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Today, human genetics is for everyone. It is about variation more than about illnesses, and increasingly about the common rather than about the rare. Once an obscure science or an occasional explanation for an odd collection of symptoms, human genetics is now part of everyday conversation. By coming to know genetic backgrounds, people can control their environments in more healthy ways. Genetic knowledge is, therefore, both informative and empowering. The 10th edition of "Human Genetics: Concepts and Applications" shows students how and why that is true. Users who purchase Connect receive access to the full online eBook version of the textbook.

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Tori says

I actually enjoyed reading this textbook and found enough useful information in it that I didn't sell it back. The case study connections made the material more interesting and accessible.

Taylor says

Good book. I bought it for my Human Genetics class in college. Spent 300 dollars after tax on it. Tried to return it after class they offered me 1.97 if it had the DVD.

Martina says

I really liked this book, and I don't have the heart to give it four stars. I read the 5th edition, which I found well-written, nicely edited and illustrated. It has a characteristic textbook style, with those "key concepts" boxes and questions at the end of the chapter, but I rather liked that. Granted, I haven't thoroughly read each chapter, but those through which I have gone in depth (like the whole Population genetics part) are quality stuff. Recommended for everyone interested in genetics, especially for people who are new to it. The author breaks down facts and concepts gently, and I believe rookies would like that.

J.P. Drury says

I thought this text book was over simplified and hard to follow. I feel like most of the textbook is focused on the basics, stuff that general biology courses cover in a few weeks max, and the rest of the book is condensed into a few really dense chapters. I would have liked to see a lot more about environment and epigenetics, and a greater focus on the methods used to study genetics in the modern era (these were squeezed into the ends of a few chapters, but it would have been better to see them throughout).

The definitions were often bad. Defining microevolution in terms of genetic changes without any mention of the phenotype, for example, is just bizarre.

I wouldn't recommend this book to anyone trying to learn or teach human genetics.

Riana Prameswari says

The language is simple and understandable, particularly for students in non-English speaking countries