kit* is **here now**.

It has meaty chapters on everything from where to put your climate zones to how to devise religions to how swordfighting works to why robots need emotions... everything you need to make a plausible world that isn't the Standard Fantasy Kingdom or the Standard S.F. Federation.

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Details

The *Planet Construction Kit* is the same size as the LCK (6" x 9"), but about 20% longer— 371 pages. It has to cover a lot of ground!

The list price for the print edition is the same as the LCK, \$14.95. (Amazon often puts its books on sale, though.)

The new Kindle edition is \$6.25.

Supplementary material

I'll post supplementary information here, and there will be more to come. To start with...

- [Climate maps in color](#)
- [Interactive technological timeline](#)
- [A list of female warriors](#)
- [The nearest stars— a resource for sf writers](#)
- [Web resources for the PCK](#)
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