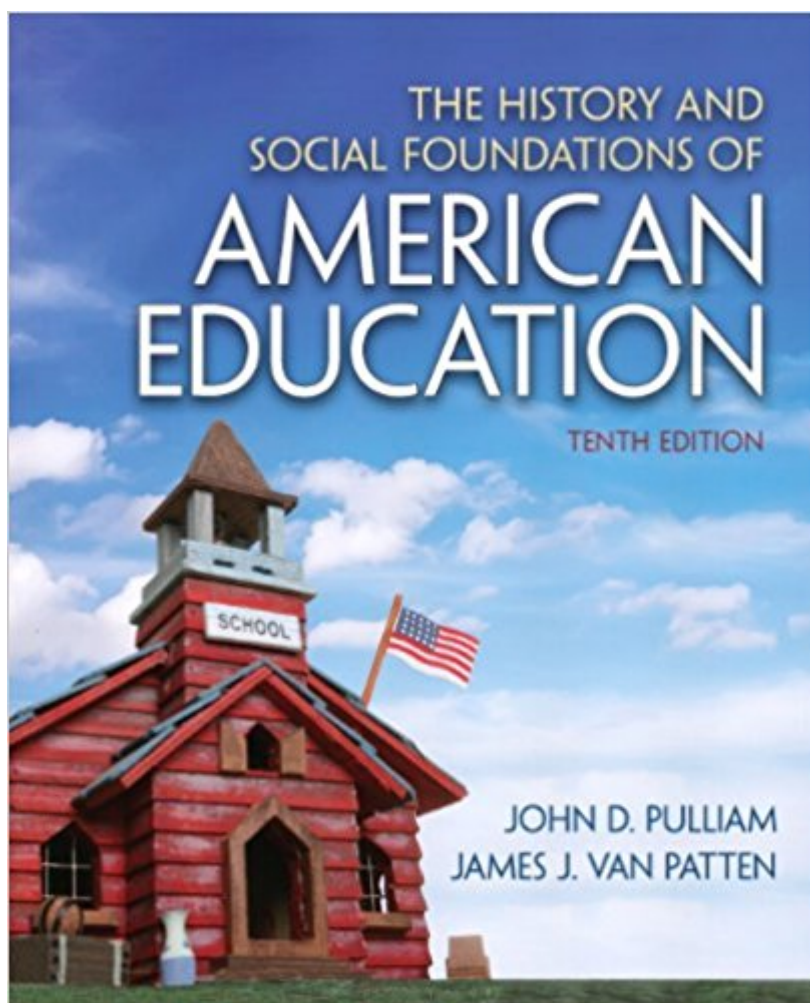


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# The History And Social Foundations Of American Education (10th Edition)



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The preeminent guide on American education, this user-friendly reference details the most important persons, dates, events, and movements that shaped the nation's system of education, from its roots in European tradition, through the colonial period, to the challenges of the twenty-first century. With a simple and logical organization, the material is presented in the most readable, accessible format on the market today. Here are all of the important people, places, dates, events, and movements; along with a capsule presentation of the underlying principles of educational practice and straightforward, nonjudgmental coverage of all of the current controversies within our educational system. *The History and Social Foundations of Education*,

Tenth Edition, will be the only guide on the history of American education you will need to read.

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This is a book for two audiences. The first audience is students, in a foundations of education course. It is here when the time of both authors with students pays off in direct, clear, approachable, prose. This tenth edition incorporates two careers of classroom

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