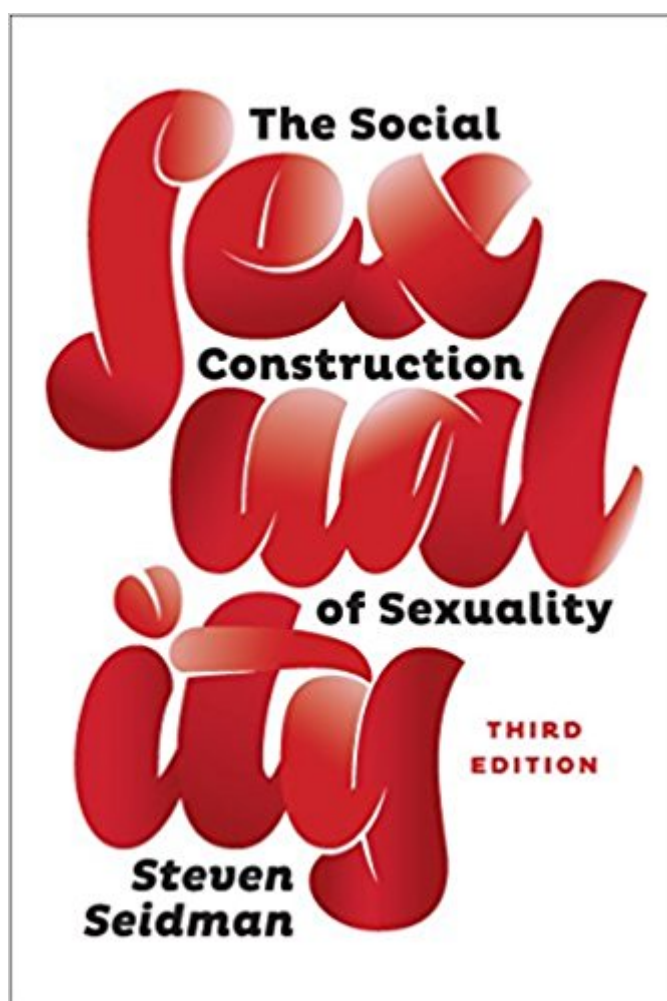


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Customer Reviews

I used this as a textbook for a sexual politics class. The material is fascinating, but the author seems to often forget to mention asexuality in his discussions. His definitions of "queer" are also pretty off, and all of his examples of BDSM in the media are actually examples of abuse/ rape. Sometimes I wonder how much research he actually did before writing a section. His entire chapter on youth intimacy culture is full of things my class disagreed with. However, this book provides great perspective and the opportunity to think critically.

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