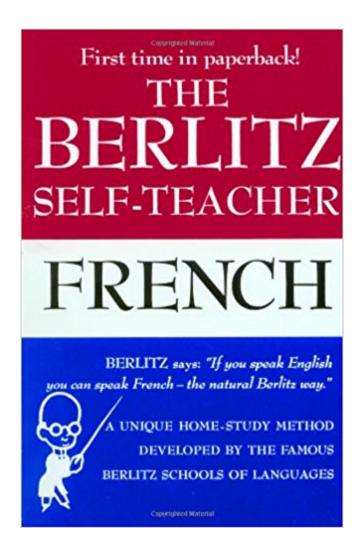


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Customer Reviews

Text: English, French

Got this on a recommendation from one of my coworkers and it's helping me to bring all of my other French lessons from Rosetta Stone and multiple apps together. This is a must-have for people who want to enunciate their French properly.

Cool book but not for grammar

Berlitz is always good and this book is no different. Really good.

My wife and I need to learn French for trips we are taking, but the phonetics were killing us! The Berlitz selflearner is a life-saver there, it really helps to see not only the meanings of the word, but also how to actually say them! Although the texts are not new, French is not a quickly evolving language, so I found no problems with the structure and words in the lessons compared to the real world. Some of the slang is obviously not included, but if you stay with the formal, this works exceptionally well. This has been an excellent supplement to our formal French lecons.

This book has you speaking and understanding French sentences right from the start. The sentences and vocabulary have them phonetically printed underneath, making it better to pronounce the words. This book makes learning French much easier! It does not begin by teaching you how to say "hello," "how are you," "what time is it," etc., but it does get you speaking French.

This book will teach you how to speak French. I have the Berlitz Spanish. I love both these books. It's worth owning. Good luck!

Just the steak....without the sizzle!!!! I agree with a previous reviewer that there is a reason why a

60 year old text has held up so well over the years. The instruction is intuitive and builds logically. The pronunciation is transilliterated to facilitate pronunciation. Each le $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}$ son is approximately 3 pages long. A certain activity is described in about 50 sentences. Each sentence is in French, transilliterated French, and English. Subsequent sentences build upon the prior ones. At the end of each le $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}$ son is a self test of about 15 questions, with answers. Each le $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}$ son might take 10-15 minutes, depending on your skills. Effective study sessions can be multiples of that duration of time. Each chapter also has a "Note to Student", where important explanations are given. Concise...convenient....easy...and fun!!!!This text is also a wonderful adjunct to any other French course(s) you might be using. I believe that there is a tendency to use the latest, most expensive, most hyped language course methods out there. While we all learn differently, a daily, conscientious approach is required, regardless of the course (or cost). My experience with has been that the most highly rated products do not disappoint. Many of the popular language courses today harp on immersion, as opposed to vocabulary and conjugations. They claim that your first language was learned that way. While I do not disagree, and concur that throwing you in the deep end will force you to learn to swim, the adult brain does learn differently than the child's. Sometimes we need to know WHY it was said like that. Buy, use and enjoy this gem!! You will not be disappointed. Bonne chance!!!!

It's an old book yet it does its best to try to teach you how to speak French when you're a native American-English speaker. So with this little guy you get a pretty good grasp of how you are to pronounce basic words and eventually you'll be able to almost speak French with no visible American accent.

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