

Latin: A Fresh Approach Book 1

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Description

A clear and concise introduction to Latin designed to steadily lead students through a series of illustrative examples, readings, vocabulary lists and translation exercises.

'I found the course very clear and straightforward - the layout is uncluttered and explanations of grammatical points are clearly expressed. The inclusion of English to Latin exercises is a good thing: I see this as giving flexibility to the course...The course is certainly well suited to CE in terms of vocabulary and the presentation of the grammar. The exercises are such as to give confidence to the less able students.' *—Jonathan Welch, Head of Classics, Kingshott School*

This book is the first of a complete three-volume course, written with the aim of making the basics of the Latin language as easy and accessible as possible to beginners, regardless of their age. Throughout, the author presents the language alongside insights into the culture and civilization of Ancient Rome, using numerous full colour photographs and original drawings to make the introduction to language deliberately gradual and visually stimulating in order to engage students and allow them to relate to the subject matter. There is no continuous story in Latin, but plenty of linguistic exercises which will give students sufficient practice in emphasizing the basic points, allowing them time to gain confidence in understanding one new lesson before moving on to the next. Vocabulary is introduced at regular intervals, and the books include numerous challenging and interesting exercises, designed to be of manageable length so as to be less imposing and easier to learn.

Readership: For all newcomers to Latin seeking a thorough grounding in the language.

Contents

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