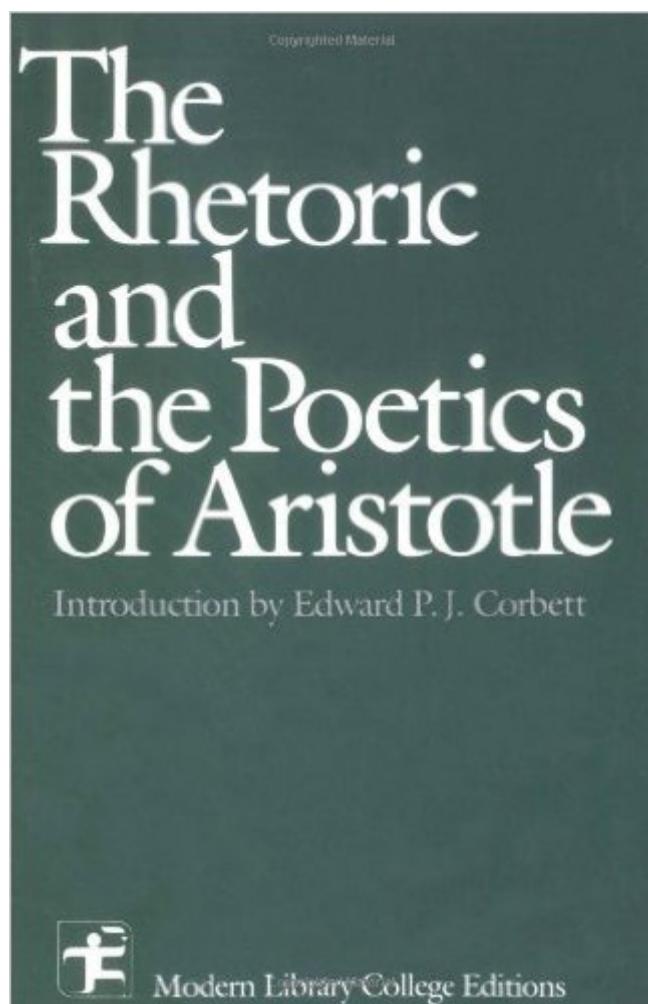


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Aristotle's Rhetoric is a wonderful read, and one which is still highly relevant today. It should be noted that, despite the blurbs on the product page, the Kindle edition is not the Kennedy translation. The Kennedy translation is really worth the extra money for the print edition if you have a serious interest in the subject, but the Kindle edition is a decent (and cheap!) introduction to the text, although it lacks annotations, and any sort of introductions.

Aristotle, depending upon the translation, can be quite the slog. This isn't something most would read for pleasure. I chose it over the Lawson-Tancred translation because it's a bit more of an accessible translation and it has plenty of introductory materials and overviews to help students make sense of the prose.

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I enjoyed reading the articles on how to game plan to deliver a speech or debate by taking account of audience and their emotions. I have used it at work for speaking in front of colleagues. It makes me a better person- conversing with family and neighbors.

This book is a classic theatre lovers, writers, and speakers of all varieties should own! My copy arrived quickly and in excellent condition--I'm very happy with this purchase.

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