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Jyotika Varmani says

This is a book that makes me want to learn psychology. This book and the one by Atkinson and Hilgard are the gold standards for the Introductory Psychology course. I loved the illustrations and examples throughout the book. I forgot this is a textbook as I studied it. Absolutely brilliant!

Rabeea says

Highly recommended for people who want a thorough, well rounded introduction to psychology and its branches.

Aiyaruk says

I actually had the tenth edition of this book, but I couldn't find that pictured anywhere. Oh. My. God. This book has SO much information. The information was indeed clear and easy to read, and I agree with Myers' point of view on a lot of subjects. However, the biggest downside is that this textbook is MASSIVE. It covers far more information than I thought was necessary for Psych 101. At the same time, I appreciated all the funnies, comics, and pictures strewn on every page. The only problem was that I had trouble forcing myself to sit down and read 100 pages a week when the information could have been presented in a more simple fashion.

Christopher Luna says

I found many statements and claims - or at least the wording of them - to be biased to a degree that made me uncomfortable reading and trusting information or trends presented in a number of chapters of this textbook. The neuroscience and biology aspects were presented excellently in the scope of psychology, but I wish there were more evidence or studies cited for other portions.

Dylan says

Yes, this is a text book. I am counting this toward my 100 books because I really have read the whole thing over the course of the past couple months! This text book and I have become best friends (with our share of fights along the way). I really enjoyed reading this text book-because it was interesting or had lots of cartoons in it, I don't know. (Probably a combination of both) I thought this was a really well written text book because it got all the information across but in understandable terms. AP Psychology test, here I come! (My family can't wait for me to be done with this class so I will stop psychoanalyzing them)

Sarah says

I friggin love this textbook.

Stella Chen says

Confession time: I never read the readings my prof/teacher assign. I just can't sit there for 2-hours reading a textbook when I can be reading much more fascinating stories. This is, however, not the case with this special purple-with-lime-green-spine textbook. (Carrying it was like having an accessory with you).

It was humorous, had excellent examples and read like a story. While I was reading a chapter on human emotions, I saw on the margins, where the definitions should have been, a side note that was along the lines of "**The author of this book hopes you smile often while reading this book.**"

As a major in science, I wish our textbooks can be this good.

Star Jennings says

I love this book. I am a psych nerd and some chapters I have read and reread just for fun.

Samantha says

At first it was quite hard for me to get into, but the read got more and more interesting as the chapters went on. The textbook humor was a bit silly but a good change of pace from typically dry information. Overall, for a textbook, it could have been much worse.

Morgan says

I've had a lot of psych textbooks. So far this one presents the material quite well.

Jerica says

This is, by far, the best textbook I have ever read. Everything about it is fantastic, from the content, to the pictures and graphs, to paragraphs ending perfectly at the bottom of the page. Everything is visually pleasing, and the information is presented in a valuable, easy-to-learn way. I am endlessly impressed!

Annie says

Myers is not only a renowned scientist but a phenomenal writer. His writing is catchy, witty, and interesting. Even those that are not interested in a particular module will find something fascinating on every topic in the way Myers presents how research in that specific area is working towards improving the lives of everyday people. Having modules instead of chapters is a good way to organize the material and makes the reading go faster. This was assigned for my introduction to psychology course and I read it again as a senior to prepare for the advanced psychology subject GRE. It made studying so much fun (well, compared to what I was doing before I decided to pick up this book again). I don't typically enjoy textbooks but this is one that I can say I did.

Renée says

well this book was almost the death of me because i had the bright idea of signing up for BOTH first year psychology classes at the same time, but at the end of this semester i will be able to say that i have honestly read EVERY single page of this book. this being said, i found this book to be extremely informative and nicely put together. the format is user friendly.

Catherine says

I actually read most of this book although we only studied a little over half the chapters in class. A very easy to read textbook, and the subject is very interesting (which is good considering that this will be my major! :)).

M says

When my teacher told me this book would be my best friend, I thought she was kidding.

She wasn't.

It's true.

Some select quotes:

'If you lose the ability to recall your old memories then you have no life,' suggested memory researcher James McGaugh. 'You might as well be a rutabaga or a cabbage.'

Generally, though, consonant phonemes carry more information than do vowel phonemes. The truth of this statement should be evident from the brief demonstration.

For most of us, the robin is the birdier bird; it more closely resembles our bird prototype.

For more information on animal behavior, see books by (I am not making this up) Robin Fox and Lionel Tiger.

A request from your author: smile often as you read this book.

The average person has one ovary and one testicle.

Also included in this wondrous book is a picture of Johnny Depp, a photograph of Juliet and Juliet (the famous same-sex swan pair of Boston), a quote from *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets*, and a rather terrifying screencap of "emotion-conveying faces grafted onto toy trains."
