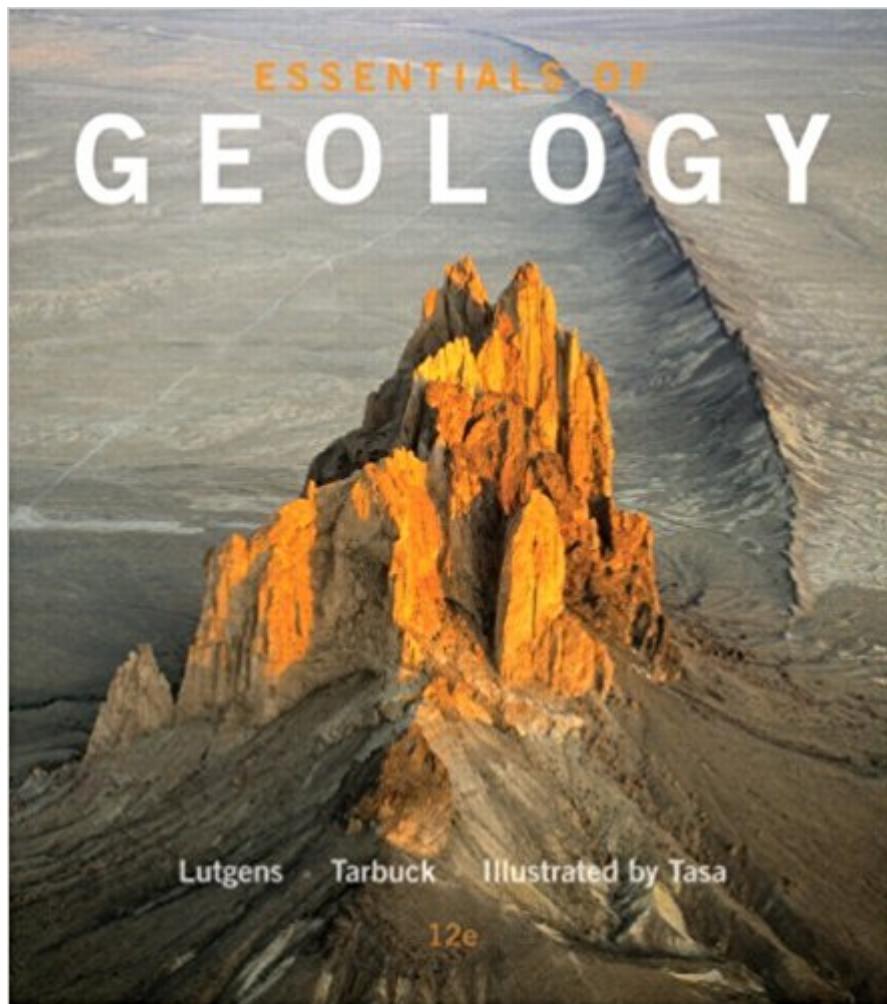


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Fred Lutgens and Ed Tarbuck have been good friends and colleagues since 1970. Between them, they have more than 57 years of experience teaching geology to undergraduates, and both have been recognized with awards as excellent and inspiring professors. They share a special interest in introducing geology to beginning students and a belief in the value of field experiences for students of all levels. Lutgens and Tarbuck published their first college text, *Earth Science*, in 1976. That book, winner of the McGuffy Award from the Text and Academic Authors Association, is now going into its tenth edition. In 1983, as the first edition of *Earth* was being prepared, gifted geology illustrator Dennis Tasa joined the author team. Since then the three have collaborated on more than twenty projects. Not only do Tarbuck, Lutgens, and Tasa work well together creatively; they also enjoy spending time in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains near Tasa's New Mexico studio. Tarbuck enjoys downhill skiing in Colorado, fly fishing near his childhood home in Northern Minnesota, and spending time in the Cascades. Lutgens is an avid runner, and when he can make the time, truly enjoys hiking the canyons of the Colorado Plateau. Although Lutgens and Tarbuck think alike on many issues, they don't agree on everything. Lutgens is devoted to jazz and classical music, whereas Tarbuck prefers pop artists or a good country station.

I would say that the majority of text books out there are difficult to get through. Clearly that makes it difficult to complete all of the required readings for one's classes. Here is how I know that this book is different: until I started reading it I had no idea that I was interested in Geology. I've really enjoyed reading this book and find its content fascinating. I actually look forward to the required reading assignments and have read a chapter that was not in my required reading. That never happens. Consider yourself lucky if this is your Geology textbook.

I'm not a Geologist, just an old, retired guy who still has a desire to learn. I live in Southern California but decided to move out of the City when I retired and moved up to the mountains. Rock formations have always interested me, and now I have the time to study them. This book is great. It is written in easy to understand language and is full of fantastic color photos so you can SEE what

they are talking about. I'm 66 years old, and still learning. Last year I studied for and received a Ham Radio Operator license --- then six months later I took the exam for the middle level Ham radio license and passed that one too. Before I left the L.A. area I was a Civilian Volunteer with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office ---- Another volunteer, a 90 year old guy once told me ---- IF YOU REST, YOU RUST ! I don't plan on rusting! Get this book if you have a desire to keep learning --- it will help!

I had to get this book for my basic geology course. As a first-time geology student, this book was very easy to read and understand. The drawings are spectacular and always relevant to the text. This is literally (literally) the only college text I have ever read, front to back. It helps that geology is of great interest to me. I would definitely recommend this book.

After purchasing the book for over \$110 Pearson gave me typical pass-the-buck attitude when I was unable to access my course. Although it came with the access code more than 70% of my class could not access the class. They only encouraged us to purchase a separate code in order to access an only slightly different site, which makes you wonder why you have to hand over more than 150 just to gain access to the site you were promised access to in the beginning. And in addition to all of this, the actual site is hardly "intuitive" or any of the words they advertise it with. McGrawHill did a better job providing Connect Plus. Give them your money not Pearson, because all they care about is money not education, and that's coming from a finance major

This is a really well written textbook with tons of very helpful illustrations. I had no idea I would enjoy geology so much! Seriously considering changing my major!

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