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Buying for retail is a demanding and challenging job that requires a creative flair, a strong awareness of fashion trends, life trends as well as good interpersonal and team working skills. Buyers and merchandisers have to ensure that the right merchandise is being sent to the right stores, at the right time, in the right quantities. This takes a blend of forward planning and rapid response to consumer demands. In combination with the other areas of the business, success comes from maximizing profit, which is achieved through anticipating customer needs and responding rapidly to immediate issues. It involves complex data analysis, liaison with the stores operation teams and balancing store stock levels. To succeed as a professional buyer, you will need strong analytical and numerical skills, an interest and understanding of consumer demands and strong commercial awareness. You also need to have an ability to understand and prioritize issues quickly and efficiently. Progression into the Merchandising function also involves the ability to manage change. The better equipped you are in your buying function the better you will be able to adapt to these changes. The best change of all is to graduate from a good buyer to an outstanding one! To handle the complexity of data and to enable you to contribute effectively in the critical role of a buyer, you need the right skill-sets and a right mind-set. Both of which can be learned in *The Art of Retail Buying*. This easy to read guide is written in a concise & pictorial style with colorful images that enables you to follow step-by-step each function of a buyer. *The Art of Retail Buying* will inspire you, motivate you and encourage you towards merchandising excellence!

This popular workbook meets the needs of students who will be directly or indirectly involved in the activities of merchandising and

buying at the retail level. Bette K. Tepper continues to explain the essential concepts, practices, procedures, calculations, and interpretations of figures that relate to the many factors that produce profit.

The fashion retail environment is changing faster than ever. This book shows the latest state of the art in both theory and practice in how to attract customers, turn them into shoppers and to develop them into lovers of any fashion business. The key-focus lies on a deep understanding of the emotional part during the buying-process. It clearly shows the potential of new digital and social media, and the integration of the on- and offline world within the fashion retail world.

Using various research methodologies, such as reviews, case studies, analytical modeling and empirical studies, this book investigates luxury fashion retail management and provides relevant insights, which are beneficial to both industrialists and academics. Readers gain an understanding of luxury fashion retailing, including proper operations and strategic management, which now are the most crucial items on the luxury fashion industry's senior management agenda.

Seminar paper from the year 2011 in the subject Business economics - Operations Research, grade: A, University of Kent, language: English, abstract: The research report elaborates on responsibilities of Fashion buyer, who was recently appointed in a Paris based Children's wear retail organization. The organization deals with three product lines: Children's Wear, Swimwear and Nightwear. The introduction part of the paper discusses a little bit about the Paris fashion apparel industry and outlines three selling methods that can be used to maximize the profitability of the organization. Then, the paper goes on explaining how these three selling methods can be used and what kind of strategies to be im-

plemented by keeping textile legislations and international currency implications in mind for each method to increase the profitability. This paper also provides an in depth information on key functional areas or key responsibility areas of fashion buyer in apparel retail sector. As we are looking to maximize the sales of children's wear in the first season, the paper emphasized more on what a fashion buyer should do in the first 100 days of his new post to secure maximum profitability. The paper also provided information on strategies to be used to effectively promote the children's wear products for second season also. (...) France is one of the leading countries in manufacturing high quality fabrics and fashionable apparels. In this technology driven world, the percent of transactions happen through retail outlets have been getting down day-by-day. Nearly 35 percent of transactions happen through retail outlets where as 25 percent of transactions happen through online. With the increased awareness levels and secure payment gateways, the internet retailing industry has been reporting record levels of growth rates for past 2 to 3 years.

Editor Anne McKinney Reviews and Excerpts Jobs in modeling, fashion, the beauty business, and even retailing can be hard to obtain, and transferring experience gained in those fields is not always easy. Here is a valuable guide that shows how to communicate jobs such as Retail Buyer, Merchandise Manager, Customer Service Manager, District Supervisor, Assistant Sales Manager, Model, Store Manager, District Supervisor, Buyer, Assistant Buyer, Sales Representative, and many other jobs. This book will teach you how to communicate like an industry pro! Distinguished by its highly readable samples. - Library Journal 1-885288-08-5

Fundamentals for fashion retail ARITHMETIC, MERCHANDISE ASSORTMENT PLANNING AND TRADING The book outlines the fundamental principles and arithmetic that is applied in fashion retail-

ing during the creation of assortment plans and the determination of the ideal product mix in the right styles, colours and sizes together with the performance tracking and action required to build a successful and sustainable business. It will be particularly beneficial to students and those who are maybe considering a career in the industry. Individuals who are already part of the fashion buying and merchandising community will find this book to be invaluable in that it provides a complete simplified overview of all the integral activities and roles that go to make up the topic and thereby will provide a broader insight into their own career. CHARLES NESBITT graduated with a degree in Economics specialising in Business Economics from Stellenbosch University, South Africa. He spent thirty five years at a leading retailer in Southern Africa where he was exposed to all the key disciplines of retailing during this period.

Containing fully updated and beautifully illustrated need-to-know info, this revised second edition of the bestselling textbook on fashion buying contains everything today's fashion management student needs to give them a clear head-start in this lucrative but highly competitive industry. Fashion Buying uniquely looks at what fashion buying entails in terms of the activities, processes and people involved - from the perspective of the fashion buyer. The book breaks down the five key areas of buying activity for those wishing to pursue a career in the industry, crucially exploring the role of the fashion buyer, sources of buying inspiration, sourcing and communication, merchandise planning and trends in fashion buying. Featuring completely revised content on retail typology (including need-to-know info on demographics, price points and markets), and selecting and buying garments (line sheets, purchase orders and lookbooks), Fashion Buying now includes valuable new sections on customer profiling, merchandise pricing (mark-ups, markdowns and how pricing is calculated for profit), and trends. Also included in this practical handbook are insightful interviews with both established and emergent fashion creatives. Business case studies put the contents of each chapter into professional context and provide insider perspective; while industry-focused exercises and activities enable readers to practise applying their new skills and so gain a competitive advantage in both their studies and buying careers. Written by industry experts, Fashion Buying is an invaluable go-to resource and leading textbook for fashion design, marketing, buying and merchandis-

ing students.

Fashion buying, a key component in fashion retailing, is second only to design as a career option for fashion graduates. The buyer has a central role in influencing what consumers choose to wear and in determining whether a fashion retailing company succeeds or fails. Buying is a multi-faceted job, which typically involves fashion forecasting, range-planning, garment sourcing and budgeting. This comprehensive textbook describes the buying cycle, buying for stores and mail order and how to start a career in fashion buying. A glossary of buying terminology, as well as input from fashion buyers currently working for major companies, give a clear insight into this exciting and challenging role. The new edition has been revised throughout, includes more emphasis on buying for the internet, and all the interviews have been updated or replaced.

Covers topics that are important to aspiring retail buyers and store management personnel with responsibilities for managing retail sales and inventories.

Consumer behavior affects the fashion industry-in design, production, merchandising and promotion at all levels-as much as it affects retailing. The Second Edition of *Why of the Buy: Consumer Behavior and Fashion Marketing* continues to address how psychology, sociology, and culture all influence the how, what, when, where, and why of the buy. The unifying element of this text is its presentation of current knowledge of consumer behavior applied to the fields of fashion and design in an enthusiastic and relevant way that will attract and engage students. New to this Edition - New What Do I Need to Know About ...? feature lists the objectives of each chapter, providing a roadmap for study - New Chapter 11, Social Media and the Fashion Consumer, explores how the relationship between marketers, retailers, and consumers is aided by social media and the internet - New discussion of Omnichannel retailing in Ch. 13

Innovation and novel leadership strategies have aided the successful growth of the fashion industry around the globe. However, as the dynamics of the industry are constantly changing, a deficit can emerge in the overall comprehension of industry strategies and practices. The *Handbook of Research on Global Fashion Management and Merchandising* explores the various facets of effective management procedures within the fashion industry. Featuring research on entrepreneurship, operations management, mar-

keting, business modeling, and fashion technology, this publication is an extensive reference source for practitioners, academics, researchers, and students interested in the dynamics of the fashion industry.

Research Paper (postgraduate) from the year 2013 in the subject Business economics - Marketing, Corporate Communication, CRM, Market Research, Social Media, grade: A, University of Massachusetts Boston, language: English, abstract: This paper aimed at reviewing some retail marketing theories and evaluating its applicability in increasingly narrowing contexts of fashion and fast fashion sectors. Retail marketing theories focus on attracting customers to different store forms and online sales. The retail mix should be the most suitable one to attract maximum customers to enhance revenue for the firm. Attracting customers involve efficient customer relationship management to win their trust and loyalty. Companies adopt several methods for this. In online marketing introduction and enhancement of virtual shopping experience will be useful. Success of retailing depends on service quality which makes customers satisfied. Repeated satisfaction will build loyalty to the firm. This is the aim of all firms. Frequent measurements and monitoring of service quality and customer satisfaction can lead to increasing loyal customers. Fashion is not a necessity. Its customers are fashion-conscious young generation of modern lifestyles. To be successful, firms need to understand changing fashion tastes and shopping behaviour of customers. Firms use many methods for this. Fast fashion involves rapid replacement of limited stocks with fresh fashions. The limited stocks are sold out fast resulting in large number of customers going away with unsatisfied demand. This is expected to trigger repeated visits. Unless repeated visits occur in large numbers, fast fashion will fail. Fast fashion firms can use retail marketing theories to achieve this. Zara is used as a real life example to demonstrate how retail marketing theories can be adapted to the context of fast fashion. Zara's online sale has not picked up well. Zara needs to be cautious in its store formats to ensure that customers do not go away permanently due to inconvenient formats and layouts. Monitoring customer visits and their conversion into purchases is essential to detect any sign of this at the earliest.

This comprehensive book provides students with the skills and savvy needed to become successful buyers in any area of retail. With a simple and straightforward approach, Clodfelter presents

step-by-step instructions for typical buying tasks, such as identifying and understanding potential customers, creating a six-month merchandising plan, and developing sales forecasts. With coverage of math concepts integrated throughout the text, this new edition contains up-to-date coverage of important retailing trends, including more coverage of international buying and sourcing, integration of product development concepts throughout, and more math practice problems in chapters. Updated "Snapshot" and "Trendwatch" features present current info and new case studies from the fashion industry. Ample activities are drawn from real-world merchandising and incorporating current trends to give students the opportunity to apply critical skills as they would in a professional environment. Introducing "Retail Buying: From Basics to Fashion" STUDIO—an online tool for more effective study! Study smarter with self-quizzes featuring scored results and personalized study tips. Review concepts with flashcards of essential vocabulary and basic retail math formulas. Practice your skills with downloadable Excel spreadsheets to complete the end of chapter Spreadsheet Skills exercises. Enhance your knowledge with printable worksheets featuring step-by-step solutions to common retail buying math problems. This bundle includes "Retail Buying" 5th Edition and "Retail Buying" STUDIO Access Card.

"The end objective of buying and merchandising is to achieve sales and gross margin objectives through effective merchandise management of a department or group of departments." —from *Management of Retail Buying, Third Edition* There is more to retail buying than simply forecasting consumer demand. The successful buyer employs a complex constellation of skill, art, and careful study to plan and manage the flow of merchandise from the wholesaler or marketer to the consumer. This book contains the combined wisdom, knowledge, and hard-won savvy of three of the world's foremost authorities on managing retail buying, each of whom brought a lifetime of experience to the creation of this third edition of the most important book in every retail buyer's library. This comprehensive volume covers every aspect of retail buying, from targeting desired consumers and purchasing goods tailored to their tastes and needs, to negotiating with vendors, managing inventory, and using computers to expedite the buying process. *Management of Retail Buying* is organized into three parts: The Buying Process, Planning and Managing Merchandise Assortments, and Where and How to Buy. Part I features an overview of

the buyer's milieu; a look at how the buying process can be organized and controlled; and in-depth descriptions of the several types of buying groups, how they function, and their similarities and differences. Part II focuses on the keys to understanding the consumer, forecasting demand, and using that forecast as a basis for selecting merchandise. Because retailers of staple goods face a very different set of objectives and problems from retailers of fashion and seasonal merchandise, separate chapters are devoted to planning and control of assortments in these different types of establishments. The book's final section examines the world of suppliers, vendors, price negotiations, order placement, special services from vendors, and actual acquisition of the merchandise. The authors provide authoritative and timeless advice on competitive strategies and tactics, foreign buying, controlling the logistical factors that lie between the purchase of goods and their delivery to the point of sale, and much more. Whether you're a seasoned retail veteran or a student or novice hoping to make retailing your life's work, *Management of Retail Buying, Third Edition* is destined to become the most highly prized volume on your bookshelf. The standard text/reference for retail buying and merchandising is now revised, expanded, and updated for the 1990s and beyond . . . This Third Edition of one of the classics in retailing literature combines the timeless wisdom of three of the industry's giants with a detailed examination of the current state of the retailer's art. It provides comprehensive coverage of every aspect of retail buying and how to manage the buying process in order to maximize profits and minimize losses. It also offers in-depth discussions of the numerous skills and techniques needed to succeed as a buyer or merchandise manager in today's competitive retail environment, including: Organizing and controlling the buying process Understanding consumer demographics and psychographics Identifying consumer trends and forecasting demand Analyzing and interpreting sales records Planning and control of merchandise assortments Using computers to increase competitiveness Shopping vendor lines and negotiating prices and services And much more

For courses in Retail Buying, Retail Merchandising and Fashion Merchandising. This edition offers the reader all the latest developments in retail buying for the new millennium. With detailed cases and strategies for dealing with varying economic conditions, as well as the theoretical and practical background required for suc-

cessful purchasing. It provides the fundamental information new buyers need to accurately forecast and fulfill their customers' merchandise requirements.

"Perry's Department Store: A Buying Simulation, " 4th Edition, launches students into the exciting role of being a retail buyer in the fashion industry using a unique simulation approach that takes readers step-by-step through a real-life buying experience. The text is organized into 10 chapters that walk students through the various steps a new buyer would take to complete a six-month buying plan and a merchandise assortment plan for the women's contemporary apparel, junior apparel, women's accessories, men's apparel and accessories, men's contemporary apparel, children's, or home furnishings markets. The fourth edition has been revised with statistical information to reflect a more contemporary structure and business model for a successful department store. The new Perry's Department Store is organized to reflect a larger-scale department store in today's market. Students interact by researching current market and industry trends to build their business. The charts and worksheets in this book and companion website, "Perry's Department Store: A Buying Simulation" STUDIO, are replicas of those found in the retail and wholesale industry to expose students to the procedures and policies they can expect to find in a first job as an assistant buyer. This new edition and STUDIO launch students directly into the exciting role of a retail buyer in the fashion industry. Introducing "Perry's Department Store: A Buying Simulation" STUDIO—an online tool for more effective study! Study smarter with self-quizzes featuring scored results and personalized study tips. Review concepts with flashcards of terms and definitions. Follow the text's steps and calculations with data and statistical information. Download worksheets, Excel spreadsheets with embedded formulas and blank worksheets. View industry catalogs and private label line sheets. Link to additional resources to complete the buying simulation. This bundle includes Perry's Department Store: A Buying Simulation 4th Edition and Perry's Department Store: A Buying Simulation STUDIO Access Card.

With an emphasis on developing a strategy for buying, this comprehensive book gives students the skills they'll need to become successful buyers in all retail areas. Its simple and straightforward approach presents students with step-by-step instructions for typical buying tasks, such as identifying and understanding potential

customers, creating a six-month merchandising plan, and developing sales forecasts. Ample activities give students the opportunity to apply these skills as they would in a professional environment. This new edition offers expanded coverage of the use of technology for retail buying and working with foreign markets. The companion text, *Making Buying Decisions: Using The Computer as a Tool* furthers the connection between retail buying strategies and merchandise math. New to this Edition -- Updated and expanded chapter features: "Internet Connections," "Snapshots" and "Trend-watches" -- New, more contemporary illustrations -- Expanded and updated coverage of direct marketing and the growing use of database-driven marketing and technology -- New chapter on purchasing from foreign sources -- Revised discussion of the types of buying offices -- Updated facts for identifying changes in consumer markets -- Consolidated coverage of domestic markets and negotiating with vendors -- More emphasis on using the Internet as promotional tool -- Increased coordination with companion text *Making Buying Decisions* -- Instructor's Guide provides suggestions for planning the course and using the text.

This book focuses on sustainability in fashion retail, which is fast becoming the pivot point of future fashion retail strategies. Chapters in the book provide theoretical and practical insight on how going green may positively influence the strategy of fashion retailers and marketers, who have to react to the changing society and customer needs. Structured in four main parts, and based on distinct research questions, readers will be able to dig deep into the individual levers for possible adaptations. It thus provides a solid understanding on how to integrate green aspects into any fashion retailers business model.

The *Fashion Design Manual* is a comprehensive introduction to the world of fashion. It introduces the reader to the cycles and trends of fashion, the principles and practice of fashion design, the range of techniques and skills required to be successful in the industry, and the economic reality of the world of retail fashion. The *Fashion Design Manual* follows the path a garment takes from sketch to sample, through production and finally via the retail outlet to the wearer. The book is very generously illustrated with drawings, sketches, and photographs throughout.

This best-selling textbook meets the needs of students who will be directly or indirectly involved in the activities of merchandising and buying at the retail level. Mathematics for Retail Buying ex-

plains the essential concepts, practices, procedures, calculations, and interpretations of figures that relate to producing profitable retail buying and selling operations. Now in its seventh edition, the text has been reorganized and expanded to provide real world examples that reflect current industry practices and trends. A companion CD-ROM, now containing all practice problems from the text, allows hands-on practice computing retail buying functions and setting up formulas in spreadsheet format. PLEASE NOTE: Purchasing or renting this ISBN does not include access to the STUDIO resources that accompany this text. To receive free access to the STUDIO content with new copies of this book, please refer to the book + STUDIO access card bundle ISBN 9781501395314. STUDIO Instant Access can also be purchased or rented separately on BloomsburyFashionCentral.com.

For courses in Retail Buying, Retail Merchandising and Fashion Merchandising. Retail Buying, Ninth Edition, is known for its clear depiction of retail buying, reflecting what buyers face every day in their pursuit of excellence. Focusing on the changes in today's market, the book addresses topics such as diverse ethnicities and the nuances of purchasing abroad. Contemporary market considerations are highlighted throughout, including chapters on buying for discount operations, using the Internet for product procurement, and methods of analyzing customer demand. With a host of end-of-chapter materials and visual aids, this book continues its tradition of effectively preparing students for their role as professional retail buyers.

Throughout modern history, retailers have opened their doors to consumers, providing them with goods and services that satisfy both rational and emotional needs. They do this by evoking a customer's sensory system, to create memorable experiences that will entice shoppers to visit again and again. Starting with a brief overview of the history of retail, market research, site selection and retail typology are then discussed. The differences between on-site and off-site retailing are distinguished; and multi-channel approaches that have been used in retail test markets as a means to cost-effective growth within the industry are explored, with specific reference to how technology has created a new formula within a stagnant model. Fashion Retailing further explores back-of-house functions, such as human resources (hiring, payroll, job descriptions and salaries) and loss prevention from a management standpoint. Front-of-house functions, including merchandis-

ing (product analysis, fixturing, fixture sales tracking), visual merchandising (seasonal displays, windows, mannequins), circulation patterns and the relationship between the merchandising and management teams in driving overall sales and brand image, are explored across different retailers. Readers will gain a thorough understanding of how the retail model operates in an effort to continually capture the ever-changing market, as well as an insight into corporate social responsibility (CSR) and brand sustainability.

The first academic textbook covering European retail fashion buying and merchandising. It provides a unique insight into best practice across the fashion industry.

We take you on a journey from concept to runway to rack. We pull back the veil and reveal the complexities and demands of a fashion organization from the view of a buyer or merchandiser. This includes exploration of a buyer's challenging role and the rich, analytical role of a merchandiser.

"The best retail buying book available. It combines concepts with actual calculations. This provides you with a better understanding of the topics." Katherine Annette Burnsed, University of South Carolina, USA Learn the skills needed to become a successful buyer in any area of retail. The book has step-by-step instructions for typical buying tasks, such as identifying and understanding potential customers, creating a six-month merchandising plan, and developing sales forecasts. It covers math concepts throughout and shows you how to analyze and interpret data with practice problems to prepare you for the profession. You'll also learn about important retailing trends, including global buying and sourcing, omni-channel retailing, online retailing, mobile technologies, and social media in case studies. STUDIO resources include: - Chapter self-quiz questions with scored results and personalized study tips - Glossary flashcards help build industry vocabulary - Downloadable Excel spreadsheets to complete the end of chapter Spreadsheet Skills exercises and assignments - Printable worksheets featuring step-by-step solutions to common retail buying math problems - Links to author-curated videos showing retail math concepts and formulas PLEASE NOTE: Purchasing or renting this ISBN does not include access to the STUDIO resources that accompany this text. To receive free access to the STUDIO content with new copies of this book, please refer to the book + STUDIO access card bundle ISBN 9781501334276.

Describes fashion buying and related careers in fashion marketing and retailing, including typical responsibilities, job qualifications, and day-to-day tasks.

Revised edition of Mathematics for retail buying, 2014.

Fashion buying and merchandising has changed dramatically over the last 20 years. Aspects such as the advent of new technologies and the changing nature of the industry into one that is faster paced than ever before, as well as the shift towards more ethical and sustainable practices have resulted in a dramatic change of the roles. As a result, contemporary fast fashion retailers do not follow the traditional buying cycle processes step by step, critical paths are wildly different, and there has been a huge increase in 'in-season buying' as a response to heightened consumer demand. This textbook is a comprehensive guide to 21st-century fashion buying and merchandising, considering fast fashion, sustainability, ethical issues, omnichannel retailing, and computer-aided design. It presents an up-to-date buying cycle that reflects key aspects of fashion buying and merchandising, as well as in-depth explanations of fashion product development, trend translation, and sourcing. It applies theoretical and strategic business models to buying and merchandising that have traditionally been used in marketing and management. This book is ideal for all fashion buying and merchandising students, specifically second- and final-year undergraduate as well as MA/MSc fashion students. It will also be useful to academics and practitioners who wish to gain a greater understanding of the industry today.

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Inhaltsangabe:Introduction: 1.1 Subject and background: The global economic situation by its ever-changing business dynamics, such as ambiguities about the market, fierce competition, consumer behaviour and their changing preferences significantly increases Business Management responsibilities. Today as never before people are concerned with the environment and social issues; rapidly rising oil prices, increasing transparency and consumer interest in how products are made and where they come from, pressures Business Managers to create a more transparent

and sustainable industry. Especially Purchasing Managers play a key role in using their procurement function to foster sustainable development. Referring to an international study that was carried out by Capgemini Consulting, sustainability efforts constitute the second important business driver on multiple supply chain agendas for 2010 (Haarman et al., 2009). Companies are rapidly adopting the term into their business or corporate social responsibility (CSR) reports. However, a review of the literature will show that the term sustainability has been inconsistently defined. More specifically, most of the recent sustainability research has examined issues such as environment, human rights and safety in a standalone fashion (Seuring et al., 2008). Especially Purchasing Managers fail to take the emerged challenge of sustainability into a more integrative perspective: They often limit their purchasing policies on environmental considerations only. More precisely, there does not appear to be a corporate strategy that integrates environmental and social issues together into one purchasing plan. Hence, the sustainability challenges pressures Purchasing Managers to take the effect of their purchasing actions on the triple bottom line (TBL) into account, which refers to people, planet and profit. 1.2 Reason for choice of subject: The clothing and textile industry is massive. It is worth over US\$1trillion worldwide, and contributes to 7% of world exports and employs nearly 26 million people (Tokatli, 2007). Paying a greater attention to fashion retailers, the high street dynamic pushed the retail prices for clothing extremely down. Sadly, consumers are demanding more of low price clothing and consequently fashion becomes more and more disposable. In lieu thereof silent sounds approach mainstream retailers; sounds from degrading working conditions in manufacturing facilities and threatening environmental [...]

The only retailing book that exclusively focuses on the fashion segment of the retailing industry, its complete coverage includes the author's personal experience, in-depth interviews with industry professionals, and a wealth of pertinent photographs, exposing fashion retailing as a "multi-channel" industry. Beginning with a broad overview of fashion retailing, this book then focuses on on-site environments, management and control functions, merchandising fashion products, communicating with clientele, and finally ends with a useful appendix about careers in fashion. An excellent handbook for retail executives and managers in the field.

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Retailers must be primed to face increasingly difficult trading conditions thanks to the rise of the internet, increasingly better informed consumers, technological advances and an often competitive environment. This established textbook, now in its third edition, helps to provide students with the necessary skills to understand and tackle these challenges. Retail Product Management explains the importance of retailing as a customer-focused activity and helps to provide students of courses such as "Retail Marketing", "Retail Management" and "The Retail Environment" with an excellent introduction to this important topic. With an emphasis on the operational side, this text incorporates features including expanded case vignettes, questions for further discussion, and application tasks. It also includes a new chapter on ethical and sustainable retail product management. Retaining the popular style and elements of the first two editions, Rosemary Varley's Retail Product Management will continue to find favour with students and lecturers involved with retailing.

Perry's Department Store: A Buying Simulation bridges the gap between the principles of retail buying and mathematical concepts using a unique simulation approach that takes readers step-by-step through a real-life buying experience. Videtic and Steele present a simplified process for making complex buying decisions using the fictitious Perry's Department Store that walks students through the steps a new buyer would take to complete a six-month buying plan and a merchandise assortment plan for categories including junior, misses' bridge/contemporary, men's, children's, denim, accessories, or home fashion. The fourth edition has been revised with statistical information to reflect a more contemporary structure and business model for a successful department store. The new Perry's Department Store is organized to reflect a larger-scale department store in today's market. Students interact by researching current market and industry trends to build their business. The charts and forms in this book and companion website are replicas of those found in the retail and wholesale industry to expose student to the procedures and policies they can expect to find in a first job as an assistant buyer. This

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