Precalculus: Real Mathematics, Real People
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Ideal for courses that require the use of a graphing calculator, PRECALCULUS: REAL MATHEMATICS, REAL PEOPLE, 6th Edition, features quality exercises, interesting applications, and innovative resources to help you succeed. Retaining the book’s emphasis on student support, selected examples include notations directing students to previous sections where they can review concepts and skills needed to master the material at hand. The book also achieves accessibility through careful writing and design—including examples with detailed solutions that begin and end on the same page, which maximizes readability. Similarly, side-by-side solutions show algebraic, graphical, and numerical representations of the mathematics and support a variety of learning styles. Reflecting its new subtitle, this significant revision focuses more than ever on showing readers the relevance of mathematics in their lives and future careers.

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Customer Reviews

This textbook is not what I expected. I have had better books explain some of the concepts better and more clearly. I have never had an issue understanding math, but this book proves that math can be challenging if you have poor resources. I wouldn’t recommend.

This book gets a lot of guff for being "bad" but it’s honestly pretty standard textbook fair. Chances are, you’re not learning directly from the book and you’re just doing practice problems anyway. Even
the explanations in the book aren’t so terrible, though it’s definitely geared toward practical applications of calc, trig, and analytical geometry. The word problems are hecka boring, but what word problems aren’t?

This is really an excellent textbook for Pre-Calculus. Very clear organization, with a logical sequence of topics, each building on the last. I really wish my son’s high school used this text rather than the one they did. Besides just rote problems using the concepts, this text includes many practical examples across all sciences and engineering in each section and chapter.

The book is alright for a type of supplement for a class and not for a full on learning textbook. Some parts I had very difficulty understanding and had to ask the professor due to this fact. Overall, it does have the information however, needs to be presented better.

I had the ebook version of this textbook, and I still had a difficult time with it. I’m managing my grades for my math class, not because of the textbook. My old notes from my junior year in high school were what helped me, as well as Google. That’s how bad this textbook is. This experience reminded me of how I hated my Statistics class. If you have a class that requires this book, I hope you’re able to drop it because you’ll have a horrible time with it, unless you’re smarter than me. Good luck.

This book is no difference from the book I got in High School, in fact it is harder to understand than the one that I have had for a few years now. Waste of money.

Rented it used. Came in decent condition. The book itself is dry and dense, but provides proofs for most concepts it presents, which is nice.

i had homework due in a few days and the book arrived perfectly. found a few pages of notes in the book that actually ended up helping me.