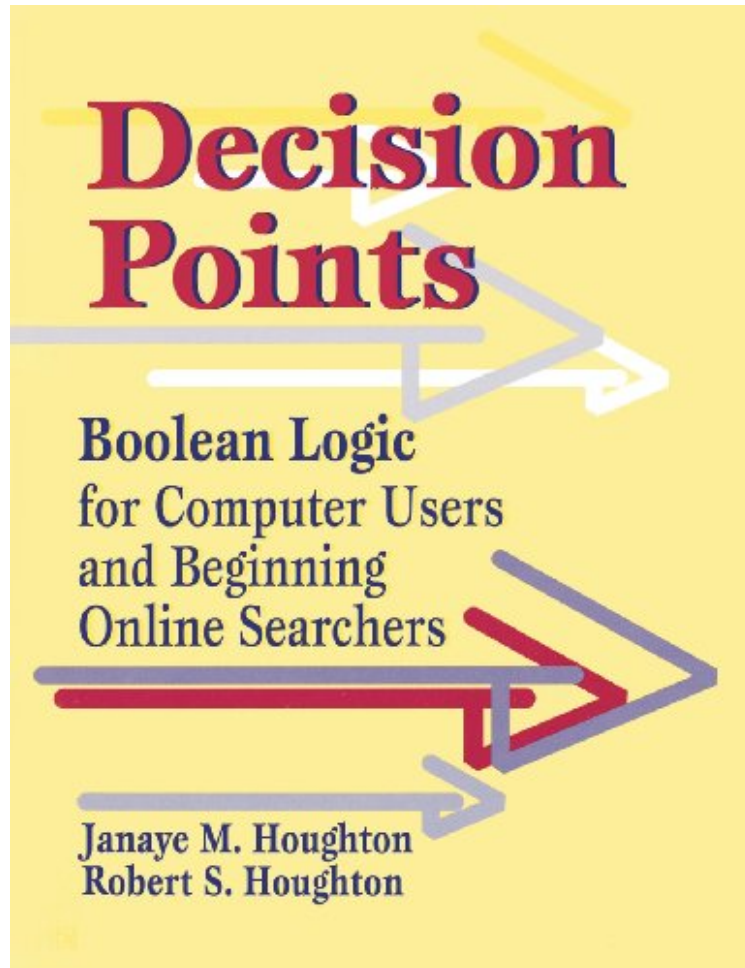


# Decision Points: Boolean Logic for Computer Users and Beginning Online Searchers

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been in a child in a lot of decades) and condescending. The latter quality, I think, would be picked up quickly by kids. Fortunately, there are other texts available that are more current. Whether they provide young people with enough to get them interested in this valuable subject is unknown. I don't think this book does. Jerry

Teach students valuable information retrieval skills and build information literacy with this excellent guide and activity book. Along with a simplified explanation of Boolean logic and how it is used for online searching, it offers reproducible worksheets that lead students through decision-making and powerful strategic techniques of search process. These skills help online searchers make decisions and gain access to the desired person, place, or thing; off-line, they can be used to narrow a topic and search through library information with focus and direction. They can even be used in everyday situations, such as choosing pizza toppings. A must-buy for school libraries and computer labs, this book can also be used by classroom teachers and for independent instruction with older students and adults. A great tool for working through the cobwebs of online searching.

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