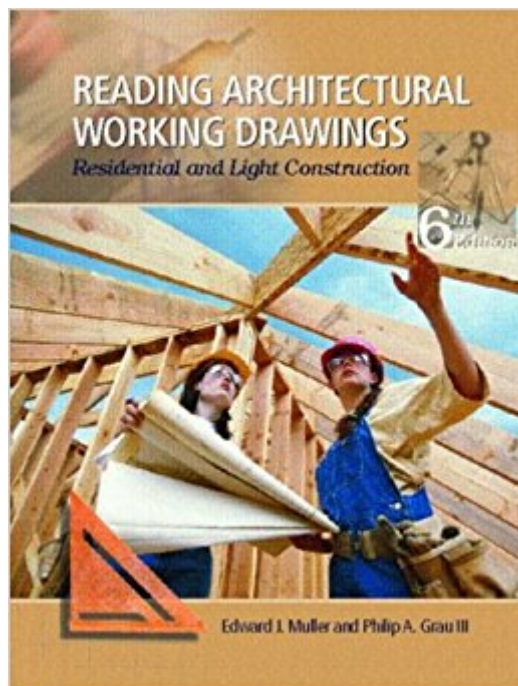




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# Reading Architectural Working Drawings: Residential And Light Construction



## Synopsis

For courses in Architectural Drawing/Design, and Residential Design and Construction. Unique in coverage, this text-workbook introduces concepts essential to a basic, introductory understanding of residential and light construction—drawing, mathematics, geometry, terminology, materials, systems—while providing hands-on experience in reading architectural working drawings. With updated information to reflect the most current changes in the industry, the Sixth Edition enables students to further improve their communication skills when dealing with the technical information found in construction documents.

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Reading Architectural Working Drawings, Sixth Edition, is intended to be an introduction to architectural working drawings for architectural and civil technology students, as well as for

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This book is filled with valuable information and nice-sized blueprints for completing exercises. Unfortunately, the book repeats the numbers of the "tests" so that one can become confused when completing assignments. The book is designed so "tests" can be completed and torn out--without perf pages, the little white bits of paper left over will go everywhere. The blueprints, although twice the book size, weren't printed so that lettering didn't become little blobs of ink. They are a challenge to read and could have been reproduced at a higher resolution for printing (copying) or different prints selected all together. Selecting prints that would reduce more successfully would have been preferable for a book at this price point. A quick solution could be for the publisher to offer full-sized prints in another format--downloadable or in a pack that can be purchased separately. Students could take downloaded prints to a large format printer and have a real-life working copy!

I didn't expect the title page to be partially loose off the spiral and the back page completely torn off the spiral. Supposed to be in good condition but it didn't come as 'good' as I expected. But, the contents of the book is still intact so, it was decently okay.

Great workbook for beginning architecture students. This was a requirement for class and, minus a few errors in printing, I think it was an excellent text for class.

Loved it.

This textbook is for a class. turns out to be cheaper than the bookstore and this seller was great. Received textbook in a timely manner. Thanks!

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