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From Interweave,2008 : Start Spinning by Casey, Maggie [Interweave Press,2008] (Paperback) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Start Spinning by Casey, Maggie [Interweave Press,2008] (Paperback):

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Great Beginning Spinning Reference.By GraehoundThis is an excellent reference for beginning spinners that covers the basics concisely and thoroughly without being overwhelming, proof that Casey is truly a well-versed teacher who practices what she preaches. If you've shied away from spinning before, this is a streamlined, simple, and engaging book to get you started confidently.3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. All the topics, not much depthBy KarenThe book is good, but could be fantastic. The topics are all there, from working with a raw fleece to knitting with your self-spun yarn and wheel maintenance. Unfortunately, the breadth of topics are only covered superficially, as the book is just over 100 pages. I wish the author had chosen fewer topics, or made a thicker book. What is there is, however, excellent! Great pictures, good descriptions, and I learned a lot. Even though there is room for improvement, it is one of the best books on the market.2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Helpful...But important correctionBy ChloeI bought this book to help me get started spinning and I found it to be very helpful. It has all the information you need to learn to spin your own yarn, whether on a spindle or a spinning wheel. I am self teaching and while I would prefer to take a class, this book was a helpful and economical alternative. I was particularly happy about the Appendix with information on prepping fleece (both washing and the various methods of readying the washed fleece), since I'd been

having trouble figuring out what I needed to do. No information on dyeing, but that's understandable because that takes a whole other book. However, one important correction should be made. On page 74, when describing how to measure yards per pound, the author states that you should weigh your yarn in ounces, then multiply by 16 to get to pounds. You should be dividing by 16 to convert to pounds! I would think it would be pretty obvious that if you have 32 ounces you have 2 pounds, not 512, but I thought that should be pointed out.

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