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Customer Reviews

Hopefully the unfortunate people who wrote these reviews do not influence people who might like to read the book itself. I have had some really great experiences with purchasing books here and some not so great however, THIS BOOK IS ONE OF THE BEST FOR UNDERSTANDING COLLEGE LEVEL MATH. I am a big Blitzer fan and I wish I could afford all his books but, I bought this book because my other college textbook was awful. The problems start off easy and graduate in difficulty. This allows you to learn to handle a new concept before integrating it with techniques you have already mastered. I believe this and the fact that Blitzer explains advanced mathematical techniques in plain english makes this book the best I have ever read concerning this level of mathematics. I am a mathematics major and found that this book gave me a much better understanding of math. If only he would write a book on calculus and a dictionary of mathematical notation my life would be a lot easier next term.

This book teaches a real understanding of the concepts, not just memorization or how to enter the data into a calculator. I am returning to college after a 27ish year hiatus, and needless to say, needed some brushing up. The first text that I attempted to use was given to me by a co-worker and omitted much of the understanding needed to progress. We, as a nation, need to LEARN again, not memorize, and this book actually teaches! Bravo!

I used this book for an accelerated Algebra/Trig class at the college level. I found this book to be one the best math books I have ever encountered. When examples are given in the text it goes step by step and for most, explanations of what is being done. Other texts that I've used have skipped steps and left you wondering how did they get from A to Z? I wasn't always able to make it to class, but the examples and explanations did not loose me and I was able to play catch up successfully on my own with this text. I can't say that about any other math text. I must agree with the other person who wrote a review and said it would sure be nice if Blitzer had a Calculus text (though Larson is a good Calc author). Calculus would have been a breeze with a Blitzer book instead of a struggle (had to buy a Larson book to supplement by school's Calc book choice).

Perhaps this is indicated somewhere in the fine print, but buyer beware that THE RENTED VERSION OF THIS TEXTBOOK DOES NOT COME WITH THE ACCESS CODE NEEDED TO COMPLETE COURSEWORK.

I ordered this book in September of 2012 for my integrated math class. I was struggling within a few weeks because my teacher simply didn't teach. She would provide a few examples and leave you wondering how you got to that answer. I bought my book and voila! My grade went back up to an A. I have never had a textbook for teaches you and explains things as well as this one does. The hints in the book are awesome and you can always use them. I've since then taken a pre-cal class and bought his book for that too, once again AWESOME. Most textbooks leave you wondering how they got to the solution while Rob Blitzer will actually teach you. You can be left feeling confident that you actually know what you're doing. There is also a test at the end of each chapter along with a CD that comes with him showing you how to do the problems. I bought my copy used, but it was like new. This guy writes the best textbooks in the world. I love his books so much that I in fact will save them for my own future children to use. If you even need a supplemental textbook, get this. You literally cannot get anything better.

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