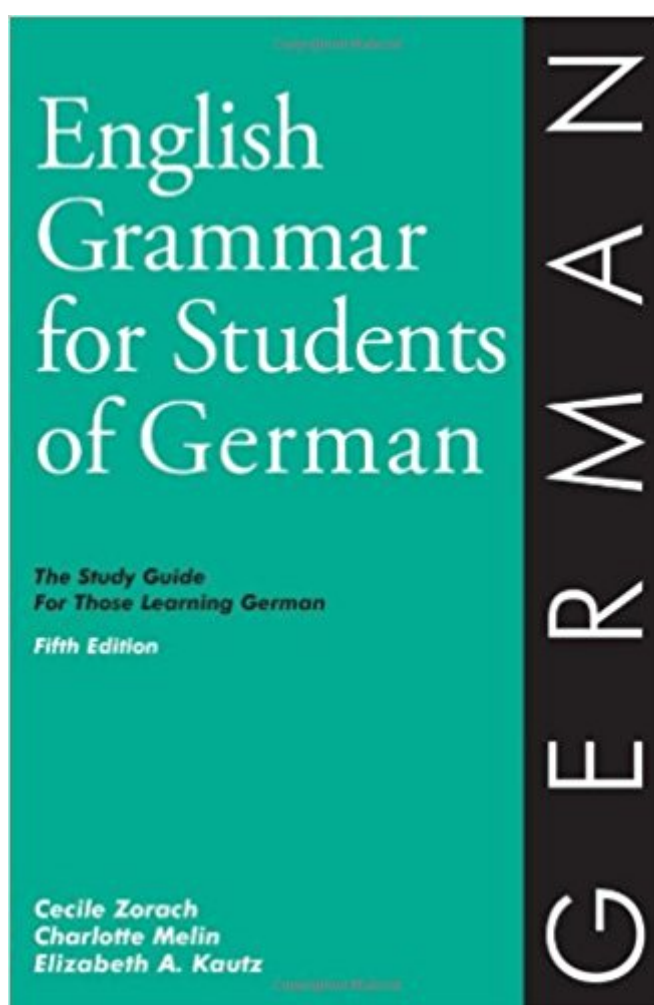


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# English Grammar For Students Of German: The Study Guide For Those Learning German (English Grammar Series)



## Synopsis

Fifth edition of this popular self-study guide for students of German. Each chapter covers a grammar point: i.e., a part of speech (noun, verb, pronoun), a word's function in a sentence (ex. subject, direct object, indirect object), a grammatical term (tense, conjugation, declension, gender). Each chapter is divided into two sections. 1. In English: grammar is explained as it relates to English, anticipating concepts necessary for German. 2. In German: grammar is explained as it relates to German, with examples and explanations of the rules applied. Points out similarities, differences, and alerts students to pitfalls. Study Tips: how to learn vocabulary, memorize verb conjugations.... Downloads available: 1. Review booklet with Answer key 2. Correlations to popular 1st year college German textbooks indicating the pages to be read in preparation for each lesson. Part of the O&H Study Guide series for students of foreign languages. Experience has shown that students using the O&H German Study Guide improve their performance in German grammar thanks to a better understanding of English grammar. Teachers can devote more class time to developing communicative skills.

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English Grammar for Students of German has been very helpful to me. I have been studying German for about half a year now, and for the first five months of that I was using Duolingo (if you don't know about Duolingo and you're looking to study German either on your own or otherwise, look it up! It's a great supplement to other German study materials). The problem with Duolingo is that it takes the "natural" approach to learning language, where the grammatical rules are not always explicitly stated or taught. Coming from a computer programming background, and having been raised by an English teacher, the "natural" approach to languages does not cut it for me; I need to know the specifics about languages in order to learn them, which English Grammar for Students of German does. What English Grammar for Students of German does not do, however, is provide an exhaustive overview of German grammar. That is not exactly a pitfall, though, because a "lighter" introduction to the subject is exactly what I believe most students need, anyway. Besides, the point of this book is to improve student's understanding of German grammar lessons by refreshing the student's English grammar skills, and then contrasting them to German grammar. If you are looking for grammar drills or an exhaustive overview of German grammar, there are several books on which provide plenty of exercises and more details. You won't find that here, even though I believe this book is a must-have for adult students of German.

This book can be seen in two ways: moderately superficial in its treatment and extent, or extremely valuable to someone with little or no formal education in English grammatical construction and/or its terminology. Falling into the category of the latter, I found this book to be exceptionally helpful, but I got it a bit late for my German reading course. This book loses value exponentially as such a course moves forward -and is basically useless for those entering the second part of a yearlong German reading course. For individuals taking German language, I can see this being useful as late into the program as third-year German. I used this book in complement with Jannach's German reading text, and it basically helped with the first two-thirds of the book (Chapters 1-18 of 30). Beyond that, I don't actively recommend this book. The moral of the story is that, for the purposes of reading, this is a book that you should have before the class even begins. For self-study, those students without a

solid grounding in English grammar theory and terminology, this book is greatly helpful. A few folks who know English quite well may find a small amount of helpful clarification it, too: differences between German and English tenses, for instance, helps, as does the explanations given on missing prepositions that an English speaker might seek but will not find (German assumes prepositions in some places in sentences, in relation to certain verbs). I do think that some of the explanations could have been more thorough (and gone further), and I definitely would have liked for the book to be a little more geared toward German grammar itself, instead of being focused on teaching English grammar and then correlating that to what one will find in German. However, I think the book is a valuable supplement as is.

Excellent aid to German 101 classroom books. Here in a concise format are many of the devils in the details of learning German. Along with my GERMAN 101 (first year) class textbook and this book, I'm understanding German a lot better. This small book is easy to use, easy explanations and many samples. It is a definite helper to have the multitude of rules on nouns, verbs, prepositions, pronouns, accusative and dative principles all rolled into an easy reference source.

As English is my second language and German will be my third, this simplified grammar book is useful to me for both. It does not dwell on details and exceptions but systematically sticks to the essentials. It is a good complement to the various grammar books I already have. For more details about German grammar, one can switch from this quick reference to the exhaustive Duden Band 4: Die Grammatik directly with the help of a bilingual dictionary.

I purchased this book because I'm taking German classes and learning German grammar is challenging to put it mildly. This book has excellent study tips and very useful information that thoroughly explain how German and English grammar work. One of the best things I like about the book is that everything is easy to understand. If you are learning German and are not good with English Grammar, you need this book so that you can make sense of how and why German grammar is structured the way it is. This is one of the most helpful books in my studies.

This book goes one by one through all the different elements of the two languages. First it teaches the reader how that element of language function in English, and then it explains the same thing for how the element functions in German. This is essential to not just speaking German, but understanding how to truly produce new sentences with confidence. This will not teach you German.

But for someone who is studying German this is a great side-kick to other resources.

Great benefit to the studies

This is a good resource text. The only reason why I didn't give it a 5 is that it is dry (which is to be expected for something like this but I would have liked more real world examples/applications) One thing that people will appreciate with this text is that, when it references a concept covered in another part of the book, it gives you a page number of where that concept was covered in the book.

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