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## **Customer Reviews**

Professor of business at Dallas County Community Colleges, believes that these two words can literally change people's lives. Whether you want to be rich or just manage the money you have, the ability to analyze financial decisions and gather financial information are skills that can always be improved. In addition to writing several textbooks, Dr. Hughes has taught personal finance, introduction to business, business math, small business management, small business finance, and accounting since 1972. He also served as a content consultant for two popular national television series, It's Strictly Business and Dollars & Sense: Personal Finance for the 21st Century, and is the lead author for a business math project utilizing computer-assisted instruction funded by the ALEKS Corporation. He received his BBA from Southern Nazarene University and his MBA and EdD from the University of North Texas. His hobbies include writing, investing, collecting French antiques, art, and travel. Les Dlabay teaches in the Department of Economics and Business at Lake Forest College, Lake Forest, Illinois. Over the past 25 years, he has taught more than 30 different courses in high school, community college, university, adult education, and teacher preparation programs. Dr. Dlabay has developed a wide variety of textbook materials, student activity guides, instructor manuals, testing programs, audio-visual materials, and software packages in the areas of Personal Finance, Consumer Economics, and International Business. Dr. Dlabay has served as a consultant to corporations, educational institutions, and government agencies. He has presented more than

140 workshops and seminars in over 20 states to encourage teachers to actively involve students in the learning process with video presentations, newsletters, interviews, and Internet research activities. Dr. Jack Kapoor is a Professor of Business and Economics in the Business and Services Division. Dr. Kapoor has taught Business and Economics at College of DuPage since 1969. He received his B.A. and M.S. from San Francisco State College and his Ed.D. from Northern Illinois University. Professor Kapoor was recently awarded the Business and Services Division's Outstanding Professor Award for 1999-2000. Dr. Kapoor is known internationally as a co-author of several textbooks including *Business: A Practical Approach* (Rand McNally), *Business* (Houghton Mifflin), and *Focus on Personal Finance* (Richard D. Irwin/McGraw-Hill).

It is too bad that our country's educational system does not REQUIRE high school seniors to take a course that includes material found in this book. I used this book as an elective class in college. I learned a lot about the things I need to decide for myself with not just my finances, but all the things life will force you to decide on how to spend your finances. Things like life insurance, car insurance, home mortgages, renting vs. buying, etc... This is the kind of book you should buy if you are a young adult struggling to make sense with the many options in life.

This book is required for my personal finance class so that's why I purchased it, but in reading it and going through some of the problems it has a ton of useful information and would recommend it to anyone that wants to be successful with their finances.

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I pity the reviewer who said the subject is long and boring. There is so much information in this book that I'll be sharing with my less-than-financially savvy family members. There are internet resources listed throughout, detailed instructions for deciphering everything from credit disclosure statements to insurance and investment offers. In a nutshell, this is an excellent manual for living in the

grown-up world, where we earn money, spend money, and try not to think about some future date when we no longer have the abilities to do either. There is a great section in the back for personal financial planning, but the publisher also offers the worksheets in Excel format on their website (no access code required). I rented this book but did so several weeks before the semester (when supply is high and rental rates are lower), but I'll be buying a copy to keep for personal reference. Yeah, lesson learned. I'd have saved money if I'd bought instead of rented. :D

I had been searching for a general introduction to all topics related to financial literacy when I found this. What a book-- it not only discusses the basics of budgeting, banking, and investing but even has chapters on health insurance, automotive insurance, life insurance, etc. This is a comprehensive, easy-to-read guide to the basic financial and life skills one needs as an adult. I had been disappointed by other personal finance books which offered little help beyond the superficial advice to save more money than you spend, open a bank account, etc. If you're looking for something more substantial (e.g., a college-level personal finance course) then this book is for you.

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This book is more like a bible to American capitalism. Highly recommend to anyone who has money, so everyone. A full comprehensive approach to budgeting, saving, investing, doing your own taxes, and much more. It is so important to learn about money in this day and use it as a tool to help you achieve your goals and stick to your values.

"Personal Finance" was required for a community college course I recently took. This book is an easy read offering an understandable format for just about everyone. I told several friends and ordered this one through for my nephew. I believe it targets ALL generations - especially since the recent recession - on how to understand, plan, and protect your financial future. I paid \$176.00 for this book and found it on "like new" for \$35.00. Excellent deal - excellent book!

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