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Interpreting Earth History: A Manual In Historical Geology





Synopsis

The Seventh Edition of this classroom-tested laboratory manual retains the flexibility and scope that have made faculty adopt it for their courses for close to five decades. The new author team of Ritter and Petersen (formerly Petersen and Rigby) has carefully reviewed the topics covered in historical geology courses and tailored the exercises to reflect those subjects. The authors provide students the opportunity to work with geological data from a variety of sources and scales such as rocks, fossils, and maps. While the book's size and approach remain true to previous editions, the content of the latest edition has been reorganized into logical groupings, offering theme-based exercises on such topics as mountain-building and Pleistocene glaciation. Students will appreciate the new illustrations added throughout the book that make the assignments clearer and more straightforward.

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I love geology, but I strongly dislike this book. Many typos, many references to the wrong figures and many times you have to refer to data from a completely different lab. This book is very poorly designed. It does not flow well at all. The "experiments" are not well written. Poor instructions and plenty of terminology that is undefined. All graphics are in black and white, and many of them really should be in color to differentiate between layers, etc. Imagine trying to decide the colors of minerals you see in a rock sample that is black and white. Yes, it's that bad. I can't believe I paid for this.Save yourself from pain and stay away from this book. This is one of the worst books I've used for my geology classes. Very unhelpful and just more confusing than anything. There are much better workbooks for geology out there.

Worst book I have used in geology. If you can avoid buying this I would

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