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.