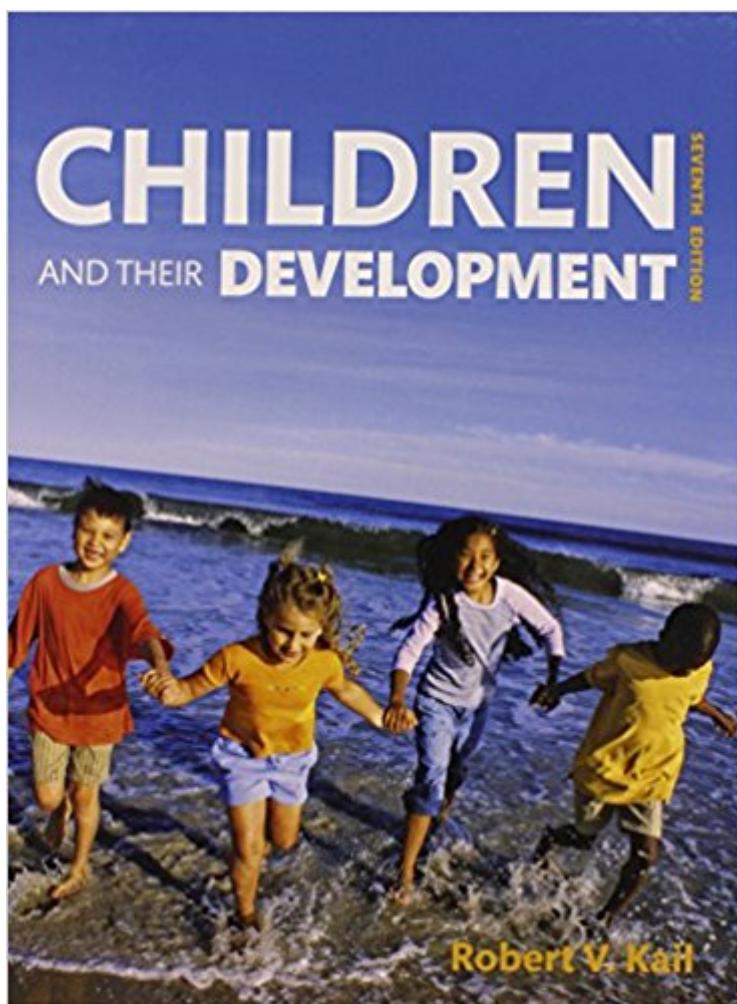


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As a senior in my last semester of undergrad degree, I've read my share of textbooks (and I'm one of those bizarre students who actually READS them, not just skims parts occasionally), and this one has been a joy to my jaded eyes! I know it's petty, but I like a textbook to have a bit of color; it just helps keep you awake, in my opinion. This book has lots of full color pictures as well as different font colors for headings etc. But one of my favorite features, is that it comes "pre-highlighted": important vocab is in blue, bold, and italics with its definition in black bold, and important concepts are put in the margin in a larger font in blue. It's also VERY well organized. Each chapter is divided into modules, and each module is organized by heading systems that make it really easy to find what you want again if you need to go back. Plus, there are little helps like thought questions and story vignettes; and each chapter ends with a summary and some practice questions, as well as a

mini-index for page numbers for key terms from that chapter in particular. More important than formatting (which is important in my opinion), the writing is clear and easy to follow, even fun at times. The writer uses a very casual, first-person style, which makes the whole experience more down-to-earth and accessible. True, I imagine there are more in-depth textbooks on this subject out there, but if you're just taking a survey/intro course like I am (one of my last electives, hoorah!), this is the perfect amount of depth. Enough to teach you a lot, but without being overly technical or bogged with excessive detail. If I wanted to go into extreme detail, I could have majored in this; to just learn the basics, this is perfect! I actually used this textbook as a "treat" in my studying repertoire, saving it for last after I covered my more tedious textbooks. I knew I could read this even if I was tired and still have good comprehension and attention levels, and I actually have really enjoyed the material. I even found myself reading portions that weren't assigned for my class, just because I found it interesting!

Initially I was most impressed with my purchase because it was listed in "good" condition but was in fact in excellent condition. I was very pleased with the deal I got for this required textbook. That said, I have quite enjoyed using this text to learn more about a topic I find very interesting, as well. My one complaint, though, is that Kail sometimes goes above and beyond the concept of an example. Perhaps it is my own reading style or comprehension level, but when I need to read two chapters in short order, I find it unfortunate that I spend much of my time skimming through or skipping over lengthy analogies. Kail makes a lot of excellent points and can distill some big concepts into digestible portions, but I think a lot of the chapters could use some streamlining. Conversely, I also think there are intriguing subjects and tidbits I would have enjoyed further reading on. But it's a textbook. It isn't perfect, but at least the majority of it is easily understood.

I needed this textbook for a class, and I would actually argue that this could be beneficial to anyone trying to learn this information. It's comprehensive and doesn't have too much "lingo" or "jargon", so you don't have to be a child development professional in order to benefit from this book.

Was a pretty cool book I needed for school. It was very easy to read and easy to find the topics that were currently being discussed in class. Overall, it was one of my favorite psychology courses that I took and thoroughly enjoyed the read.

Good textbook.

Thank you

Good book for Psychology students. But, at a price short of \$200, I have to say that this book is greatly overpriced (especially considering the book is less than 600 pages).

Any college book under \$20 is amazing no matter what they look like!! (am I right?!) The one I bought had no page damage, just slight wear on the cover. This is my first time buying a book for school on and I couldn't be happier. I will be making future purchases on here for school and I say THANK YOU , for saving me a ton of money!

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