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6 of 7 people found the following review helpful. Flawed and misguided. By BSprite I had the unfortunate requirement to read this book in a criminology course. Between third person references, uninspired diction, and disjointed construction, this textbook didn't stand a chance. Further, some of the theories presented were so flawed in their reasoning that it made reading parts of chapters a laughable experience. An example: insisting that the gender of a

Latin word carries with it social reasoning, or more specifically the word "victim." Unfortunately for Walklate, the gender of a Latin noun has nothing to do with society and everything to do with grammar. Here's a free tip for the next edition: the word for "manliness" is a "feminine" noun also. Avoid this book if you are seeking an accurate, concise, or coherent look into criminology. I'm giving it two stars for the quotes from other authors which were infinitely more useful.

As crime continues to be a high profile issue troubling politicians, the public and the media alike, the study of criminology has boomed. Providing an international and comparative introduction to the discipline, *Criminology: The Basics* is an accessible guide to the theoretical and practical approaches to the phenomena of crime. Topics covered in this new edition include: challenging myths about crime and offenders the search for criminological explanation thinking about the victim of crime introduction to critical criminology crime prevention and the future of crime control looking to the future, cultural criminology and terrorism. Easy to read, concise and supported by a glossary of terms and pointers to further reading, *Criminology: The Basics* is a perfect introduction to this important and popular subject.

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