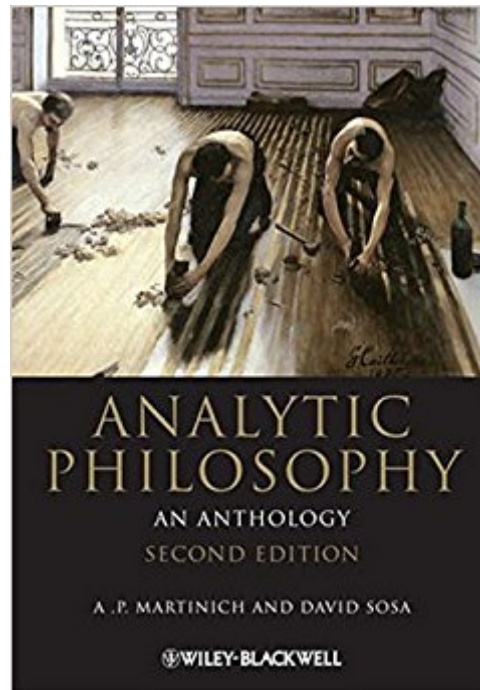


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As another reviewer noted, this anthology contains some of the most important articles in the history of analytic philosophy, notably Quine's "On What There Is" (important for my own studies of the philosophy of mathematics is when he introduces his notion of ontological commitment, among other things), and his "Two Dogmas of Empiricism". For those two articles it is worth the price alone, but also for the reading of Frege and for Searle's "Can Computers Think?", which contains a version of his now famous Chinese Room argument. All of the articles contained within are relevant and most were groundbreaking; all are thought-provoking and necessary reading for the student of analytical philosophy.

This anthology has many of the most important articles in analytic philosophy. I do wish, however, that it included articles on (1) Idealism, (2) Moore's critique of idealism and defense of common sense/the existence of an external world, (3) additional seminal articles in ethics ("Good and Evil", "How to Derive an 'Ought' from an 'Is', etc.).

It was required for a class I'm taking, but I've decided to keep the book because it's so helpful! I will use it for future papers / essays or anything that I need it for!

Bought this for a class and referenced it once or twice to read the essays contained within. Interesting reading, but considering it is little more than a compendium of essays I think it could be cheaper.

This is an extraordinary anthology, not only in the sense that it includes the basic writings on philosophy of language (like Frege's "On Sense and Reference" and "The Thought", and the important reading of Bertrand Russell "On Denoting") but also contains readings on metaphysics which include portions of Wittgenstein's Tractatus, and Quine's "On What There Is". Contains also the readings of Quine's "Two Dogmas of Empiricism" and the reply of other philosophers to that reading, specially "In Defense of Dogma" by H. P. Grice and P. E. Strawson. Contains readings on Epistemology, Philosophy of Mind, and Ethics (which includes portions of G. E. Moore's Principia Ethica). It is the ideal anthology for anyone who wants to begin to study analytic philosophy. I enthusiastically recommend it.

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