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Customer Reviews

This book is currently being used as a textbook in a computer 101 class I am teaching at my local community college. This is the second time I have taught this class using this book. First, the major pros for the text: It is spiral bound so it lays flat. Chapters are in a logical order. Each MS Office application gets three chapters. Topics are presented in project format with two projects with very detailed steps - this can be a plus or a minus depending upon your point of view. There are lots of additional projects, exercises, questions, and other pedagogical features to endear it to teachers, and this book would most likely work well for the self-learner (with some caution). The publisher provides many, many resource files for the instructor and the student.

Now, for some cons. As mentioned, each project has a great many detailed steps and lends itself well to what I call "recipe style" learning. Meaning that if you can read, you should be able to produce the desired results. However, this is the feedback I get from the majority of my students: "I am following the steps, but I don't know why I am doing them." Clearly, the concepts are being lost! No actual learning is taking place. This becomes evident if I present a short quiz on the basic concepts presented in the project. The students are getting lost because of too many detailed steps. Most of the steps say click here, pull down that, select this, and on and on. Which leads to the next major problem with this text. Most of the focus of the project steps is on the appearance of the project: pretty printing, glitz and glitter, and lots of fluff. This is not particularly surprising since Microsoft has put emphasis on those same things since about MS Office 2003.