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Jim Cramer, bestselling author and host of CNBC's *Mad Money*, has written the ultimate guide to lifetime investing for readers of any age.

Whether you're a recent college grad trying to figure out how to start investing, a young parent struggling to decide where and how to put away money, or someone well into middle age and worried about whether you've saved enough for retirement, *Jim Cramer's Stay Mad for Life* has the answers. Cramer covers all the essentials: how to save, where to invest, which pitfalls to avoid. He offers valuable advice on everything from mortgages to college tuition. He explains what professional money managers do right that amateur investors do wrong. Because there is always a bull market somewhere, Cramer tells readers where to find the bull markets of the future, and for those willing to do the homework, he chooses twenty stocks that could be long-term moneymakers. For those who don't have the time or the temperament to invest in stocks, he identifies the mutual funds that are proven winners. He's investigated these funds by using his own twenty-five years' experience managing money for himself and dozens of America's wealthiest families.

Throughout, in addition to his own enormously successful experience, Cramer draws on rigorous research to back up his advice.

Jim Cramer is America's #1 financial guru. Every day he advises investors on how to get ahead of the markets and stay ahead on his daily television show, *Mad Money*; in his online columns and commentary at TheStreet.com; in his popular "Bottom Line" column in *New York* magazine, and on television programs from early morning to late night. His books have all been national bestsellers and have helped educate hundreds of thousands of investors about the perils and promises of the financial markets. *USA Today* called him "the media's most electrifying market pundit," and his legions of fans agree. *Jim Cramer's Stay Mad for Life* is the definitive money book, a practical, concrete, insightful book of invaluable financial advice that is a joy to read.

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Tim says

This is a great book. It is even more relevant in today's economy.

Alberto Lopez says

Although a little dated, if you want to know how to start on your road to financial prosperity, this is the only book that you need to read. Cramer did a great job tackling all the relevant basics.

Daniel says

This book doesn't tell you anything new or groundbreaking. He spends the first part of the book building himself and his reputation up, and telling you that he's going to share this great secret with you of how to become rich. The basic premise is that if you save money when you're young, you'll have more of it later. Well duh. At the end he claims that recommending certain stocks or mutual funds would be completely ridiculous, and then he goes on to recommend some. One Mutual Fund in particular, his highest rated, has completely tanked in the last 5 years. I'm not bashing him for a bad pick, you can't predict things like that and the fund did have an incredible run before that drop, but I think putting something so obviously time sensitive in a book is pretty silly, and anyone reading the book after it's first few months of print would probably do best to ignore that part.

Marty says

Worth the read for everybody who's not a financial wiz.

Paul says

The basic idea I got out of this book was to take my 401k money out of the "lifecycle" fund for my target retirement and move 100% (Cramer advocates 0% bonds investment in your 20s, and then 10% more every decade from there, which sounds reasonable close to my conventional wisdom) of the funds into a passive index fund with the lowest management and/or administrative fees that i could find. For my plan, this turned out to be the Dreyfus S&P 500 index. Cramer liked the Vanguard S&P index better. I thought I wanted to do more with managing my retirement funds, but since there seems to be so much work associated with it, this was the easiest move. My lifecycle fund that I was in had management fees close to 1.25%, cutting into my money!! Other than that, the book felt a little dated. I'd be curious how much, if any, of his advice has changed.

John Johnson says

This book was written in 2007 and I read it in 2018, so some of it was outdated. Cramer wrote the book to provide good advice for long term investors, but eleven years is a long time and a lot has changed. Still, I believe the book has a lot of valuable, timeless information.

In the early chapters, Cramer talks about 401k accounts and IRAs and his advice on whether to use them and how. His advice on those retirement accounts still holds true today. Even today Cramer advises you contribute only as much as you need to a 401k account to get your employers full matching percentage. After that, you should invest the maximum allowable into an IRA to take advantage of the tax incentives from those contributions. The reason for this is most employers give the employees very little or no control over how the funds in their 401k accounts are invested, but owners have complete control over how IRA funds are invested. Cramer's method allows investors to take advantage of employer matching as well as tax incentives while still maintaining control of most of their investment portfolios.

Three chapters towards the back of the book that I really like are: 6. Twenty New Rules for Investing, 7. What the Pros Do Right and the Amateurs Do Wrong, and 8. Five Bull Markets and Twenty Stocks for the Long Term. I think the twenty rules in chapter six and all the things the pros do right in chapter seven make this book worth buying and reading even today. The value in chapter 8 is in Cramer's explanations of why he liked the stocks he listed. Some of those stocks are not as good as they were eleven years ago, but the explanation Cramer gave on how he picked them will help an investor in making a good choice based on today's markets.

I believe even today, eleven years after it was first published, this book is well worth the time spent reading.

Miriam says

I actually learned a couple of tips about investing.

Elise says

Yes I know I know...he's crazy (and yes, I saw John Stewart's interview with him for those who feel compelled to message me and tell me that he lies etc., which by the way I think is a simplistic view of the situation b/c surely people who just do what he says and don't think for themselves and are willing to believe that any stock investment could ever be a "sure thing" bear some personal responsibility for the losses they suffered....but I digress), the fact is, he's made a shit ton of money, and I'm putting money into a 403(b) and I have to figure out how to manage it. This is just one book of many I'll be reading on this subject and I don't plan to take what he has to say as gospel truth (when have I ever done that with anyone come to think of it....). I'll update my review when I finish the book, but in all honesty, so far I've found it informative and helpful.

Bennjamin says

Well written for folks with no investment/savings strategy, though already severely outdated. Book #3 for the year

Erik says

Okay, I admit it. I poo-pooed his last book, and snarked on about how Janus-like Cramer can be. (This is even more evident if you watch his CNBC show -- particularly in these trying days of an economic recession in which a bull market can be hard to find amongst all the bears.) However, in this his latest book published last year while the housing market and over-inflated mortgage industry were just starting to unravel, Cramer successfully manages to avoid a single "Booyah." Instead, he convincingly -- and perhaps surprisingly (for him) -- argues about the importance of solid blue-chip stock investing in the long-term, and even -- gasp! -- makes a number of concessions to the rewards of mutual fund investing (previously anathema to him). Although his high-touted Twenty Stocks to own may lie fallow in the coming years, his economic reasoning behind each investment is economically sound. And if that ain't worth the price of this book, I don't know what is. (Unless, of course, you picked this up for free from your friendly neighborhood library. Which yours truly did.)

Relleasy Harrison says

this booked changed the way i handle money. its crazy how much we do not value the dollar.

Thomas Janeway says

I hated this on-air personality until I began to listen. The shouting, clamoring, bells and whistles, gags, pranks, were all off putting and all outside my comfort zone for intelligence and credibility. That was back in 2008 when the country crashed. After a few shows, I finally got "Jim" and have been a fan ever since. He really provides salient advice that goes against my better impulsive judgments. His television show flies by and so much information is dispensed I had to begin buying his books so he could school me on a different level. Jim's books are chalked full of timely, sage advice. Every person earning money needs to become fluid in their flow of money in and money out. Pay yourself and do it via the stock market. Do not be afraid of losing money. Don't be impatient. Know when it's time to cut your losses and move on. Learn about ETFs and Index funds and how to read charts. Jim is a gift to the regular person who wants to dabble. He coaches you. Guides you. Warns you. Trust this guy. I grew \$8k into 10x that by buying into his madness--there is a method.

Jamey says

This should be mandatory reading before every person graduates from college. Everything you need to know about money and how to manage it to create a legacy for yourself and your children.

Dan says

This website needs an option for read some of it and stopped. It has some good points. From what I read, the book is good, basic financial advice and isn't like this guy's show if you've seen it. It's sort of like a textbook but a little more entertaining and he isn't afraid to go against the grain. I stopped reading it when basically everything I read was common sense or how I already thought about it. Save more than you spend. Pay off your debt. Invest. Don't put all your eggs in one basket, etc. I'm keeping it on shelf for reference.

Diljo Johny says

Interesting retirements solution guide.
