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"Introducing Genetics" takes readers on a journey through this new science to the discovery of DNA and the heart of the human gene map. In everyday life, many of us increasingly have to make moral decisions where genetics plays a part. This book gives us the information to do so.

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Kayson Fakhar says

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Icon Books says

Genetics is the newest of all sciences - nothing useful was known about inheritance until just over a century ago. Now genetics is exploding, and before long we will have the complete code, written in three thousand million letters of DNA, of what makes a human being

Marjolein says

Cool book! Very informative, sometimes a bit complicated even it being graphic. Still I really liked reading it!

Florence Lyon says

I had to use the 100 page rule with this book.

I thought the illustrations would be helpful for me to understand the concept, the science behind genetics. Some of them were just silly but I guess that's okay for the entertainment factor. Although the authors made efforts to provide a history, a progression of discoveries leading up to modern day knowledge, (up to 1993) I found it confusing. I think I'd rather just have a current publication stating what is known and proven now, and illustrated with meaningful, helpful representations. Sorry...

Jessica says

Good high level over view of genetics. Very engaging and written in the style of a graphic novel.

Chris Gager says

Picked this book to represent a summer school course entitled "Genetics" I took at CU. About as confounding as the Logic course I took at Metro State. The only test I ever flunked in college was the mid-

term. I think most everybody did. Got an A on the final but only a C for the course. One of only two I got between Metro St. and CU. Date is approximate.

Hannah Givens says

Sort of like a streamlined textbook, with lots of comical illustrations and a basic text. I was expecting the graphics to be more related to the material, and instead they're mostly just illustrations (pictures of the scientists involved, people making puns based on the content, etc.). Still, it's a good intro or review.

Spicy T AKA Mr. Tea says

hmmmm. pretty technical for beginners. also kind of mute on the ethical issues--saved for the last couple of pages. also, disturbed at the use of animals for genetics ends. otherwise, a nice intro to genetics and a good flow. otherwise, meh.

Skye says

I really enjoyed the clever and tongue in cheek graphics that accompanied the text passages! Lots of fun references, and the surreal art style is right down my alley. The guide is easy to understand, and overall the book is a good and basic introduction to an otherwise complex topic.

Chas says

Isaac says

This is a good introduction to the subject, and takes care to highlight dangerous ideological distortions of the past like racism and eugenics. To be sure, this is the most political field of scientific inquiry. Besides nephology, of course.

Miriam says

very easy and entertaining.

Kim Sasso says

It will probably take a third reading but I am determined to understand this stuff! Where are my ASC science major friends when I need them?

Cris Rodríguez says

«La humanidad lleva en su interior la semilla de su destrucción.»

No es un libro que aporte mucho sobre genética: se trata de una revisión superficial de los principales acontecimientos de su historia; no entra en los aspectos técnicos del asunto. Además, la mayoría de las páginas están acompañadas de un ¿humor facilón? (por llamarlo de alguna forma -lo que menos causa es gracia-) y cae en estereotipos y tópicos: «Rosalind Franklin no descubrió la estructura final del ADN. A fin de cuentas, ¡no era más que una mujer!» que están totalmente fuera de lugar en cualquier libro; no hablemos ya de uno de carácter divulgativo como es este: más que extender nociones de genética, afianza y normaliza ciertas actitudes discriminatorias que ya de por sí están asentadas en la sociedad.

Viene con ilustraciones que tampoco suman contenido significativo al libro, pero bueno, están ahí. La forma de narrar los acontecimientos hace que su validez sea bastante relativa, por lo que no hay que tomárselo al pie de la letra.

Stephen Huntley says

These graphic guides are awful; dreadful explanations and poorly illustrated with dire attempts at humour that irritate rather than illuminate. In trying to be cool they are instead threadbare, disjointed, messy and come across as cheap and thrown together. Don't waste your time.
