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Synopsis

In the seventh edition of Mergers, Acquisitions, and Other Restructuring Activities Ã¢â ¬â œ winner of a 2014 Textbook Excellence Award (Texty) from the Text and Academic Authors Association Ã¢â ¬â œ Donald DePamphilis looks into the heart of current economic trends. In addition to a new chapter on the ways deals are financed, more than 85% of the 54 integrative case studies are new and involve transactions announced or completed since 2010. This new edition anchors its insights and conclusions in the most recent academic research, with references to more than 170 empirical studies published in leading peer-reviewed journals since 2010. Practical exhibits, case studies involving diverse transactions, easy-to-understand numerical examples, and hundreds of discussion questions and practical exercises are included. This substantially updated content, supplemented by questions from CFA Institute examinations, offers the only comprehensive exploration of today's business transactions. Mergers, acquisitions, and restructuring transactions reveal the inner workings of our economy. This longstanding, award-winning treatment lays out what every student and professional should understand about their parts, what they are intended to accomplish, and what their competitive, strategic, and value consequences are.Winner of a 2014 Texty Award from the Text and Academic Authors AssociationIncludes up-to-date and notable transactions (Facebook's takeover of Instagram and Linkedin's IPO) and regulations (Dodd-Frank Act of 2010 and JOBS Act of 2012)Covers recent trends (emerging country acquirers in global M&As) and tactics ("top-up" options and "cash-rich" split-offs) Additional content available online

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This book’s content is excellent, in my opinion. I will leave content reviews to others.My review is intended to warn potential buyers of a couple of flaws in the electronic versions (Kindle for Mac and Kindle for iPhone). They are not fatal flaws, but they do detract a little from the reading experience.Problem #1. Being a finance textbook, it includes finance equations. On both the Mac and the iPhone, you must use the View Options tool to set the background to Black in order to read the formulas. If you set the background to Sepia or White, those equations render so poorly on screen, that they become unreadable. They look like a low-resolution scan of a scan of scan. Broken, incomplete, moth-eaten. Timeworn, like something out of an ancient manuscript.In the Mac version, they are not separate images, so they can’t be enlarged. In the iPhone version, enlargement is possible and actually exposes the underlying cause of the problem: the Kindle software superimposes a layer of lighter-color text on top of the equations’ native black type,

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Great book with practical information in addition to the academic information.

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This is a good book to understand the big picture of what mergers and acquisitions is... buy it ! !

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