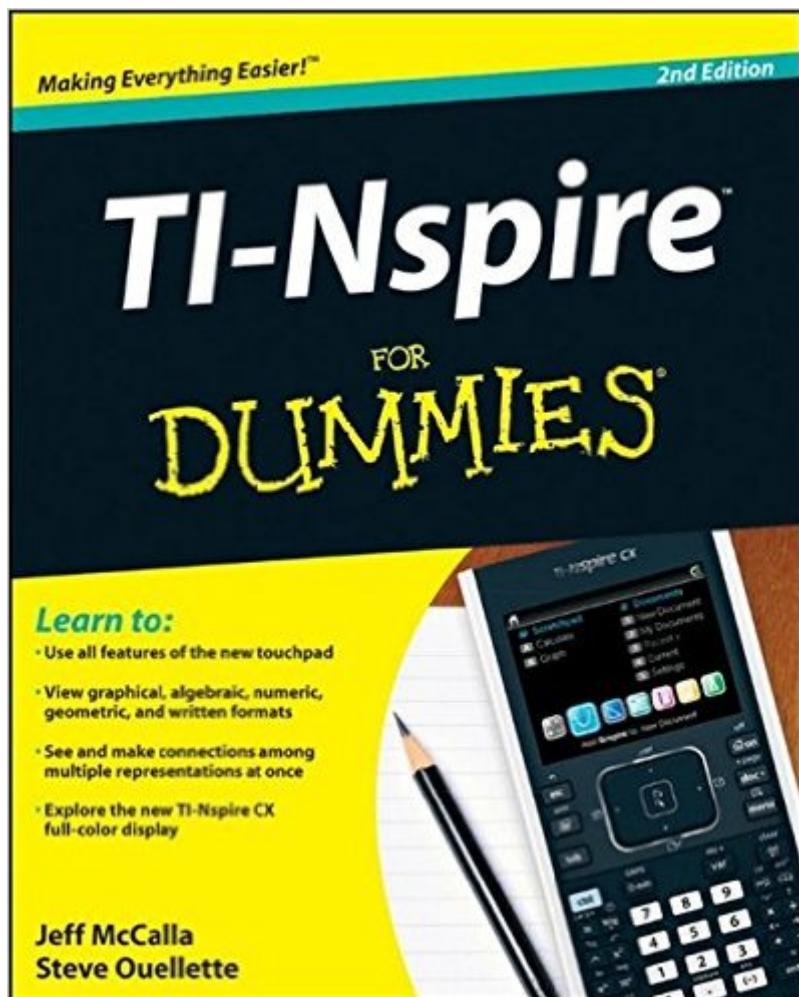


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# TI-Nspire For Dummies



## **Synopsis**

The updated guide to the newest graphing calculator from Texas Instruments The TI-Nspire graphing calculator is popular among high school and college students as a valuable tool for calculus, AP calculus, and college-level algebra courses. Its use is allowed on the major college entrance exams. This book is a nuts-and-bolts guide to working with the TI-Nspire, providing everything you need to get up and running and helping you get the most out of this high-powered math tool. Texas Instrumentsâ™ TI-Nspire graphing calculator is perfect for high school and college students in advanced algebra and calculus classes as well as students taking the SAT, PSAT, and ACT exams This fully updated guide covers all enhancements to the TI-Nspire, including the touchpad and the updated software that can be purchased along with the device Shows how to get maximum value from this versatile math tool With updated screenshots and examples, TI-Nspire For Dummies provides practical, hands-on instruction to help students make the most of this revolutionary graphing calculator.

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This book (review) is intended for the teacher (or student) who is new to Nspire. In particular, it is for the teacher who wants to implement Nspire in the Fall and cannot attend a 3-Day seminar and/or who learns well from a book at your own pace. Please note--I am writing this 7/1/2011. When reading the other reviews, check the date. I think the new book was released in June 2011 for the 2nd Edition. A lot has been added with OS3.0 for the Nspire CX. I'm a fanboy of Nspire and consider myself an Intermediate user. I read the book to strengthen my understanding. I teach high school

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Any previous poor rating of this book were from reviewers referring to the 1st edition of TI-Nspire for Dummies. As the TI-Nspire was improved I couldn't recommend that book, but now with the 2nd edition I strongly recommend this as an excellent resource for students and teachers whether they are new to the TI-Nspire or have been using it for many years. The deficiencies pointed out by other reviews have been addressed. There are great sections about CAS (Computer Algebra System) that can even help you decide if you want to get the TI-Nspire CX CAS that can be used on the PSAT, SAT, and AP exams, or if you want to get the TI-Nspire CX that can also be used on the IB and ACT exams. For those who want to get started with programming, clear examples are provided. Even all the new 3.0 features are addressed, like new Question types, 3D, and the Vernier DataQuest application. If you don't have the colorful Texas Instruments Nspire CX N3/CLM/1L1 Graphing Calculator, all the information about 3.0 is still true, and there are special instructions if it is different on the Clickpad or Touchpad. (My recommendation would be to get the TI-Nspire CX CAS.) Teachers who get the Ti-nspire Cx Teacher Bundle, that comes with the Teacher Software, will appreciate the classroom insights and valuable instructions for doing things like Press-to-Test. When students go to the store and get a TI-Nspire CX it comes with the Student Software.

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