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ton of typos in the book. I'm not grammatically perfect by any means, but for a professional publication, I was a bit disappointed by the mistakes. That being said, I think these mistakes were purely grammatical and not content-related. The content of the book is excellent. It was a required reading for a class, but I have referred to it numerous times after graduating with my MSW. The functional-age model of intergenerational treatment is one of the most flexible, relevant, useful frameworks for gerontological social work which I have studied. I honestly wish Roberta Greene would publish a book solely about it! It provides a thorough foundation for understanding physical-, psychological-, spiritual-, and sociocultural functioning specific to older adults and their families. I recommend this book for everyone who works with older adults in a case management or therapeutic capacity. I also think it is insightful for more medically-based professions, such as nursing. With the baby boomer population reaching retirement age, this book is a useful addition to every clinical or generalist social work program--not just for gerontological programs. 0 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By Lynda Phillips Excellent information. Well laid out. Very readable. A great purchase. Thank you.

In recent years, theoreticians, researchers, and practitioners have become increasingly interested in older adults and the aging process. This volume draws on related disciplines to better understand the biological, psychological, and social aspects of aging. 'Social Work with the Aged and Their Families' covers areas of central interest to those coping with the needs of an aging population. Among the topics addressed are assessment of the aging, taking into account biological age, psychological age, and socio-cultural and spiritual age. Greene also considers the importance of the family system, family roles and development, functional-age individual and family intervention, and group and community interventions. The scientific and systematic study of aging is known as gerontology. Geriatric social workers are those who have applied established social work theories in an attempt to find suitable techniques for working with their elderly clients. The need for specialized services has given birth to various services and programs. For example, meals-on-wheels and home health care services have been designed to meet specific physical needs of older adults. However, mental health services have lagged far behind as practitioners struggled to adapt such specialties as family therapy to families of later years. A major contribution of this book, now in its third edition, is the functional-age model of intergenerational treatment (FAM), which is an outgrowth of that demand. The functional-age model of intergenerational treatment is an integrative theoretical framework for social workers interested in clinical social work practice with older adults and their families. Since its initial construction in 1986, the model has been augmented by more recent concepts related to successful aging, spirituality, and resiliency. These additions, together with the original assessment and intervention strategies, present the major converging conceptual trends that constitute a model for twenty-first century social work practice in the field of aging.

Directed to the geriatric social work field, this volume offers a holistic and systematic approach to biopsychosocial problems of the aging process. Of special interest to social workers needing a comprehensive introduction to the geriatric field, it could also serve as a textbook because of its background overview of each of the areas it addresses. Family Relations "Social Work with the Aged and their Families is the 3rd edition of a text originally published in 1986. It provides a model (FAM) for conducting a biopsychosocial and spiritual assessment of an older adult within a family systems perspective. It remains one of the few if not the only books available for clinical social workers interested in direct practice with families of later years." Robyn L. Golden, LCSW, Rush University Medical Center "Dr. Greene's new edition of this practical and readable text addresses social work practitioners who work with the ever-growing elder population. Based on years of practice and teaching experience, she presents the Functional-Age Model of intergenerational treatment and walks the practitioner through the assessment and intervention process relating to the individual, family, group and community levels. This book is a must for every gerontological social worker." Shira Hantman, Ph.D., Tel Hai Academic College About the Author Roberta R. Greene was the Louis and Ann Wolens Centennial Chair in Gerontology and Social Welfare at the School of Social Work, University of Texas-Austin.