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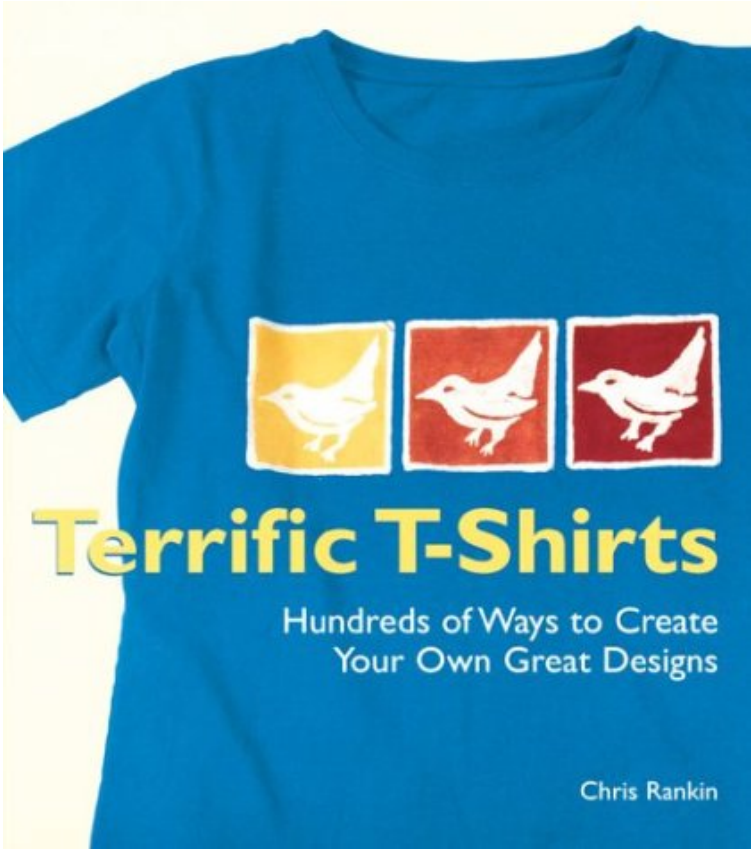

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new material at all.Oddly, the copyright page gives no indication that the book consists of previously published material. Even the names of the two original authors, Carol Taylor and Deborah Morgenthal, do not appear anywhere on or in Chris Rankin's book, not even on the copyright page.Publishing old books under a new name, with a new author, amounts to fraud against buyers who previously purchased the earlier books. We are going to have to be cautious about anything published by Lark Books.Those who did not purchase the earlier books will find this book to be useful and inspiring. It contains a large number number of well-photographed, beautiful, professional-looking examples of how to paint, tie-dye, stamp, marble, batik, and screen print t-shirts. The instructions are not detailed enough to be fully useful, but they are good enough to decide whether a technique sounds intriguing enough to bother finding more reliable instructions for it.

With these 150 fabulous designs, T-shirts change from plain into one-of-a-kind wearable art. The creative and fun techniques will attract both adults and children, and they range from painting and embellishing (with great new info on using everything from beads to appliqus) to stamping and printing. The tie-dye patterns include pretty shibori projects, and theres colorful batik, marbling, and screen printing. Or, for a fun new alternative, try image transfers. All the materials are easy to find and to use, and a basics section for each technique explains all the materials and how-tos, complete with detailed illustrations.