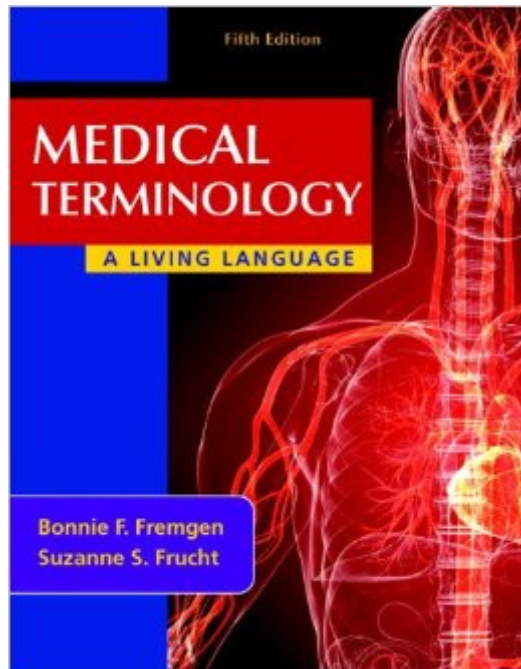


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Compared to another medical terminology book I tried ("Quick Medical Terminology: A Self-Teaching Guide, 4th edition," by Shirley Soltesz Steiner; ISBN-10: 0131589989, ISBN-13: 978-0131589988), this is:(1) Less redundant(2) More visual and more colorful - it includes photographs as well as artwork and medical imaging (X-rays, MRI's, scanning electron micrographs, etc.)(3) Aims to teach you more anatomy, physiology, and pathology - it's not super-detailed, but I think it does give a pretty good overview(4) More of a traditional textbook (whereas "Quick Medical Terminology" was more like a workbook)Each body system is presented as a different chapter. The first page of each chapter describes the functions of that system, the organs comprising the system, and lists related prefixes, combining forms, and suffixes. It's a pretty handy cheat sheet if you're short on time, but are able to think on your own (some people require actual word examples, while others are able to take the parts and synthesize them together into a whole on their own).The chapter review has a more comprehensive terminology checklist if you want more specific review, as well as various exercises with which to test yourself. I especially like the "Medical Record Analysis" and "Chart Note Transcription," where you basically have to decipher whatever someone else has written, or else re-write the layperson language using proper medical terminology. It's a little more fun than fill-in-the-blank and matching, and presumably, it gives you some practice with charting, which I assume your career will involve if you're taking a medical terminology class.I like the way the book is organized in general.(1) The font and size are easy to read.

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