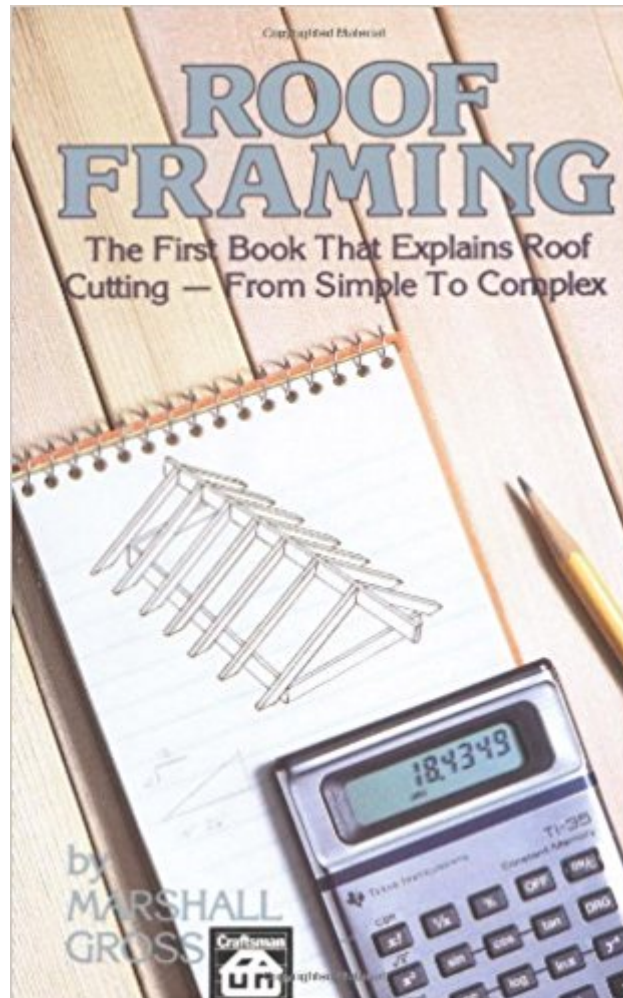




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I'm 125+ pages into the this book ... I agree Mr. Gross certainly knows his stuff, however this is one of the most difficult books I've ever read on ANY subject. On the plus side there are nice illustrations. Generally speaking the material roughly builds progressively. On the negative side? I've spent hours on a single page. The problem? The book was not properly edited. Period. There are many places where terms are used but not defined. Other places terms are defined but not ILLUSTRATED. Many of the illustrations don't point out important concepts. Some references in chapter 3 says skim over chapter 4, hardly the thing I like doing (reading out of sequence). There is

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