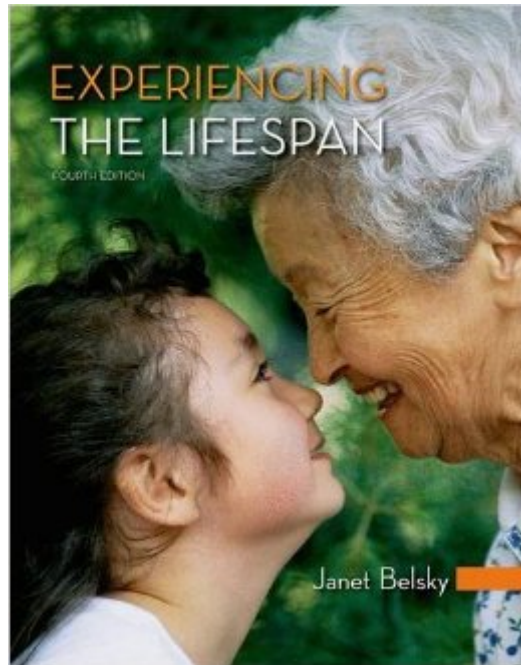


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Overview: I loved this book! I am a psych major, and this book is a great way to introduce you to the field. Belsky does a fantastic job presenting this material in a chronological order. As the chapters in this book progress, it gradually tells you the psychology behind human beings as they age from infancy up until death. All key terms are boldfaced and easy to find, and there are lots of resources inside of the book you can use to test your knowledge. This book was truly a pleasure to read and is what initially got me addicted to psychology. I am now a graduate student on my way to be a mental health specialist (i.e. therapist) and I have carried much of the knowledge in this book with me throughout my entire academic life.

As an average college student attending an online university (CMU), I found this book to be the best psychology text I have ever read.-Easy to read-Explains concepts well-Uses real world examples-From the heart (author tries to relate to reader as much as possible)-Interesting subject, naturally :)-The writing style keeps your attention, and isn't "boring reading"-Self-quiz questions, with answers at the end of each chapter-Vocabulary words are not overwhelming, unlike some other texts I have read from-Chapter summariesOverall my experience with this book was fantastic and I learned a whole lot from taking the course that utilized this text.

Used this for my Developmental Psych book, my professor raved about it all semester long. It is a friendly read, a lot of stuff covered in a conversational way. I would recommend it to anyone wanting to know a nice overview about all the various stages of life.

Need this for my PSY240 class, but I really dislike the writing style of the author. Let's just get to the point of the book and streamline the info without a bunch of personal examples from the author's life. Make it straight and to the point.

I purchased this for a psych class. I searched far and wide trying to get a decent price, because it is the latest edition, it is pricey. I found it to be a bit wordy with the authors personal experiences. Janet Belsky is an easy read. If I had known I would have ordered the previous edition. Others in the class who could not afford it used the other far less expensive edition due to complaints to the instructor. If your instructor allows the other edition save A LOT of money and skip the new edition. The price difference is not worth it, in my opinion. I usually prefer the latest edition, however these two text books have the same info and are very closely formatted. The early edition was easier for me to locate info I was looking for. I will sell it used and buy the earlier edition and recoup some of my money.

I took a Psychology class at Green River College and pushed through even though taking an online class was something I did not have much experience with; I spent a lot of time reading, taking notes, and studying with my Mom to prepare for the class. The book was interesting. The reason I did not give it a 4 was because of the limited perspective. Definitely not meant to be a problem but just an observation.

I read this book for my psychology class. What a great textbook. The author gives so many great

examples and the topics are discussed in an easy to understand way. After reading the final chapter in the book, I just had to write this review because I enjoyed reading this book. You can really get absorbed in all of the topics. I like the way the book is organized and how Author Belsky gives opposing viewpoints. She also treats all cultures with respect, and you can glean that she is a compassionate human being. Textbooks are usually impersonal, but she gives personal examples, as well, which adds to the book's appeal.

I am visually-impaired. The font of the body text in this book is very hard on the eyes, so much so that I am unable to sustain fast graduate school level reading. Specifically, the strokes of the font are delicate, lack contrast, and the type is a bit small. The publisher left me in a hard place by also not supporting speech in the eTextbook edition of this book. Please do better.

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