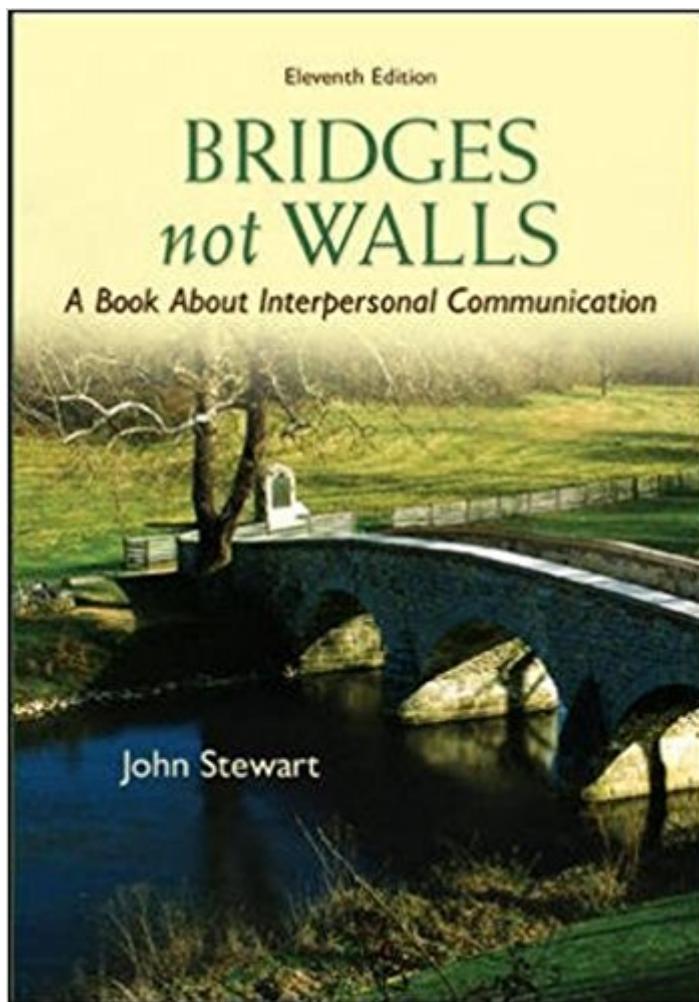


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# Bridges Not Walls: A Book About Interpersonal Communication



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needed for a class - good price

The book came as expected when expected - I was very happy

Excellent textbook, too much information to grasp in eight weeks. On my to read list during a break. Made a tremendous difference in how I communicate.

The book was in really bad shape. I needed the book and it was useful, however.

This! This book should be required for all interpersonal communication and/or comm leadership courses. Self-learners should also read this. It's got great information.

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great

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