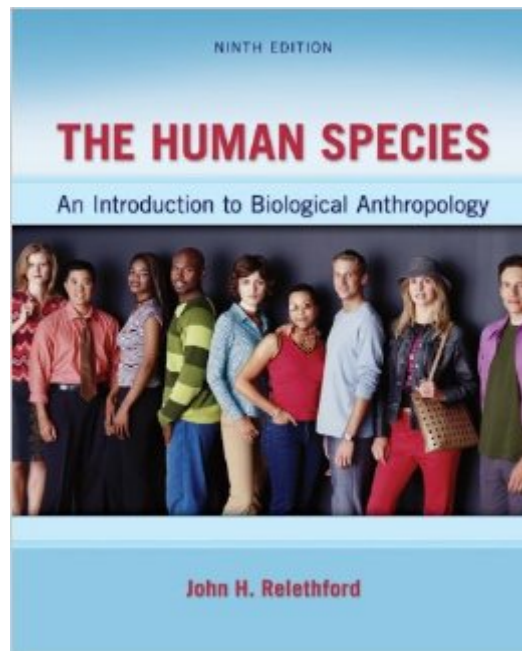


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I am an archaeology professor who has used this book as a text in my human origins class. No, it is not a mystery-scifi read - but it does a quite decent job with a difficult topic.

Now in a fully updated fourth edition, John Relethford's *The Human Species: An Introduction To Biological Anthropology* is divided into three major sections: Evolution and Diversity in Human Populations; Our Place in Nature; and Human Evolution. Updated coverage of the fossil record focuses on broad general groups of early hominids; principles of microevolution show shown as they apply to the modern human species; the concept of race is thoroughly discussed from a biological and evolutionary perspective; and new interpretations of the number of species of early Homo and Neanderthal DNA are explored. *The Human Species* is an ideal introductory text for students of anthropology, and informative reading for any non-specialist general reader with an interest in the contemporary status of research in human evolution today.

This book was required for my Intro to Anthropology class. It was easy to read and follow. Since the class was a required general education class, I had to go into the class with an open mind about what I was required to learn. I did not feel as if the book was attempting to influence my thoughts or beliefs. The book is organized efficiently and productively. I did not get bored reading it.

While the book may be somewhat out of date, I'm glad our instructor didn't require the most recent edition. She was okay getting the previous edition which allowed me to save money. Having the book itself is a big help over the online content!

I definitely love science and anything science related, so obviously I'm going to enjoy this textbook. It's straight forward and fully covers major ideas. The author even throws in a bit of humor to it.

I was required to purchase this textbook for my BioAnthropology Class but just in general, it is a pretty good resource to learn about humans and primates. There are sections that are not very useful, but as long as you grasp the important concepts, it is a well-written textbook overall.

I needed this book for a college class, but I didn't want to pay the college's price. This book is perfect. The seller's description was right on about the book and it is just what I needed.

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