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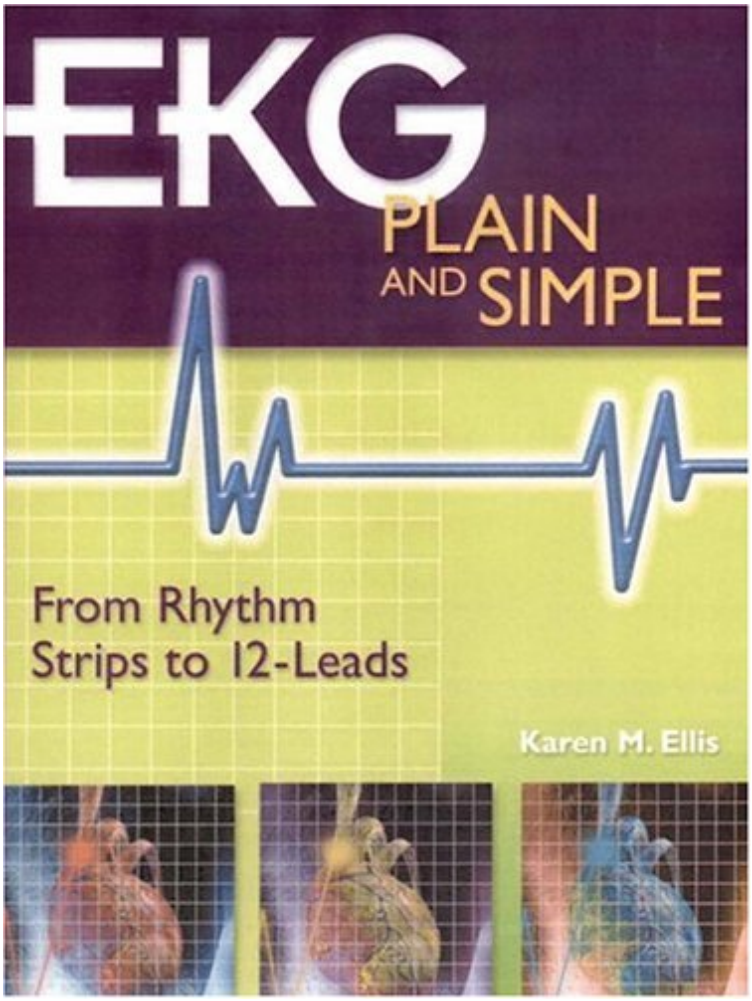

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From the Back Cover An entire chapter devoted to rhythm strip analysis tools. Twenty 12-lead EKGs and five detailed scenarios. Hundreds of drawings, tables, and charts. Chapter-end quizzes. 200 rhythm strips taken from actual medical settings. Rationales for all practice strips/EKGs. Other Titles of Interest Ellis, EKG in a Heartbeat, 2002 (0-13-0061440-8) Ellis, Prentice Hall Health Question and Answer of EKG, 2002 (0-13-019748-3) Beasley, Understanding EKGs: A Practical Approach, 2000 (0-8359-8571-7) Weiss, EKG Technician, 2/eE, 2002 (0-13-019445-X) Excerpt. Reprinted by permission. All rights reserved. Don't you just groan at the thought of buying yet another cold, formal textbook, the kind that imparts important information, but in such a tedious way that you're lucky if you can stay awake long enough to learn anything? Well, this isn't one of those books. This text is very informal. 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At the base of the pyramid is cardiac anatomy and physiologynot enough to be intimidating, but just enough so that the concepts about electrocardiography have a solid foundation. Cardiac anatomy and physiology are covered in Part I of the text. Also in Part I is information about the cardiac conduction system, leads, EKG waves and complexes, and lots of practice exercises to hone your newly learned skills. At the end of Part I is arrhythmia interpretation. Basic rhythms, their causes, clinical implications, and treatment are covered. Rhythm summary sheets and algorithms (flowcharts) help you learn rhythm interpretation, and quizzes at the end of chapters help you evaluate your comprehension of the material. There is an entire chapter of rhythm strips to interpret. A word about the rhythm strips. Some strips have a dotted-line grid pattern in the background and others have a more solid-line grid. This is because different EKG machines print out differently. It's important to be able to interpret rhythm strips with all types of backgrounds. Also, unlike some EKG textbooks that use computer-generated rhythm strips and thus have picture-perfect strips, this text, with few exceptions, uses strips from real patients. Therefore, a few strips have nurses' writing on them or interpretive data from the EKG monitor. Also, a few strips may be a bit faded. Do not let this distract you. Each one of these strips has something to teach you. Also in Part I is a brief chapter on coronary artery disease. Since electrocardiography deals with a population of individuals with cardiac problems, it makes sense not just to be adept at interpreting their rhythm strips and EKGs, but also to be knowledgeable about their disease process and symptoms. It's important to see the person beneath the EKG. Part II is higher up the pyramid. 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