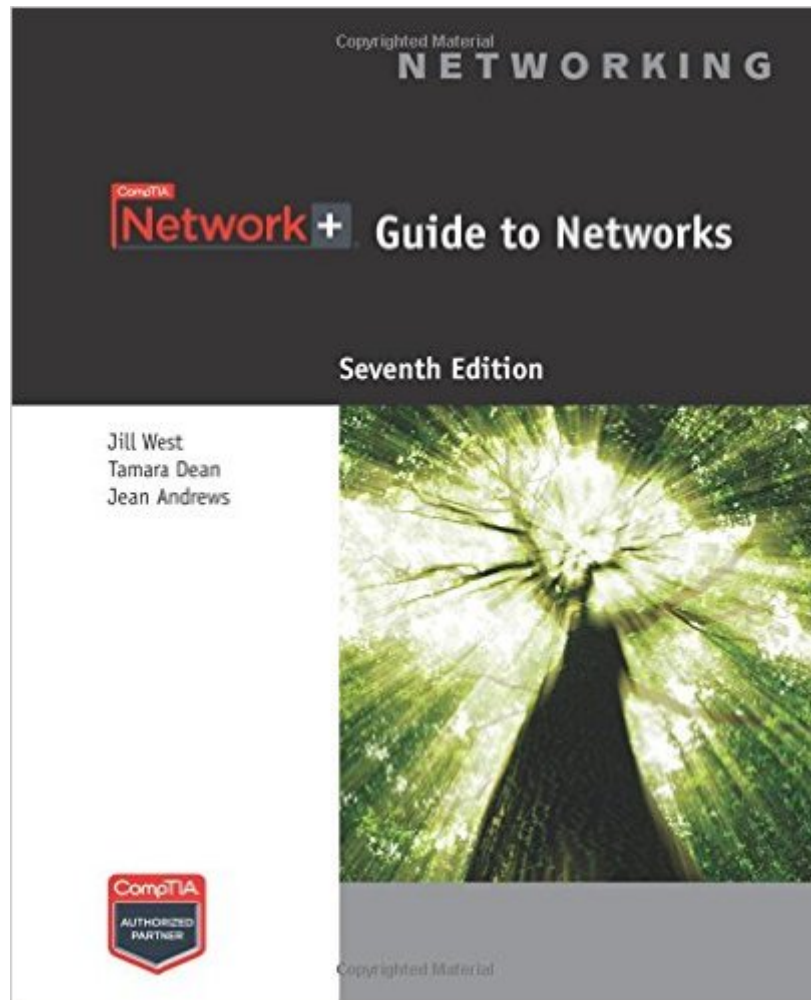


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I want to like it, but it's so out of order. Things are smashed together in chapters that make no sense and the book should be subdivided into smaller chunks. Subnetting is smashed together with virtual machines as one example. Every subject in this book is either not explained enough and is clipped to squeeze other material into the chapter or it's so over explained in technical jargon, I can't make heads or tails out of it. Things are introduced and sort of explained, then brought up 7 or 8 chapters later and the authors expect you to remember the earlier material without a refresher. I can't tell you the number of times I had to flip back and hunt for something. Even more importantly the glossary is

a train wreck with several key terms simply forgotten. The information is there, but it needs to be presented better and if you're not getting hands on experience this won't do you much good.

There are a few places where the material can be a bit confusing as definitions of key terms are not properly defined, and other places where terms are mentioned, but not expounded on until much later in the book. The glossary is not too helpful as it omits the page numbers. It has great color diagrams, information, and material, but if you're not taking a class that requires this text, look elsewhere. There are a few alternatives that definitely give you more bang for your buck when it comes to studying for just the CompTIA Network + certification.

Poorly written, and illustrated, this book is a waste of money. You should only purchase this book if it is required for a college, or tech school course; even then, I would recommend not taking that course over buying this book. If you are preparing for the CompTIA Network + exam, and want a book for self-paced study, this book is not a good choice. The small pitch serif font, and the use of hyphenation, are hard on the eyes, and the endless grammatical errors make some passages all but unintelligible. This book is the choice of some schools because, for the instructors, prefabricated slide presentations are included. These slide shows are not included in the student edition. These slide shows are basically built, cut and paste, from the book. The charts, and graphs are eye charts, that are hard to read in the book are a blur when projected on the screen.

As a college instructor who has used the previous versions by Tamara Dean (excellent), this book was a let down. This edition is rife with serious errors and partial definitions and has to be read with caution. This version includes a much needed update to include Internet (cloud) services information and should be commended. However, the over emphasis on http oriented services (port 80) is disheartening and can cause confusion. For those of us who used to the writing and high quality textbooks by Jean Andrews and Tamara Dean, it is fairly obvious the challenges in the text lie with work done by Jill West. An errata document is needed.

The book arrived in perfect condition. A lot of color pages, which really helps when you have to choose the red or blue wire ;) Contains plenty of clear pictures with blow up circles that zoom in and enhance the points they're trying to get across.

This textbook is horrible. The only reason I am reading this book is for a college course. If you are a

college professor reading this review then please take my advice and find something much more user friendly to provide to students. This textbook pushes the CompTia Network + Exam, and reads like a very poorly written instruction manual. This book is a horrible introduction to networking, and I hope that I prevent someone from having the arduous task of attempting to make sense of this text.

It's a great resource to use when learning about computer networking. The one thing that bothered me was how dense the book and the class were. Packing so much information into one book/class was overwhelming. Overall, the book was organized well and had ALL of the information I needed to study.

This book is a mess. There's a lot of good information in here, but it is not located in one place or presented in a coherent way. There's also a lot of extraneous information as well, and it is crammed in with the rest, implying equal importance. If you happen upon a class that uses this book as its main resource, I suggest taking a different class.

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