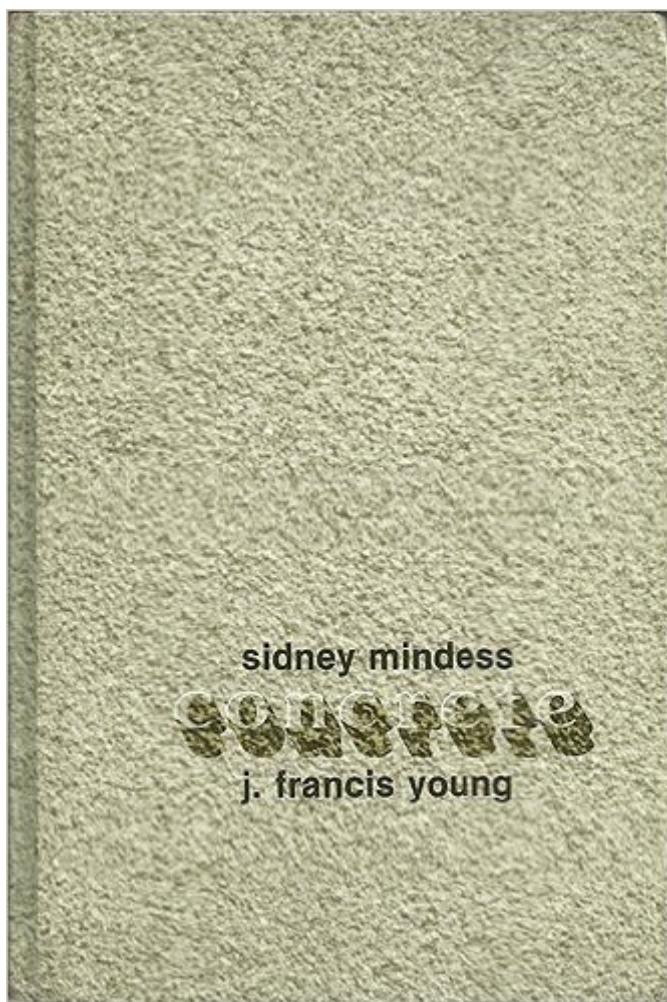


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This was the required book for my senior-level concrete materials class. Based on the poor reviews, I ended up buying Neville's book to keep and renting this book for the course. After comparing the two for a semester, this is by far the superior text for learning about concrete. Neville's book does have more information, but it is not as easy to access. It is a good reference work. It's good for research. But if you're trying to learn about concrete, I would not recommend Neville. Mindess and Young, however, do a great job of explaining not just the basics of concrete, but also the more advanced topics. They use clear, accessible English, and include lots of useful graphs and pictures to illustrate the topics. I'm now beginning my PhD research -- on concrete -- and I'm realizing I need this book on my shelf, right next to Neville. So, I'm on here buying a copy to keep.

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