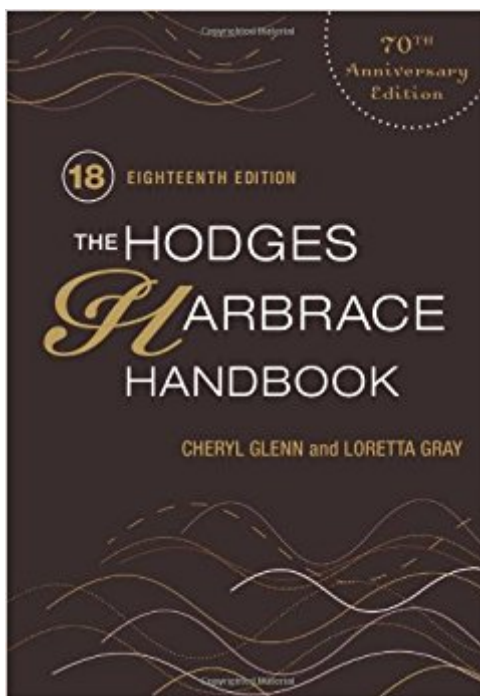


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Distinguished Professor of English and Women's Studies and Director of the Program in Writing and Rhetoric at The Pennsylvania State University, Cheryl Glenn is widely known for her scholarship, leadership, and teaching. Besides authoring THE HARBACE GUIDE TO WRITING and co-authoring THE HARBACE HANDBOOKS, she is author of the prize-winning RHETORIC RETOLD: REGENERATING THE TRADITION FROM ANTIQUITY THROUGH THE RENAISSANCE; UNSPOKEN: A RHETORIC OF SILENCE; RHETORICAL EDUCATION IN AMERICA; LANDMARK ESSAYS ON RHETORIC AND FEMINISM; RHETORIC AND WRITING IN THE NEW CENTURY;

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This book is a great reference for any writing rules. It has a straightforward, concise definition of each type of punctuation, each part of a sentence, and more. It includes examples for usage of each item within the book. If you are looking for a straightforward guide to how to write in English, this is the book for you. Anyone who can read English will find what they need to know to be able to also write properly in the pages of this book. However, this is not a book to be read from cover-to-cover. This is very strictly a reference book - kind of like a dictionary, except that this book is for every part of writing instead of individual words. I am rating this book 5 stars for the following reasons:- It is an imperative tool for writers.- It contains exactly what you need to know without anything extra.- The contents are easy to navigate for quick access to what you need at the moment.- Descriptions and definitions of terms are exact and concise - leaving little room for misunderstanding or error.- This is a book that I could recommend to anyone looking to write anything from a short essay to a technical paper or novel.

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Ok. One must view this book as a tool to use everyday when writing. The 18th edition is a required text for my son's honor English class. I am sure it will be as useful to him as my 10th edition sitting beside my keyboard. Since my grammatical skill are not the best, I commonly refer to my Harbrace as I have for the last 22 years. (And I'm a graphic designer who is checking copy submitted by clients.)

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