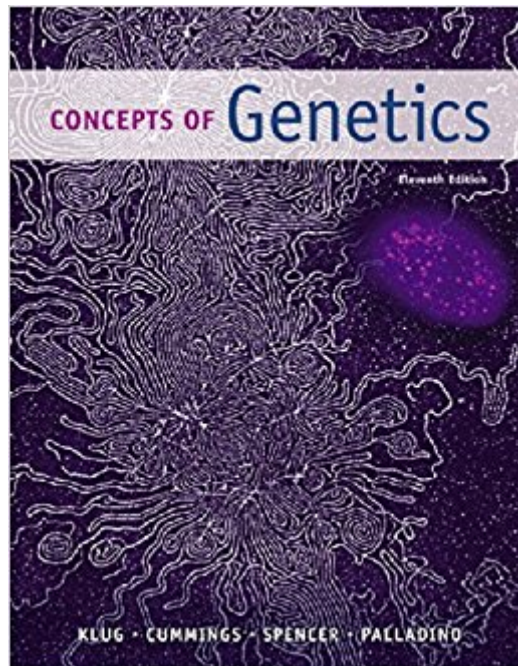




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I was educated many years ago, way before they elaborated the human genome. I felt I needed to learn the language of genetics in order to understand current medical literature, so I purchased various books in this field. Unfortunately, all were above my head until I purchased this one. I have just begun to read the book, but my initial impression is that I will finally understand the subject. The book really does get down to basics and has a decent index as well. Highly recommended.

This book isn't a very good genetics textbook in my opinion. The concepts are so disorganized and make no logical sense especially for undergraduate students trying to connect the basics with harder conceptual ideas. Also, it is text heavy with only a few pictures that in themselves are hard to understand and conceptualize. This makes each chapter harder to read and makes it hard to retain the muddled information.

I don't like Genetics, but the book makes it easier.

Interesting book! My only complaint is that they went into a lot of detail about certain things, such as the experiments that the ideas were derived from. This could be good or bad, depending on your perspective. It was interesting, but when I'm also taking organic chemistry and biology, it's a lot of "filler" information that takes away from the main ideas. If I wasn't so crammed for time it would be great. Pretty good book, although I don't have anything to compare it to. Just my opinion.

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great

This book was my shortcut to buying the newest edition, so t saved me money. I liked the book,

better in some cases than the new edition, but not some much so some of the updated new research, the new book went more in depth on. But this book worked, I enjoyed reading it very much

This book has nice illustrations and easy to read tables. I wish that the answer key actually had full answers and I wasn't required to buy another book to get the answers for the rest of the questions.

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