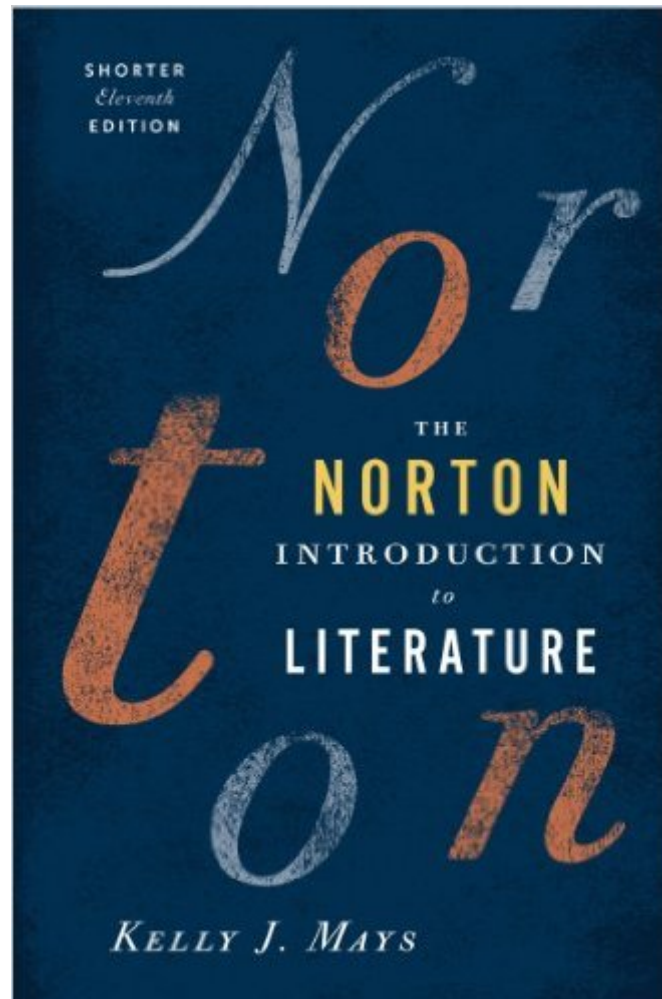


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I bought this quite a few months ago for a class at UMUC. We now get our books on-line, but I am

old enough to still like paper in my hands, so I purchased this as a supplement. Well, the book, whether paper or on-line, is phenomenal. The paper version does not begin to have all the links that my on-line version did (especially things like someone reading aloud some of the smaller works, which was also fun), but the whole concept of the anthology is wonderful. There are introductions for many of the works that include bios of the authors and perhaps a little historical background to give you a flavor for how the work fit into its time. For a great compilation of short stories, very short novels, and lots of poetry, this is a great volume. It is VERY thin paper, but allows you to hold a vast amount of human creativity in your hands at one time, quite amazing.

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This book is very bulky It was the opposite size of all my other books, and was very awkward to carry around even in a bag. I used this for a class and obviously we didn't have time to use it all, but it was very useful for that specific class.

Over the summer I took an online poetry and short story English class, and this book was required. Many reviewers posted how they ended up with the wrong edition (this is the PORTABLE edition), but if they purchased this for a class, i'm pretty sure somewhere on the syllabus it specified which was needed. I double checked my teacher's syllabus, and purchased the correct one. While I have little to no interest in both poetry and short stories (probably a bad idea for me to take this class, oh well), this book allowed me to do great in the class, and I learned a lot. The rental process went great, and i'd recommend this to anyone who is interested in a vast collection of stories from many different authors and poets!

I had to buy this for a Comp class I am taking and will keep this after the class is completed because I love reading and it has a nice variety of poems, short stories and plays. It also has a nice section in the back to help you with your writing.

This is most likely required for some kind of English class, as it was for me. Unfortunately, I was not a fan. The information included is far too basic and the anthology selections are not my favorite.

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