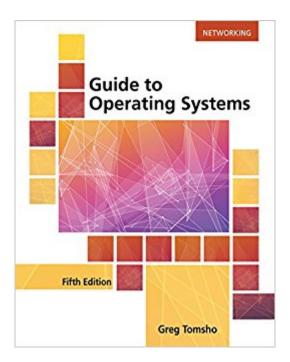


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First and foremost, this is a textbook. If you need it for a class and are unwilling to drop said class, I recommend you get it. I would urge you to rent this book over purchasing it, as it has little value outside of the first read. You will not reference it later. The author has a writing style that is both pleasant and easy to follow. I take no issue with him or his work. The content itself provides more of an overview of operating systems. Perhaps a better title would have been "A Review of Operating Systems"? You will not be diving deeply into any topic in relation to operating systems. Again, this provides more of a review. It covers Windows platforms well enough, with brief mention of MacOS and Linux. The real value comes from performing the projects at the end of each chapter. If your class does not perform these or assign you to do so, not much learning will occur. Without the projects, this book functions as both an expensive and verbose brochure of modern operating systems. While the content is largely similar between the 4th and 5th edition, save for chapter eight; the review questions are not. They have been modified significantly enough to justify getting the latest version and incurring the inflated price in doing so. If this book is to be used for a class, I recommend its acquisition. If you are a self learner, I recommend passing on this book. Select a book more focused on your preferred domain (e.g.: Windows, MacOS, or Linux).

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