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This book is perfect for my first geology course. It's very informative, well-written and easy to understand. I was told to buy the second edition, but my professor grudgingly admitted that this edition would 'do' for her class. I have to conclude that this book is nearly identical to the second edition where it counts because she's based her entire lesson plan closely on the second edition and I honestly can't tell where they're supposed to deviate. I've never felt like anything is missing from this book or that it's in any way lacking compared to the second edition. I've never used the code in the book, so I know nothing about that, but the book itself is perfect for my needs and, because it came a little bit banged up, I don't feel a sense of dread every time a page creases the wrong way. This is my second semester in college and, for my first, I bought all new books from the campus bookstore, naively. I spent about five hundred dollars. This time around, I spent fifty bucks on a full class-load worth of books, this one being the most expensive and by far the most worthy of my money. If anyone thinking that it's too good to be true to buy used books online and cheat the college bookstore system is reading this, do it. Buy the used books and buy one edition older than the current one. You will not regret it, at least not where this book is concerned.

I just finished an online-based geology course (with lab elements) that relied on this as its textbook. I am previously trained in several disciplines other than geology and, in fact, had managed to finish a bachelors and two masters without ever having taken a physical science course...hence geology now in preparation for a teaching credentialing program. Compared to the type of low-graphic, densely-written introductory texts of nearly two decades ago, this text made geology accessible for just about anyone. The authors/publishers of this text generated a very user-friendly layout that repeatedly drew focus to important terms and geological functions. Many examples and analogies were used to illustrate more complex concepts. In general, it was an enjoyable reading and learning experience. Overall, I found this to be an well-organized and designed introductory geology text that would be handy for even a casual rock enthusiast to have on hand.

The seller was very helpful in answering my questions about this book, and the book arrived--in excellent condition--within one week of order. Great seller! The textbook is easy to follow, has great illustrations and a terrific chapter review section in the back. It is a good purchase for anyone wishing to know more about the physical properties of earth.

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