

## **Student Reviews About *Introduction to Listening* Textbook by Kevin Woosley**

Reviews are anonymous, optional, and contained no grade incentive for completing.

*What do you think about the online ebook?*

*Please list any thoughts that come to mind (both positive and areas for improvement)*

1. I think overall the textbook is a fine way to study and gather information for the course. What I especially like about it is that it doesn't drag on and give me useless information or extra bits of knowledge outside of fun facts that won't be used on the test. One last comment is I like how it feels a bit down to earth, like someone is actually talking to me and teaching me, rather than it just being me reading another article or lecture.
2. The online ebook is great. I like that it's simplified to the point where you still get the things you need from the class, but you also don't have to spend a huge chunk of time reading and trying to find answers.
3. I liked it. It helped me study better and I was able to understand more.
4. I love the online ebook! I wouldn't change anything about it.
5. I like the online ebook. I do not like having to keep up with a book for classes so the online book makes it so much easier. I also like how it is not like a normal school textbook. It is not boring to read. I actually enjoyed reading the chapters.
6. I think the online ebook is a great tool to use. I found it is very easy to navigate and I liked that there was a personal touch throughout it that related the society today.
7. I thought the online ebook was really good. Rather than just rambling like other textbooks, this one made sure to get straight to the point and give us the important facts.
8. I really like how you can search things on there. It helped a lot when I was writing my comparison/contrast paper and needed to find my composer in the book.
9. I enjoyed the ebook. I liked that the content did not take long to read and got right to the important details. The chapters are not that long either, which makes reading a textbook less dreadful. The audio reader is a little boring and slow.
10. Online ebooks are good for the accessibility but sometimes I forgot to do some assignments. There are positives and Negatives to using ebooks.
11. I like the e book very easy to navigate and love how similar it is to your lessons in class.
12. I loved it. I love the references to the school. Great detail, very relatable.
13. I really like the online book. It has been a very helpful tool not just in the aspect of my learning, but also for how easily accessible the ebook is. No areas for improvement.
14. I have no complaints about the ebook. I thought it was super helpful and straightforward.
15. I really enjoyed the book. It had a quirky and funny tone that made it easy to bear and fun to read.
16. very organized and information was to the point.
17. I think that the online book is very educational and easy to navigate. The chapters are very helpful and match the information on the tests.

18. I like the online ebook. I have no thoughts about improvements needed. Everything seems to be working thoroughly and efficiently.
19. easy to read and was very modern
20. I really enjoyed the book. It was very easy to read and navigate.
21. I think the online ebook is great. It is very easy to navigate and is a good read. I don't think there should be any changes to it.
22. I thought the online ebook was extremely helpful and gave all information needed for the tests and any course work. I didn't have any problems with the book or anything I saw that needed to be improved.
23. I enjoy it and think it's easy to comprehend. I wouldn't change anything.
24. The online ebook is helpful in providing important and specific detail and is fair in terms of the test.
25. Absolutely amazing
26. It is clear, effective and fun to read through. There aren't really any issues concerning the availability of the book.
27. The book connected well with the material. The way it was written made it very entertaining, (especially for my generation of low attention span individuals.)
28. I like having an online textbook. They are easier to keep up with in my opinion but also it can be harder to read chapters because I sometimes forget about the book since it is digital.
29. It is very informative and more relatable to people not familiar with music.
30. I really enjoyed it. The content was interesting and the writing style flowed very well. The embedded links to Spotify were also nice to make sure I was listening to the correct music. I usually like traditional paper textbooks, so that could be a negative for some people, but the e-book was so convenient that I never minded it.
31. I loved the book! It was entertaining, interesting, and not unnecessarily long. I really enjoyed the guided listening playlists and the music videos!
32. I thought that the online book was very easy to access and I felt like everything is very organized.
33. I like it a lot! It is easy to navigate and understand with good modern day examples.
34. I absolutely loved using the online e-book. I loved the humor the book provided. Honestly, the book made learning about music history so much fun! Definitely a nice break from my other textbooks. If my other textbooks used this much humor I would enjoy learning much more.
35. I like how interactive it is. I also like it is custom to students.
36. I thought it was very easy to read, and I liked the format. Overall, a very good textbook.
37. It's good, I don't have to manually carry it and getting to one chapter or another is easy.
38. I really liked the ebook! It was not painful to read like most textbooks. It was extremely helpful for the tests and understanding the class. I honestly do not have any negative thoughts about it!
39. Excellent, love the search feature. Good info and flow making it very fun and easy to read.

40. The online textbook was good. I love the fact that you can search for keywords, and that the book was actually written by my teacher. I was very easy to navigate and easy to understand.
41. I liked it
42. I would say overall it was a pretty solid book.
43. I think the online book was very easy to use and an easy read while learning about the different music periods .
44. I think it was easy to access and should be a platform for other classes throughout the university to follow as an example.
45. Easy to read. Encouraging to read more when chapter are shorter. Nice guided instructions to listening. 10/10 would read again.
46. user friendly
47. It is better than a random textbook bought from a store, this has been tailored to the course by the professor and thus will sound like he does in class, it works way better to help me remember things and a lot easier to read.
48. I thought that the ebook was very good! It seemed very passionately written the whole way through and really made me enjoy going through and reading it!
49. To me the online ebook was very detailed, had lots of pictures, and it was very informative. I love how you can use the search to find things within the chapters its very helpful when taking the test. I also love how I can see each of my test scores and the percent completed.
50. The E book was very intuitive and lighthearted which made the reading easier.
51. I thought it was a very good online ebook. It was very easy to follow allowing and very interesting to read.
52. Very straightforward and easy to read. Possibly less non-informative content so that it is a quicker read.
53. I really like it!! It is super easy ebook to navigate and is was easy to read the chapters! I love the chapters break down and the music links included.
54. I think it was as good as an E-book can be. It was accessible and entertaining, and that is all you can ask for.
55. I think that the ebook is great. It's really nice to have a book that contains the information only needed in our class.
56. The online ebook was really helpful it had all the information you needed to pass the course in it, and it was easy to search any keyword and have so many different pages come up. It was easy to read and not boring like every other book it was interesting and engaging.
57. i like the text book its easy to guide through and it isn't too much information
58. I liked it and thought it was easy to navigate. Most importantly, it was nice to read.
59. I thought it was very easy to navigate and honestly it kept all of the unnecessary fluff that most textbooks have in them out. The Spotify links at the bottom of the readings were very nice.
60. The online Ebook is fantastic and easy to use.
61. I really enjoyed the online ebook because I could tell it was written with passion and sincerity.

62. I found that the online book was very easy to use and navigate. Being able to flip between chapters and go to specific areas of each chapter was convenient, and the "pick up where you left off" feature was very handy. I have no complaints about the online book.
63. I really enjoyed the ebook. It did not feel overwhelming to read a few chapters each week, and I actually enjoyed reading it (which I cannot say for any other textbook I have read).
64. I like the online book! It was easy to navigate and I find the information I needed. I have no negative comments.
65. I think the ebook is well constructed. I loved how it was put together in a way that was conversational because that made it much more interesting to read.
66. The ebook is very easy to use. I don't see any areas for improvement.
67. I really enjoyed it and thought it was fully functional. I wouldn't say anything needs to be fixed - it is perfect!
68. I loved how it wasn't like a normal book, it was fun and had character!
69. It was very convenient. I enjoyed using it and had no problems with it.
70. I liked it. I was very helpful when I took my test.
71. It was great!
72. I really liked how straight forward and interactive it was. I have no complaints!
73. I thought the online book was great and very easy to access.
74. The book was amazing and always helped. I find textbooks hard to read, but this one was amazing and felt so personal.
75. The format of the ebook was very accessible with sections being separated from one another, no matter the length.
76. The online ebook is very helpful and easy to use. I didn't have any issues with it the whole semester. I realized after one test that if I don't read the chapters assigned, I won't do too great on the test. So, the tests are definitely everything we learned in the book and lecture. I can't think of anything that needs improvements.
77. Didn't see any problems with it.
78. Works great. Easy access. No complaints
79. I thought the book was great! It was very helpful for all of the assignments and tests.
80. The E book is great and very straight forward. the tests that come from it are questions straight from the ebook.
81. I enjoy the online ebook, it makes it easier to take test. The information on the tests is exactly what on the book.
82. I love how, for lack of a better term, casually it is written. It is in perfectly understandable English and is very easy to read.
83. Surprisingly I liked the online book. It was nice that it outlined the chapter when you click it.
84. the online ebook was nice. it was easy to navigate and was easily accessible.
85. I liked it a lot. It was very easy to navigate and kept the material interesting.
86. I think it was easy to use. I liked how it had a button that you could press to go to the chapter where you left off.
87. I hate reading textbooks, but the MUS 121 ebook is very good actually. I think it is a great textbook.

88. I loved the book. The ebook was an easy read. It contained links to music selections, pictures, and there was a bit of humor throughout.
89. I loved the ebook! It was so easy to navigate and fun to look at! I felt like it was a conversation rather than reading a textbook.
90. I thought the book was very interesting. I did not actually mind reading the pages assigned. When I first started this class I did not want to have to read about music but this book was completely different and it was actually interesting. I wish every textbook was written like this. I thought it was very resourceful and interactive which I really liked.
91. The ebook is very easy to navigate with clear font and pictures. I like how important words are highlighted and you can click on them to get the full definition, but I wish when you were at the end of a page you didn't have to scroll up to turn the page.
92. I loved it. It was very interesting, and probably the best text book I have ever used. The format and organization made doing assignments and test taking really easy.
93. Easy to follow and condenses a lot of very complex information. I like that it will introduce topics and bring them back later in a different scope.
94. The customized style of the book brought forth your personality which was one of the reasons I enjoyed the course so much. It made homework not feel like a difficult thing. It was always enjoyable to do the assignments.
95. I liked the ebook a lot. It was easy to understand and enjoyable to read. Not once was it ever confusing and it gave great examples for the definitions in the book. I loved that there were Spotify songs that you could find in the book that linked it to the artists we were talking about.
96. Overall I liked it. It was educational while also being relatable and funny. It kept me interested which helped me learn better.
97. I think the book is extremely well written. Its written in a way that students can understand it because information is simplified, and also connected to things we are more familiar with. Overall, it's very easy to navigate through, and everything is well organized.
98. In my opinion, the Online e book is fantastic it's a great source to find all the information you need. There is no need for any improvements
99. I like it, it is full of information but not enough to bog down my mind while reading it. It was actually pretty interesting to read.
100. A lot more interactive than other textbooks and introduces the material in ways that's more understanding and entertaining for young students.

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