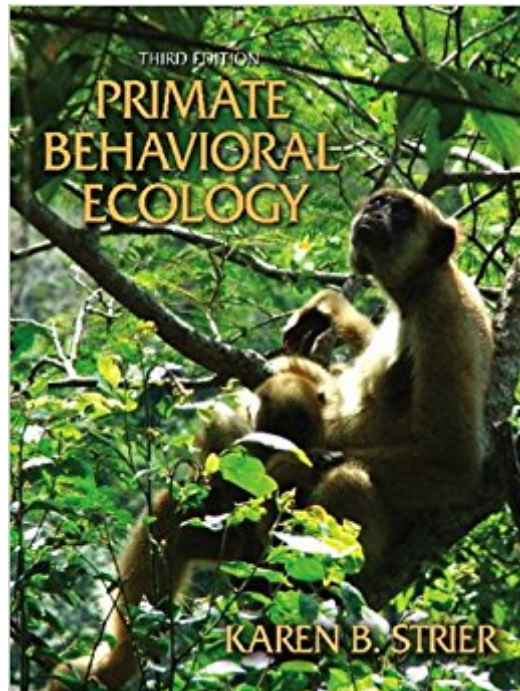




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# Primate Behavioral Ecology (3rd Edition)



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Features: Includes long-term studies across the primate order, including “New World Monkeys” and prosimians as well as “Old World Monkeys,” which demonstrate much greater diversity than baboons, macaques, or apes encompass. Covers both social behavior and ecological adaptations. Emphasizes the interplay between theory, observation, and conservation issues throughout. Illustrates primates and behavioral and ecological principles through more than 150 photos and 50 graphs and diagrams. Discusses consequences of behavior patterns, such as how dispersal affects gene flow and why fragmented populations are at risk of extinction. Integrates classic studies, theoretical papers, and review articles with current references “nearly 1,000 in all.

I’m just becoming interested in biology. I’ve read about a third of the book, and I’m half way through because I skipped some parts while I collected information for my essay. I still haven’t read about development and communication. A major focus is explaining primate behaviors and morphology from the ecological and evolutionary perspectives. It takes into account things like population distribution, food supply, and dominance hierarchies. The chapters always start out very interesting although some of her in-depth explanations of why the primates behave in particular ways made me yawn, but I’m more interested in cellular biology anyway. There are distinguished portions of text

that contain fascinating topics which encompass subjects beyond primatology. The parts comparing primate diets and primate anatomy were very interesting. They led me to get other primate books which are more aligned with my interests. If you get the third edition, as I did, be aware that the taxonomic tree on page 52 is out-dated. Superfamily Hominoidea has undergone some major renovations. The book acknowledges the Tarsier's debated classification, although you won't know about it if you just look at the picture without reading the chapter's text. The back of the book has a great, long table categorizing every primate species.

The text is solid without being too heavy. I found it to be a fairly easy read (all textbooks are at least a little dry). The book itself isn't terribly thick and when supplemented with quality lectures it makes for a great textbook. I would recommend it to students and instructors alike.

Rented for class. Had a lot of insightful information and was easy to read.

The condition matches the listing.

I had to buy this book for my primatology class this semester. The book is very informative and a good starting point for those interested in Primatology.

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yes thank you!

Book was in great shape . Delivered on time ! The book itself was a good read . I read it for a weekend class and it didn't take long to read. It was an interesting subject .

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