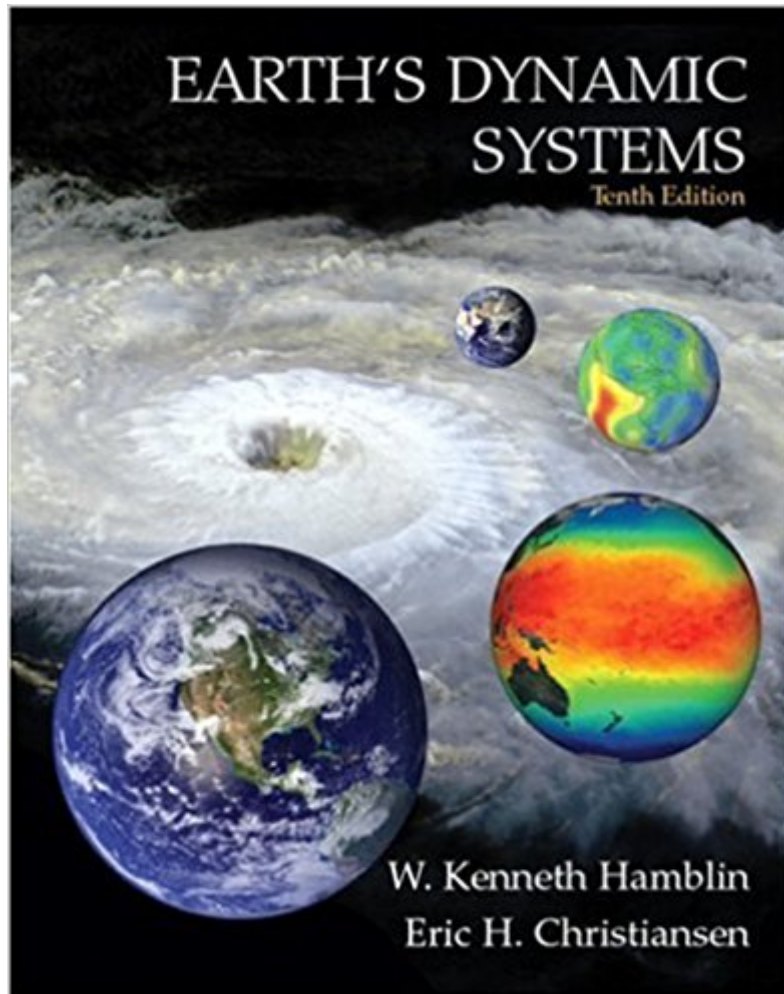




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There are two major pathways for the flow of energy and matter on Earth: (1) the hydrologic system—the circulation of water over Earth's surface and through its atmosphere powered by energy from the Sun, and (2) the tectonic system—the movement of material powered by heat from

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I'm kind of an amateur geology junkie. I have many geology textbooks that I read because the subject interests me. (I am a nurse. I have a BA and two Masters in but they are in the biological sciences and in education.) This is my favorite geology textbook by far. The illustrations and photographs are beautiful and detailed. They really do provide a different way to learn the text, one that complements the text but is strictly visual. This book has many wonderful and detailed plate maps, ocean floor and continental surface maps with geological ages noted. You can easily see how mountain ranges on different continents were once together. The text itself is clear and leads you point by point toward the concept without a lot of effort. It's highly readable and if I were a student, this is the one I would want to "have" to read. A surprising number of other textbooks use circular definitions; they explain terms using the term in the explanation, which is of no use whatsoever. It's really surprising how often that is done. I didn't find it much in this text. The authors are very detailed in the way they cover each subject. There are several chapters on plate tectonics, for example, instead of just one long broad explanation in one chapter. There are several chapters on the hydrologic cycle, entire chapters on weathering, glaciers, rivers, etc. Each rock type has a chapter and an introductory chapter on Minerals. Really by far my favorite text.

OK, but very boring and not engaging.

Haven't used it much, but I did look through it. Seems excellent value for money. Just that these days, like, doah, it's a book. When I'm somewhere else, it's quicker to google.

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