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modeling (SEM). It's great for someone like me who has a basic understanding of the theory and practice of SEM, but needs more guidance in executing specific procedures. The book seems to struggle with pacing and clarity at times, making some procedures difficult to grasp without multiple re-reads (model identification). Other sections feel unnecessarily explicit, as they go through every single point-and-click. The visual guides are helpful, though they often don't align with the text, requiring a lot of page flipping. The citations are helpful, though I wish more detail was given regarding procedures such as parcellation, and applying concepts of mediation-moderation. The index was pretty thin, making it difficult for me to find specific subjects I was interested in. Although the book seems to struggle with consistency, it provides great focus regard-in it's primary objective; teaching people how to use AMOS. I'd still like to find a book that can complete the fusion between practical applications of SEM and transitioning these applications into AMOS protocol. Although occasionally flawed in its execution, this book does a great job providing SEM/AMOS guidance for researchers at all levels.

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. A good introductory guide to SEM and the AMOS program

By A.E. I learned the basics of SEM relying primarily on this book, and after reading it I definitely feel proficient with AMOS for all but the most advanced functions. The book does a nice job providing step-by-step instructions for how to execute most program functions and is written well in that it doesn't ignore some of the more technical issues in SEM but is also comprehensible to the beginner. The only annoying thing I found is that in several instances the author doesn't provide a rationale for the techniques she is using.