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Learn American Sign Language: Everything You Need To Start Signing * Complete Beginner's Guide * 800+ Signs



Synopsis

American Sign Language (ASL) is a vibrant, easy-to-learn language that is used by approximately half a million people each day. Current with the latest additions to ASL and filled with thousands of brand new photographs by Deaf actors, Learn American Sign Language is the most comprehensive guide of its kind.- Learn more than 800 signs, including signs for school, the workplace, around the house, out and about, food and drink, nature, emotions, small talk, and more.- Unlock the storytelling possibilities of ASL with classifiers, easy ways to modify signs that can turn "fishing" into "catching a big fish" and "walking" into "walking with a group."- Find out how to make sentences with signs, use the proper facial expressions with your signs, and other vital tips.

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Customer Reviews

Fantastic! I bought this book to help teach myself some sign language to help me communicate better with a friend of mine, and it has been an incredible resource. The pictures are clear and the amount of signs his pretty comprehensive for a beginner like me. It also taught me a lot about the structure of American Sign Language that I had never thought about. Communication with my friend is already better than ever, and I look forward to studying this book even more.

I bought two copies, one to give to the KSU library (Kennesaw State University) and one for me so I can learn to better communicate with my nephew. This book's format with clear pictures and descriptions is a great help for someone learning ASL. Just a little nuance can change the meaning of the sign and this book points that out. Great book!

I bought it to give too a Group home for these women that need help. There is one deaf lady her staff does not know any sign language In order for them to communicate she I had to write everything on a piece of paper. I thought that was wrong. I think the book helped I might buy another sign language book. Thank you

This book is incredible! I'm a paramedic and needed assistance with communicating with the deaf community and this book helped like no other. If you need a "crash course" in ASL, this book is for you! Absolutely recommended for anyone in the medical field! I carry this book with me every night I go to work. :)

Excellent resource for someone new to signing, but I specifically ordered a new book so it would be in mint condition. However, the back of the book is really warped so it doesn't lay flat so well and that is what you need when you are practicing signing with both hands. So the condition of the book isn't optimal, but it's okay. I have ordered a second one and if it is in better condition, I will return this one.

This beginner guide to ASL is pretty awesome! The guide provides not only 800+ signs, it places an emphasis on learning the fundamentals known as the 5 parameter for signing. It encourage learners to practice and get involved in a community of ASL users. I just wish it came with a dvd or online visual component as an aide.

Amazing book for people who want to learn the basics or if you already know the basics it is a good place to start to teach another person. The color pictures and the spiral bound binding make this an amazing resource!

Very nice book, I like how much information is given about ASL. I especially like that the book explains a little on the different sentence structure that ASL uses, though more examples would have been helpful for me. The pictures are pretty clear, my only wish is that there were more descriptions for the signs that require motion. For a beginning book I think this is pretty nice, and I like that it is pretty up-to-date, including even some words dealing with the internet and social media.

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