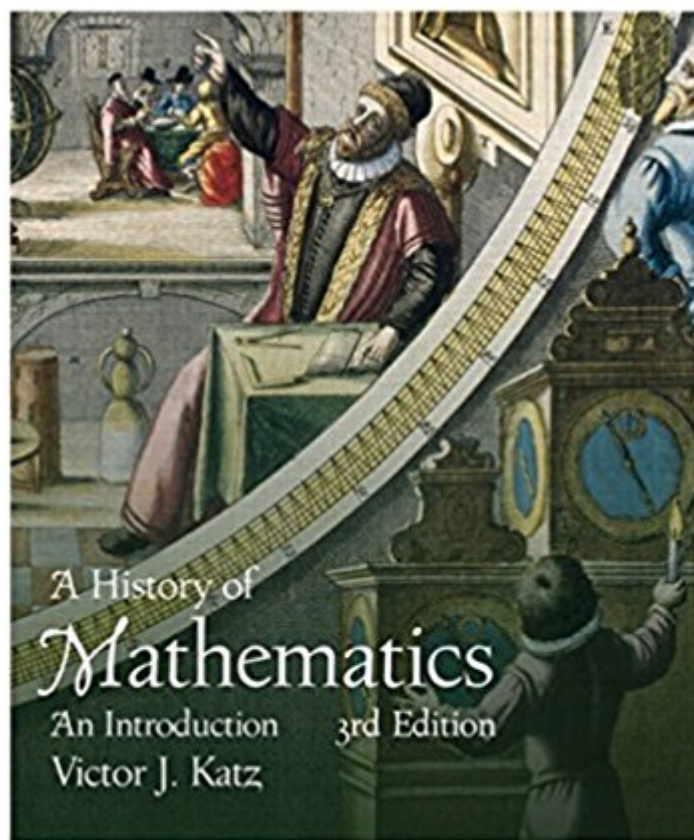


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# A History Of Mathematics (3rd Edition)



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Market: For all readers interested in the history of mathematics.

Victor J. Katz received his PhD in mathematics from Brandeis University in 1968 and has been Professor of Mathematics at the University of the District of Columbia for many years. He has long been interested in the history of mathematics and, in particular, in its use in teaching. He is the editor of *The Mathematics of Egypt, Mesopotamia, China, India and Islam: A Sourcebook* (2007). He has edited or co-edited two recent books dealing with this subject, *Learn from the Masters* (1994) and *Using History to Teach Mathematics* (2000). Dr. Katz also co-edited a collection of historical articles taken from MAA journals of the past 90 years, *Sherlock Holmes in Babylon and other Tales of Mathematical History*. He has directed two NSF-sponsored projects to help college teachers learn the history of mathematics and learn to use it in teaching. Dr. Katz has also involved secondary school teachers in writing materials using history in the teaching of various topics in the high school curriculum. These materials, *Historical Modules for the Teaching and Learning of Mathematics*, have now been published by the MAA. Currently, Dr. Katz is the PI on an NSF grant to the MAA that supports *Convergence*, an online magazine devoted to the history of mathematics and its use in teaching.

interesting subject. my professor was terrible but that's another story. I learned a lot from this class. sometimes the info can be a bit dense and I feel like they jump from subject to subject like they will talk about one mathematician and then another one but then go back to the original one. so you have all this material about one particular person written all over the textbook. it can make studying difficult.

I purchased this book to use for a college course. The book was in good condition, priced fairly, and arrived on time. However, when it comes to content this book can be difficult to use. The example problems that are worked out are much simpler than the chapter exercises. This makes it very difficult to complete homework. I know that a lot of interesting information about many different mathematicians is included in the book, but more detail about the actual mathematical processes would be very useful.

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The book is very insightful. I wish that I would have read this book in my first year of teaching.

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