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"This multidisciplinary approach will appeal to students in agricultural entomology, plant sciences, ecology, and indeed anyone interested in the principles underlying the relationships between the two largest groups of organisms on earth: plants and insects."--BOOK JACKET.

A modern approach to understanding the evolution and diversification of land plants, one of the most exciting areas of plant systematics. It consists of three sections - origin and diversification of primitive land plants; origin and diversification of angiosperms; speciation and mechanisms of diversification - each section corresponding to a major area in plant evolution. In each case, data from molecular, morphological, and paleontological approaches are presented, backed by recent progress and new findings, together with proposals for future research. A guide to the latest in plant systematics, heightening awareness of prospective future problems.

Questions why species are becoming extinct, and how we can protect the natural world on which we all depend.

With the appearance of methods for the sequencing of genomes and less expensive next generation

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sequencing methods, we face rapid advancements of the -omics technologies and plant biology studies: reverse and forward genetics, functional genomics, transcriptomics, proteomics, metabolomics, the movement at distance of effectors and structural biology. From plant genomics to plant biotechnology reviews the recent advancements in the post-genomic era, discussing how different varieties respond to abiotic and biotic stresses, understanding the epigenetic control and epigenetic memory, the roles of non-coding RNAs, applicative uses of RNA silencing and RNA interference in plant physiology and in experimental transgenics and plants modified to specific aims. In the forthcoming years these advancements will support the production of plant varieties better suited to resist biotic and abiotic stresses, for food and non-food applications. This book covers these issues, showing how such technologies are influencing the plant field in sectors such as the selection of plant varieties and plant breeding, selection of optimum agronomic traits, stress-resistant varieties, improvement of plant fitness, improving crop yield, and non-food applications in the knowledge based bio-economy. Discusses a broad range of applications: the examples originate from a variety of sectors (including in field studies, breeding, RNA regulation, pharmaceuticals and biotech) and a variety of scientific areas (such as bioinformatics, -omics

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sciences, epigenetics, and the agro-industry)

Provides a unique perspective on work normally performed 'behind closed doors'. As such, it presents an opportunity for those within the field to learn from each other, and for those on the 'outside' to see how different groups have approached key problems. Highlights the criteria used to compare and assess different approaches to solving problems. Shows the thinking process, practical limitations and any other considerations, aiding in the understanding of a deeper approach.

The study of human evolution is advancing rapidly. Newly discovered fossil evidence is adding ever more pieces to the puzzle of our past, whilst revolutionary technological advances in the study of ancient DNA are completely reshaping theories of early human populations and migrations. In this Very Short Introduction Bernard Wood traces the history of paleoanthropology from its beginnings in the eighteenth century to the very latest fossil finds. In this new edition he discusses how Ancient DNA studies have revolutionized how we view the recent (post-550 ka) human evolution, and the process of speciation. The combination of ancient and modern human DNA has contributed to discoveries of new taxa, as well as the suggestion of 'ghost' taxa whose fossil records still remain to be discovered. Considering the contributions of related sciences such as paleoclimatology, geochronology,

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systematics, genetics, and developmental biology, Wood explores our latest understandings of our own evolution. ABOUT THE SERIES: The Very Short Introductions series from Oxford University Press contains hundreds of titles in almost every subject area. These pocket-sized books are the perfect way to get ahead in a new subject quickly. Our expert authors combine facts, analysis, perspective, new ideas, and enthusiasm to make interesting and challenging topics highly readable.

Botany: An Introduction to Plant Biology, Seventh Edition provides a modern and comprehensive overview of the fundamentals of botany while retaining the important focus of natural selection, analysis of botanical phenomena, and diversity. Plant genomics and biotechnology have recently made enormous strides, and hold the potential to benefit agriculture, the environment and various other dimensions of the human endeavor. It is no exaggeration to claim that the twenty-first century belongs to biotechnology. Knowledge generation in this field is growing at a frenetic pace, and keeping abreast of the latest advances and calls on us to double our efforts. Volume II of this two-part series addresses cutting-edge aspects of plant genomics and biotechnology. It includes 37 chapters contributed by over 70 researchers, each of which is an expert in his/her own field of research. Biotechnology has helped to solve many conundrums of plant life that had long remained a mystery to mankind. This volume opens with an exhaustive chapter on the role played by thale cress, *Arabidopsis thaliana*, which is believed to be the *Drosophila* of the plant kingdom and an invaluable model

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plant for understanding basic concepts in plant biology. This is followed by chapters on bioremediation, biofuels and biofertilizers through microalgal manipulation, making it a commercializable prospect; discerning finer details of biotic stress with plant-fungal interactions; and the dynamics of abiotic and biotic stresses, which also figure elsewhere in the book. Breeding crop plants for desirable traits has long been an endeavor of biotechnologists. The significance of molecular markers, marker assisted selection and techniques are covered in a dedicated chapter, as are comprehensive reviews on plant molecular biology, DNA fingerprinting techniques, genomic structure and functional genomics. A chapter dedicated to organellar genomes provides extensive information on this important aspect. Elsewhere in the book, the newly emerging area of epigenetics is presented as seen through the lens of biotechnology, showcasing the pivotal role of DNA methylation in effecting permanent and transient changes to the genome. Exclusive chapters deal with bioinformatics and systems biology. Handy tools for practical applications such as somatic embryogenesis and micropropagation are included to provide frontline information to entrepreneurs, as is a chapter on somaclonal variation. Overcoming barriers to sexual incompatibility has also long been a focus of biotechnology, and is addressed in chapters on wide hybridization and hybrid embryo rescue. Another area of accomplishing triploids through endosperm culture is included as a non-conventional breeding strategy. Secondary metabolite production through tissue cultures, which is of importance to industrial scientists, is also covered. Worldwide exchange of plant genetic material is currently an essential topic, as is conserving natural resources in situ. Chapters on in vitro conservation of extant, threatened and other valuable germplasms, gene banking and related issues are included, along with an extensive account of the biotechnology of

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spices – the low-volume, high-value crops. Metabolic engineering is another emerging field that provides commercial opportunities. As is well known, there is widespread concern over genetically modified crops among the public. GM crops are covered, as are genetic engineering strategies for combating biotic and abiotic stresses where no other solutions are in sight. RNAi- and micro RNA- based strategies for crop improvement have proved to offer novel alternatives to the existing non-conventional techniques, and detailed information on these aspects is also included. The book's last five chapters are devoted to presenting the various aspects of environmental, marine, desert and rural biotechnology. The state-of-the-art coverage on a wide range of plant genomics and biotechnology topics will be of great interest to post-graduate students and researchers, including the employees of seed and biotechnology companies, and to instructors in the fields of plant genetics, breeding and biotechnology.

The eighth edition of this bestselling botany textbook has been updated throughout with the most recent primary literature, eight new ecology-oriented essays, and 175 new illustrations and photographs to keep the presentation as well as the content fresh and engaging. It is an invaluable resource for both students and professionals

Raven Biology of Plants W. H. Freeman

Take a New Look at Raven! BIOLOGY is an authoritative majors textbook focusing on evolution as a unifying theme. In revising the text, McGraw-Hill consulted with numerous users, noted experts and professors in the field. Biology is distinguished from other texts by its strong emphasis on natural selection and the evolutionary process that explains biodiversity. The new 8th edition continues that tradition and advances into modern biology by featuring the latest in cutting edge content reflective of the rapid advances in

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biology. That same modern perspective was brought into the completely new art program offering readers a dynamic, realistic, and accurate, visual program. To view a sample chapter, go to www.ravenbiology.com

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Plant Biology is a new textbook written for upper-level undergraduate and graduate students. It is an account of modern plant science, reflecting recent advances in genetics and genomics and the excitement they have created. The book begins with a review of what is known about the origins of modern-day plants. Next, the special features of plant genomes and genetics are explored. Subsequent chapters provide information on our current understanding of plant cell biology, plant metabolism, and plant developmental biology, with the remaining three chapters outlining the interactions of plants with their environments. The final chapter discusses the relationship of plants with humans: domestication, agriculture and crop breeding. Plant Biology contains over 1,000 full color illustrations, and each chapter begins with Learning Objectives and concludes with a Summary.

If you look around right now, chances are you'll see a plant. It could be a succulent in a pot on your desk, grasses or shrubs just outside your door, or trees in a park across the way. Proximity to plants tends to make us happy, even if we don't notice, offering unique pleasures and satisfactions. Open your eyes to the phenomenal and exciting world of botany! Written for the introductory course for non-science majors, *Plants & People* outlines the practical, economical, and environmental aspects of how

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plants interact with human beings and the earth. The book begins with an introduction to the fundamental concepts of plant biology, followed by sections focused on the global issues related to plants and their connection to global warming, deforestation, and biogeography. It continues by examining how plants influence our daily lives, from food and drink to clothing and medicinal usage. The text encourages readers to have a continued interest in plants in our society and to consider how our actions play a role in their existence.

A Photographic Atlas for the Biology Laboratory, Seventh Edition by Byron J. Adams and John L. Crawley is a full-color photographic atlas that provides a balanced visual representation of the diversity of biological organisms. It is designed to accompany any biology textbook or laboratory manual.

This full-colour atlas is designed for all students taking either separate or integrated courses in physiology and/or anatomy. The atlas can accompany or augment any human anatomy, human physiology or combined textbook, and should be of particular use in a laboratory situation, where it can stand alone as a laboratory manual.

Long acclaimed as the definitive introductory botany text, Raven Biology of Plants, Eighth Edition by Ray Evert, Susan Eichhorn, stands as the most significant revision in the book's history. Every topic

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was updated with information obtained from the most recent primary literature, making the book valuable for both students and professionals.

This book reviews the history, current state of knowledge, and different research approaches and techniques of studies on interactions between humans and plants in an important area of agriculture and ongoing plant domestication: Mesoamerica. Leading scholars and key research groups in Mexico discuss essential topics as well as contributions from international research groups that have conducted studies on ethnobotany and domestication of plants in the region. Such a convocation will produce an interesting discussion about future investigation and conservation of regional human cultures, genetic resources, and cultural and ecological processes that are critical for global sustainability.

A plant anatomy textbook unlike any other on the market today. Carol A. Peterson described the first edition as 'the best book on the subject of plant anatomy since the texts of Esau'. Traditional plant anatomy texts include primarily descriptive aspects of structure, this book not only provides a comprehensive coverage of plant structure, but also introduces aspects of the mechanisms of development, especially the genetic and hormonal controls, and the roles of plasmodesmata and the cytoskeleton. The evolution of plant structure and the

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relationship between structure and function are also discussed throughout. Includes extensive bibliographies at the end of each chapter. It provides students with an introduction to many of the exciting, contemporary areas at the forefront of research in the development of plant structure and prepares them for future roles in teaching and research in plant anatomy.

Essential Medical Physiology equips you with the solid background in physiology you need in medicine and the biomedical sciences. Critical problem-solving skills are emphasized throughout to facilitate your comprehension, assimilation, and integration of fundamental physiologic principles and processes. Other student-friendly features include chapter-opening lists of "Key Points" that identify the major points covered, with key terms and concepts highlighted for quick review; "Clinical Notes" sections that underscore the critical relationships between specific physiologic principles and processes and their relevance in different clinical settings; hundreds of drawings, tables, flowcharts, algorithms, and other visual devices that summarize essential principles and concepts. New to the Second Edition of Essential Medical Physiology are thoroughly updated and revised sections on cardiovascular, respiratory, and renal physiology, as well as a comprehensive new section covering the physiology of the central nervous system.

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The Sixth Edition of *Botany: An Introduction to Plant Biology* provides a modern and comprehensive overview of the fundamentals of botany while retaining the important focus of natural selection, analysis of botanical phenomena, and diversity.

The Gospel According to Mamma is a collection of twenty-one extraordinary lessons the author learned from her charming and captivating mamma. These “mamma teachings” are packed with sassy inspiration, practical insights and real-life anecdotes.

Leaving Georgia with her mamma late one September night when her daddy was en route to end their lives marked the beginning of a lifetime of instruction. How to maintain faith in God and yourself, love the hell out of folks and be happy when there's no obvious reason to be are just a few of the messages you'll find in this book.

PRAISE FOR THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MAMMA

“Annette’s first book is a winner! She picked the perfect subject – her irrepressibly joyous mother, who has given her daughter important and inspiring words of wisdom to cherish. If you yearn to help your daughter navigate life experiences with assurance and spunk, give her *The Gospel According to Mamma*.” —Mary Jo Beebe, coauthor of *Jesus’ Healings and New Testament Healings*

“If only there were more mothers like Annette Bridges’ mamma: always encouraging, always believing the best of her children, a ‘steel magnolia’ whose motherly advice

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is based on the Bible and common sense.

Remembering events in her own past, Annette gives us 21 valuable life lessons based on the wisdom of her indefatigable Southern mamma.”—Renee Corley, former editor at UPI’s religionandspirituality.com

“Once you get to the end of reading about Mamma and her wonderful lessons, you will walk away a little wiser. Annette puts life in perspective. She lives a fulfilling life, just as her Mamma taught her. Whether to find your faith, believe in your self or master the ability to see the good in others, Mamma lessons help you find the positive. There is much to learn from these strong and inspiring women.”

—SingleMom.com “A look into the heart and soul of Annette Bridges. It could be anyone’s story, but it couldn’t be told any better.” —Bob Belcher, Managing Editor, Corsicana Daily Sun “For anyone who has ever had a mother (and you know who you are), synthesizing that experience can leave many of us speechless. It is ‘good news’ that Annette Bridges is at no loss for words. She liberally shares her mom’s gospel in deep drafts of down-to-earth good sense and faith, liberally laced with Southern humor.” —Susan J. Cobb, author of *Virgin Territory: How I Found My Inner Guadalupe* “Irresistibly heartfelt. Perfect for all mothers and daughters, past, present and future!” —Jennifer Bridges, author’s daughter and Ph.D. student “I have been hearing stories about Nellie, Annette’s Mamma for the last

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25 years. Annette makes you feel like you are sitting down with her in her ranch house or on that beach she talks about going to while she shares her Mamma with you from her perspective, with the insights she has gained over her lifetime. I hope you enjoy getting to know Nellie and Annette, 2 Georgia peaches transplanted to Texas. I love the way Annette brings the Bible into her daily life and shares it with us so that we can feel the love of God that is so present today in her life and illustrates how the Bible can show us how to go in ours. Way to go Girlfriend... you finally did it! You wrote a book and it's a winner! I can't wait to share this with my family and friends!" —Kathy Glover, friend to both Annette and her mamma

"Raven's 8th edition of Environment offers more detailed content than the Visualizing text for a better understanding and integration of the core environmental systems and to view and analyze the role those systems play. Shorter, but still comprehensive coverage focuses on ethical decision making and key local environmental science issues, requiring readers to think critically about the course material outside of the classroom. Other features include brief text in the comprehensive segment; extensive chapter pedagogy to help reinforce the systems approach; more opportunities to think critically about the how systems intersect and fit together; and new data interpretation questions at

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the end of each chapter"--

This revision of the now classic Plant Anatomy offers a completely updated review of the structure, function, and development of meristems, cells, and tissues of the plant body. The text follows a logical structure-based organization. Beginning with a general overview, chapters then cover the protoplast, cell wall, and meristems, through to phloem, periderm, and secretory structures. "There are few more iconic texts in botany than Esau's Plant Anatomy... this 3rd edition is a very worthy successor to previous editions..." ANNALS OF BOTANY, June 2007

Visit the accompanying website from the author at www.blackwellpublishing.com/deacon. Fungal Biology is the fully updated new edition of this undergraduate text, covering all major areas of fungal biology and providing insights into many topical areas. Provides insights into many topical areas such as fungal ultrastructure and the mechanisms of fungal growth, important fungal metabolites and the molecular techniques used to study fungal populations. Focuses on the interactions of fungi that form the basis for developing biological control agents, with several commercial examples of the control of insect pests and plant diseases. Emphasises the functional biology of fungi, with examples from recent research. Includes a clear illustrative account of the features and significance of

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the main fungal groups.

Concepts of Biology is designed for the single-semester introduction to biology course for non-science majors, which for many students is their only college-level science course. As such, this course represents an important opportunity for students to develop the necessary knowledge, tools, and skills to make informed decisions as they continue with their lives. Rather than being mired down with facts and vocabulary, the typical non-science major student needs information presented in a way that is easy to read and understand. Even more importantly, the content should be meaningful.

Students do much better when they understand why biology is relevant to their everyday lives. For these reasons, Concepts of Biology is grounded on an evolutionary basis and includes exciting features that highlight careers in the biological sciences and everyday applications of the concepts at hand. We also strive to show the interconnectedness of topics within this extremely broad discipline. In order to meet the needs of today's instructors and students, we maintain the overall organization and coverage found in most syllabi for this course. A strength of Concepts of Biology is that instructors can customize the book, adapting it to the approach that works best in their classroom. Concepts of Biology also includes an innovative art program that incorporates critical thinking and clicker questions to help students

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understand--and apply--key concepts.

It's safe to say that few people have lived lives as thoroughly devoted to plants as Peter H. Raven has. The longtime director--now president emeritus--of the Missouri Botanical Garden, author of numerous leading textbooks and several hundred scholarly articles, Raven has been a tireless champion of sustainability and biodiversity, earning him the plaudit of "Hero for the Planet" from Time. *Driven by Nature* is the first chronicle of this prominent scientist and conservationist's life. Moving from his idyllic childhood in the San Francisco of the 1940s to his four decades leading the Missouri Botanical Garden, Raven's autobiography take readers across multiple continents and decades. *Driven by Nature* follows the globetrotting botanist from China to the American Midwest as he works to foster concern for a changing planet, further the cause of biological education, and build the Missouri Botanical Garden into the world-renowned haven for plant life it is today. Raven brings his story into the twenty-first century with a timely epilogue that reinforces the crucial importance of scientific learning, active conservation, and committed activism in the face of a rapidly changing natural world. Featuring an introduction by the Pulitzer Prize-winning naturalist E. O. Wilson, this beautifully illustrated book should thrill nature lovers, plant enthusiasts, and environmentally-conscious readers looking to take

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action to preserve our planet's biodiversity.

A stunning landmark co-publication between the American Society of Plant Biologists and Wiley-Blackwell. *The Molecular Life of Plants* presents students with an innovative, integrated approach to plant science. It looks at the processes and mechanisms that underlie each stage of plant life and describes the intricate network of cellular, molecular, biochemical and physiological events through which plants make life on land possible. Richly illustrated, this book follows the life of the plant, starting with the seed, progressing through germination to the seedling and mature plant, and ending with reproduction and senescence. This "seed-to-seed" approach will provide students with a logical framework for acquiring the knowledge needed to fully understand plant growth and development. Written by a highly respected and experienced author team *The Molecular Life of Plants* will prove invaluable to students needing a comprehensive, integrated introduction to the subject across a variety of disciplines including plant science, biological science, horticulture and agriculture.

Following the extensive illustrated glossary are sections of specific terminology for roots, stems, leaves, surfaces, inflorescences, flowers, and fruits. This introductory text assumes little prior scientific knowledge on the part of the student. It includes

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sufficient information for some shorter introductory botany courses open to both majors and nonmajors, and is arranged so that certain sections can be omitted without disrupting the overall continuity of the course. Stern emphasizes current interests while presenting basic botanical principles.

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