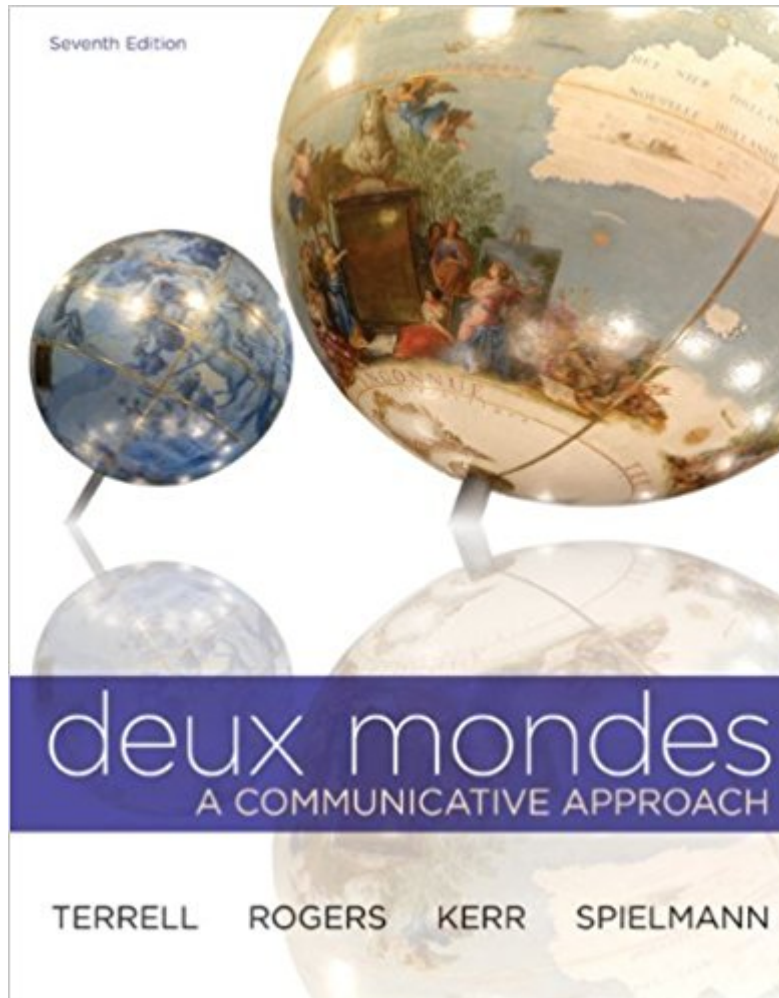




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Deux Mondes (Student Edition)



Synopsis

NOTE: This ISBN is a standalone book and doesn't include an access code/card. Your students are changing. Technology is changing. The idea of the classroom is changing. Now, the way your students learn French is changing as well! In preparation for this edition of *Deux mondes*, we conducted extensive research, employing a wide array of research tools including surveys, focus groups, and ethnographic studies to identify the key goals and challenges of the Introductory French course. Not surprisingly, communication and cultural competence are top goals of the majority of instructors, while they are simultaneously faced with the challenges of fewer contact hours, budget cuts, and new course formats. *Deux mondes*, 7th edition, continues to offer a truly communicative approach that supports functional proficiency while responding to these changing needs in new and exciting ways. As a direct result of our research, we created Connect French (www.mhconnectfrench.com), a powerful online learning platform that includes the ebook, the online Cahier d'exercices, an audio/video chat tool, and a brand-new video filmed in Provence. *À l'écoute* engages students in authentic culture that inspires them to communicate with confidence by providing them with the natural contexts they need to develop their language skills. Provides tools for flexibility and easy online course administration. Achieves consistent results across face-to-face, hybrid, and online course formats.

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This is a terrible, terrible... TERRIBLE text book. I've taken french before in highschool and this text is garbage compared to that. Paired with an even poorer instructor and you'll never learn a thing! You're better off typing things into a direct translator and using literal non-sensical translations to figure out his language. I knew a fair amount of french before this book and it has somehow completely turned me off of wanting to learn more in college. Normal language textbooks would provide sections in english to ensure comprehension and a base to advance from. This one does that for about 5 pages. And while the "immersion" thing is supposed to be the best way to learn... Everything is broken paragraphs, chopped up phrases and loosely placed verbs. Nothing is consistent. You learn about math before you can say "Where is the bathroom, or I'm hungry/thirsty!" Great if you're a french speaker wanting to breeze through a class but nothing makes sense. There is no gradual learning curve. It's 0 to 100 in 5 pages. If you take a class that requires this text, please use RateMyProfessor to find a halfway decent professor, otherwise, YOU'RE SCREWED!

I had a Spanish textbook years before and it was very descriptive, easy to understand, and had a great glossary. Not in this case! I knew I was in for a rude awakening as soon as I read chapter 1. I guess "immersion" is the purpose of this book, but unless your living in a French speaking country or have French speaking friends/family then it's totally pointless. It seems like half of the information has no translation and the glossary only has the French to English translated words, so looking up a word in English is difficult. Knowing Spanish helped a little since both Spanish and French are Romance languages. I had to spend another \$100 for the required access to the website. The worst part is I used about.com and Google Translator more than the actual book for my assignments. I hope colleges/universities find another French textbook for their students. It will save the hair pulling for other, more difficult subjects.

This did not come with access to the web site. Connect charges about the same price for access to the web site which comes with access to a PDF version of the book. You can also get a loose leaf copy for \$15 US after paying for access to the web site. I've only gone through the first two chapters but the arraignment of the book and teaching method is very confusing. It would not be my choice for learning. I wouldn't use it if it were not being required for the class I am in.

Misleading sale. I assumed that since the online access was required for the class that the access would come with the book. After paying \$80 for the book I had to pay an additional \$130 for access to the online content. I never even used the book in my class.

The kindle edition crashes every 15 min. It's kind of frustrating when you have assignments to do. I just hope they update it before they come out with the 8th edition.

This book is almost identical to the previous edition so definitely not worth the expense - another publisher rip-off. The book is fine for class but save yourself the money and buy the previous edition.

If your school requires these books, strongly consider dropping the class. The book is useless unless you already speak French, and then why would you want a French instruction book??

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