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Books on race, class, and gender are often taught as if they belong to a single semester, but students frequently discover that they continue to frame later reading, writing, and social analysis. A text like ISBN 9780357894378 often becomes part of a larger intellectual vocabulary rather than a one-time requirement. That is why the price comparison matters, but not in a purely transactional way.

If you only need the buying answer

The cheapest short-term route is digital at about **\$71.49**, followed by short rental around **\$104.73**. But the current new print listing is only **\$61.32**, which is lower than every sampled rental, lower than digital, and dramatically below the used and new print market. That makes this a very strong print case. If you need the book, current print is the clean value winner.

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What this price means in practice

This is one of the easier decisions in the cluster. The current print listing is not just competitive. It is lower than the temporary-access routes and far lower than the broader ownership market. That means there is no financial penalty for choosing a keepable copy.

For a critical-reading text that many students will annotate heavily and revisit later, that is a meaningful advantage.

What this book actually teaches

Race, Class, and Gender: Intersections and Inequalities helps students think about inequality through intersecting structures rather than isolated categories. Its value lies in teaching readers how social categories interact, how power is organized, and how sociological analysis can be applied across contexts.

That gives the book genuine reuse value. Students in sociology, social work, gender studies, and related fields often return to these frameworks in later reading and writing.

Who should buy print

Buy print if you need the book. In the visible market, it is the strongest clean route on both short-term and long-term value.

I would only skip it if your course does not require the text. On price alone, print wins clearly here.

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