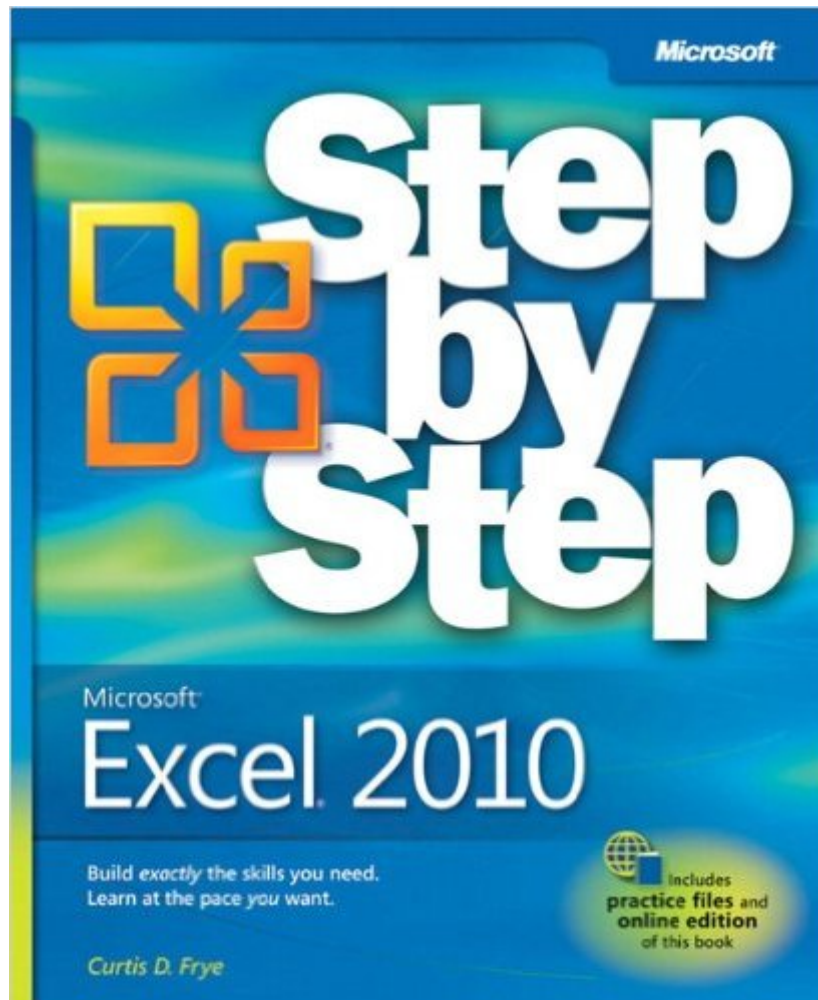


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I learned Lotus 123 in the mid-80's and was writing fairly sophisticated programs using its macro language a few years later. This wasn't a hobby; it put bread on the table. At some point I (and everyone) moved to Excel. I never developed the skill with Excel that I had with 123 (I was a "boss" by then), but I was competent enough for routine recordkeeping and short programming. Now in retirement, I find I must update to X2010 - having missed several program upgrades. I find the Office 2010 program vastly different from what I used in the past, and so I ordered Microsoft's book "Step by Step." That title suggests, "OK, we'll take this one step at a time, from the beginning." But the book is nothing of the sort: by page 25 or 30, the reader is already confronted with what I'd call Advanced (or at least specialized) Topics. Information on such elementary things as changing the settings that were once found in Tools > Options is not explained (indeed, Tools isn't there anymore; most of such stuff now seems to be found within the File menu option). The Tools menu having departed, it seems the Help menu has as well. The program offers a "Help" of sorts, but it's neither consistent nor robust across the range of topics. All of which suggests the need for good basic books for beginners or those making a "deep upgrade." This is not such a book.

'Microsoft Excel 2010 Step by Step' is a great resource for anyone looking to learn Excel and get playing with their spreadsheets as quickly and efficiently as possible. Clocking in at 400+ pages, content is as follows:

01. Creating a Workbook
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03. Performing Calculations
04. Changing Workbook Appearances
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14. Collaboration

The writing is tight and to the point, examples are relevant and interesting, and using this book was a pleasant experience. If you need a great Excel book to teach you the 2010 way, take a step to 'Step by Step'!!\*\*\*\*\* RECOMMENDED

I was very pleased with this manual. It's extremely difficult to find any instructions through the actual program itself, and this manual helped me to find the information that I required. I had been using an older version of Excel and was having problems finding how to do even the simplest of formulas. I would recommend this manual highly.

I like this book. The exercises are very helpful, and interactive and takes you deeply into the functionality of the software. I am in an accounting program, and my current position does not involve the creation or use of spreadsheets. Recognizing the importance and widespread use of Excel, I decided to take a self study course. I used two others before purchasing this book, and this is more interactive and I am learning more.

This is a great book to help prepare for the MOS Excel 2010 exam (77-882). I used this along with the MOS study guide, and passed on the first try! Step by Step pinpointed areas I overlooked and were tested on the exam. The chapters are short and concise. Each chapter provides exercises to help you become familiar with the functions in excel. I liked this book, however this is a basic book to help regular users of excel become better or help students/professionals become certified. This is definitely not an in depth book for advanced users.

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