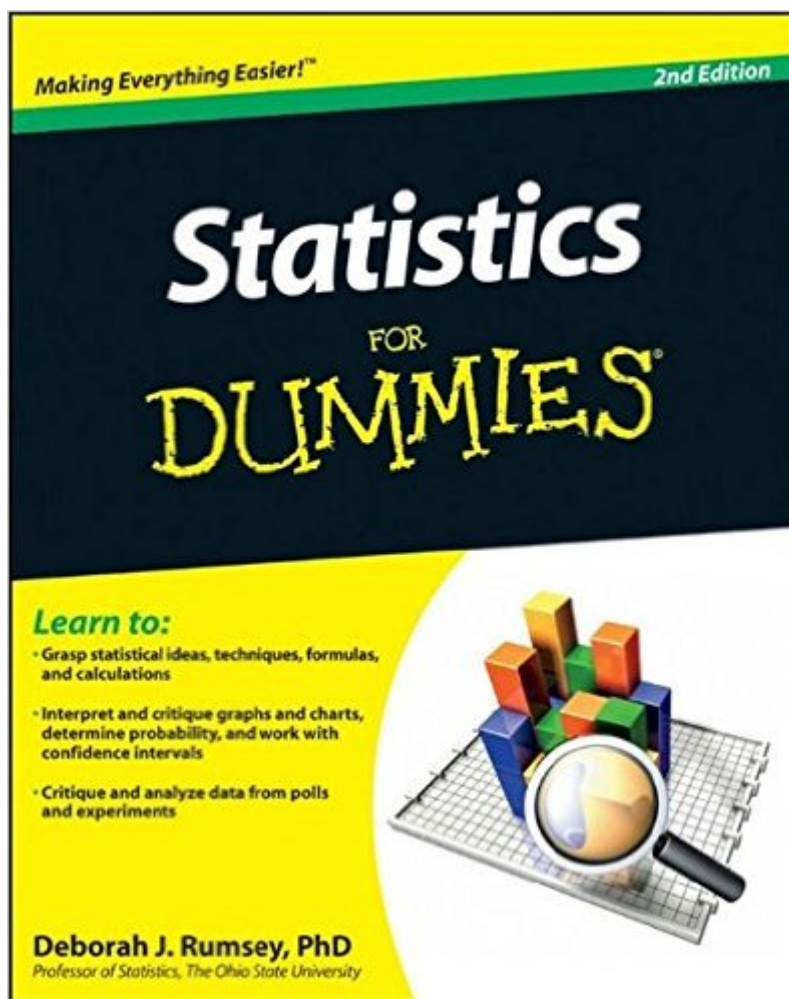


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I bought this book in a panic of my statistics class that started in January. Read the whole book before christmas break was over. When the class actually started I found it to be a great reference, when I was unclear on some of my lecture materials. This book offers a real easy to understand, everyday situation that allows an individual to relate to statistics. Good read, even better price.

This book is an easy read and helpful if you want to brush up on stats. I bought it so I could pass Stats in a grad class I am taking. It is detailed and worth the purchase.

I expect funny and easy mood with a lot of humour AND easy to read explanations. For 'easy to read explanation' parts, I like other book more.

I used this book for taking the Pharmacy College Admissions Test, and found it to be quite helpful. It had been almost 10 years since I had taken statistics, and this was the best resource that I found for

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It seems a big call but I think this probably the best introductory stats book I have come across. The explanations are clear and simply make sense, making it much easier to actually "get" the underlying principles. You never get the feeling that the author is saying look how smart I am, why can't you keep up? A feeling many stats text can give. She also manages this without being trite or cute, quite an achievement. Never thought I would say this about a stats book, but it was a good read.

This book was exactly what I was looking for in a "Dummies" book. It covered the basics well and was easy to follow and understand. I really like how the author goes step by step over each procedure. The sequence of the book was well thought out and made sense to me. I liked the author's sense of humor. One thing that would have gotten that last star from me is a little bit more explanation on why the various parts of a formula are what they are. Deborah does a very good job of explaining why it makes sense to use the t statistic over the z statistic; but I would have liked to have heard more on the reasoning behind calculating the standard error for the various situations. Nevertheless I highly recommend the book

This book is very basic. Ordered it to help with a statistics course. The information was way too simplified and did not help with the course at all. It is written on a very low level. Might help a high school student a little, as long as they don't need too much detail.

I've never taken a Statistics Course. I'm preparing to take an exam for college credit. I am learning the subject on my own without help from anyone (due to my isolated location). I have found the book to be very helpful. I would recommend it. Especially if you are as intimidated by the subject as I was which, by the way, I am no longer intimidated but have discovered I actually enjoy the subject matter. The exam score will be a strong indicator of the book's value.

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