System Center 2012 R2 Configuration Manager: Mastering The Fundamentals

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System Center 2012 R2 Configuration Manager
Mastering the Fundamentals, 3rd Edition

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Synopsis

Completely revised for System Center 2012 R2 Configuration Manager. This is the ultimate source for the working IT Professional who wants to design and implement System Center 2012 R2 Configuration Manager in a midsize- or small-business environment. Enterprise administrators also will find a lot of inspiration, as many of the features and scenarios discussed fit all three environments. The book is packed with real-world scenarios taken from 17 years of experience with SMS and ConfigMgr projects. By following the book from A-Z, you will end up with a ConfigMgr environment that is based on best practices and production ready.

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Customer Reviews

This is a great book and it serves both beginners and advanced users that want to implement System Center Configuration Manager 2012 R2 (however if you have the 2012 version will serve you well too but without the new features). I have read numerous books for SCCM from version 2007 and onwards, all of them were/are very good however they lacked something substantial, the real-world examples, some of them had/have fragments of them but neither has the extend of this book. Kent has a very nice scenario based approach that guides you through and provides the directions on how to approach your SCCM implementation, his easy way of describing and writing style -without overdescribing and burdening you with too much info- helps you follow the book’s flow and achieve your targets. Although you can read it non-linearly it is best not to (except you have the previous editions and want to checkout the new stuff). Highly recommended!
This book is well written and informative whether you're a novice or an expert. Going through the exercises and examples in this book has helped me to understand how to use SCCM better and made me more comfortable with how to use it.

Just got this book and almost immediately was impressed. Unlike some of the comments I am a point and click type of guy so the content structure is great for me. I don't have many years of actually server or SCCM administration so this book really does fit the "SCCM Admin noob" in me and has opened me up to a whole new journey of Systems Management. It also is a great reference for getting the SCCM certification as well.

If you already own the 1st or 2nd edition of this book, then you know the kind of quality to expect here. For more details, I would suggest checking out my review of the first edition: http://www..com/review/R21AH15EDE4LX8/ref=cm_cr_rdp_perm?ie=UTF8&ASIN=9197939048

Now, with that said, whether you are a beginner with SCCM or a little more advanced, this really is an incredible resource. The updates pertaining to R2 are invaluable, so if you do have the 1st edition of the book it is still absolutely worth picking up this one. I used the first edition as a reference when I implemented SCCM 2012 at one company and the 3rd edition for my next implementation at a different company and I truly believe it to be the best guide/resource/reference available overall for implementing a clean and efficient installation of SCCM in your environment. As I have mentioned in my previous review, it almost serves as a manual for a smaller sized SCCM implementation. Better than anything Microsoft has to offer.

Kent, (The Author) is vastly experienced with Config manager implementations and as a trainer he is absolutely second to none. This real world experience of implementations and training really shows through on every page, which makes this Volume a must have item for anyone working with SCCM 2012.

I really don't write a lot of reviews, but this book deserves it. I have not even read the entire book yet and I have already given 5 stars. This book is for Beginning, Intermediate and Advanced Sccm Engineers. Keep up the good work Kent this book is a keeper, with that being said, I am going to order another book, just in case something happens to my original.

This is by far the best resource for those learning and mastering ConfigMgr. Kent brings to bear extensive real-world experience helping people solve typical business problems. While ConfigMgr is a very large and complicated tool, this book teaches you not only what and how to do things, but
why features should be used one way or another. You can tell Kent is an experienced instructor and consultant by how skillfully this book breaks down important concepts so you can see how all the pieces come together. The sections on designing the infrastructure, building out Operating System Deployment, and leveraging Compliance Settings are particularly well done.

This book provides great fundamentals for setting up a basic SCCM environment. I don’t agree on some of the items and some details are left out on minor things but is absolutely trivial in comparison to the overall depth of this book.

The lab environment leveraged provides insight on how best to adjust one owns CM implementation. I found it extremely useful when learning/exploring SMS/SCCM, and referenced knowledge gained when supporting clients. I also did attend Kent and Johan’s class after the read - which I also recommend.

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