

Hindi An Essential Grammar Routledge Essential Grammars

This is a comprehensive grammar of Modern Standard Hindi, the primary language spoken by more than 420 million people in India. Because each grammatical topic is thoroughly illustrated with basic examples and more complex ones from modern Hindi short stories, it can be used as a reference and supplementary grammar to any textbook from beginning to advanced levels. Its approach is efficient and effective and will be appreciated by students learning written and spoken Hindi in the classroom or independently, as well as by those wanting to read literary Hindi or teach it as a second language at the college level. Its appealing examples will enhance even heritage learners' cultural knowledge of Hindi literature. Essential Hindi Grammar will draw in students who are new to language learning. Grammatical concepts are introduced and fully explained; basic grammatical terminology is presented in plain language but without over-simplifying material for more advanced learners. Numerous user-friendly tables accompany grammatical explanations. One of the benefits of the volume is its extensive coverage of abstract structures of the modern standard language. Drawing examples from Hindi literature, it combines the study of language with that of literature and literary culture—a rare approach to language acquisition. Scientific transliteration is provided consistently throughout the book, wherever Hindi in Devanagari is given. Essential Hindi Grammar is a solid addition to existing Hindi pedagogical materials and will assist those engaged in the acquisition of the language throughout the Anglophone world.

This text provides a reader-friendly guide to the structural patterns of modern standard Hindi. Ideal for both independent learners and classroom students alike, this book covers the essentials of Hindi grammar in readable, jargon-free sections. Key features include: sections on the speech sounds of Hindi detailed analysis of Hindi sentence structure full examples throughout.

This book is suitable for independent and classroom learners, ideal for the beginner to intermediate student, and takes the reader through the essentials of the language explaining each concept clearly and providing many examples of contemporary Romanian usage. The book contains: a chapter on each of the most common grammatical areas with Romanian and English examples extensive examples of the more difficult areas of the grammar an appendix listing relevant websites for further information on the Romanian language.

Latvian: An Essential Grammar is a concise, user-friendly guide to the basic grammatical structures of Latvian. Presenting a fresh and accessible description of the language, this engaging grammar uses clear, jargon-free explanations to set out the complexities of Latvian in short, readable sections. Key features include: clear grammar explanations frequent use of authentic examples pronunciation guide, bibliography and subject index. This is the ideal reference source both for those studying Latvian independently and for students in schools, colleges, universities and adult classes of all types to back up their studies.

The World's Major Languages features over 50 of the world's languages and language families. This revised edition includes updated bibliographies for each chapter and up-to-date census figures. The featured languages have been chosen based on the number of speakers, their role as official languages and their cultural and historical importance. Each language is looked at in depth, and the chapters provide information on both grammatical features and on salient features of the language's history and cultural role. The World's Major Languages is an accessible and essential reference work for linguists.

This second edition of Thai: An Essential Grammar provides an up-to-date and concise reference guide to Thai grammar. Using clear, jargon-free explanations, it sets out the complexities of Thai in short, readable sections and presents an accessible description of the language.

Focus is kept on the real patterns of use today and grammar forms are demonstrated through a wide range of relevant examples. No prior knowledge is assumed on the part of the reader. Features include: Coverage of crucial topics, such as sentence particles, negation, questions and quantification Examples given in both Thai script and romanised transliteration Pronunciation section Guidance on speech conventions and the Thai writing system Glossary of grammatical terms Two appendices covering Romanisation systems and three key verbs Bibliography This unique reference work will prove invaluable to all learners looking to master the grammar of Thai. It is ideal either for independent study or for students in schools, colleges, universities and adult classes of all types.

This is the first comprehensive grammar of Nigerian Pidgin. This book provides basic descriptive and analytical treatment of the syntax, morphology and phonology of a language which may soon become the most widely spoken in all of Africa.

9000-WORD ENGLISH-HINDI VOCABULARY Knowing and understanding around 9000 Hindi words will give you the ability to read and write with only the minimal use of a dictionary. This knowledge will foster your ability to express your thoughts during conversation in a precise and accurate way. With a little practice and with the added help and experience of having viewed many Hindi films, you will be proud and amazed at your new level of Hindi. You will now see your language level improve to the point where you can say: "Hindi? Absolutely! I know it very well." T&P Books vocabularies are intended to help you learn, memorize and review foreign words The dictionary contains over 9000 commonly used words Recommended as additional support material to any language course Meets the needs of both beginners and advanced learners Convenient for daily use, reviewing sessions and self-testing activities Allows you to assess your current vocabulary This book can also be used by foreign learners of English Special features of T&P Books bilingual vocabularies: Words are arranged according to their meaning, not alphabetically Content is presented in three columns to facilitate the reviewing and self-testing processes Each theme is composed of small blocks of similar lexical units The vocabulary offers a convenient and simple transcription for each foreign word This revised edition (June 2016) contains 256 topics: Basic Concepts, Numbers, Colors, Months, Seasons, Units of Measurement, Clothing & Accessories, Food & Nutrition, Restaurant, Family Members, Relatives, Character, Feelings, Emotions, Diseases, City, Town, Sightseeing, Shopping, Money, House, Home, Office, Working in the Office, Marketing, Sports, Education, Computer, Internet, Tools, Nature, Countries, Nationalities and more ... Our Hindi collection includes also vocabularies of 3000, 5000 and 7000 words. All these titles are available as printed books and e-books. If you have any question, suggestion or feedback, please contact us: admin@tpbooks.com Hindi dictionary, Hindi vocabulary, Hindi phrasebook, learning Hindi, basic Hindi, books in Hindi, Hindi language

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Ideal for native speakers and learners alike, this clear guide to the grammar of modern English will help students speak and write English with greater confidence.

Urdu: An Essential Grammar is a reference guide to the most important aspects of the language as it is used by native speakers today. The complexities of Urdu are set out in short, readable sections. Explanations contain minimal jargon and emphasis has been placed on the aspects of Urdu that pose a particular challenge for English-speaking students. Features include: * language examples throughout in both Urdu script and romanization * user-friendly layout * detailed contents list * comprehensive index.

Urdu: An Essential Grammar presents a fresh and accessible description of the language and will prove invaluable to students at all levels.

This second edition of Finnish: An Essential Grammar has undergone profound revisions. The chapter on basic sentence structure has been rewritten and syntax has been given more space. Sections have been added on phrase types, simple clause types, and types of complex sentences. A section on discourse particles has been added. The vocabulary of the copious example sentences has been updated to give it a touch of the twenty-first century. The section on modern colloquial Finnish has been considerably expanded. Internet addresses helpful for any learner of Finnish are provided which make it possible to automatically analyse the grammatical structure of any Finnish words and sentences. It gives not only a systematic account of the structures of the written

language, but also features the characteristics of colloquial Finnish. No prior knowledge is assumed on the part of the reader and grammatical rules are clearly explained without jargon. Features include: pronunciation guide, including the tendencies in present-day colloquial Finnish thorough descriptions of morphology (word structure) and syntax (sentence structure) clear rules and an abundance of concrete examples inflection tables subject index internet addresses to online software for grammatical analysis of Finnish. This is the ideal reference source both for those studying Finnish independently and for students in schools, colleges, universities and adult classes of all types.

This two-volume set, consisting of LNCS 6608 and LNCS 6609, constitutes the thoroughly refereed proceedings of the 12th International Conference on Computer Linguistics and Intelligent Processing, held in Tokyo, Japan, in February 2011. The 74 full papers, presented together with 4 invited papers, were carefully reviewed and selected from 298 submissions. The contents have been ordered according to the following topical sections: lexical resources; syntax and parsing; part-of-speech tagging and morphology; word sense disambiguation; semantics and discourse; opinion mining and sentiment detection; text generation; machine translation and multilingualism; information extraction and information retrieval; text categorization and classification; summarization and recognizing textual entailment; authoring aid, error correction, and style analysis; and speech recognition and generation.

The revised second edition of Basic Korean: A Grammar and Workbook is an accessible reference grammar and workbook in one volume. The text can be used in conjunction with any primary textbook, both as a practice book to reinforce learning and as a reference guide to the basics of Korean grammar. This book is comprised of 26 units covering key aspects of Korean grammar students would expect to encounter in their first year learning the language. Grammatical descriptions are followed by examples and exercises which allow students to reinforce and consolidate their learning. This new edition has been updated and enhanced to include more varied exercises and contemporary vocabulary and dialogues. Clearly presented and user-friendly, Basic Korean provides readers with the essential tools to express themselves in a wide variety of situations, making it an ideal reference grammar and practice resource for both beginners and students with some knowledge of the language.

Bengali: A Comprehensive Grammar is a complete reference guide to Bengali grammar. It presents a fresh, accessible and thorough description of the language, concentrating on the real patterns of use in modern Bengali. The book moves from the sounds and script through morphology and word classes to a detailed analysis of sentence structures and semantic features such as aspect, tense, negation and reduplication. The Grammar is an essential reference source for the learner and user of Bengali, irrespective of level. It is ideal for use in schools, colleges, universities and adult classes of all types. With clear and simple explanations this book will remain the standard reference work for years to come for both learners and linguists alike. The volume is organized to promote a thorough understanding of Bengali grammar. It offers a stimulating analysis of the complexities of the language, and provides full and clear explanations. Throughout, the emphasis is on Bengali as used by present-day native speakers. An extensive index and numbered paragraphs provide readers with easy access to the information they require. Features include: detailed treatment of the common grammatical structures and parts of speech extensive exemplification particular attention to areas of confusion and difficulty Bengali-English parallels highlighted throughout the book.

Arabic: An Essential Grammar is an up-to-date and practical reference guide to the most important aspects of the language. Suitable for beginners, as well as intermediate students, this book offers a strong foundation for learning the fundamental grammar and structure of Arabic. The complexities of the language are set out in short, readable sections, and exercises and examples are provided throughout. The book is ideal for independent learners as well as for classroom study. Features of this book include: coverage of the Arabic script and alphabet a chapter on Arabic handwriting a guide to pronunciation full examples throughout. Suitable for both independent study and class use, this text comprises an accessible reference grammar and related exercises in a single volume.

This book sheds light on the complex relationship between Hindi and Urdu. Through a detailed reading of a representative set of 20th century short stories in both languages, the author leads the reader towards a clear definition of the differences between Hindi and Urdu. The full translations of the stories have been extensively annotated to point out the details in which the Hindi and Urdu versions differ. An overview of early and contemporary Hindi/Urdu and Hindustani grammars and language teaching textbooks demonstrates the problems of correctly naming and identifying the two languages. This book now offers a detailed and systematic database of syntactic, morphological and semantic differences between the selected Hindi and Urdu stories. A useful tool for all scholars of modern Hindi/Urdu fiction, (socio-)linguistics, history or social sciences.

Panjabi: A Comprehensive Grammar is a complete reference guide to Panjabi grammar. It presents a fresh, accessible and thorough description of the language, concentrating on the real patterns of use in modern Panjabi. The book moves from the script and sound through morphology and word classes to a detailed analysis of sentence structures and semantic features. The volume is organized to promote a thorough understanding of Panjabi grammar. It offers a stimulating analysis of the complexities of the language, and provides full and clear explanations. Throughout, the emphasis is on Panjabi as used by present-day native speakers. An extensive index and numbered paragraphs provide readers with easy access to the information they require. Features include: detailed treatment of the common grammatical structures and parts of speech extensive exemplification particular attention to areas of confusion and difficulty Gurmukhi script and transliteration provided throughout additional chapter on the Shahmuki script Panjabi: A Comprehensive Grammar is an essential reference source for the learner and user of Panjabi. With clear and simple explanations it will remain the standard reference work for years to come for both learners and linguists alike. A Workbook and Reader to accompany this grammar can be downloaded from <https://www.routledge.com/products/9781138793866>. *Please note that, due to unforeseen circumstances, the Workbook and Reader have been delayed.*

Do you want to communicate easily and freely in Hindi? Master Hindi grammar and broaden your vocabulary with your very own Hindi Tutor. This contemporary interactive workbook features 200 activities across a range of grammar and vocabulary points with clear goals, concise explanations, and real-world tasks. By studying and practising Hindi grammar you'll understand how the language really works and be able to speak Hindi with clarity and ease. What will I learn? The Hindi Tutor: Grammar and Vocabulary Workbook covers a comprehensive range of the most useful and common grammar and vocabulary in Hindi. You can follow along unit by unit, or dip in and dip out to address your weak areas. As you progress, you will be introduced to new vocabulary and combine it with the grammar to complete extensive exercises. You will then practice the language through authentic reading and writing practice. You will achieve a solid upper intermediate level* of Hindi grammar. Is this course for me? The Hindi Tutor: Grammar and Vocabulary Workbook can be used as a standalone course or as a complement to any other Hindi course. It offers extensive practice and review of essential grammar points and vocabulary and skills building along with an overview of Hindi script. The personal tutor element points out exceptions and gives tips to really help you perfect your Hindi. What do I get? This Hindi workbook offers a range of clear and effective learning features: -200 activities across a range of grammar and

vocabulary points -Unique visuals and infographics for extra context and practice -Personal tutor hints and tips to help you understand language rules and culture points -Learn to learn section offers tips and advice on how to be a successful language learner Twenty short learning units each contain: -communication goals to guide your studies -grammar explanations with extensive exercises -vocabulary presentations and activities -reading and writing sections to consolidate your learning *This workbook maps from from A2 Beginner to B1 Upper Intermediate level of the CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) and Novice High to Advanced Mid-level proficiency of ACTFL (American Council on Teaching Foreign Languages) guidelines. Rely on Teach Yourself, trusted by language learners for over 75 years.

Reading Hindi: Novice to Intermediate is an innovative collection of graded readings that are both accessible in language and engaging in content, specifically designed for adult learners of Hindi. Ideal for those just starting out in Hindi, the texts provide culturally rich content written in simple, level-appropriate language, with a range of activities to reinforce learning. The graded readings support the learner as they build their confidence with the language, gradually encountering a wider range of grammar constructions and vocabulary as the book progresses. Reading Hindi can be used alongside a main textbook and is ideal for both class-use and independent study.

Colloquial Hindi: The Complete Course for Beginners has been carefully developed by an experienced teacher to provide a step-by-step course to Hindi as it is written and spoken today. Combining a clear, practical and accessible style with a methodical and thorough treatment of the language, it equips learners with the essential skills needed to communicate confidently and effectively in Hindi in a broad range of situations. No prior knowledge of the language is required. Colloquial Hindi is exceptional; each unit presents a wealth of grammatical points that are reinforced with a wide range of exercises for regular practice. A full answer key, a grammar summary, bilingual glossaries and English translations of dialogues can be found at the back as well as useful vocabulary lists throughout. Key features include: A clear, user-friendly format designed to help learners progressively build up their speaking, listening, reading and writing skills Jargon-free, succinct and clearly structured explanations of grammar An extensive range of focused and dynamic supportive exercises Realistic and entertaining dialogues covering a broad variety of narrative situations Helpful cultural points An overview of the sounds of Hindi Balanced, comprehensive and rewarding, Colloquial Hindi is an indispensable resource both for independent learners and students taking courses in Hindi. Audio material to accompany the course is available to download free in MP3 format from www.routledge.com/cw/colloquials. Recorded by native speakers, the audio material features the dialogues and texts from the book and will help develop your listening and pronunciation skills.

The Routledge Introductory Course in Modern Hebrew is an integrated language course designed ideally for classroom-based learners. Adopting an eclectic approach, the course contains 90 lessons combining authentic texts, grammar explanations, and exercises with audiovisual materials to guide and support the student through the key skills of reading, writing, speaking and listening. Features include: A wide range of texts, from dialogues and simple narratives to newspaper articles and poetry Over 30 additional passages for extended reading Vocabulary lists for each text A variety of exercises for every lesson including oral drills, listening comprehension, grammar exercises and writing practice Glossaries for each unit and a comprehensive dictionary Thorough explanation of all the grammatical issues that arise at the introductory level A solid grammatical foundation presented in an accessible, user-friendly manner Cultural notes to introduce students to Israeli society All the texts, wordlists, and verb conjugations are freely available in an audiovisual format on the companion website: <http://routledgehebrew.com/> An integral part of the course, the website also contains a wealth of additional resources including: Answers to all of the exercises in the book Interactive exercises Audiovisual verb dictionary Audiovisual charts of prepositions and nouns with their pronoun suffixes Audiovisual reference charts of numbers, colors, the days of the week, etc. Checklists and review lessons for each unit Links to Israeli websites Videos and music The Routledge Introductory Course in Modern Hebrew provides everything that students and instructors need for an engaging and effective learning environment.

"A follow-up to Introduction to Hindi grammar (1995) and is recommended for second- and third-year Hindi students learning Hindi as a foreign language"--Pref.

The Routledge Intermediate Hindi Reader has been specially designed for intermediate and advanced learners of Hindi and comprises a broad selection of graded readings. The materials have been carefully selected to ensure that students receive exposure to a wide variety of authentic Hindi texts, including news and magazine articles, extracts from social media websites, film dialogues and contemporary Hindi literature. Each reading is fully supported by: pre-reading activities notes on cultural references in the text a vocabulary list with English translation notes on key grammatical points arising from the text text-related comprehension questions and vocabulary-based exercises suggestions for writing and discussion activities based on the text a key to comprehension questions and vocabulary-based exercises online support which includes audio recordings and translations of texts, available at

<http://www.routledge.com/books/details/9780415601764/> Suitable for both class use and independent study, The Routledge Intermediate Hindi Reader is an essential tool for increasing language proficiency and enriching learners' cultural knowledge.

Swahili Grammar and Workbook provides a practical and comprehensive companion to Swahili grammar, filling in gaps left by other textbooks. Presenting the essentials of Swahili grammar in a highly accessible fashion, it reduces complex language topics to helpful rules and mnemonic aids, enabling maximum grammar retention and accurate usage.

Grammar points are followed by multiple examples and exercises, allowing students to consolidate and practice their learning. No prior knowledge of linguistic terminology is required. Key features include: Twenty five language notes covering key topics such as: personal pronouns; the Swahili noun class system; special class combinations; the imperative, the subjunctive, and the conditional moods; the use of comparatives; the use of monosyllabic verbs; the passive form and various other forms of verb extensions; the relative clause Clear, detailed and jargon-free grammatical explanations supported by an assortment of helpful diagrams, charts and tables and many relevant and up-to-date examples A wide range of communication-oriented exercises to reinforce learning and develop students' ability to use Swahili actively Audio files to support pronunciation practice, clearly linked to relevant sections of the book and available for free download at <http://www.routledge.com/books/details/9781138808263/> Four appendices, Swahili-English and English-Swahili vocabulary lists, a bibliography and an index presented at the back of the book for easy access to information. Written by a highly experienced instructor, Swahili Grammar and Workbook will be an essential resource for all students and teachers of Swahili. It is suitable for use both as a companion reference text in language courses and as a standalone text in independent grammar classes.

This is a reference guide to the most important aspects of the language as it is used by native speakers today.

South Asia is home to a large number of languages and dialects. Although linguists working on this region have made

significant contributions to our understanding of language, society, and language in society on a global scale, there is as yet no recognized international forum for the exchange of ideas amongst linguists working on South Asia. The Annual Review of South Asian Languages and Linguistics is designed to be just that forum. It brings together empirical and theoretical research and serves as a testing ground for the articulation of new ideas and approaches which may be grounded in a study of South Asian languages but which have universal applicability. Each volume will have four major sections: I. Invited contributions consisting of state-of-the-art essays on research in South Asian languages. II. Refereed open submissions focusing on relevant issues and providing various viewpoints. III. Reports from around the world, book reviews and abstracts of doctoral theses.

This Grammar shows, step by step, how the language is constructed. It presents a lively and accessible description of the language using plenty of relevant examples. This is the ideal first grammar for the Dutch learner.

A practical reference guide to the most important aspects of modern European and Brazilian Portuguese, it presents a fresh and accessible description of the language combining and function-based grammar.

This grammar is a complete reference guide to the language of Indonesia as used by native speakers. The book is organised to promote a thorough understanding of Indonesian grammar. It presents the complexities of Indonesian in a concise and readable form. An extensive index, cross-referencing and a generous use of headings will provide readers with immediate access to the information they require. Key features: to aid clarity, all word groups and structures discussed are illustrated by natural examples of frequently used words and expressions each section can be read independently, enabling the reader to focus on a specific aspect of the language, if required all major structures of Indonesian, from words to complex sentences are described in detail common grammatical terms used are all clearly defined in an extensive glossary. By providing a comprehensive description of Indonesian in a clear and non-technical manner, this grammar makes an ideal reference source for all users of the language, whether in colleges, universities or adult education classes of all types. James Neil Sneddon was Associate Professor in the Faculty of Asian and International Studies at Griffith University, with long experience teaching Indonesian language and linguistics. He is also author of *Understanding Indonesian Grammar*. Alexander Adelaar is Principal Fellow in the Asia Institute at the University of Melbourne. He is author of a number of books on Austronesian linguistics. Dwi Noverini Djenar lectures in the Department of Indonesian Studies at the University of Sydney. She is author of *Semantic, Pragmatic and Discourse Perspectives of Preposition Use: A study of Indonesian locatives*. Michael C Ewing is a senior lecturer in Indonesian Studies at the Asia Institute at the University of Melbourne. He is author of *Grammar and Inference in Conversation: Identifying clause structure in spoken Javanese*.

Writing Systems and Phonetics provides students with a critical understanding of the writing systems of the world. Beginning by exploring the spelling of English, including how it arose and how it works today, the book goes on to address over 60 major languages from around the globe and includes detailed descriptions and worked examples of writing systems which foreground the phonetics of these languages. Key areas covered include: the use of the Latin alphabet in and beyond Europe writing systems of the eastern Mediterranean, Greek and its Cyrillic offshoot, Arabic and Hebrew languages in south and south-east Asia, including Hindi, Tamil, Burmese and Thai, as well as in east Asia, including Chinese, Japanese and Korean reflections on ancient languages such as Sumerian, Egyptian, Linear B and Mayan a final chapter which sets out a typology of writing systems. All of the languages covered are contextualised by authentic illustrations, including road signs, personal names and tables, to demonstrate how theoretical research can be applied to the real world. Taking a unique geographical focus that guides the reader on a journey across time and continents, this book offers an engaging introduction for students approaching for the first time the phonetics of writing systems, their typology and the origins of scripts.

Bangla (Bengali), an Eastern Indo-Aryan Language, is the national language of Bangladesh with 150 million speakers and the state language of Paschim Banga (West Bengal) in India with 90 million speakers. There are sizeable communities of Bengalis scattered all over the world. Altogether, the number of native speakers make Bangla the fifth or sixth largest language in the world. Like Hindi and other South Asian languages, Bangla has subject-object-verb word order, postpositions, causative and compound verbs. Unlike Hindi it has no gender. This volume presents a systematic overview of the language, from the sound system to parts of speech, syntactic categories to reduplicative features and some short text passages. The book is written in transliteration throughout to provide ease and convenience to non-Bengali as well as to Bengali linguists and students. In order to connect linguistic analysis with the living language, the book is furnished with plenty of real language examples, demonstrating the spirit, grace and wit of the Bangla language.

Greek: An Essential Grammar of the Modern Language is a concise and user-friendly reference guide to the most important aspects of modern Greek. It presents a fresh and accessible description of the language in short, readable sections. Explanations are clear and supported by examples throughout. The Grammar is ideal for learners of all levels and is suitable for those involved in independent study and for students in schools, colleges, universities and adult classes of all types. Features include: * lots of clear and up-to-date examples * clear explanations of grammatical terms * discussion of points which often cause problems * Greek/English comparisons and contrasts highlighted. *Greek: An Essential Grammar of the Modern Language* will help you read, speak and write with greater confidence.

This second edition of *Georgian: A Learner's Grammar* is a completely revised and updated guide to the fascinating and most widely spoken language of the Caucasus. Presenting the language in the form of dialogues and reading passages, full attention is given to script reproduction and recognition, pronunciation, lexis and individual points of grammar. Key features include: * highlighting of verbal roots throughout * new and varied exercises for practice of verb forms * use of the new Georgian currency * examples of Georgian literature, both poetry and prose, and each with its own self-contained vocabulary * a reference section providing an answer key, a Georgian-English glossary and an index of

grammatical terms. With a varied and extensive range of exercise work, this new edition provides a comprehensive and carefully graded grammar of Georgian that has been successful over a number of years of use in the classroom.

The Routledge Intermediate to Advanced Japanese Reader: A Genre-Based Approach to Reading as a Social Practice is designed for intermediate to advanced learners of Japanese and presents twenty-five authentic texts taken from a wide range of media and literary sources, which promote a deeper understanding of Japan among readers. The book is divided into ten genre-based chapters, allowing the learner to focus on the textual features relevant to that genre. Key features include: Selected texts covering topics related to Japanese language, society and culture encountered in the Japanese media, from news reports to interviews, book reviews, short stories and editorials. Word lists for challenging vocabulary and kanji provided throughout to aid comprehension and learning. Pre-reading activities to enable familiarity with the topic, the text's background and words to be encountered in the reading passages. Short grammar explanations of essential structures. Questions to help comprehension, raise awareness of genre features, promote critical reading, and to encourage the reader to think more deeply about the content. Opportunities to write passages, utilizing what has been learned by reading the text. Vocabulary and grammar lists at the back of the book. The Routledge Intermediate to Advanced Japanese Reader emphasizes reading as a purposeful social act, which requires readers to make meaning of the text by considering the authors' choices in language (scripts, vocabulary, styles) in the text. The learners are guided to situate each text in society (for example, the author, target audience, social-cultural background related to the subject) in order to understand the social significance of reading and writing. This book aims to help learners develop the ability to critically read and write in Japanese for their own social purposes. It is suitable for both class use and independent study.

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