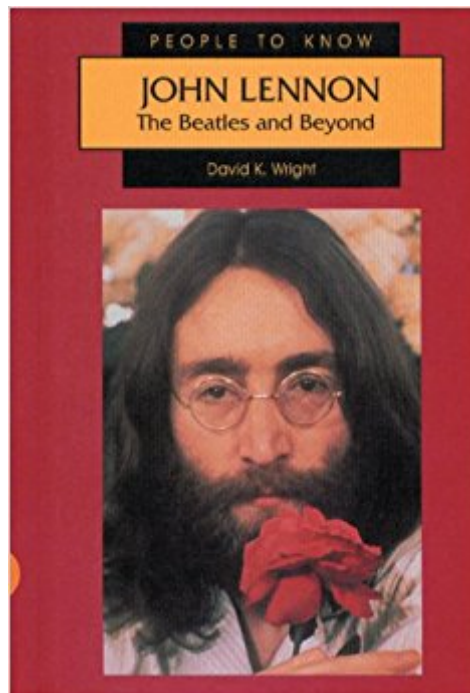


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# John Lennon: The Beatles And Beyond (People To Know)



## Synopsis

Explores this rock musician's childhood and personal life, his career with the Beatles and on his own, and his lasting impression on the music world.

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## Customer Reviews

Grade 6 Up-Renewed interest in the Beatles gives impetus to this volume on the legendary founder of one of this century's most popular music groups. Wright carefully delves into the complexities of Lennon's background and his development as a songwriter and as a political activist. It would be difficult to write a biography of this man without going into the history of the Beatles, so this title actually has double value. Lennon's eccentricities and keen talent come through in this thorough biography. Sharp, black-and-white photos are scattered throughout. The importance of the subject makes this competently written and organized book an excellent addition to complement Bruce Glassman's *Lennon & McCartney* (Blackbirch, 1995). Renee Steinberg, Fieldstone Middle School, Montvale, NJ Copyright 1996 Reed Business Information, Inc.

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This is a decent biography of former Chief Beatle, John Lennon, the founder of the world's greatest band, the Beatles! There were some factual errors such as John was said to have been married thrice. That is not true. John's first marriage was to Cynthia Powell, which ended in divorce. His

second marriage was to Yoko Ono. Technically, one could say John was married thrice in that he and Yoko had a long separation in 1974-75 which John called "his lost weekend." He and Yoko reunited. One could use that as a case in favor of saying John was married thrice. John Lennon, the artist/political figure/father/husband/distinctive personality is brought down to the readers. Young readers will no doubt get a lot out of this book as it does a decent job of following the life of a very distinctive personality.

John Lennon Beatles and beyond  
The book that I read was John Lennon and beyond. The author of this book is David K. Wright. The book was copyrighted in 1996. I think for the most part the author got his point across, I liked when the writer was talking about when the group invaded the United States with their music in the 60's. It told me a few things that I didn't know about, for example I didn't know that he was married three times, I only told me about his last marriage with a lady named Yoko Ono. One important thing that book didn't tell me about that I wanted to know about like what his life was like before he joined the group like where he grew up and things about his childhood. I also wanted to know what got him started in music and what made him interested to become a musician. I liked that it told me a lot about John Lennon that he was a cool peaceful person and loved life, and did a lot for the world!!!!!!!

I would recommend the biography of John Lennon to all readers. Anyone who likes The Beatles or John Lennon should read this book. The book tells about his whole life from the beginning to the end. He was born in Liverpool, England. I couldn't put the book down because every time I turned the page something very interesting happened in his life. The writer of the book was David K. Wright. The book wasn't too long or too short it was just right to read.

Though, I would not recommend this book for anyone looking for leisure, it is a good book for anyone doing a research project, or looking for facts on John Lennon. I must admit, the book wasn't exactly exciting, but it was highly informative. The basics of the Beatles' starting points were discussed, and a little of John's past as well. Pictures are included, making it a little more interesting. Easy and fast read as well.

This book is historically incorrect. It states that Sean Lennon was born in 1972 when he was actually born in 1975. It also states that John and Yoko broke up during the time after Sean was born. This bothers me, so I would not recommend this book at all.

There is no imagination or storytelling in this book. It's a dry chronicle that doesn't give you the feeling of his life.

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