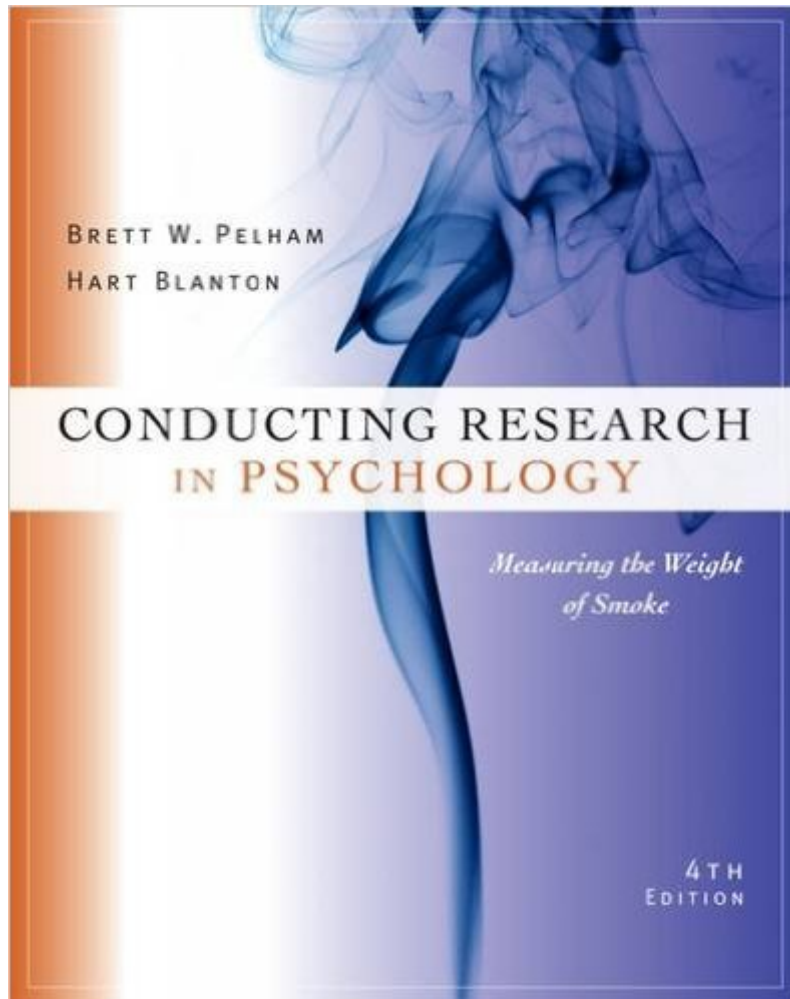


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This is a really nice book that our prof used for my psych methodology course at college; I found it really easy to read and understand but at the same time it makes all the important principles very clear, If you use it in conjunction with the appendices at the end, you'll have a pretty good understanding of what to look out for when designing experiments and writing papers.

I think it's important that I reveal myself as a student currently reading this text and not as someone who has read comparable alternatives to this book. This book may be the best in the field, though I

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Not only did the book come super quick, it was actually an interesting read. I am a psychology major, and am always looking for books that are not only educational but also good writing.

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