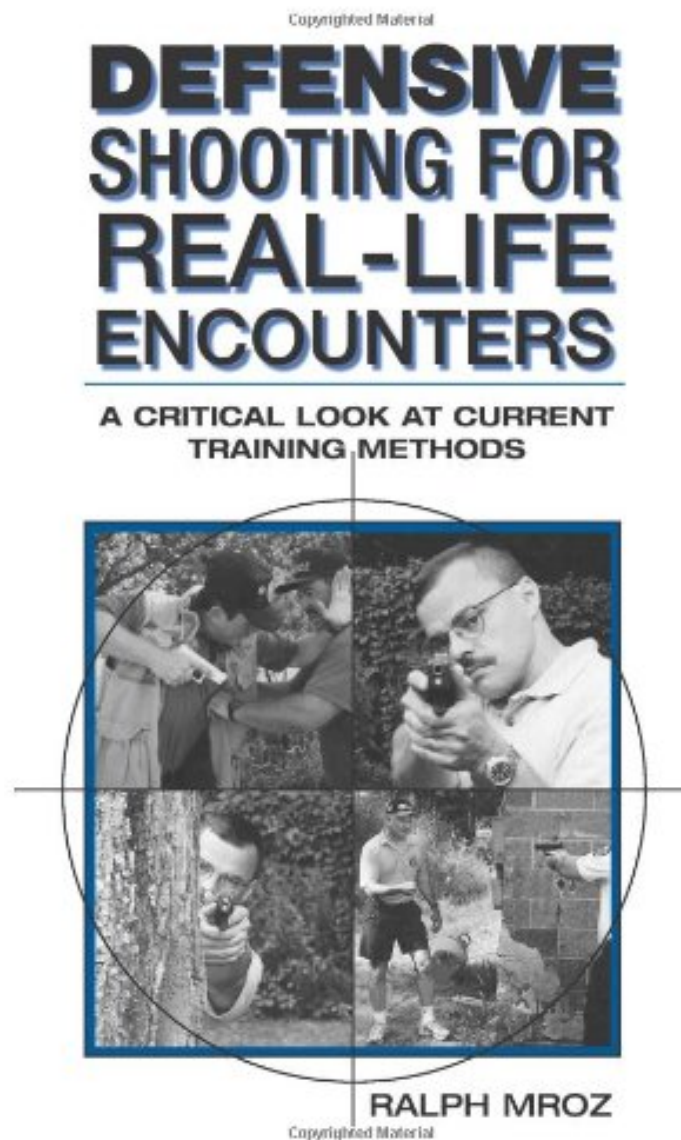


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intended for instructors and those who view firearms from a martial arts perspective (not sport shooting). May be confusing for those who are not familiar with some of the common names/training methods: i.e. Farnam, Stanford, Suarez, Ayoob, etc...Mroz asks questions and offers his opinions. He covers a wide variety of issues that are relevant to anyone who trains with firearms; the problem with range standards, five deadly training traps, limits of practical match training, myths of concealed carry, etc...This book was not written to provide answers, but to make you think. That said, there are definitely some pearls of wisdom in here. For example, in the last chapter, Bert DuVernay says "There are no misses on the street. There are only unintended targets. Every bullet we launch hits something." Not a novel thought, but I like the way he said it. A relatively short book (148 pages) that can be read in one or two sittings. He provides some footnotes to his chapters. A comprehensive reference list or recommended reading/viewing list is not included and would have made this book much better. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Interesting take

By Dennis D. Gunderson I have wanted to read this book for some time. I have had the honor of being taught by Ralph years ago. His thinking is not on the normal path that firearms instructors take. He looks at things in depth and how they will actually work or not work in a real gunfight. We instructors tend to take what is the most popular at the time and teach it. Ralph makes you think about the techniques and know what the goods and bads are on each technique. KUDOS to Ralph for bucking the political correct and making us think about what we are teaching. I think this should be mandatory reading for any person that calls his/her self an instructor. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Do not bring a gun to a knife fight without reading this first, or why a concealed carry license isn't enough

By Jerry Richardson Many trained law enforcement officers have been killed or injured by cut and stab wounds before they could bring their weapons into play. Another issue the author brings up is the high level of "collateral damage" that occurs in deadly force encounters-innocent bystanders hurt or killed as well as property damage. I am, of course, talking about trained and licensed personnel-not the military which usually operates in a different environment and rules of engagement. I urge anyone even considering using a gun for self-defense to read this book and keep the points made in it in mind in any "defensive" plans or preparations.

In this insightful analysis of shooting and fighting instruction, noted firearms expert Ralph Mroz examines the myths and misinformation that plague the gun community. From the five deadly training traps to unrealistic training exercises to concealed-carry mistakes, Mroz offers solutions to help defensive shooters snap out of their routines and become better and safer with their firearms. Mroz, whose articles have appeared in *Combat Handguns* and *Guns* magazines, takes a no-nonsense approach to such topics as the need for empty-hands skills, range training vs. real-world training, the problem of range standards, understanding and developing startle recovery, and more.

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