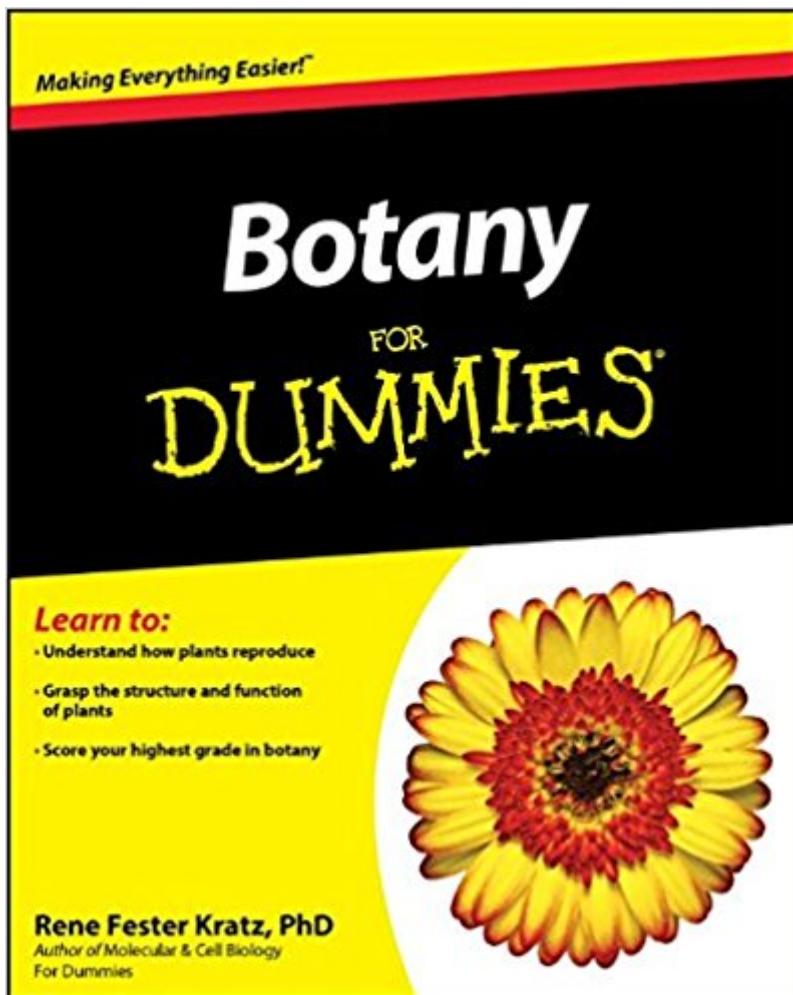


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This is a basic botany book and fills a niche of reasonable coverage (no coverage of green algae which are plants too; no coverage of bacteria and fungi which are NOT plants) at a basic level. It is "no frills" (no photos, no graphs, charts, or experiments) source of botanical information; it reminds me of textbooks of yesteryear when a college book might cost \$20. This is NOT a botany book comparable to modern botany college textbooks. So you have basic information only, presented very simply in text. The illustrations are black and white cartoons (graphic arts). For the price it is very good (hence 4 stars). I cannot give this the fifth star because of the very informal writing style (use of contractions which is a feature of conversational English) that sets a poor example before a student. As for any first edition, there are some minor annoying errors. But this is, overall, a solid value.

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