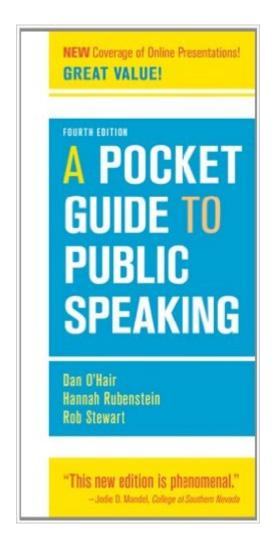
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As a professor of Speech Communication for over 10 years, this is by far the finest textbook for an introductory class teaching the fundamentals of speech communication. Concise, thorough, and doesn't promote a political agenda. The price is affordable due to the fact that there's really no need for bright, fancy color photos or stock photography. Essential, useful, valuable material - beautifully organized.

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The book itself is useful, but we didn't learn out of it at all in my class, which I kind of which I'd known before ordering it. If your class absolutely requires it, then of course you should buy it, but if not, it isn't necessary. A lot of speech skills are learned through experience.

Not a good book. The internet was more useful. We hardly used it in class. I ended up with an ebook. At least it did not cost very much.

Like usual, you buy a book for a class and guess what? Your teacher has you read one page and that's it and then you wasted your money. If you know anything about public speaking from high school, this book is pointless. You should know 99% of the stuff that this book tells you. Its just a refresher if anything. Not that special really.

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