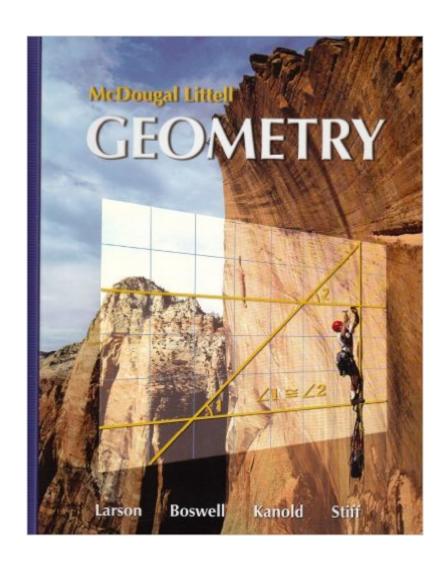
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Synopsis

A good source of knowlege for geometry students. There is some wear and tear inflicted on the book, but not enough to keep it form functioning as a learning guide and source.

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Customer Reviews

McDougal-Littell Geometry is used in the school district where I tutor students in all levels of high school math. In this area, Geometry is typically being studied by advanced 9th graders and average 10th graders. I've gotten quite a bit of opportunity to familiarize myself with this book since the vast majority of students' homework is assigned directly from this text.All-in-all, it covers the standard Euclidian Geometry syllabus nicely. There's a basic refresher of arithmetic, an introduction to the two-column proof, and a smattering of chapters dealing with the basic shapes (triangles, parallelograms, circles, etc...) To this end, the book achieves its goals and a highly ambitious instructor can easily lead their students through the entire book in about 12 weeks.My major qualm with the book is that it is extremely redundant, watered down with "fluff" and fails to inspire students with interesting and challenging problems. No doubt, my gripes echo those of many educators who must wonder, "Who is writing this stuff?" Theres absolutely no reason why a 9th or 10th grade level student should spend the first ~ 70 pages of the text putting dots on points of intersection, adding 2 + 2 (line segments) and using the distance formula. These three or four concepts are buried in several dozen pages of "fluff" that would fail to challenge students half their age! The chapter

introducing two-column proofs gives no historical context, or context at all for that matter. It simply fires off one disconnected concept after another and haphazardly throws them together at the last moment. Why not introduce a proof (and the mathematical jargon) with a useful historical example?

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