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Single Variable Calculus: Concepts And Contexts



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Stewart's CALCULUS: CONCEPTS AND CONTEXTS, FOURTH EDITION offers a streamlined approach to teaching calculus, focusing on major concepts and supporting those with precise definitions, patient explanations, and carefully graded problems. CALCULUS: CONCEPTS AND CONTEXTS is highly regarded because this text offers a balance of theory and conceptual work to satisfy more progressive programs as well as those who are more comfortable teaching in a more traditional fashion. Each title is just one component in a comprehensive calculus course program that carefully integrates and coordinates print, media, and technology products for successful teaching and learning.

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Customer Reviews

I would like to preface with the fact that I'm reviewing this as a student with strong math skills -- this book mainly serves as a door stopper in my apartment unless I have to retrieve some assigned homework problems: this is all with due reason. Considering how widely assigned this text is, I can't seem to understand why that's so. I have a hard time generating enough moisture to cry due to how horrifically dry the writing and instructions are. I'm not expecting some poetic masterpiece since this is a mathematics textbook, but the diction is extremely technical and wordy. I enjoy Calculus and briefly reading a chapter as simple as limits was a tedious chore -- even my professor agrees that this book is mediocre at best. Does it get the job done and teach you introductory calculus? Well, of course. Does it execute and display the material in an engaging, easily digestible manner?

Absolutely not. This textbook only covers Calculus I and II: Bless the maker on you poor souls that have to purchase/rent the Multi-variable Calculus III version of this doozy here. Godspeed on any other students having to chisel through their basics with Stewart's Calculus Series.

I think that this was a nicely written textbook with good explanations, practice problems, and examples. I got an A in my Calculus II class, and I think that this book contributed to my high grade! I think that the treatment of Taylor and Maclaurin series, as well as series in general was nicely done and helpful. I mention that in particular because my professor focused on that the most. I'm very pleased overall! The condition of the book was also excellent, and mine was a rental. Usually never disappoints me and this lived up to my expectations!

Review of renting: Renting Volume 1 was cheaper than the full book, and I didn't have to carry around extra weight. If you're only taking Calculus 1, check the syllabus since you may only get up to Chapters 5 or 6, which means this first volume is perfect. Renting was a breeze. Got the book on time and in good condition. Mailed it back in the same packaging it came with. No muss or fuss and I got an email saying my book had been received. Review of the text: I got this book because it was required for my class (as I had to do the homework sets), but I'm not a fan of these Stewart books - I've used Stewart for Trigonometry (2 editions) and Calc 1. The explanations are convoluted and examples focus a lot on proofs and not enough on examples of problems you'll encounter in the homework sections. I had to check out some other textbooks and watch YouTube videos to get better explanations. I suggest going to Slater where most of the problems in the book have been solved with explanations by other users.

The Kindle version of this book is only the study guide. It's insane that they would list a totally different product on the same page like that; I am stuck waiting for my version of the hardcover to come in the mail. In any event, **DON'T BUY THE KINDLE VERSION**. Unless, of course, you only want the study guide, then go ahead.

Calculus is hard but this book is good at teaching it. I like the way that the book takes the approach to calculus and you should definitely get this book if you have to take a Calc class. Don't be worried it is a good buy

The book does not come with the online code. Since the book is new I assumed it would come with

the code since all the other companies do have them with it. The book does not come shrink wrapped like regular new books and therefore since the hardcover is white , it was all dirty. The book also came damaged due to shipment and had dented edges.

The book does a horrible job of covering the material for somebody new to the material. It's quite confusing with very dry writing. Though I'm admittedly not the greatest math student in the world, I had a difficult time following the lessons in this book, and relied mostly on the internet to get through the course. The pictures are pretty, I guess?

I always have wondered when we would really use this in the real world. After taking other classes that use Calculus though it apparent that it can be used in a great array of problems. Be ready to study hard for Calculus II. It is very hard and requires a lot of studying.

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