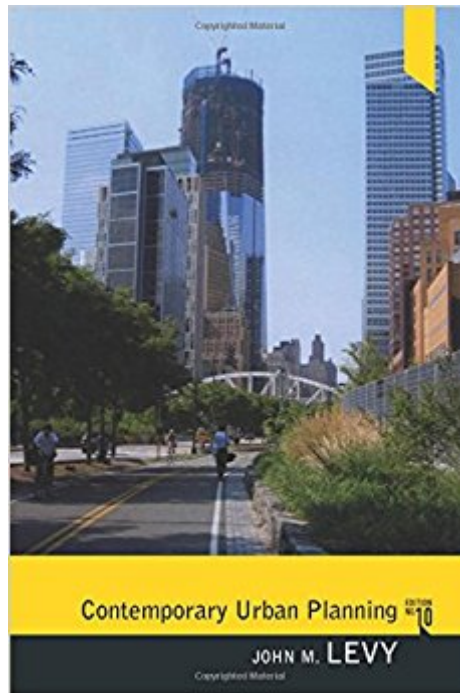




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Updated in its 10th edition, Contemporary Urban Planning provides readers with in-depth coverage of the historic, economic, political, legal, and environmental factors affecting urban planning as well as specific chapters on the various fields of planning. With updated coverage of the Obama administration's response to the present economic downturn, the text addresses the most pressing issues in urban development today - including the subprime mortgage crisis and home foreclosures, federal funding for public transportation, and new standards for "green" buildings. The book also includes new material on the rapidly growing field of planning for natural catastrophes.

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## Customer Reviews

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I reviewed this book for possible use in undergraduate city planning course. The book is currently in wide use for such course s. Provides good overview of origins of city planning, its role in post-war land use development, and the social, political, and economic forces supporting or constraining this role.

A great book to introduce you to the world of urban planning. I especially like the real world examples and his aversion to overly philosophical arguments for the way things should be done (I've found a few other books to be almost unbearable for that reason). Levy writes like he is telling

a story, making it the most pleasurable textbook I've ever read cover to cover. Highly recommend.

Good introduction into planning concepts. Poor editing as one paragraph is literally repeated on page 15 under the heading Urban Trends in the Twentieth Century.

Great look at planning as a profession. Very comprehensive account of planning history, complexity and connectivity, to society, government, and non-government organizations. It covers what every aspiring planner should know about the profession. A foundational pillar for appropriately designing the urban environment.

One of the few assigned books I kept reading after the class ended. Interesting narrative history lessons about why cities are arranged the way they are. Updated to include the 2008 recession.

Damaged book :(I feel so baddddd I should not waste my money for it!!!!!!

This book is a great complement to a class, but more importantly this book really could stand alone without an instructor guiding you along. The examples and step break-down allow students to practice the methodology without having to rely on any other resources. Many books require the use of other resources or a course. This did not.

Great book

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