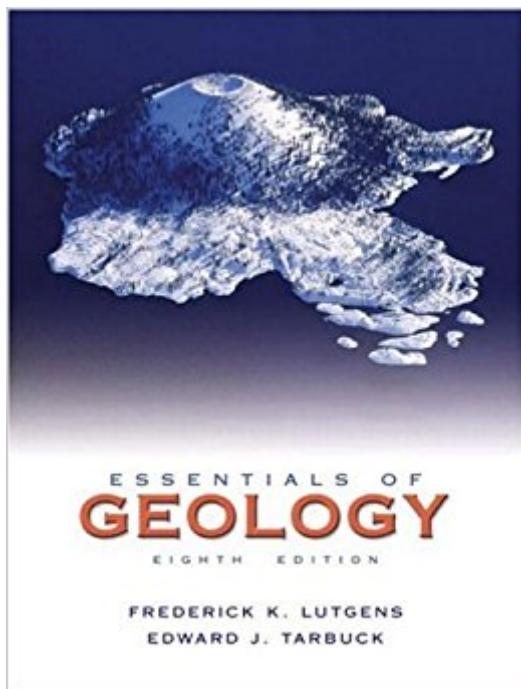


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I'm not a Geologist, just an old, retired guy who still has a desire to learn. I live in Southern California but decided to move out of the City when I retired and moved up to the mountains. Rock formations have always interested me, and now I have the time to study them. This book is great. It is written in easy to understand language and is full of fantastic color photos so you can SEE what they are talking about. I'm 66 years old, and still learning. Last year I studied for and received a Ham Radio Operator license --- then six months later I took the exam for the middle level Ham radio license and passed that one too. Before I left the L.A. area I was a Civilian Volunteer with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office ---- Another volunteer, a 90 year old guy once told me ---- IF YOU REST, YOU RUST ! I don't plan on rusting! Get this book if you have a desire to keep learning --- it will help!

I had to get this book for my basic geology course. As a first-time geology student, this book was very easy to read and understand. The drawings are spectacular and always relevant to the text. This is literally (literally) the only college text I have ever read, front to back. It helps that geology is of great interest to me. I would definitely recommend this book.

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