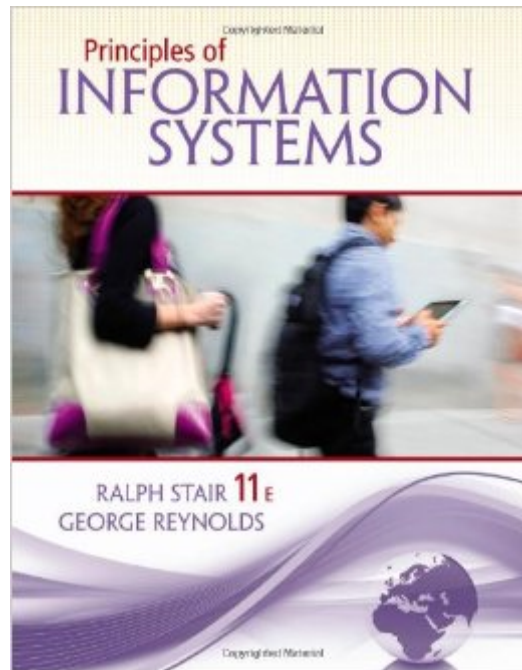


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As expected, this book provides a general overview of information systems, including the nature of information, the components of an information system, how information systems are used in businesses, design and implementation techniques, and security considerations. I appreciate the broad coverage this book offers, as well as the infusion of real-world examples and case studies throughout the book. However, the inclusion of examples gets a little annoying when it interferes with the authors' explanation of a concept. At some points in the book, I felt that the authors included examples that didn't make sense considering what they were trying to explain. Much of the space could have contained a little more in-depth information, rather than the "peppering" of examples that may or may not be relevant. The book provides a good starting place for readers to discover their interests in the field, but the writing style was disappointing.

One of the book's biggest problems is that it rambles. The book has 14 multi-topic-chapters. This could be solved with going to 20 or 24 focused chapters. Part of the problem is the book's target audience - accounting, business or management majors that should know what IT can do for them. I have over 25 years in business and over 10 years in IT, dealing with Fortune 100 companies to mom and pop shops. When I read this book, I get the impression they talked to one person or one company and they take that as industry standards. Oops these generalizations miss the mark. If they talk to only one company they should say so- this is the way XYZ does this. If you have a 42 page chapter called "Database Systems and Business Intelligence" the business intelligence (BI) section should be longer than a 1/2 page. I have thought this book wouldn't be a good value at half the price.

This is the worst book ever. Definitions and concepts are ambiguous, inconsistent and sloppy. When explaining the difference of closely related terminologies, the author seems to be going off tangent, without explaining the actual difference.[Please note: I seldom give negative reviews. Trust me, stay away from this book.]

I purchased this book for a college class. The writing is easy enough to follow, but I am guessing that will make little difference in the decision of most people to purchase this book since it will be the one required for the class they are taking.

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