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# **The Science Of Orphan Black: The Official Companion**



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theories at the core of the Peabody-winning, cult favourite show. With exclusive insights from the show's co-creator Graeme Manson and science consultant Cosima Herter, *The Science of Orphan Black* takes you behind the closed doors of the Dyad Institute and inside Neolution. Authors Casey Griffin and Nina Nesselth decode the mysteries of Orphan Black from the history of cloning, epigenetics, synthetic biology, chimerism, the real diseases on which the clone disease is based, and the transhumanist philosophies of Neolution, to what exactly happens when a projectile pencil is shot through a person's eye and into their brain."

Must buy for fans (and even those who are not) who want to understand the science behind Orphan Black! The authors made it easy for readers to understand the science of Orphan Black by simplifying terms and giving examples, as well as actual lines from characters. The photos are also appropriate & helpful as it will remind you scenes where certain topics (& technicalities) were mentioned. It also gave me answers to so many questions I have about the characters and particular scenes. I can really say now that of all sci-fi shows I've seen, OB is the closest to core science. So, this is definitely a must-have!

This book adds so much depth to the Orphan Black TV series. It very much helped me make sense of the changes in focus from season to season - for example, now I understand the season long journey into Brightborn. Now I see where gene editing fits into the whole. Now I understand how the children of the clones could have accelerated healing powers. And so much more. The writers don't dumb the science down. They use accurate vocabulary to explain all the concepts. The writing style is accessible and easy to follow, even when the science is complex. The book covers everything about science in Orphan Black with real examples, historical references, and specific examples involving characters in the story. Certain lines from the script, certain conversations, were used to explain in depth what was happening. A sentence from Cosima or a remark by Scott or Susan Duncan could result in pages of information about what it meant. I really liked how the words of the characters were used to drive the book. Another nice feature was the photographs of the characters. There's a great glossary. The timeline at the end shows real science through the years with plot points from Orphan Black next to the corresponding scientific events and breakthroughs. I'll probably refer to the book again and again, because I'm going to watch all 5 seasons of Orphan Black again armed with my new knowledge and understanding of what's going on. This review will be posted under my real name, but in my enthusiasm for Orphan Black I'm known as Old Ain't Dead, where I've written about the TV series.

The Science of Orphan Black a sublime five-star read. This is a companion novel and that's something I haven't really read before, but this one intrigued me as I loved Orphan Black and was raving about it when it first came out and kept telling people they had to watch it. The science behind it all has always fascinated me as I am a total science nerd, and I had some ideas about how it all worked and was always trying to figure stuff out before it was revealed, and this book blew my mind. It's a total Nerdvana you can get to grips with the science in the comfort of where ever you are reading. You can learn more about the Dyad institute and also the history and theories behind the science. If you enjoyed the series you will love the book. I even loved the way the book is set out, revealing more with every page. If you like science you will love this and if you like orphan black you will love this!! I loved it so much I have the e-book but I plan on buying the paperback as well, just to see if its set any differently.

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