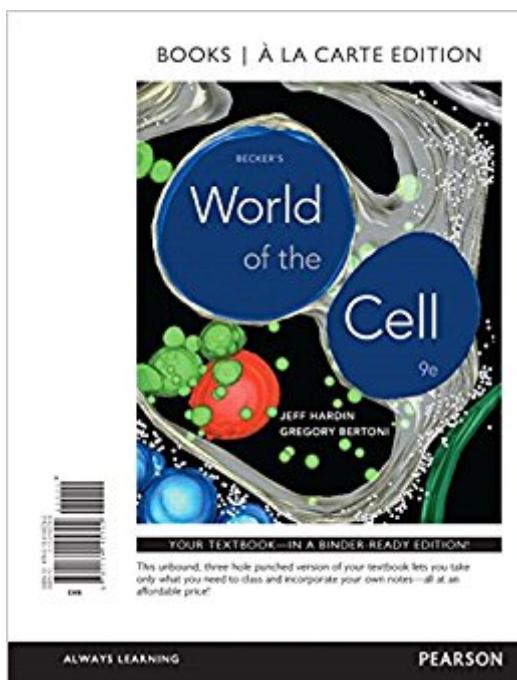


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Excellent textbook.

Nice textbook.

It's a good book for class.

This edition has a lot of errors, I was very surprised. From typos, to mislabeled figures (see action potential graph, or the phases of mitosis) to plainly getting some facts wrong (like the year in which the first genome was sequenced). It is also more expensive than the Alberts! I use it to teach a 300 level class and I am not impressed. I used the 3rd Ed in college, and I remember liking it, now I wonder....

As with past editions of the World of the Cell, the book does a reasonable job of covering the basic material in cell biology, but tends to gloss over a lot of interesting information. In particular, I wish it had more experimental information and medical relevance, that would make it more useful for pre-health students.

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