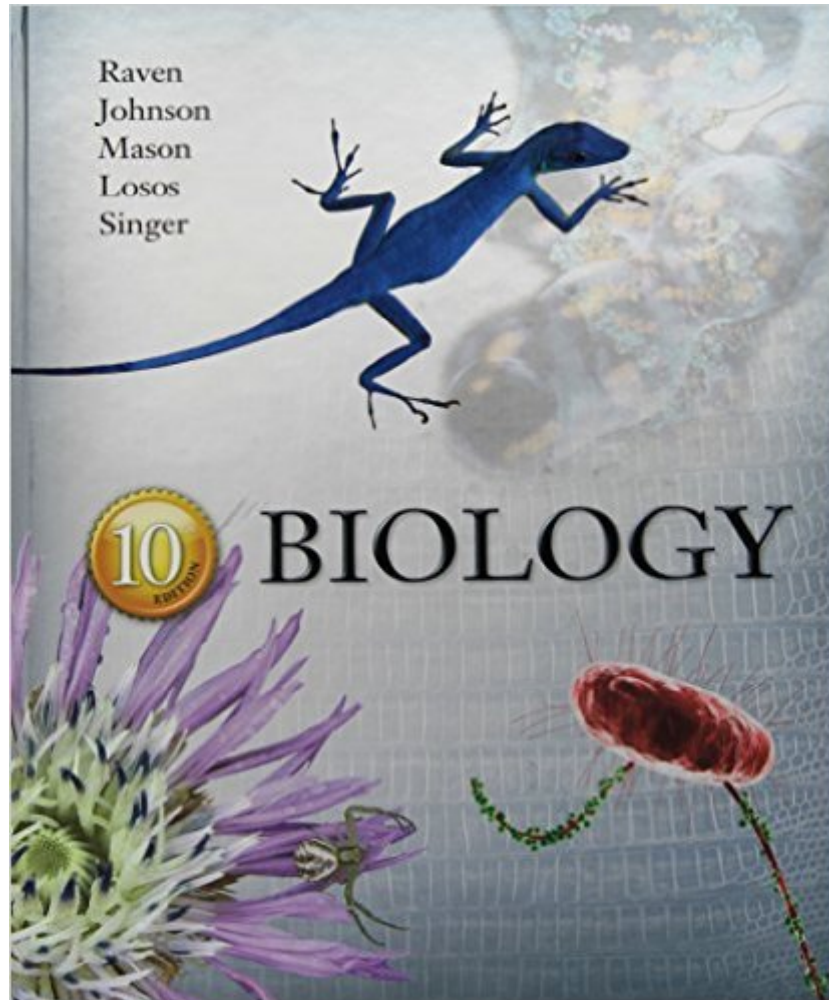


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I normally wouldn't write a review about textbooks, but I feel the need to for this book. This is easily the best science textbook I've ever read. The amount of thought that has gone into makes it so

much easier to absorb the principles of biology in a way that makes them stick. The illustrations in the book are plentiful and do a fantastic job complimenting the text. The text is both in-depth but at the same time it is not filled with jargon, nor is it tangential. This is a great book. My only complaint is that it was not available for purchase on my Kindle.

This is a Biology book for students and Biologists as well. Notice I didn't say "textbook" because this book is definitely readable front to back. Raven Biology has always been known to be complete and thorough in previous editions and this one is no exception. I have been a Biologist for 34 years and this is one of the Biology books that I seek out for updated editions. I have not been disappointed yet. I highly recommend this book to anyone working in the field of Biology and also to anyone who just has an interest in the study of life and how organisms work.

The textbook is not well written. It doesn't really explain many concepts well, there is an attempt to connect biology to real life, nevertheless, it is lacking in coherence and doesn't really explain concepts well. The pictures also are pretty sad, honestly the biology lab books by Sylvia Mader have greater explanations and illustrations in less works and with better organization. The book is extremely poorly written. I've read handfuls of biology books and this one by far, did not give a great overview of biology. I found the internet, and class notes to be far superior sadly. Not worth buying at all.

Yes, the information in the textbook goes in depth in explaining the process of biological functions. But that is not where in lies the problem. First, the section headers are pitiful. They are more like generic sentences that don't even cover the section's basic information. Some sections are a page or two long without any intermediate pauses. Reading it feels out of order and messy. Second, you pay a pretty hefty price for the book and if you are a student you are basically screwed over. The Connect online software that is an extra fee doesn't even include a free copy of the text so if you are ever on the go and don't want to carry the huge book then, yet again, you have to fork out another hefty sum of money. It is ridiculous. So you pay about 200 for the book then 60-100 for the connect and if you want the online copy that is an extra 35 dollars. Seriously, I mean even if the online version was only good for a year that would be nice.

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I really didn't like this textbook. I've read other reviews that say "It reads like a book", but that's not true at all. I found the content to be confusing and honestly for someone who isn't very knowledgeable about Biology it was difficult for me to understand.

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