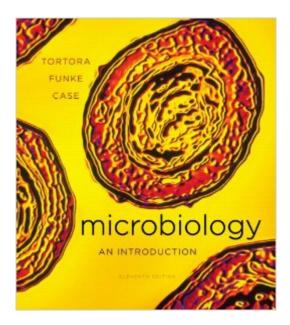
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# Microbiology: An Introduction, 11th Edition





## Synopsis

This #1 selling non-majors microbiology textbook is praised for its straightforward presentation of complex topics, careful balance of concepts and applications, and proven art that teaches. In its Eleventh Edition, Tortora, Funke, and Case⠙s Microbiology: An Introduction helps you make the connection between microbiology and human health. This edition continues to incorporate the latest in microbiology research and includes more features designed to engage you and promote critical thinking.

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Easy read and one of my favorite textbooks but I needed extra help for exams so I got the test bank for this textbook. Little did i know at the time that professors use the test banks for exam questions (my final came directly from it). If you need it to study, let me know and I'll send it to you =) This is a very informative text without being overwhelming to the reader. Once I adapted to the page layout, I could appreciate the quality of information presented. I have this for my Intro to Microbiology class, and most of my class agrees that it is easy to use and follow.

I taught a basic undergraduate microbiology class using this text book. The students were mostly pre-nursing so we had a clinical focus. My main problem with the text is it is trying to be all things to all people. It tries to present too much information that is scattered all over the text. Frequently, within chapters, students have to jump back and forth to material presented in other chapters and it simply becomes information overload. In addition, some of the study question, especially the clinically oriented ones, ask the students about areas that haven't been adequately covered in the text or assume knowledge that they don't have as yet. Finally, beware the Powerpoint slide presentations. These are also full of errors and need pretty extensive editing.

This was the required text for the microbiology class I took. I found this book to be very informative and helpful. The class was an introduction to microiology and this book was perfect for it! And I'm sure that, had this book been that bad, the instructor would never have selevte it for the course. My only regret is that I sold it back to the campus bookstore at the end of the semester; I wish I still had this to go back to and look up the information.

As another reviewer stated, subjects were scattered all over book. Constant referrals to other chapters and sections. If you choose to do the review questions in back of book, you won't find the answers unless you go on-line, very annoying as I don't like to study in front of a computer. Lastly in other science textbooks there are often mid-chapter review questions to help you learn - this had none of that. Book was useless, learned more from instructor's outlines.

I'm a nursing student, and I can't stress enough how much I LOVE this book. Gives a pretty good overview of microbial activity, signs & symptoms of the particular infection, antimicrobial agents' mechanisms and side effects. Book seems tailored to nursing students. I constantly refer to this book when antimicrobial drugs come up in class. HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

We used this book in our Microbiology class (community college-pre nursing). Everyone, including me, disliked this book. We usually keep all our books for future use, but concensus was to get rid of this one. We have found the topics to be scattered all over the book and not organized well. DNA

replication information was not clearly explained...In fact I found most of the topics to be better explained in "Biology" by Cambell-Reece-Mitchell. I usually read all my books. This class, I used the web for DNA replication and bacteria caused diseases, and biology book for the rest. One good thing came out of this. It forced me to use the web, and it is a great resource for Micro.

I bought this book for my microbiology class. The book that they wanted us to get is the hardback US version but the international one was a lot cheaper. As far as I can tell, there is no difference except maybe very miniscule things like page numbers, some case studies, and some numbers related to finances. The core text is the exact same and the paperback cover is still pretty sturdy. I highly recommend getting this version to save a decent chunk of money, especially if you only need this book for one semester.

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