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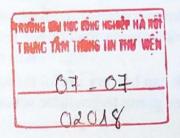
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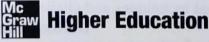
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"The book is non-intimidating for both the student and the instructor. A well-organized and fully developed reading and study skills text."

Carolyn Brown, University of South Alabama

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