Drugs, Society, And Human Behavior
**Synopsis**

Drugs, Society and Human Behavior provides the latest information on drug use and its effects on society as well as on the individual. Trusted for more than 30 years by both instructors and students, this authoritative resource examines drugs and drug use from a variety of perspectives—behavioral, pharmacological, historical, social, legal, and clinical. The 15th edition includes the very latest information and statistics and many new timely topics and issues have been added that are sure to pique students’ interest and stimulate class discussion. Accompanying the text are instructor and student resources on the Online Learning Center.

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**Customer Reviews**

As far as textbooks go, this is one of the easiest to read, understand, and actually finish. While informative, it isn’t dry and chock-full of flashy words to make the author sound smart and readers feel stupid. It has an easy flow and the chapters are broken down into small sections.

I needed this book for my class and at first I assumed it would be about your typical drugs such as heroin and cocaine. However, it actually is very informative and talks about a variety of drugs and their types. I had no idea that tea, which contains caffeine, would be so thoroughly discussed. The author even does a great job of going into the history of each substance and the chemical structures. Overall it has been a great semester using this book and I want to go back and read the chapters we didn’t cover because I find this topic extremely interesting.
Nice and compact. Had to get this for my addiction class. The chapters are nice and detailed and helped me get my homework and required reading done. Studying this textbook helped me ace my exams. I like that this textbook is smaller and lighter than normal textbooks. I wished all textbooks were this size.

It does a good job of reviewing societal thought on drugs and different trends noticed, but it's much too dated. A newer book would probably be better suited for someone that is actually interested in this.

Lots of info about drugs but the author does not talk about the psychological aspect of addictions in great detail. This was the required text for a psychology of addictions class I took and the professor had to add a lot of material that was not covered in the text. For the money I paid for this book I would have been better off to not buy it and just study from the power points my professor provided. If you want to learn about drugs it is a good read...if you are interested in the psychological aspect of addiction look somewhere else.

This is a well written text book and it uses one of the best teaching methods in existence, repetition. Several times I have noticed that it reinforces concepts by saying them again later in the book and thus also ties thing together better. My only complaint is that the book is vastly over priced. If I were not a senior citizen, I would not be able to afford the course and the text book.

The book is easy to read, well written, an excellent reference source of information on basic drug addiction, societal implications, and brief history of the development of drugs and pharmaceutical manufacturing, as well as drug regulation. Recommended; the reader has basic chemistry and human physiology knowledge.

So far one of the best books I've rented from . (It's boring, but informative) The book is in really good condition, but someone wrote in in with pencil on a couple of pages. Other than that, it's great.

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