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The problems in this book are designed to make you THINK about the ideas being presented. Understand the ideas and you should be able to do the problems.

A couple of suggestions:

1.) Study the book. Try the examples. Once done, attempt the chapter-end problems.

2.) Try to do each chapter-end problem WITHOUT using your book, your notes, or your friends (i.e., treat it like a *test* problem). Above all, do not simply look at a problem, wait fifteen seconds, decide you can't do it, then turn to the *Solutions*.

3.) If you are confused, re-study the book, come see me, or talk to a knowledgeable friend. Use the *Solutions* only after all else has failed. Otherwise, all you will be doing is riding on *my* ability to dispatch the pesky critters. Believe me, that is not going to help you in the long run.