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This was the textbook for a "UNIX with Shell Programming" course I took in college and I found it very useful and informative for that course. I've also referenced it a number of times since completing that course, particularly for shell programming basics. It offers a great overview of primary subjects anyone working with UNIX or UNIX-like operating systems should know. I don't know about it being a "complete" reference, as that would probably be impossible for any single book to accomplish. However, this book is still a great reference to have on hand for a first look at a topic, although you may have to do further research or reading elsewhere if you want to really dig into minute details on a particular subject, which is the only reason I didn't give it a fifth star.

I really liked this book. I used it for a UNIX class, and then kept it because it was so useful. It is laid out in a nice, usable way, and presents the material in a beginner-to-intermediate way without watering down the information.

I sure hope you don't intend to read this cover to cover. It functions best as a reliable and comprehensive reference to unix. For both system administrators and programmers. Yes, if you are the latter, you still have to deal with the operating system, even if you hide inside a programming language most of the time. The various unix shells are evenhandedly described. The Bourne shell. The c shell. Korn shell. Try not to get into arguments with unix fans over the choice of shell. It is better to regard these as equivalent in functionality, with only minor differences not worth arguing about. As the book explains, there are several unix variants. But the coverage spans all the major types. You can also use the book profitably if you have a linux machine. Most of the linux commands are deliberately mimicking unix equivalents.

This book is o.k. itself, it's kinda old, about 10 years, but for the basic description it's more than enough. Shell doesn't make any major changes, so for the price it's really good.

This book really has all the information I was looking for. As a person that worked on MS environments the book was a meaningful help for me.

Had everything I've needed so far. EXCELLENT Reference book.

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