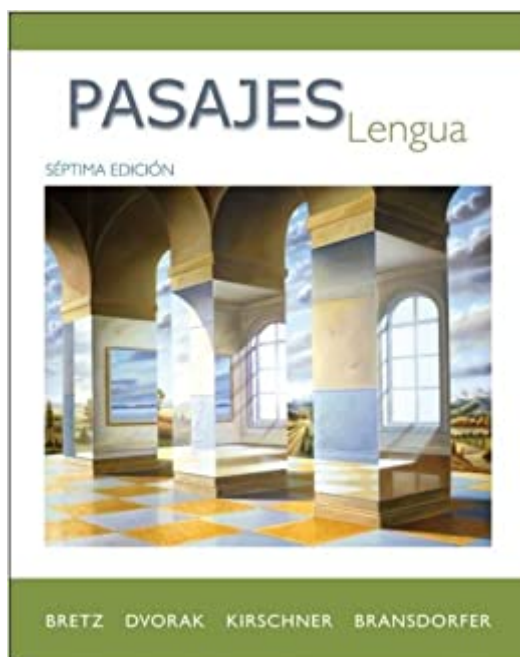


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If you are learning Spanish, this is the ultimate for intermediate level. It provides comprehensive grammar in 1 book with several exercises that have answers within the book. This is a comparable college-level text to the detail of those books handed out in high-school. Not only does this text cover all the basic grammar and vocabulary of Spanish, but also details of when to use what vocabulary in specific situations (Oyo! Sections), and how the grammar can change depending on the context (preterite vs. imperfect, subjunctive, passive "se" vs. other uses for "se", how prepositions modify verb meaning, i.e. "pensar de" vs. "pensar en"). What makes this such an excellent tool for Spanish is emphasizing the conjugations of verbs and the context in which to use them. It is presented in a simplistic, logical format (another textbook that I use for a Spanish class is using a terrible book that makes it difficult to parse out the grammar sections and has no answers to the exercises). In addition to vocabulary & grammar, there is a section in the back (one of the Appendices) that covers pronunciation & linguistics to prepare the student for further study in Spanish. Also, the online exercises are excellent and cover both vocabulary and grammar in a comprehensive manner. One can use this textbook to learn by themselves, or with the aid of a professor. I would suggest this book for anyone trying to learn Spanish. It will provide the kind of solid basis that a student needs to have for further study (300-level and beyond) as well as preparation for an interactive experience

(Study Abroad).

Hate the class but the book makes it a little bit easier.

The book was a bit more used than I expected. However, it will do just fine for my needs.

Book was just as described and was delivered promptly - very happy with my order.

had a lot of wear and tear but still readable.

Good

I'm a native spanish speaker and really liked this book. It made everything so simple and the cultural relevance was cool, in terms of pop culture references. It kept my attention and the passages were not too long.

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