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The Only Grammar Book You'll Ever Need is the ideal resource for everyone who wants to produce writing that is clear, concise, and grammatically excellent. Whether you're creating perfect professional documents, spectacular school papers, or effective personal letters, you'll find this handbook indispensable. From word choice to punctuation to organization, English teacher Susan Thurman guides you through getting your thoughts on paper with polish. Using dozens of examples, *The Only Grammar Book You'll Ever Need* provides guidelines for: Understanding the parts of speech and elements of a sentence Avoiding the most common grammar and punctuation mistakes Using correct punctuating in every sentence Writing clearly and directly Approaching writing projects, whether big or small

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Easy to follow and authoritative, *The Only Grammar Book You'll Ever Need* provides all the necessary tools to make you successful with every type of written expression.

Including examples of real usage, this handy volume provides clear information about grammar and punctuation that we need on a day-to-day basis in over 300 entries. Revised and updated, *The Oxford A-Z of Grammar and Punctuation* offers accessible and coherent explanations across a broad range of topics, and is the first port of call for any reader seeking clear, authoritative help with grammar and punctuation. Both easy to use and comprehensive, it is an essential tool for writing at home, in the office, at school, and at college.

Focusing on how the English language works in the Indian context, this book discusses all the critical components of modern English grammar: from finite and non-finite verb and gerunds and the infinitive to different kinds of clauses, tense, active and passive voice, punctuation, phrasal verbs, etc.

The future of English linguistics as envisaged by the editors of *Topics in English Linguistics* lies in empirical studies which integrate work in English linguistics into general and theoretical linguistics on the one hand, and comparative linguistics on the other. The TiEL series features volumes that present interesting new data and analyses, and above all fresh approaches that contribute to the overall aim of

the series, which is to further outstanding research in English linguistics.

We all know the basics of punctuation. Or do we? A look at most neighborhood signage tells a different story. Through sloppy usage and low standards on the internet, in email, and now text messages, we have made proper punctuation an endangered species. In *Eats, Shoots & Leaves*, former editor Lynne Truss dares to say, in her delightfully urbane, witty, and very English way, that it is time to look at our commas and semicolons and see them as the wonderful and necessary things they are. This is a book for people who love punctuation and get upset when it is mishandled. From the invention of the question mark in the time of Charlemagne to George Orwell shunning the semicolon, this lively history makes a powerful case for the preservation of a system of printing conventions that is much too subtle to be mucked about with.

The Oxford Dictionary of English Grammar is a straightforward and accessible A-Z guide to the diverse and often complex terminology of English grammar. It contains over 1,600 entries with clear and concise definitions, enhanced by numerous example sentences, as well as relevant quotations from the scholarly literature of the field. This second edition is written and edited by Professor Bas Aarts of University College London, writer of the acclaimed Oxford Modern English Grammar. It has been fully

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revised and updated, with particular attention paid to refreshing the example sentences included within the text. There are over 150 new entries that cover current terminology which has arisen since the publication of the first edition, and there are also new entries on the most important English grammars published since the start of the 20th century.

Hundreds of new cross-references enhance the user-friendly nature of the text, and the list of works cited has been thoroughly updated to reflect the current state of the field. A short appendix of web links has been added. All in all, this Dictionary is an invaluable guide to English grammar for all students and teachers of the subject, as well as all those with an informed interest in the English language.

Plain English is an essential tool for effective communication. Information transmitted in letters, documents, reports, contracts, and forms is clearer and more understandable when presented in straightforward terms. The Oxford Guide to Plain English provides authoritative guidance on how to write plain English using easy-to-follow guidelines which cover straightforward language, sentence length, active and passive verbs, punctuation, grammar, planning, and good organization. This handy guide will be invaluable to writers of all levels. It provides essential guidelines that will allow readers to develop their writing style, grammar, and punctuation. The book also offers help in

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understanding official jargon and legalese giving the plain English alternatives. This guide gives hundreds of real examples and shows 'before and after' versions of texts of different kinds which will help readers to look critically at their own writing. Helpfully organized into 21 short chapters, each covering a different aspect of writing. Clearly laid out, and easy to use, the Oxford Guide to Plain English is the best guide to writing clear and helpful documents.

Covers written and spoken British and American English and reviews grammar, usage, punctuation, and phonetics

New Oxford English Grammar is Oxford's brand new and definitive guide to grammar usage. This book has been written by a leading expert in the field, covers both British and American English, and makes use of the unrivalled language monitoring of Oxford's English Dictionaries programme. Arranged in three clear parts for ease of use, its comprehensive coverage ranges from the very basic to the most complex aspects of grammar, all of which are explained clearly and engagingly. This descriptive source of reference is invaluable for those with an interest in the English language, undergraduate students of all disciplines, and for anyone who would like a clear guide to English grammar and how to use it.

Bryan Garner is the most trusted living usage expert of our day, and Garner's Modern English Usage is

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the preeminent guide to the effective use of the English language. With well over 6,000 entries on English grammar, syntax, word choice, punctuation, capitalization, spelling, and style, this book is adored by professional writers and general readers alike. In this major update to a timeless classic, Bryan Garner has dramatically expanded coverage of international English usage, making the volume for the first time a guide not only to American English usage, but to English usage around the globe. Interest in the English language is greater than ever; English is the lingua franca not only of higher education and academia, but of science, business, computing, aviation, and even - arguably - entertainment. An awareness of global English matters today as never before. To ensure that Bryan Garner's clear, unambiguous advice resonates with English-speakers worldwide, more than 2,000 entries have been revised to account for the nuances of English not only in the United States, but in Australia and New Zealand, the United Kingdom, Canada, and South Africa. Not everything has changed: readers will still find the popular "Garner's Language-Change Index" which registers where each disputed usage in modern English falls on a five-stage continuum from non-acceptability (to the language community as a whole) to acceptability, giving the book a consistent standard throughout. Bryan Garner's tools for scientific accuracy are, however, fully updated:

this fourth edition benefits from usage data generated by Google Ngrams, which charts frequencies of any word or short sentence in sources printed after 1800. With thousands of concise entries, longer essays on problematic areas such as subject-verb agreement and danglers, and meticulous citations of the New York Times, Newsweek, and other leading journalistic sources, this fourth edition of Garner's Modern English Usage provides priceless reference information to anyone hoping to improve as a writer - worldwide.

The Oxford Guide to English Grammar is a systematic account of grammatical forms and the way they are used in modern standard English. It is designed for learners at intermediate and advanced levels and for teachers, and is equally suitable for quick reference to details or for the more leisureed study of grammatical topics. The emphasis is on meaning in the choice of grammatical pattern, and on the use of patterns in texts and in conversations. This is the first exhaustive investigation of gradience in syntax, conceived of as grammatical indeterminacy. It looks at gradience in English word classes, phrases, clauses and constructions, and examines how it may be recognized, defined, and differentiated. Bas Aarts considers the degree to which gradience is a grammatical phenomenon or a by-product of imperfect linguistic description, and makes a series of linked proposals for its theoretical formalization. His book will appeal to scholars and students of language and syntactic theory in departments of linguistics, philosophy and

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cognitive science.

This handbook provides an authoritative, critical survey of current research and knowledge in the grammar of the English language. Following an introduction from the editors, the volume's expert contributors explore a range of core topics in English grammar, beginning with issues in grammar writing and methodology. Chapters in part II then examine the various theoretical approaches to grammar, such as cognitive, constructional, and generative approaches, followed by the chapters in part III, which comprehensively cover the different subdomains of grammar, including compounds, phrase structure, clause types, tense and aspect, and information structure. Part IV offers coverage of the relationship between grammar and other fields - lexis, phonology, meaning, and discourse - while the concluding part of the book investigates grammatical change over time, regional variation, and genre and literary variation. The handbook's wide-ranging coverage will appeal to researchers and students of English language and linguistics from undergraduate level upwards.

Covers basic grammar, punctuation, spelling, and idiomatic phrases of American English.

An A-Z of 1,000 English grammatical terms, including current mainstream terminology, older, traditional and many new, controversial terms plus coverage of wider linguistics items.

Concise definitions are accompanied by more detailed explanations with examples of usage and many quotations from grammar books. Now available in paperback this book should be found on the shelves of all those with an interest in the English language

Presents more than seven thousand words and phrases in contemporary usage, with variant spellings, grammatical applications, and definitions

This grammar for the 21st century combines clear

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grammatical principles with non-technical explanations of all terms and concepts used.

In some languages words tend to be rather short but in others they may be dauntingly long. In this book, a distinguished international group of scholars discuss the concept 'word' and its applicability in a range of typologically diverse languages. An introductory chapter sets the parameters of variation for 'word'. The nine chapters that follow then study the character of 'word' in individual languages, including Amazonian, Australian Aboriginal, Eskimo, Native North American, West African, Balkan and Caucasian languages, and Indo-Pakistani Sign Language. These languages exhibit a huge range of phonological and grammatical characteristics, the close study of which enables the contributors to refine our understanding of what can constitute a 'word'. An epilogue explores the status and cross-linguistic properties of 'word'. The book will be an invaluable resource for scholars of linguistic typology and of morphology and phonology.

Expert linguist Grant Barrett gives you all the tools you need to improve your everyday communication--from perfecting your punctuation to polishing your speaking skills--with his accessible, go-to grammar guide.

Language learners of all levels can turn to this easy-to-navigate grammar guide again and again for quick and authoritative information. From conjugating verbs to crafting sentences to developing your own style, Grant Barrett provides you with the tools and motivation to improve the way you communicate. Perfect English Grammar helps you clearly say what you want to

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say--and the best way to say it. Never Be Wrong: Catchy examples help you remember core grammar rules
Sharpen Your Style: Composition guidelines let you express yourself fully
Look It Up: Seamless navigation makes it easy to find answers quickly
Geek Out: Explore the tricky questions with Grant Barrett's help
Whether you're a busy professional or on the job hunt, Perfect English Grammar makes it easier than ever to improve your grasp of grammar.

The Easiest-to-Use, Most Up-to-Date Grammar Workbook for Improving Your Daily Communication
The English language is expansive and complex. The rules are always changing, and grammar advice from a century or even a few years ago may not apply today. If you want to communicate with clarity and credibility--if you want people to focus on what you're saying, rather than how you're saying it--then you need to use excellent grammar. Editor, linguistic expert, and self-proclaimed "grammar cheerleader" Lisa McLendon has spent her career finding ways to use language effectively and correctly. Lisa knows that the primary reason people are uneasy about writing and public speaking is because they aren't confident in their grammar skills. With The Perfect English Grammar Workbook Lisa has developed a simple, well-organized grammar workbook that demystifies English grammar so you can use it with confidence and accuracy. In The Perfect English Grammar Workbook you'll find: EASY-TO-FOLLOW LESSONS organized by how we naturally learn--simple instructions followed by self-directed quizzes
RELEVANT, ENGAGING EXAMPLES that demonstrate

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grammar rules with wit, humor, and contemporary appeal
RECENT, UP-TO-DATE RULES based on the English
language we use today A WIDE VARIETY OF
EXERCISES that make learning fun HELPFUL
FEATURES FOR CLASSROOM USE including
standalone answer keys for easy photocopying and color-
coded pages for quick navigation Finding the best
grammar workbook can be difficult. But The Perfect
English Grammar Workbook provides everything you
need to master the rules of grammar with ease and
enjoyment. The Perfect English Grammar Workbook
covers all English grammar rules including: Composition
* Parts of Speech * Sentence Structure * Verbs *
Determiners * Nouns * Adjectives * Prepositions *
Conjunctions * Punctuation * and more.

This book tells the history of the Oxford English
Dictionary from its beginnings in the middle of the
nineteenth century to the present. The author, uniquely
among historians of the OED, is also a practising
lexicographer with nearly thirty years' experience of
working on the Dictionary. He has drawn on a wide
range of sources-including previously unexamined
archival material and eyewitness testimony-to create a
detailed history of the project. The book explores the
cultural background from which the idea of a
comprehensive historical dictionary of English emerged,
the lengthy struggles to bring this concept to fruition, and
the development of the book from the appearance of the
first printed fascicle in 1884 to the launching of the
Dictionary as an online database in 2000 and beyond. It
also examines the evolution of the lexicographers'

working methods, and provides much information about the people-many of them remarkable individuals-who have contributed to the project over the last century and a half.

The purpose of this book English, like all languages, is full of problems for the foreign learner. Some of these points are easy to explain - for instance, the formation of questions, the difference between since and for, the meaning of after all. Other problems are more tricky, and cause difficulty even for advanced students and teachers. How exactly is the present perfect used? When do we use past tenses to be polite? What are the differences between at, on and in with expressions of place? We can say a chair leg - why not * a cat leg? When can we use the expression do so? When is the used with superlatives? Is unless the same as if not? What are the differences between come and go, between each and every, between big, large and great, between fairly, quite, rather and pretty? Is it correct to say There's three more bottles in the fridge? How do you actually say $3 \times 4 = 12$? And so on, and so on. Practical English Usage is a guide to problems of this kind. It deals with over 600 points which regularly cause difficulty to foreign students of English. It will be useful, for example, to a learner who is not sure how to use a particular structure, or who has made a mistake and wants to find out why it is wrong. It will also be helpful to a teacher who is looking for a clear explanation of a difficult language point. There is very full coverage of grammar, as well as explanations of a large number of common vocabulary problems. There are also some

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entries designed to clarify more general questions (e.g. formality, slang, the nature of standard English and dialects) which students and teachers may find themselves concerned with.

This handy guide provides crystal-clear help with writing correctly and appropriately in everyday situations.

Arranged alphabetically, the book contains concise entries with guidance on individual words and phrases, and longer entries on broader topics such as overused words, bullet points, and avoiding sexist language.

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