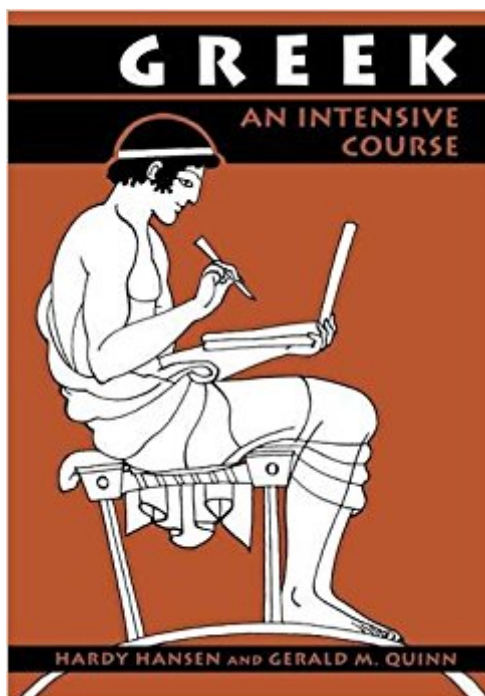


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This is a great intensive course / book for learning Attic Greek. It's very cleanly organized, and to the point. It's definitive.

This is the second copy of the book that I have purchased. This time, for a friend. The text is amazing for reviewing ancient Greek grammar, and I certainly recommend it to anyone who is interested in learning the language in an intensive and fast-paced way.

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In my opinion, this is the best Greek grammar available today. Its one weakness, however, is the small amount of vocabulary words. This is easily remedied, though, by purchasing books like Greek Vocabulary and Idiom by W. J. Bullock and J. A. Harrison or The Complete Vocabulary Guide to the Greek New Testament by Warren C. Trenchard.

I am just starting this book, and have worked through several units. First, the book is substantial. Very complete. All the grammar, tons of vocabulary, examples and exercises. The exercises are answered online so after translating or writing Greek, it is easy enough to check your work. I am covering about a lesson a week (I work full time and am also splitting my time learning Russian). Along with this I also purchased the Greek-English Lexicon of NT (second edition). I am very pleased with the book in terms of completeness, and great lessons.

An excellent book for learning Attic Greek. Has a steep learning curve, but it is meant to. I would recommend it to anyone as a supplement alongside course in Ancient Greek or, if you have studied Latin or another inflected language, you can learn straight from the book (as I am now). It is stronger

in its tables and grammar lessons than it is in its vocabulary.

This book was one of the most helpful in learning ancient Greek. I would highly recommend it to anyone willing to put in the time and effort it takes. But like the title says, it IS intense. It requires lots of time, but it's definitely worth it.

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