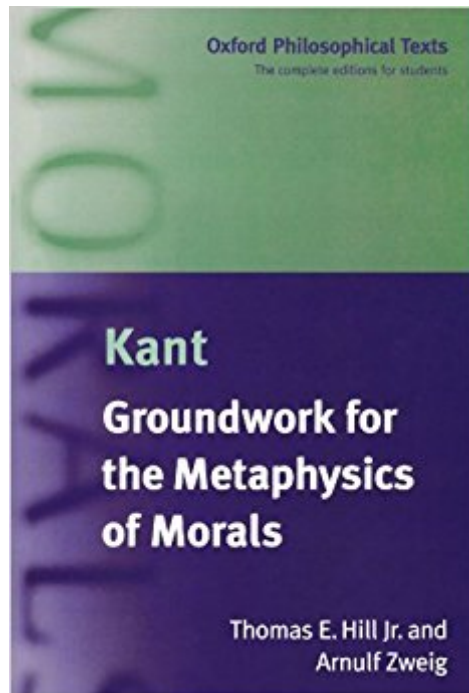


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"Clearly the finest single-volume introduction to Kant's ethics available in English." -- Philosophical Review --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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A bit dry at points, and all in all the language was complex, requiring some thought as to what the author is trying to say. Certainly an excellent read; Kant brings up some excellent points on what morality is, and should be.

As expected, Kant's book is a difficult read to understand. Personally, I just can't come to agree with

his views coming from a Christian background.

This is a great book by an amazing philosopher; a must read if one seeks to know more about deontological ethics.

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This work is essential to understanding the foundation upon which later great philosophers would build their great works. Schopenhauer, Nietzsche, Wagner.

Professor Wood has produced (so he claims -I don't know German) an extremely literal (faithful) translation of the original. His intent in doing do is "to place the English reader, as far as possible, in the same interpretive position as the German reader of the original." Whatever you think of that philosophy, it results in an extremely difficult text that is of little use to the uninitiated, even for a motivated layperson like myself.The accompanying essays were interesting, but ultimately not why I bought the book.

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