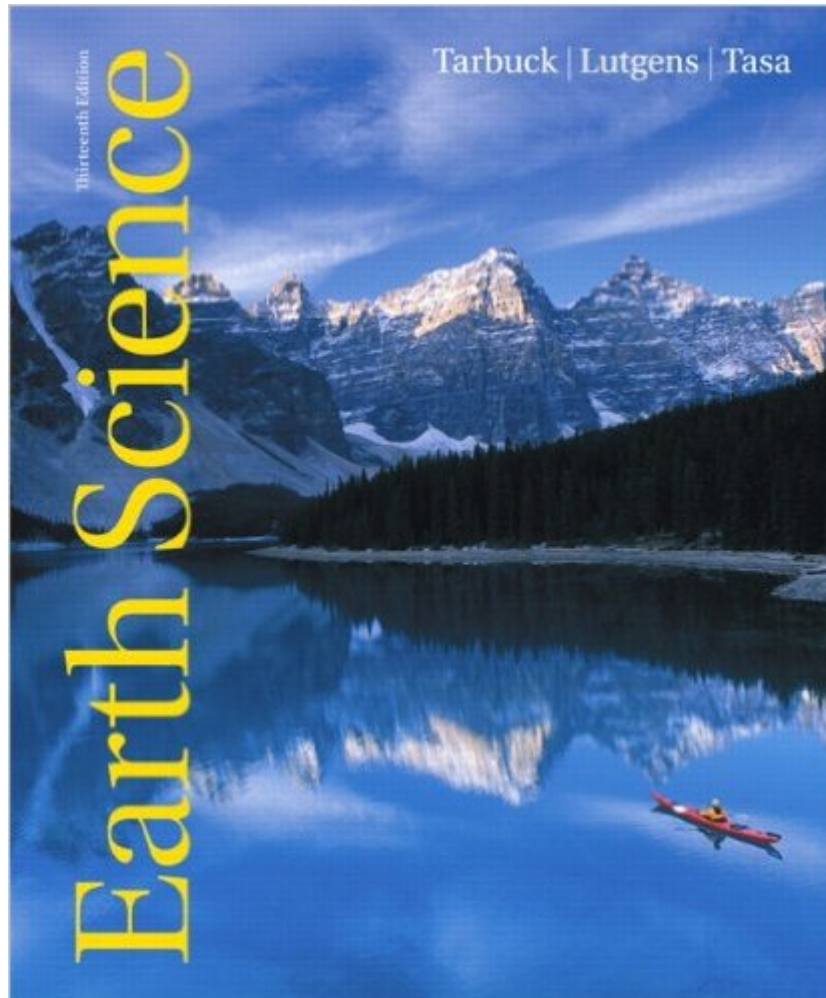


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Ideal for undergraduates with little or no science background, Earth Science is a student-friendly overview of our physical environment that offers balanced, up-to-date coverage of geology, oceanography, astronomy, and meteorology. The authors focus on readability, with clear, example-driven explanations of concepts and events. The Thirteenth Edition incorporates a new active learning approach, a fully updated visual program, and is available for the first time with MasteringGeology® "the most complete, easy-to-use, engaging tutorial and assessment tool available, and also entirely new to the Earth science course."

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This textbook is one of the best scientific books I have seen. Not only does it cover earth science (like geology), but astronomy and meteorology also. It covers every topic that you possibly want to know about. The authors leave no information out. I had to use this for Science Olympiad, and it helped me so much. The explanations are great, the images beautiful, and the diagrams very helpful. I would suggest this for anyone that has an interest in Earth Science or Meteorology. It is a great book.

If you are planning to use this as a homeschool reference this isn't the book for you. There is no end of chapter questions, just a bunch of vocabulary before moving on to the next chapter. The book is affiliated with the Mastering Geography website that supposedly helps in the learning process but the book does not come with the code for it and must be purchased separately. This costs even

more money. I am still using the book, but I feel, with either access to the website or a workbook (not the lab book), the chapters would be more understandable and I could be assured that my homeschooler is actually grasping the concepts.

I like this book a lot! I wish they had elaborated on more of the topics, though. I guess there are so many things this book covers that it would be huge if they went into detail about everything. As a 100 level science class, I think this book works great as a gateway. I rented it for my class, but I wish I had bought it so that I could reread through it again, make more notes, and discover more.

The book itself is what I expected. The cover though looks like someone sliced right through it with a razor blade and then put the rental sticker over it to hold it together. Also, there are 2 pages that are not attached to the spine which makes flipping through the book a bit of a challenge or inconvenience. I understand that this is a rental textbook, but I was under the understanding that the books were supposed to be in good condition. I didn't have time to return for another copy as the book was ordered too close to the summer class. Overall the intellectual material in the book is what I expected, but it was the quality of the tangible product I was less satisfied with.

This has been my favorite class. The details on the subjects aren't running on and on like a lot of textbooks. Beautiful pictures and easy to follow wording. Now I just wish my college offered more earth sciences in the evening as this class has opened a new love of science for me.

Excellent text with many QR code scans of ancillary information. Only complaint is the book itself is very poorly constructed. Pages slip from the binding extremely easily--I have had to scotch tape many pages back into the binding. The book is also very large/heavy/floppy--therefore--difficult to hold while reading--should have been hard bound for the size of the text to make it easier to handle/carry/stay together. The reason for 4 stars out of 5 is the quality of the binding--the text itself is excellent.

This is a college text book that my niece had to have for a college course. This was not going to be something she read for fun or will probably recommend to her friends. It is written well enough to be easy to read and not be confusing. I am sure most people will think a required text is going to be just OK since they are always overpriced and under used.

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