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i really enjoyed this book. i know it is a textbook but it was easy to read and was very informative that it is easy to forget that it is for school. it has great images to help with internalizing the material. i kept mine because i like it so much. i wouldn't re-sell it.

There are so many oddly written passages in the book that I'm wondering if English is not the authors' first language, or if they're just lazy, or if they hired a bad editor. Many topics are poorly explained, poorly illustrated, and aren't used together in effective ways to convey concepts. I'm glad I only rented it.

The textbook was new and in great condition, and it arrived very quickly which was great because I needed this books for an online class. Only negative is that you could tell that the book came with and online CD and it was ripped out of the plastic covering

Did not enjoy reading this book, honestly wish my professor picked another book for her class but unfortunately got stuck reading this. Text is difficult to keep up with maybe i don't like this book because i don't enjoy this major but overall i think the book could have been organized better. If you are looking for a good book to read and teach yourself a little about anthropology, do yourself a favor and decide against this textbook!

Contrary to another reviewer, I found this book easy to read and well-written. I am NOT a fan of textbooks that use big words and huge sentences for the sake of turning your brain to mush. I have not read the book in its entirety yet but the information is accurate and easily understood. The book is well organized and everything makes sense to me, its nice to have a textbook for a class that doesn't discourage me from reading it for once. I took away one star because this book does seem to be highly opinionated. I felt that in the beginning chapters the author goes on way too long about the debate if evolution should be taught in schools, while I like the fact that he does explain the different sides in details he goes on too long because he is obviously a firm supporter of teaching evolution. Not that I disagree with him but I just do not think this book is the place for that. There are other small instances where there seems to be more opinion than fact

Okay let's start off with the bad grammar. For god sakes did you not go to school? Secondly, they get their information mixed up, for instance on page 207 the book discusses the geomagnetic polarity time scale and provides a picture of the timeline. The author's words don't match up with the image. I am not sure which one is right but they don't match - GET YOUR INFORMATION CORRECT BEFORE YOU PUBLISH A TEXTBOOK! The authors don't explain certain things like why certain ancient primates share traits, like the primate group Omomyoids were supposedly were ancestors to Haplorhines which is what we, the Great Apes, Gibbons, New and Old World monkeys fall under. The majority of these species are active by day (diurnal) but Omomyoids were nocturnal (active by day), but the authors never explain how this can be. I am truly sorry for the long review but this book frustrates me, is redundant, and lacks information. I understand that students don't have a choice over the textbook their professor chooses but please be aware of these errors and look out for them.

the holes that are punched in it, so that it goes in the three ring binder are so far in that the pages rip and cant be turned. other then that, it was great.(use a large binder!!)

The book perfectly fit my class which was an anthropology class. And a great price. I almost bought this at the bookstore at my school for over 100 bucks. So this price was a steal.

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