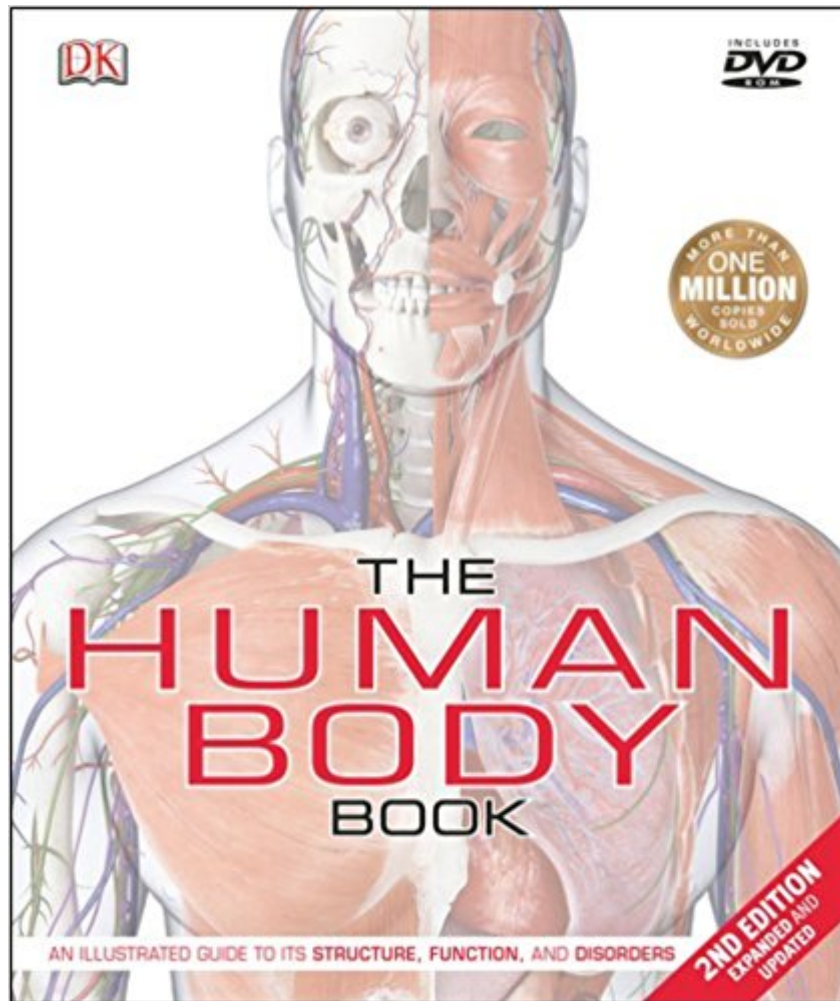


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Customer Reviews

I have the predecessor to this book by DK and I can say that this updated version is certainly head and shoulders above the original in terms of the explanatory content and illustrations. The writing is, for the most part, clear and succinct. The illustrations surpass any other medical text I have encountered thus far. I would absolutely love to give this book a five-star rating. However, there was a failure on the part of the authors to perform a careful proofread before this book went to print. There are quite a few grammatical errors and in some of the illustrations the leader lines point to the wrong structures, which can cause confusion for the reader or student of human anatomy. I discovered this new edition at my local library in their new books section a few weeks ago. The binding was already coming apart, though it had not been on the shelf long. I am hoping that the binding on the copy I purchased will hold up better.

The Human Body 2nd Edition was published in February 2013 as an update to the 6 year old original. .com reviews of the 1st edition were consistently positive with more than 86% 5-stars. In the two month since publication, there are still no reviews on the 2nd edition, but all the good features described in previous reviews should still apply and the new edition can only be described as fantastic. This is a large format book (10" x 12") with large, detailed, color 2D/3D illustrations and photos of all the human body systems, structure and organs. Descriptions of the various topics are detailed without being too wordy or the use of excessive complex medical jargon. This book should be perfect for anyone that just wants to understand what is going on inside their body or even students in beginning anatomy classes. The included DVD-ROM (Not a Video DVD) is also great, with interactive overviews of body structures using multi-level 3D illustrations and detailed descriptions by simply mousing-over the area of interest. Unfortunately, the book's web page on .com does not (yet) have the "look inside" features that would actually show how well the information is presented in this book - see this feature on the 1st edition web page for similar information. The book must be seen for the quality to be fully appreciated.

Whatever your plans are when you buy this book, it will be well worth the investment! "The Human Body" will take you through each of the 11 bodily systems like an atlas learning about their specialties. The body's vital organs along with their functioning are explained, connecting their affiliation to a respective body systems in they which operate. You'll learn that the bodies organs are integrated, operating in more than one system and the nuanced partnership between systems in their workings of bodily functions. After each function of the systems are explored, the sections end with system abnormality relating to injury, disease, and malfunction. Starting at the cellular-level then moving to the development, and eventual decline of the body, "The Human Body" provides a solid, thorough guild about the human body bringing together the full scientific explanation of the body's natural process, capabilities, susceptibilities, and its amazing function as an organic machine! This book can be used as a study guild or for knowledge acquisition. The information is easy to understand and the illustration serves as a perfect auxiliary for memorization. To me, it this is the perfect source of information to reference from and apply.

Beautiful book, great graphics and well-presented. I thought this was the small version book - but was surprised it was actually the size and weight of a luxury coffee table book. LOVE this! It is indexed so well that it will be a pleasure revisiting what is going on inside of all of us.

I'm prepping for Paramedic School and this book was on the 'optional' list of books we needed. I have Anatomy and Physiology for Paramedics, which is also very good, but The Human Body breaks everything down more with some really excellent drawings and explanations. I'll be using this book to supplement A&P.

Because this is a book published by DK one of my favorites :-)) this book is a good learning tool (comes with DVD I have NOT seen) it is more of a general overview of anatomy. In particular, I thought there would be more in the area of dermatology (informational figures) from epi to hypodermis.

This book is very detailed and I love it. I rarely find a book that has labels and tells you about the labeling. For example, they will have labels of the muscular system and then each of the label will explain what that part does. It's great for people taking Anatomy 1&2!

It's not a very detailed book, but the big, colorful pictures are helpful. It's not cheap to produce such detailed illustrations, and you won't find them on Wikipedia. I'm glad to have this book on my shelf, though I also have much more detailed books alongside it.

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