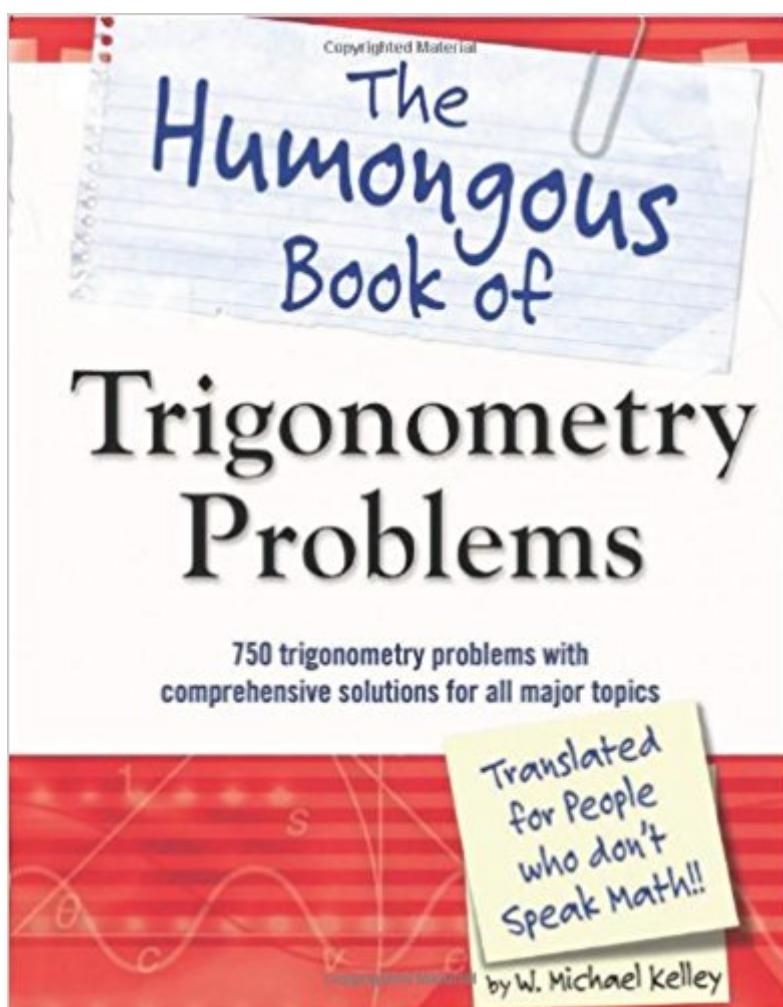


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The Humongous Book Of Trigonometry Problems



Synopsis

Most math and science study guides are a reflection of the college professors who write them-dry, difficult, and pretentious. The *Humongous Book of Trigonometry Problems* is the exception. Author Mike Kelley has taken what appears to be a typical trigonometry workbook, chock full of solved problems — more than 750! — and made notes in the margins adding missing steps and simplifying concepts and solutions, so what would be baffling to students is made perfectly clear. No longer will befuddled students wonder where a particular answer came from or have to rely on trial and error to solve problems. And by learning how to interpret and solve problems as they are presented in a standard trigonometry course, students become fully prepared to solve those difficult, obscure problems that were never discussed in class but always seem to find their way onto exams.

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W. Michael Kelley is a former award-winning calculus teacher and the author of *The Complete Idiot's Guide to Calculus*, *The Complete Idiot's Guide to Precalculus*, and *The Complete Idiot's Guide to Algebra*.

I had to re-learn Trigonometry after having learned it some 35 years ago. I picked up this title and a popular contemporary text (Larson et al). For explanations of various concepts, this book is far superior to the Larson text. With any math book that claims to be accessible, one worry is - Is the content easy because all the difficult parts have been left out ? The *Humongous* book covers all the

Trig topics in the Larson text, so it definitely covers the Trig topics in a High School level course. So it is not a dumbed down book at all !Pluses :+ I love the fact that the author explains almost all Trig concepts with examples and intuitive appeal. There was very little that I had to memorize outright+ Michael Kelley writes exceptionally clearly and explains concepts extremely well+ Any student that works through every problem should improve their understanding considerably+ At a cost of \$15-\$20, this is a terrific investment+ Written in a very nice, very accessible style that will appeal to math-phobes+ One can work through the examples in the book quickly. They are nicely laid out (simple problems to more advanced ones as the chapter progresses)Minuses :- Hardly any proofs, but for this one can easily refer back to the Larson (or any other) text- I spotted some errors in the worked out examples, but I am sure that Mr Kelley will fix these in future editions- Several way to do any problem, there were simpler approaches to solve some of the problems- Some topics (eg converting polar equations to rectangular form) don't receive adequate or good coverage. For such topics, I look at internet resources and solved several problems from the textbook.These Minuses don't detract from this excellent, invaluable book much.Highly recommended as a study guide in a Trigonometry course or for self study ! Need to work out each example yourself to derive the maximum benefit from the book.I like this book so much that I bought the Algebra book for my middle school aged son, and I will be buying all of Mr. Kelley's other books soon.

Could be 5 stars, but I would advise that his regular paragraphs be more simplified as well -- for the sake of reference purposes in this book. Other than that, it is still quite useful. The style takes a moment to get used to, but I definitely recommend this book and his other works.

I had never been moved to laugh out loud by a math book until reading this one. Kelley provides crystal clear explanations laced with a dry wit that actually makes the highly repetitive practice needed to master trig almost enjoyable. This is not your typical math textbook where even after reading through a chapter you might be just as lost as when you started because it assumes too much prior knowledge. At the same time, nothing in this book feels so dumbed down as to be patronizing. I highly recommend it for both trig beginners as well as people brushing up on old trig concepts to make calculus classes easier.

wish i would have had this in college.

Nice oversized book which I wanted and I could use as a workbook for reviewing trig. Pretty

thorough and very step by step worked out answers. Clear explanations and I like choices for the order of working out an answer. Maybe too bulky for some and too tedious for others but just right for me.

Great book- it has helped me a lot during a summer Trigonometry course. (Much more than my teacher, I'm sad to say.) The Kindle formatting leaves much to be desired on certain questions- it's difficult to tell whether a number is an exponent or coefficient in some places. The places where it explains proving trig identities could use a lot more explanation- I ended up browsing YouTube for video help with those. Overall, I'm glad I had this book- I wouldn't have survived the summer without it! If you have a choice though, definitely spring for the extra \$5 for a printed copy. Your eyes will thank you.

Definitely buy this book. The Humongous Book series are wonderful. They are so straight forward and easy to understand, plus you get what you need most; practice, practice, practice.

an excellent book for review or to use along with a class. I would recommend it to all college level or high school student, or to anyone who wants to review their trig.

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