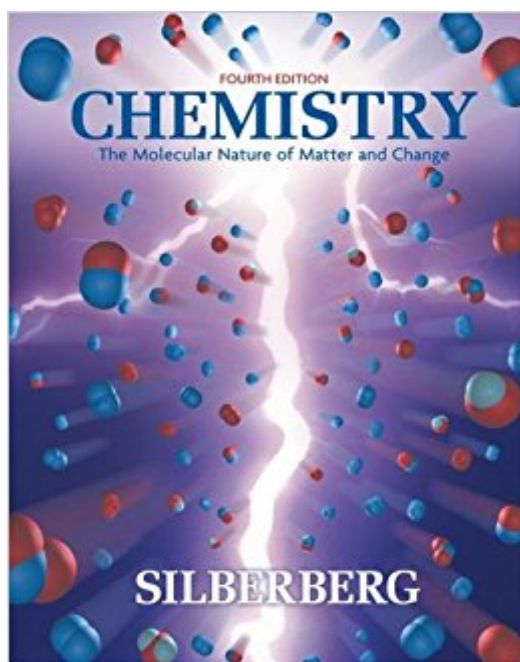


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Chemistry: The Molecular Nature of Matter and Change by Martin Silberberg has become a favorite among faculty and students. Silberberg's 4th edition contains features that make it the most comprehensive and relevant text for any student enrolled in General Chemistry. The text contains unprecedented macroscopic to microscopic molecular illustrations, consistent step-by-step worked exercises in every chapter, an extensive range of end-of-chapter problems which provide engaging applications covering a wide variety of freshman interests, including engineering, medicine, materials, and environmental studies. All of these qualities make Chemistry: The Molecular Nature of Matter and Change the centerpiece for any General Chemistry course.

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Customer Reviews

Martin S. Silberberg received his B.S. in chemistry from the City University of New York in 1966 and his Ph.D. in chemistry from the University of Oklahoma, in 1971. He then accepted a research position at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, where he studied the chemical nature of neurotransmission and Parkinson's disease. In 1977, Dr. Silberberg joined the faculty of Simon's Rock College of Bard (Massachusetts), a liberal arts college known for its excellence in teaching small classes of highly motivated students. As Head of the Natural Sciences Major and Director of Premedical Studies, he taught courses in general chemistry, organic chemistry, biochemistry, and nonmajors chemistry. The close student contact afforded him insights into how students learn chemistry, where they have difficulties, and what strategies can help them succeed. In 1983, Dr. Silberberg decided to apply these insights in a broader context and established a text writing and

editing company. Before writing his own text, he worked on chemistry, biochemistry, and physics texts for several major college publishers. He resides with his wife and child in Massachusetts. For relaxation, he cooks, sings, and walks in the woods.

It's a chemistry book, what could there be to say? While I found it hard to focus too long on the content, it 50/50 between the subject matter and how it was presented in the book. At times, I found it somewhat interesting, but that was mostly due to content and not the writing. Now, I know what you're thinking: "It's a textbook, bestselling novel." However, as one who enjoys non-fiction often more than fiction, I can tell you science, history, math, etc. don't have to be boring. In fact, it's often riveting and I wonder how much effort they put in to make it dull as dirt. On the other hand, I used this text for two consecutive courses in one summer - 24 chapters in two months, and as the poor professor struggled to get through everything in record breaking speed, I discovered without the information gleaned from reading the chapters in advance, I would have been hopelessly lost. So while dully written, it is informative.

I've used this textbook last quarter for gen chem I and I rented it. I decided to purchase it this time seeing on how I'm using it again for gen chem II and it's very informative. The author breaks down things multiple times to ensure that you grasp the concept at hand.

Unable to trade this book to my local university at the end of the quarter "They're updating to a new version". Rent it unless you need it for multiple quarters/semesters.

Used this for a college chem class and it was a great deal. I didn't notice a difference between my AP version and the class version. I was more impressed how fast it arrived with no dings on the corners.

This book arrived as an international edition to be used for outside of the United States so beware

it is a good book and I like how there are example problems within the text as you go along. I just wish it wasn't quite so busy on each page. There is a lot to see in the margins and things and it was a little bit distracting, but it is a good book in how it explains most of the concepts and help you apply and practice them.

I recommend saving money and buying this old edition rather than buying the 6th edition. I found it to be completely similar and even better in some aspects. So worth it!

I rented this for chemistry class I had. Although I didn't read it too much, when I needed to, it did offer me a great deal of information that was easy to understand.

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