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advice. Apparently the author is also armed with a thesaurus, since the text is sprinkled with words that even avid readers are unlikely to encounter. For me the book became too tedious and I finally gave up after getting part way through the chapter on interviewing. As I've noted, this book is probably not an appropriate book for me. I think that I learned more about working for a Wall Street investment bank reading *Street Freak: A Memoir of Money and Madness* and *My Life as a Quant: Reflections on Physics and Finance* than I did from this book (I also recommend the book *The Quants* for some profiles of quantitative hedge funds and *Fool's Gold* on the development of mortgage backed securities). 1 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Solid Value By MC.S The book is a solid value @ \$20 and provides quality insights into quant interviews. While I did not use this book to prepare for a quant position, it was with a "quant" firm and the book provided me with much needed guidance before my interview. The book is well written and even mildly amusing at times. Well worth my time to read and the price I paid (plus an extra \$20 SH to get it here on time). Thanks for publishing. NoSellSide0 of 1 people found the following review helpful. not a quant interview book By street alex A lot of discussion on marketplace which will be dated soon. No interview questions to speak of. There are better interview strategies books out there.