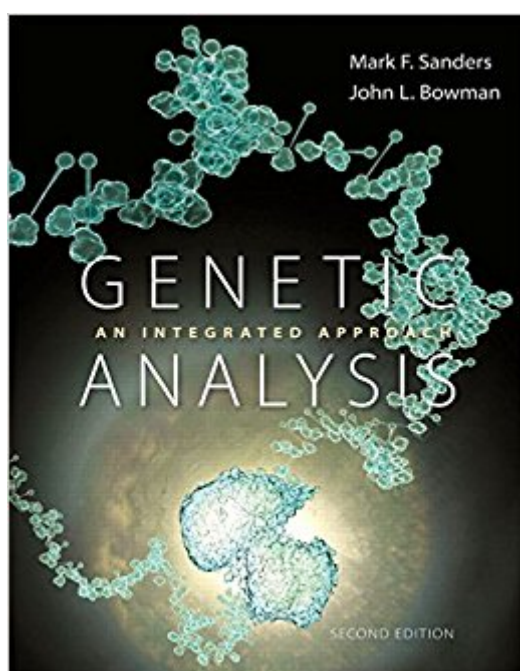


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Customer Reviews

Mark F. Sanders has been a faculty member in the Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology at the University of California, Davis for 27 years. In that time, he has taught more than 120 genetics courses to more than 30,000 undergraduate students. Specializing in teaching the genetics course for which this book is written, Dr. Sanders also teaches a genetics laboratory course, an advanced human genetics course for biology majors, and a human heredity course for non-science majors. His teaching experience also includes introductory biology, and courses in population genetics and evolution. Dr. Sanders received his Bachelors degree in Anthropology from San Francisco State University and his Master's and Ph.D. degrees in Biological Anthropology from the University of California, Los Angeles. Following graduation, he spent four years at the University of California, Berkeley as a post-doctoral researcher studying inherited susceptibility to human breast and ovarian cancer. At UC Berkeley he also taught his first genetics courses. Since coming to the University of California, Davis, Dr. Sanders has maintained a full-time teaching schedule and promotes academic achievement by undergraduate students in numerous ways, including as an active student advisor, through his on-going role as the director of a long-standing undergraduate student program, and by past service as the Associate Dean for Undergraduate Academic Programs in the College of Biological Sciences. John L. Bowman is a Professor in the School of Biological Sciences at Monash University in Melbourne, Australia and an Adjunct Professor in the Department of Plant Biology at the University of California, Davis in the US. He received a B.S. in Biochemistry at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Illinois in 1986 and a Ph.D. in Biology from the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, California. His Ph.D. research focused on how the identities floral organs are specified in Arabidopsis (described in Chapter 20). He conducted postdoctoral research at Monash University on the regulation of floral development. From 1996-2006 his laboratory at UC Davis focused on the developmental genetics of plant development, focusing on how leaves are patterned. From 2006-2011 he was a Federation Fellow at Monash University where his laboratory is studying land plant evolution using a developmental genetics approach. At UC Davis he taught genetics, from Mendel to cancer, to undergraduate students, and continues to teach genetics

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Required reading for an introductory genetics course in undergrad. It's written as if the reader is already familiar with the concepts. Combined with MasteringGenetics, this is an expensive scam encouraged by professors. Most of my outside the class learning was thanks to YouTube.

a little better than the 1st edition in terms of organization. Did not come with online access (not advertised to come with it, but for anyone who may have been wondering)

When I saw the other reviews for this book, I was a little worried since everyone was saying it was full of mistakes and was overall terrible. There are a few mistakes but they seem to be more in the figures than in the text itself. I know someone mentioned an equation being incorrect, and I wouldn't know about that since my course doesn't focus on the math very much. It can be very dry in certain sections, especially those that it considers review like transcription and translation. Even the new material, like proteins you don't learn in cell biology, it just lists off and makes it very dull to read. I am not disappointed in the book but it could be better - but really what textbook is perfect?

This book is horrible! I'm in a genetics class right now, and we've had two homework assignments so far -- a lot of it is from the back of the textbook chapter problems. Already have found 4+ mistakes. The answer key at the back of the textbook is basically useless because it only gives answers to a couple of the even numbered problems and even then those answers are more often than not completely wrong! There are a bunch of typos and answers that clearly were not double checked. (ex. the answer key would forget that you have to multiply by 3 for 3-child birth order problems, etc.) There are typos throughout the chapter 2 -- there's one paragraph on chi square analysis where it says "the degree of freedom is because, while there are two possible outcomes..." Is because?!?!? The author forgot to even type in the value. Very poor editing! It's way too wordy and completely useless. There HAS to be a better genetics textbook out there, ugh.

This is a terribly written textbook. It reads like an instruction manual, and takes two pages to get the idea or concept. My professor was repeatedly frustrated with the structure and formatting. I'm just baffled by how awful this book is!

I guess I can give it a break because it's only a 2nd edition but there are SOOO many mistakes in

the homework problems it's incredibly frustrating to try and learn such a difficult subject when at least one problem per chapter is answered wrong in the solutions manual. At least I have my teacher to help me out.

Maybe the second edition is better, but like others have said this book is one of the worst textbooks to use. I went over one of the example problems where they provide the explanation and answers and it was wrong! I went to the students, TAs, and other very smart students and we all agreed that there were mistakes in the amino acid sequences based on the codons! I have had much better textbooks in my other biology courses. I am a 4.0 in bio student and think this book is complicated and wracked with unnecessary details. The material is not presented clearly nor do I agree with some of the answers and problems. Find another book to supplement your genetics course that will be my plan for the rest of my semester.

I would recommend the next edition, because they have probably updated/corrected some of the errors. I am using for an advanced Genetics class and it packs lots of information into each chapter. Online access to "MasteringGenetics.com" included and required for the course. I use online eText, practice tests, homework and reviews and still, hard to keep up. I think that they should put answers to all questions instead of just even numbered and I would like more "practice" on the math questions. I found the online search helpful for those annoying details, like when to include a slash mark. I am not an expert, but they balance history, examples and pictures with practical applications.

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