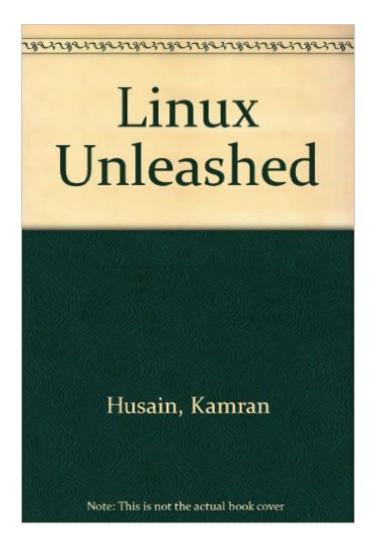
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Synopsis

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Just recently a became a LINUX convert, having bought a thin book (Linux Pro) which came with a distribution of RedHat Linux 4.2. Soon after I upgraded to Linux 5.1 and downloaded and installed WindowMaker and KDE. I was in heaven! I decided it was time to set up a printer, modem, scanner, sound etc... So I bought three massive tomes: "LINUX UNLEASHED", "Using LINUX", and "RedHat LINUX SECRETS". Each one of these books cost \$40.00 and was between 900 - 1000+ pages (2 inches thick". I was surprised to find that of the 3 books, "UNIX UNLEASHED" was the most useless. Most of the book consists of Summarised explanations of "what things are". The book spends several pages explaining what files and directories are, but then when I wanted to find information on how to set up a modem, all I found was a paragraph that said "If your modem works under DOS, you should have no trouble getting it to work under Linux". Most of the information in the book I either knew already or could easily obtain from the man pages installed with the OS, or from any number of web pages. It difficult to understand who the authors were targeting the book at. If you feel the reader doesn't know what a file system is, or how to browse directories, why would you included a chapter on programming in C!? The book mentions that you have a choice between

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