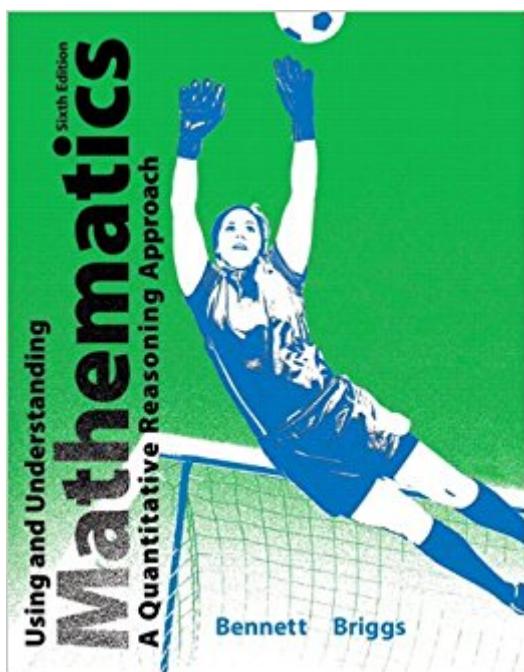


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# Using And Understanding Mathematics: A Quantitative Reasoning Approach (6th Edition)



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Jeffrey Bennett specializes in mathematics and science education. He has taught at every level from pre-school through graduate school, including more than 50 college courses in mathematics, physics, astronomy, and education. His work on *Using and Understanding Mathematics* began in 1987, when he helped create a new mathematics course for the University of Colorado's core curriculum. Variations on this course, with its quantitative reasoning approach, are now taught at hundreds of colleges nationwide. In addition to his work in mathematics, Dr. Bennett (whose PhD is in astrophysics) has written leading college-level textbooks in astronomy, statistics, and the new science of astrobiology, as well as books for the general public. He also proposed and developed both the Colorado Scale Model Solar System on the University of Colorado at Boulder campus and the Voyage Scale Model Solar System, a permanent, outdoor exhibit on the National Mall in Washington, DC. He has recently begun writing science books for children, including the award-winning *Max Goes to the Moon* and *Max Goes to Mars*. When not working, he enjoys swimming as well as hiking the trails of Boulder, Colorado with his family.  William L. Briggs has been on the mathematics faculty at the University of Colorado at Denver for 22 years. He teaches numerous courses within the undergraduate and graduate curriculum, and has special interest in teaching calculus, differential equations, and mathematical modeling. He developed the quantitative reasoning course for liberal arts students at University of Colorado at Denver supported by his textbook *Using and Understanding Mathematics*. He has written two other tutorial monographs, *The Multigrid Tutorial* and *The DFT: An Owner's Manual for the Discrete Fourier Transform*, as well as *Ants, Bikes, Clocks*, a mathematical problem-solving text for undergraduates. He is a University of Colorado President's Teaching Scholar, an Outstanding Teacher awardee of the Rocky Mountain Section of the MAA, and the recipient of a Fulbright Fellowship to Ireland. Bill lives with his wife, Julie, and their Gordon setter, Seamus, in Boulder, Colorado. He loves to bake bread, run trails, and rock climb in the mountains near his home. 

Having to take a course in college, I'm not one for such a class. But I do admit that the textbook did help to explain mathematical notions explained during the course. My college actually had a custom book with sections removed from this full version but it served its purpose excellently. Some books are hard to understand if you don't have a passion for arithmetic. This book made it a bit easier for

people who don't have a tolerance or mathematics.

The book is great if you love math. I do not. But, I enjoy the little facts and tidbits that are shared on the sidelines. I had to have this book for math, but I do not learn from reading so it is useless for me. I have to pay for a tutor to tell me what it says. That is not the books fault, I have a learning disability, so reading to comprehend math is not happening for me. For my tutor, the book makes perfect sense and she does teach me from it.

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I plan on keeping this book. It has basic information for statistics (beginning stuff) and addresses mortgages, calculating debt, etc. It will make a good reference to look something up. I wish I had bought the teacher addition so I had all the answers instead of the only the odd problems.

**BEWARE** you still need to buy the online matlab!! which costs over 100\$ it would have been cheaper for me to just buy the book new. (and less of a headache)

While I don't love math or school, the book came and was in great shape, I am able to use it as need and will send it back when my class is done. I feel this is a great win/win as I don't have to try to sell it or hold on to an insanely expensive college book. :)

When I found this book online, I couldn't believe my luck! I am currently enrolled in a quantitative literacy class and this book is the text we are studying from. Math is not my strong suit and so far this book has helped me. It explains quite a lot and has formulas to support what it's teaching. It teaches logic and problem solving, quantitative info for everyday life, probability and statistics, modeling, and how math works in art and music, and how it works in politics. This is the fifth edition and the one I needed for my class and I have not been disappointed with it.

I hate math but this book does a good job of explaining concepts.

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