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▪ **Surgical Talk: Revision in Surgery**

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I remember there being somewhat of a frenzy when I bought this book during my 3rd year at medical school! I had been the first person to get it from the shop. Its original cover was a simple green thing that didn't inspire much. This new one makes it look a lot better but it is what is inside that really grabs the reader. It was the most valuable tool many people had to pass finals. Once you start a chapter you have to finish it because it is such compelling reading. It talks you through the topics as if they were being given in a lecture and explains concepts in a very reader-friendly way. This is a great book for revision which is not a heavy read at all – you could read it on a train or a bus. The pictures are few and far between as well as a bit rudimentary but the text is so good at explaining concepts you really feel you are missing very little. In this second edition, each chapter has been extensively rewritten and updated with the help of experts in their respective subjects.

Contents include:

- Surgical Fluid Balance and Parenteral Nutrition
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- Disorders of the Oesophagus, Stomach and Duodenum
- Small Intestine and Colon
- Rectum and Anus
- The Acute Abdomen
- Breast Surgery
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- Hernias
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- Urology
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- Ear, Nose and Throat

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