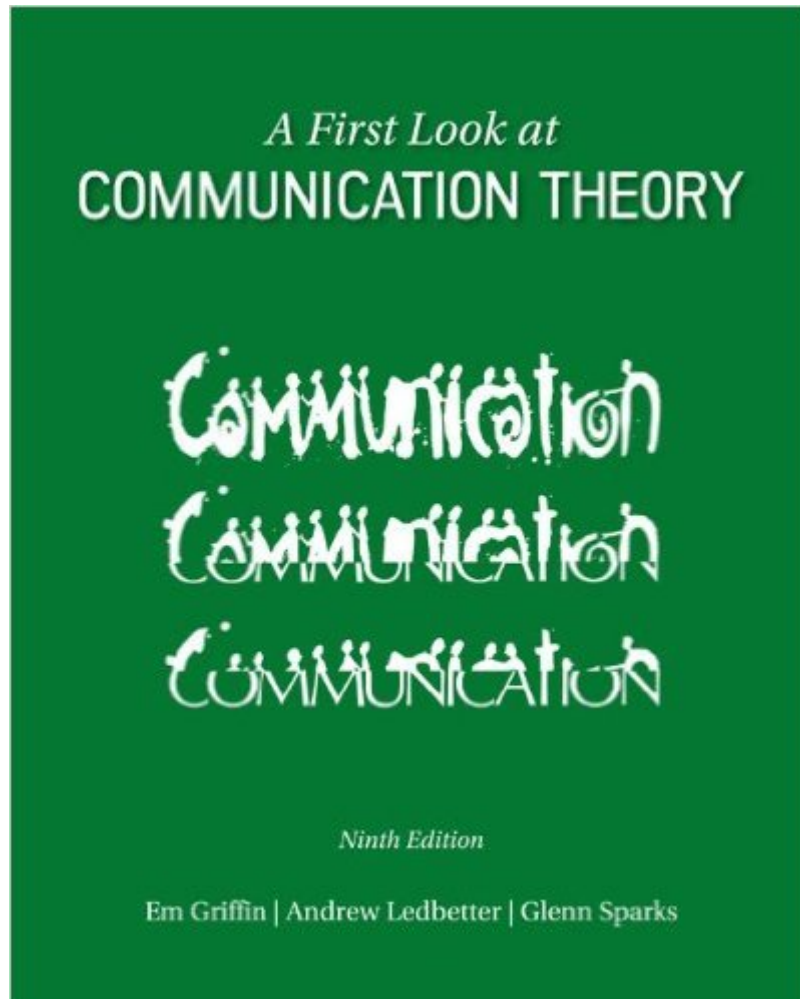


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complete up to date vision of communication theories and new perspectives in the field of communication. Although some of the new theories appear to be fillers for ones publishing requirements for tenure and dissertations. As a text book it is comprehensive but it appears that the field of communication studies has become a platform for every new fangle dangled theory ...one built upon another much like a house of cards just waiting for a steady breeze ....over all the text tries to cover all the new ideas being studied in this field. Well organized but some of the newer schools of thought would do well to be on stand by before calling it a theory....

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