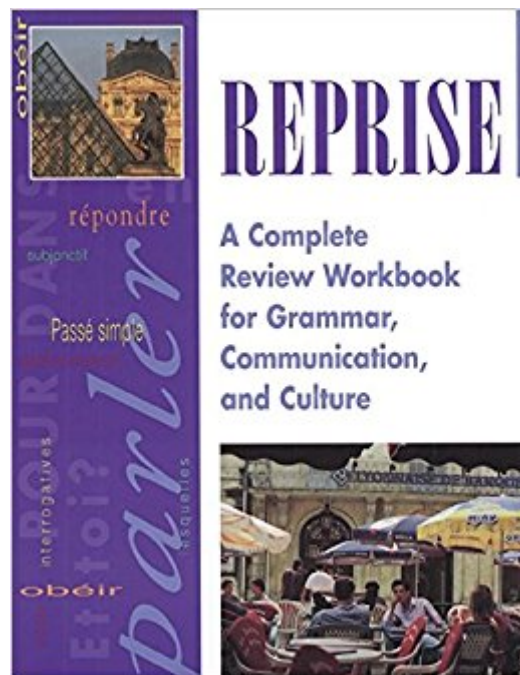




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Very useful book!!

It had no writing in it which was very helpful so that I could fill things out on my own.

The book was damaged, Got full refund, but [refer better screening of books before sale occurs.

Reprise is a good refresher covering almost all areas of grammar. A brief rundown of French history (beginning in 1500's, I believe) at the end. It includes nearly all verb tenses, even including the imperfect and past subjectives and literary tenses. The only concept that I recall completely absent in this book was usage of Devoir/pouvoir in the 'should' moments and probability (and a handy verb chart of it). However, concepts and its explanations are basic. Example sentences are always

provided although they are only the most rudimentary uses. While I used this as a refresher, there were several occasions where I felt frustrated because the explanations and examples weren't complex and didn't contain multiple concepts (where exceptions to the grammar rules can often pop up). I remember this especially with the "il/elle est vs. c'est" section. (I first used this book in French AP language and later as a supplement for 200 level college French).

Having studied French in college and visited France many times, I realized the need for a serious review of the language. Reprise provides plenty of practice and gives it meaning with the cultural background work. It is well worth the price, but the publisher should consider an answer key, which does not come with the book and is available only to people who can prove that they are educators. As a teacher, I could purchase one easily. Non- teachers won't have that option. With an answer key, I'd rate it five stars.

Sometimes, you need to be handed a bat & have a dead horse placed before you in order to understand something fully. Reprise does just that for French grammar. Explanations are very clear, and the exercises isolate aspects of the language in a way few other books do. Although cultural notes are treated in an incidental way, they are, nonetheless, present. The grammatical aspects of the book are excellent, but it's probably not the way to go if you're looking for conversation, communication, and/or cultural competency.

I have studied French for a number of years and with every new teacher, I got to review and work with another book. Out of all of the grammar books that I have seen, this is the most comprehensive. This book provides in depth explanations and exercises that go with it to test your understanding. It covers a lot of aspects of the French language, as well as, useful vocabulary and cultural notes. I would definitely recommend this book.

When I got this product, I became pleased with it. Because for a new beginning of French, you must select the best book. This contains very much examples and useful and detailed grammar rules. On first glance, it seemed like a little childish book. I mean big font sizes. But I think this is very good for new beginner. Because small font sizes would make this book very boring.

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