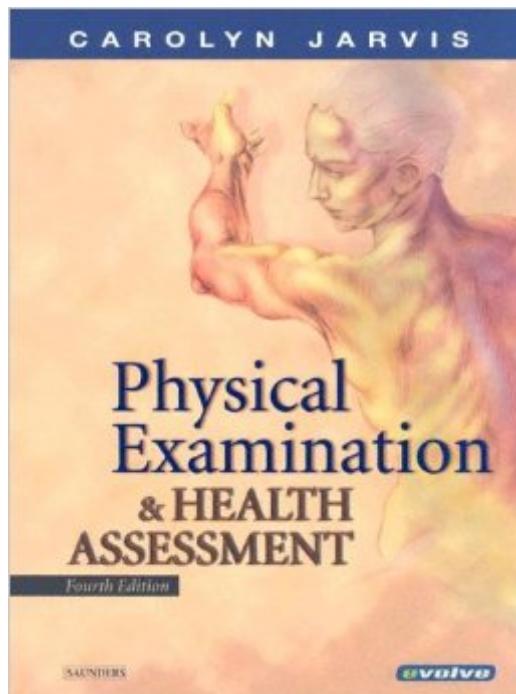


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# Physical Examination & Health Assessment



## **Synopsis**

Physical Examination and Health Assessment provides all the information necessary to conduct a holistic health assessment across the life span. The physical examination unit is organized by body system, pedagogically and clinically the most logical and efficient way to learn and perform health assessment. Each chapter has five major sections: (1) Structure and Function (A&P); (2) Subjective Data (history); (3) Objective Data (skills, expected findings, and common variations for healthy people and selected abnormal findings); (4) Abnormal Findings (illustrations of related disorders and conditions in atlas format); and (5) Application and Documentation (sample charting, clinical case studies, nursing diagnoses, and critical thinking questions tied to the Saunders video series). A clear, approachable writing style in an attractive and user-friendly format. Integrated lifespan content. Transcultural considerations in both a separate chapter and highlighted throughout. Hundreds of meticulously prepared four-color illustrations. Sample charting of normal findings and sample clinical case studies. Integration of the complete health assessment in a photo essay at the end of the book, where all the steps of assessment are put together in a choreographed whole. Student CD-ROM bound into every copy includes case studies, printable health promotion guides, and a comprehensive head-to-toe video on assessing the adult. Features hundreds of new full-color photos. Includes new chapters on screening for domestic violence and pain assessment.

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Attention: Nursing School Faculty, please readAs a student I am not in a position to compare Jarvis' book to any others like it so I am not going to pretend that I can. I will say that the easy writing and abundance of pictures makes this book a book we love to study. It is easy to understand and seems to balance simplicity with detail, not being overly in-depth on background issues, yet giving just enough information to help us understand both the theory and practice of physical examination and health assessment.BUT HERE'S THE RUB...After two months of use the book is falling apart. Entire sections have detached from the bindings, other random pages slip out singly from their location. Our use of the book has involved only reading it. There has not been any abuse, in fact the cover looks almost new. There isn't even any bending of the corners which would point to excessive use. Other students in the nursing program at ASU have been having similar issues.Why can a book like this that costs over seventy dollars be made in such a cheap manner? Nobody holds them accountable. I plan on keeping my textbooks long after school, using them as references throughout my career, but this one isn't even surviving a semester! Students can't hold the publisher accountable because we do not have the power of choice. We have to buy the books that our professors choose to use. It must be the instructors who step up and force publishers to do better.I have contacted the publisher regarding the issue. I will post a follow-up to this review as they either take responsibility or do not for their slipshod product.

Although the book was brand new as stated. It did not have a cd included or an acess code for the evolve in the book. Most sellers include these features when its brand new! The features are needed to see how an assessment is done on a patient! The videos and excercises in the cd or evolve put the textbook's ideas into action. Without the supplement of the cd or evolve it makes understanding the concepts more difficult.

I really like this book. East chapter begins with a condensed review of anatomy/physiology related to the body system it covers. Then the reader gets step-by-step instructions on how to provide an assessment for that system (hands on, inspection, etc.), tests associated and how to perform them, normal/abnormal findings, and great pictures. It discusses cultural, developmental, and aging variables. The BEST part is in the documentation - it clearly tells how and examples for doing SOAP notes. At the end of each chapter are cool pictures of abnormal/disease findings. We use this along with the lab manual, which is decent, in our assessment class. One note of dismay: the CD that comes with it is useless, as is their website. Little info and the videos are about 8 seconds long.

This book is very to the point & easy to read. All the picture examples of abnormal findings will ensure you won't forget them.

The overall organization and content of this book is wonderful. It takes you through the entire physical examination from head to toe and offers explanations of the various systems. Very easy to read and follow, which is a huge asset for any medical type book.

The information in Jarvis' book is easy to comprehend. The book covers assessment needs for all stages of life and also includes transcultural considerations. The large number of quality photos add to the value of the book, making it a great keeper resource.

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