Handbook Of Local Anesthesia
Synopsis

Part I describes drugs and how they work, both as general classes and as specific agents. Part II presents armamentaria—syringes, needles, cartridges, etc.—and how to select and handle them.

Part III, Techniques of Regional Anesthesia relates the general injection procedure to specific techniques for both the maxilla and mandible.

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Customer Reviews

I think this is one of the books that every dentist should have. It's dry. I find reading this book to be duller than pulling teeth. However, this covers a lot of the very basic information that I feel every dentist should know before an injection. Personally, I hate this book with a passion, as my instructor (a hygienist) forced us to memorize various parts of the texts instead of understanding the anatomical foundation of the various nerve blocks. While I don't think that she knew as much as she claimed. The various contraindications, considerations with weight, and especially pediatric max dosages are very useful to know. Additionally, knowledge of the relative half-life of each anesthetic is a very useful thing to give to patients. This book would be incomplete without a copy of Netter's Anatomy. If you have a skull, it's even better. There some areas where I think that Malamed is wrong, or at least gives incomplete information: 1. Pt's can DEFINITELY FEEL THE DIFFERENCE IN NEEDLE SIZE particularly in an IA block! I've observed many different clinicians, specialists, and given quite a few injections. Pt's can feel the injection. That being said, his choice of a thicker needle is definitely validated by the reduced tendency of the needle to break (of course, I'd question why you'd break a needle while delivering an injection as a dentist. It's supposed to be gentle). 2.
The entry of the inferior alveolar nerve is dictated by skeletal landmarks, not just dental.