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Tutorial, Step-thru Applications, and Topic Roadmap for Microsoft Excel™

Created by the textbook author, Tim Gallagher, PhD., and his colleague at Colorado State University, Hong Miao, PhD, 7e Spreadsheet TutorPak features four handy tools to help students understand Microsoft Excel™ spreadsheets, and then both practice and apply their spreadsheet skills to meet the objectives of this course.

Spreadsheets 101: An Introduction to Using Microsoft Excel™:
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