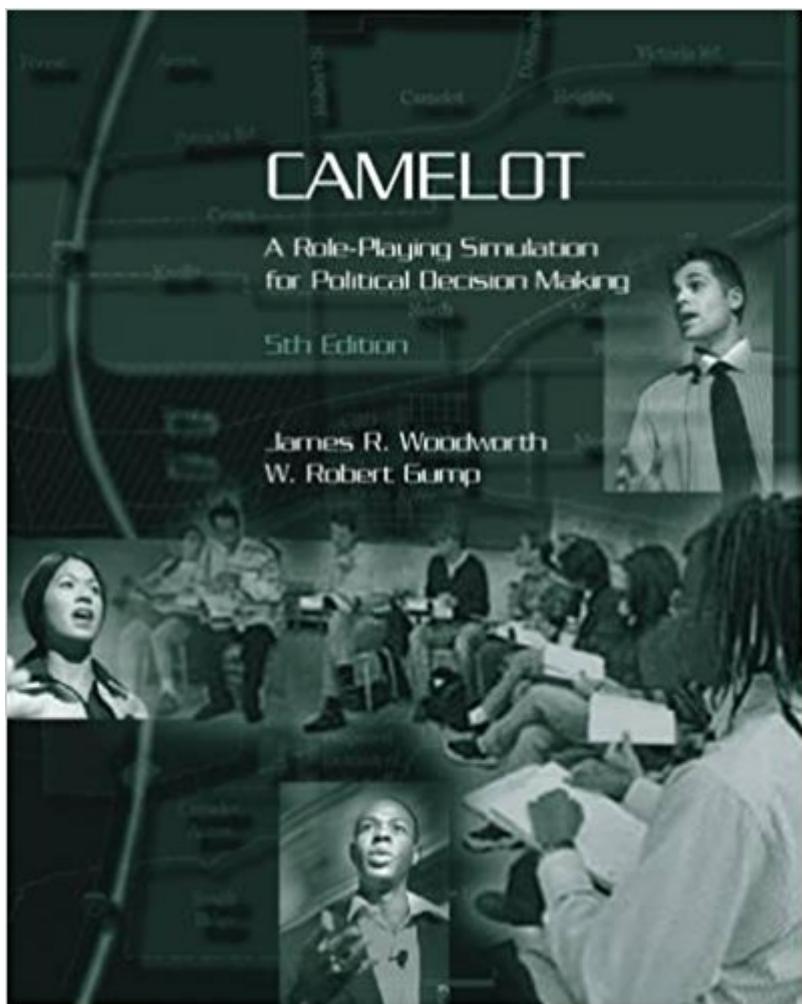


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# Camelot: A Role-Playing Simulation For Political Decision Making



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Whether you're reading this for fun, or planning on using this for a class or organization, this book provides an inside look into the roles people play in local politics and government. I'm a clerk for two local commissions in my city, and the information I've read in this book is a similar model of our meetings. The chapters are not lengthy, but the authors managed to touch on pertinent details involved within resident and voting members activity. Well worth the read!

Great tool for a class. Make sure you explain well before throwing students into it

Great

This text was purchased as required for a role playing exercise in a political science class. The simulation setting and all needed information is included and easily understood. The exercise allows

for creativity and personalities to emerge.

I am almost done with the book, overall I understand the point of view of the writer, but adversely the writer seems strictly to adhere to a extreme liberal philosophy. Where government is the answer for all problems facing society. Where have we as a American society splintered off to consider ourselves in separate American Categories instead of One Nation.

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