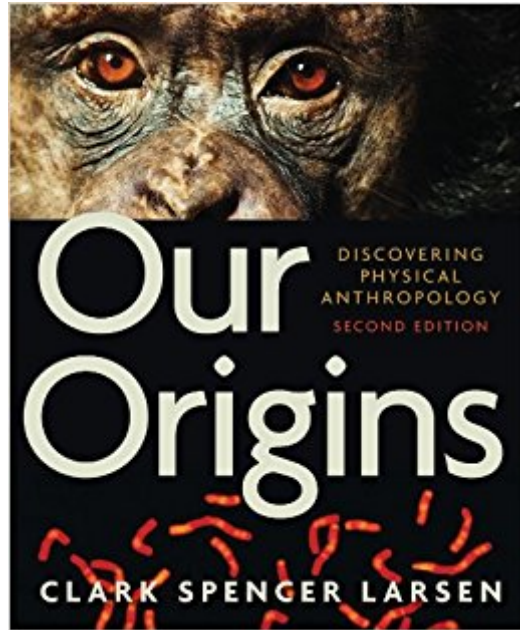


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I purchased this book for a class I will take - the class hasn't started yet, but I'm on chapter 6 of the book - very interesting, well written book. The way the pages are set up makes the reader want to read every word.

One of my favorite books, and classes. If you've taken Anthropology, it makes you see things in a

whole different way. This book has a lot of good information, and if your class requires it, it's affordable, too. You don't have to invest too much on this. I'd definitely recommend it to Anthropology students, or anyone who's interested. It'll make you want to change your major.

This book stated that it was in good condition. Although it is currently meeting the needs of my class the book in my opinion is not in good condition as it has many highlighted sentences in it. I find this to be very distracting when doing my own learning. The cover was in fair condition with folds and wrinkles and there were some pages torn. In my opinion the book should have been rated "fair condition" rather than "good condition" and been sold for a reduced cost than what I paid for it.

I am using this text (renting it) for Physical Anthropology. It is well written, but I do like a written summary at the end which this does not have. It does, however, have a lot of good info that can be accessed via computer.

I enjoyed this book a lot in my Human Evolution course last semester, however there was quite a bit of information that our professor provided us that was very important or at least good to know, but was not in this book. In the book's defense, this is a field that is rapidly growing right now. Still will definitely be holding onto it for a while though.

The copy I got is super bent and folded and has a lot of tears in the front and back pages. They only started using this edition this semester, too. So there's really no reason it should be so messed up. The textbook is like double bound in cheap tape too. Also, only after I bought the thing, It said on the cover you can rent it. Which made me really upset. you should at least remove the damn rent label if you're making us pay \$50+ for a torn up textbook.

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