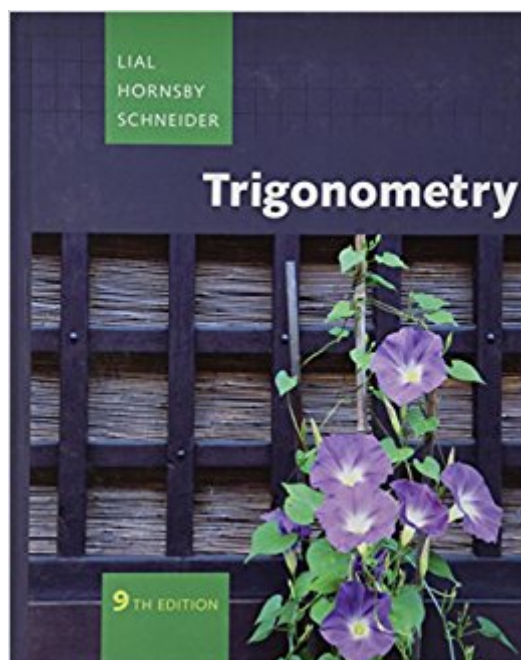


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Customer Reviews

This book is just fine as a trig book, but it follows the current trend of greedy publishers squeezing students for extra money by convincing professors to use HORRIBLE online content, with a one time use access code in the book. This forces students to buy new or pay the publisher a fee to access the online content. I cannot stress strongly enough how awful this online content is. It is a very poorly made flash interface and it makes doing homework much more time consuming and frustrating. When was the last time you needed a decimal approximation for the measure of an angle correct to seven digits? That is just one of many stupid issues I had with the homework they provide. You will spend more time trying to figure out how to properly input your answer than you will spend finding the answer using trig. Even my professor agreed that the content was ridiculous after some questions from the class.

This book is terrible. I'm sure there are plenty of other books that go deeper in depth of the subject

than this one. I have never had any sort of reason to write a review on a book until I had to endure a semester of this tripe. In the examples, they don't explain the problems well and then they include problems that need much more explaining than what they gave in the first place. Every tutor I encountered thought the book was bad and it made my fellow students frustrated as well. Unfortunately, if the school uses this book, you have to go along with it. I was forced to waste my money on it. Bad bad bad.

Here's a list of why this book sucks1) explanation of concepts are very difficult to understand2) Worked out examples are not clearly explained3) will require further tutoringThe worse thing about this book is that after you finish, you still won't have a solid grasp of basic concepts of Trig

Coming from a student who excelled in his trigonometry class, and uses trig frequently in real world applications, this book is absolutely awful. The explanations are vague and unhelpful, and the only reason I was able to get through the homework at times was because of previous experience in this area of mathematics. I noticed other students in my class having trouble with the first few chapters due to such issues, which is a shame, as they are key to building a solid foundation moving in to calculus. As other reviewers have stated, there are indeed types of problems that are never explained, and the book is also sorely lacking in explanations of derivations of trigonometric identities (which are really quite easy to explain and helps greatly towards actually understanding the math). Additionally, I found more than a few errors in the answer key. Considering that this is an elementary trigonometry book, this is unacceptable. Just for laughs, I did look for an errata sheet, but couldn't find any. I've compared this edition a bit to the 10th edition and that one doesn't look too much better in terms of explanations, but hopefully the errors present in this edition have been fixed. In the end, you are probably buying this book because it is required for your class, so most of these reviews serve more as a warning than anything. But if you are trying to learn trigonometry by yourself, there are much better resources out there.

This book is great, but only in concert with a professor. It was because of my skilled instructor guiding us through the material that I got so much out of the extensive exercises in the book. Like all Pearson books, the colorful presentation is nice, but is presented to serve functionality, and not deep conceptual approaches. I like this book better than others because there are separate boxes within a section that present the deeper side of the subject at hand. Overall, I HIGHLY recommend this text. I have not seen the tenth edition, but I can't imagine too many significant changes were

made.

I had to buy this edition for College Trig. It was surprisingly easy to navigate and read. There is a new edition out now. I would assume it is just as good being from the same label. Either way, this book is super helpful.

It could be better. I needed it for trig class because its required by my major. I was going to get the tenth edition, and got this instead. Note to everyone looking to buy the newest trig book: the sun rises and sets the same color everyday. Nothing really changes in the 9th and 10th editions, I know because I compared my book and a classmate's. Minus a few things, almost all of it is a reprint. The book itself is vague; sometimes I find myself retracing a few times to solve a problem, even after reading the chapters before hand. If you want, supplementing this with Khan Academy actually helps, and even other youtube tutorials.

The author takes you through a step-by-step understanding of trigonometry in an easy to understand manner. Most of the chapters are self-explanatory and help to prepare you for the concepts, problems, and self-quizzes that follow each lesson and chapter. There are some chapters that are a bit more difficult to follow than others, and the rationale for learning the topics are a bit unclear, however the positives far outweigh the negatives in this text.

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