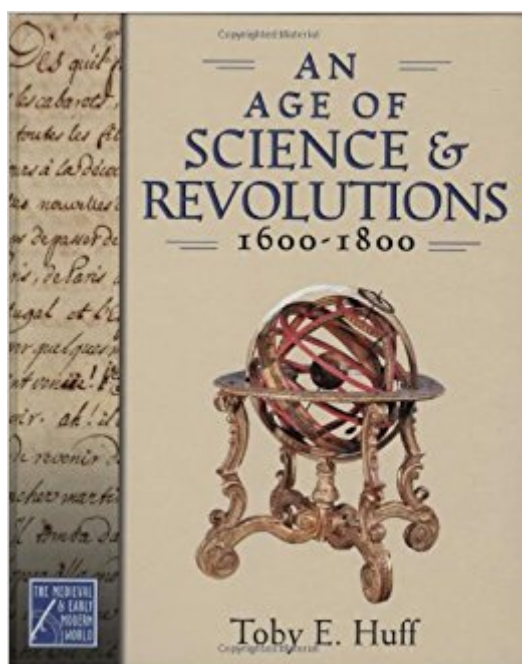


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Actually I have not read this book, but rather am looking at it for possible school purpose. I, however, have had experience with several other issues from this same publisher, and that is what this comment is about. I have used these in an elementary gifted and talented program. These editions are stellar in my book for completeness, comprehension by my students, and wide open for supplemental instruction. I highly recommend these to any teacher who wishes to challenge classes from grades 4-8. Well done, and extremely sufficient. Good work!

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