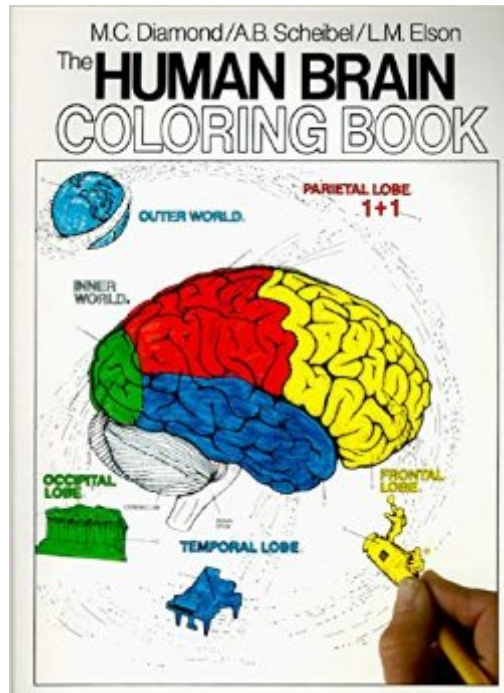


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Customer Reviews

Neuroanatomy has to be the most boring of the world's most interesting subjects. I ought to know because I almost got a Ph.D. in it. Sure, the brain is fascinating, but then there's all these nerves and brain centers you have to learn at least something about before you can relate to the physiology, which is the really interesting part, especially when you find phrases like "...periodic, subcortical, excitatory, scanning-pulse coupling processes in the lateral geniculate nucleus." Then you find that the brain has 14,000 major and minor brain centers and nerve pathways, and suddenly, you're wondering why you're majoring in anatomy or pre-med and why didn't you study something more interesting like the history of Albania (B-O-R-I-N-G!) or the comparative sexology of the higher primates (possibly interesting). That having been said, this is one of the most accessible and entertaining books to learn neuroanatomy from I've seen. It's not a basic book, however, and will be most useful to students of the brain sciences and nurses, physicians, and so on who have some previous training in the subject. It would make an excellent review text since those with previous experience probably wouldn't even need the coloring feature. I found the summaries of the various brain areas very clear and concise, better than what I had to learn from 25 years ago when I

was a young graduate student. (Ah, these young whippersnappers have it so easy). Maybe neuroanatomy is why I switched to mathematical neurobiology and biophysics--it was easier to tolerate. Anyway, overall a very well written book and presentation of a difficult subject with an interesting slant in terms of the coloring feature.

i obtained this book while taking a graduate-level neuroanatomy class and only wish i'd have come across it sooner! very educational yet fun way to study the brain (like flashcards only more fun). coloring allows you to follow pathways and draw distinctions between different areas--all with the stress reduction associated with child's play! :) appropriate for those in specialized medical training, as well as psychology/neuropsychology students looking for a better understanding of brain anatomy and function. very helpful, well-organized, and easy to understand text on a very complicated subject. excellent tool for visual learners, as the colored images become embedded in your mind's eye, making the recall associated with test-taking a lot easier.

This book is not for kids! This is a very big book and very technical. It pushes the limits of what you can call a coloring book. Learn about the brain starting from the insides of an individual nerve cell all the way to the entire brain.

Yay--this book was fun and extremely informative. At first, the idea of coloring at my age was a bit funny (to keep it humorous for me, I conjured up in my mind a tall, overgrown middle-aged male graduate student squeezed in a chair, hunched back looking over a desk and coloring with his set of 64 crayons). Anyway, I digress. As a doctoral graduate student taking a Neuroscience course--this book really helped me nail down structures of *way* too many things. But ultimately, it helped me make the grade. If you get the book, make sure to color in it--it really does help (not to mention a great way to relieve some stress from the day). Otherwise, what's the use of buying a book like this--it becomes an ordinary textbook if you don't color in it.

Learn lots by choosing which things to share color...where are the connections. Overheads made from this book were just used by a friend of mine to present a lecture to neurology residents. He said they made his lecture a great success.

I found the book very useful while taking the neurology course for 1st year med students. The only gripe (which isn't a real gripe about the book) is that coloring takes a long time. But the slides I did

color, I remembered quite easily. The book is very comprehensive and contains a lot of information in the form of text explaining the slides you color. If you are willing to spend the time coloring, it's totally worth getting. Oh and do yourself a favor and get a color pencil set with at least 20 colors. I tried to use about 13 and it was a major failure, as I had to invent checkered schemes, etc, which made me stop using the book.

I've been using this book as a supplement to neuroanatomy courses since I was an undergraduate. (It's actually one of the required texts in a neuroanatomy course taught at Oberlin!) Really accessible presentation of some of the most dishearteningly complex material in neuroscience, and the coloring makes it really fun. (Plus coloring the page helps you learn the page.) I recommend this book to anyone taking a neuroanatomy course, or anyone with an interest in how the brain is put together.

I am using portions of this book for a masters level Social Work "Cognition and the Brain" class. This 301 page book is great to give you a visual of brain sections, and it does provide alphabet keys to specific sections of the brain in each image. When you open the book you get text on the left of each page, and an accompanying image on the right to color. The first image I am adding is a more advanced coloring page, and the second is of the full-page accompanying text. As you are learning, it tells you to color a specific section of the image, but it would have been more helpful if it provided guidance on coloring sections so that it flowed throughout all related picture, to help the student understand pathways, processes, etc. There are detailed instructions provided with each picture to color, however the level of text is beyond the average high school student. While many of the pictures will help even youngsters gain knowledge of brain parts, etc. the cover image is misleading as to the level of knowledge required to actually read the book to learn about the brain. This book is definitely directed to the college level student, not children. That being said, the cover image gives a good representation of how the images themselves work, so if a elementary/middle school/high school teacher used it for images only and not text, it would provide some great pages for all age learners. The cover gives a false impression as to the level of text, how many images there are (again, a 301 page book, slightly less than half are pictures), and the scope knowledge the book actually covers. All this said, this book has great use for everyone, but not all pages will be useful for everyone.

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