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I thought this book was a really boring read. I understand that college is STEREO-TYPICALLY supposed to be somewhat dry and dull, and the book fits right into that CATEGORY. I still can not get past the irony of reading a book, that is supposed to teach me how to ANALYZE whom I COMMUNICATE with and then present information in a way that the other RECEIVES it. Yet, the book can not do it either. (key-words capitalized)But seriously, I read the entire book and did very well in my COM 100 class. However, I dreaded reading this book every day. I think it could be condensed to a much smaller and much more interesting version. The other problem I had with the book was it's definitions of key terms. Many times I would have to look them up online to make sense of them. I would also organize the book differently. For example, every time it mentions a theory, I would create a text box on the page, that gave a profile of that theory.I must admit, I did learn a few things reading this book, but the amount of pages that I read while learning nothing new was immense.

The book is interesting and informative. It's a lot different than most textbooks. It's kept me engaged and didn't make me want to fall asleep after a paragraph. I would recommend this book to someone looking for some pointers. My professor pretty much relies on the textbook to teach us rather than teach us in class.

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I was required to purchase this book for college but it turned out to have a lot of useful information and helped me learn.

I'm glad I rented it for class. Since my class was only 8 weeks I had a little extra time to return it. Our online tests were open book so it really helped. Good stuff in it but not a necessity for communication 110

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