**Personal Review: Geometry by John Jurgensen**

I have taught Honors and College Prep Geometry with this book (and its previous edition) for sixteen years. This year I tried a different book with one of my classes. I am begging to go back to this book.

This book does not have all the bells and whistles of new Geometry textbooks. It doesn't need them. My new textbook has powerpoint presentations, lesson planners, CD ROM testbanks, etc. Guess what? You can have them. They don't present lessons in any manner I would present them, and the test banks don't test the content of the chapter. In addition, I prefer to supplement lessons with my own real life examples and further explanations, not canned material that is found in my current text and its technology.

A good teacher can take this book and raise the bar for academic excellence. No fluff, nothing watered down.

Newer is not better.
I know my students were given a mental workout-challenged themselves-and understood Geometry when I used this book. My classes will be going back to this book soon.

To the reviewers who say there aren’t enough examples, that’s the point! Geometry is about developing a skill. You can’t build a skill if everything is given to you. Push yourself a little harder, don’t be afraid to fail, and ask questions. That’s how you learn.

The one con is that test questions are not available on a modern CD ROM, eliminating the need to cut and paste (and not giving the ability to change test versions with a click of a button).

Still, the test questions supplied are fantastic.

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