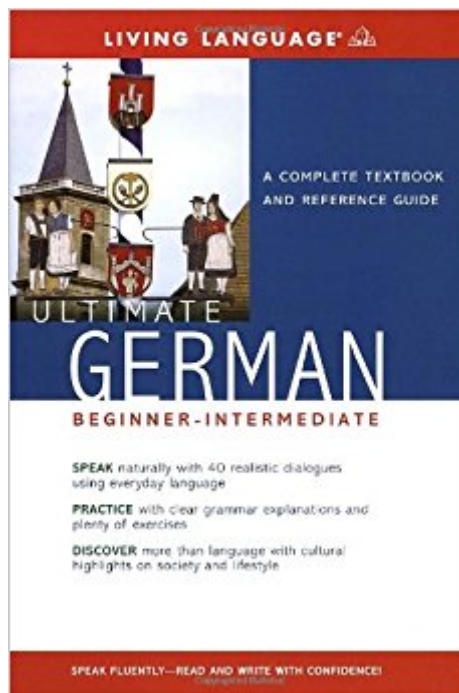




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Written very well, this training book has been very helpful for me to understand the whys, how tos, and wherefores of the German language. So opposite of trying to figure out what the heck they're doing, as with the 'immersion' learning methods.

Danke, dass du das in deinem Buchteil hast! (thank you for having this in your book section!). I am hoping to visit Germany sometime soon, I hope

Great book overall. I only wish it had sections with tests and fill in the blank exercises. Other than that it is helpful when it comes to grammar and conjugations.

I am refreshing my forgotten German I learnt in HS for few years. This book is well structured and grammar is well explained.

The only downside is that it doesn't come with the audio version

I wanted to learn enough German to translate Schubert Lieder and Mozart librettos. After reading the reviews here on , I bought this set, and am thoroughly glad I did. This is not a perfect product, but what you get for your \$50+ is simply amazing. I sampled quite a number of similar courses at our public library, and none of them came close to covering as much material as this one did. The progression of lessons is well thought out, building the student's knowledge at a reasonable pace. (Assuming you know something about languages already, that is. If you don't, this product may present too steep a curve.) The actors reading the dialogs range from adequate to truly excellent, with most falling at the high end of the scale: clear, well-formed speech with enough dramatic skill to make the little skits easy to follow. Whoever determined the size of the chunks in the listen-and-repeat exercises sometimes misses the mark, however. There is a lesson, for instance, in which all the relations in 'ein Familienphoto' are read off in a single run. The goal is to drill the student in gender and number in noun phrases in the accusative case, but there is no time to think about that when you're trying to remember if the list included 'Vettern' or 'Schwägerinnen' or God knows what else. The point, I should like to remind the editors, is to study grammar, not develop memorization skills. That said, this is a really extraordinary product. I transferred the CDs to my iPod and listen in my car, while doing chores, etc., always with great pleasure and profit. Finally, this is not really a standalone product. (Nothing in this price range could be.) A good dictionary (I bought the Collins) and a good grammar ('Essential German Grammar' is excellent) are required if you want to develop a useful level of skill. 'Ultimate German' is a great way to get started, though.

Nice system and theme organization! but despite the whole cultural and grammar explanations, I would not recommend it if you are learning the language for the very first time or if you don't have an extra assistance like a teacher to guide you.

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