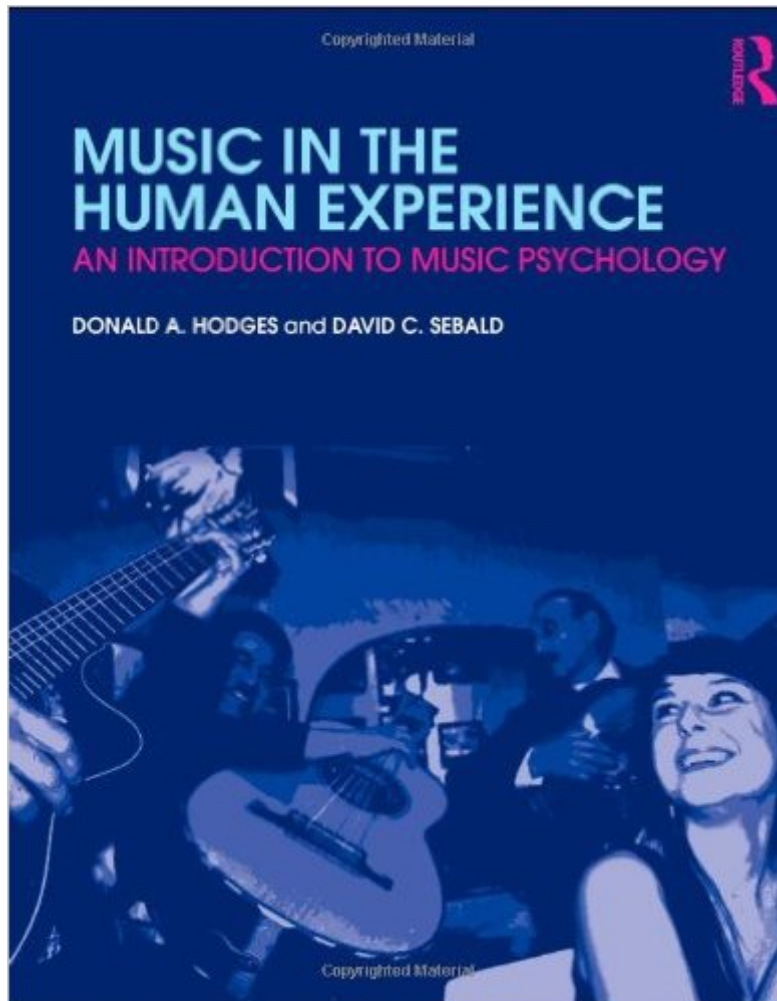


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I am a psychologist and this book is more informed by music research than Psychology. The descriptions of Psychological theory, models and philosophies was grossly inaccurate and minimalistic. This book also has a huge evolutionary bias that it does not consistently support throughout the book. Not my favorite but perhaps the best out there?

It is a textbook and serves its purpose well. Not the most engaging but organized well. The professor used the CD in class but I never took the time to use it personally. I have a notebook which doesn't have a CD drive in it.

Thank you!

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