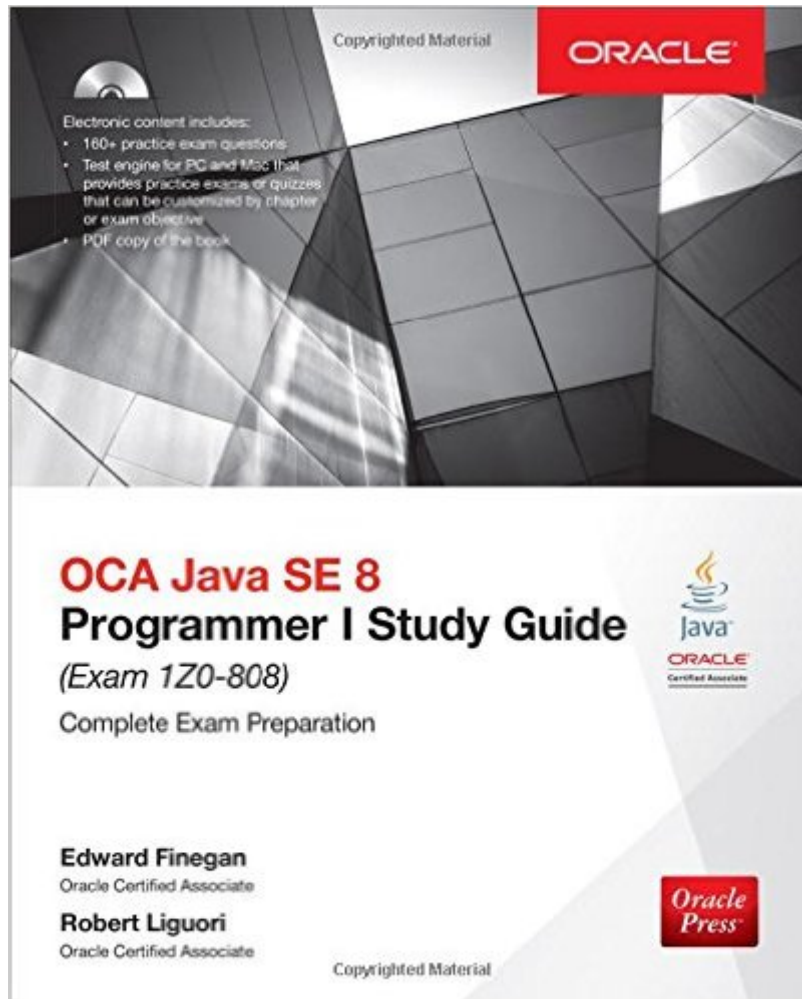


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I read this book and took the test and passed. The book is structured really well and covers everything you need to know. There are no grammatical errors and the authors write extremely well. In general I think they do a good job of explaining the material. There are, however, a few places

where there are some mistakes. They need to get an errata going and fix those asap. Here was my biggest complaint: The sample questions and mock test that they provide you on the CD is in no way shape or form representative of the level of difficulty of the questions on the real test. I finished test one from the CD in about 45 minutes to an hour and scored about 90%. On the real test I needed every moment of the 2 1/2 hours and got a much lower score. Of course I still passed. Perhaps the kaplan tests are more realistic.

I tried so hard to like the book, I just couldn't get into it. I think so much of the text was unnecessary. Too many repetitions that you tend to lose the main point. I couldn't even get through a few pages of it without falling asleep. The Sybex one seems more well written. I'm still waiting to read other people's comments and reviews.

So I'm wondering if anyone reviewed this book before it was published? I'm only on page 15 and have already encountered some serious sloppiness. The first example exercise (1-1) doesn't compile with the current Java SE 1.8 compiler. It's missing the `java.nio.*` import. Secondly, Table 1-2, which is referred to in the Section entitled "The package Statement" [sic] is located in the following section entitled "The import Statement" [sic]. This is also the case for Figure 1-3, referred to in the section entitled "Java Basic Input/Output API", but located in the section entitled "The Java Networking API". If I wrote code with the same lack of meticulousness inherent in this book, I'd be both ashamed and out of work. I'm hoping to see a response here from anyone associated with the publication of this book, but principally from one or more of the authors as they are ultimately responsible for the quality of the book. P.S. Both "[sic]" notations above refer to the missing typeface that should distinguish as code the words "package" and "import" in the section titles.

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