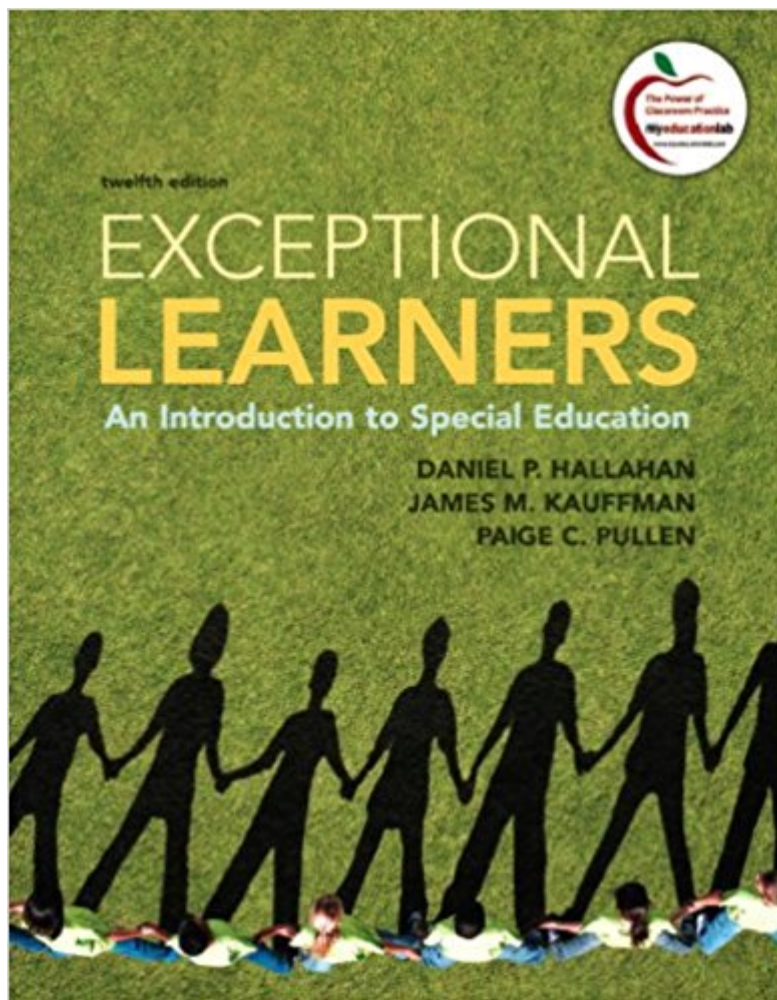




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For those of us who are new to teaching in general or to special education specifically, it provides a nice overview of the issues, the legal requirements (in the U.S., anyway), the ways to spot an exceptional learner, and approaches to take when teaching. Some of this may not be useful for non-U.S. teachers. I appreciated that this edition exists, nonetheless, as it covers the same material as the other editions whilst being markedly more affordable.

To be honest, this is probably one of the best textbooks I've ever used. It's a great resource that tells you about various disabilities and methods of educating those with disabilities. It's also very clear about the laws that are currently in place for those with disabilities and gives you clear definitions of everything. I especially like the sections where it talks about real children and their disabilities and the various ways teams have worked together to develop education plans for the children. This is definitely a great resource if you're a teacher, studying to be a teacher, or even if you just want to know more about those with disabilities.

Good condition. Thanks.

The book was fine, and in perfect condition, I easily found binder for the loose pages that were nicely tightly wrapped. There could be other advantages to having the pages loose especially during open book quizzes. The glossary or dictionary could be pulled out and available without flipping. The ease in which something might be pulled out and copied. It did take a long time to get here, so long that I thought I would have to order from another company and did, just to cancel that order in less than 24 hours because of its 11th hour arrival. If it had arrived sooner, I would give it 5 stars.

I had to have this book for college class and it was very interesting to read and learn from. If you work in the educational system it is a great book to educate yourself more about special needs children. I was happy I had it in a rental and it came in very good condition.

Great book and my copy was in great condition. It had a lot of valuable information about students with disabilities, their families, ways to help transition, and resources. This information is important for all teachers to know, not just Special Educators, and I highly recommend it!

I bought this book because I needed it for a class, but found it quite interesting and helpful in learning more about a wide variety of exceptional learners. I did not need the online access for my

class, but did not know that until after I had already bought the version with it. Since I did not use the access code I sold this textbook back to and did not keep it as a reference book. In the future though I will look for a more affordable used copy that I can hold onto.

The book was very helpful. Everything I needed as far as the materials and information I needed for my class was in this book. The only problem was the condition of the book. I had to handle the book with special care. The glue that held the pages together was weak. I really had to handle the book carefully.

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