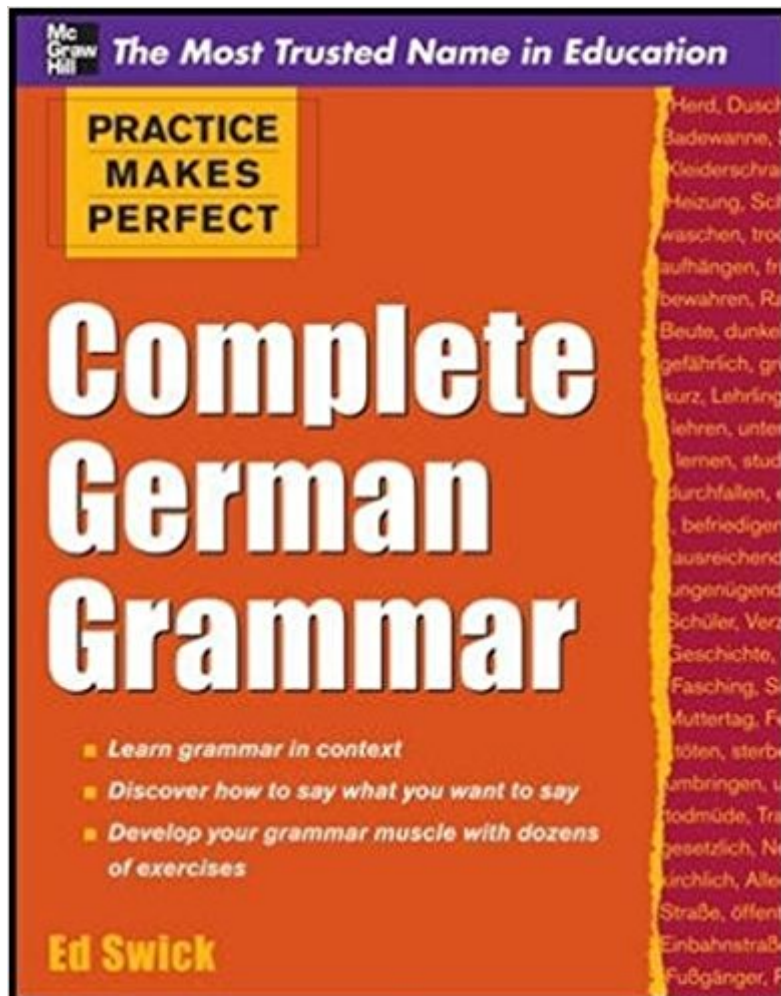




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# Practice Makes Perfect Complete German Grammar



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Build your confidence in your German skills with practice, practice, practice! From present tense regular verbs to double object pronouns, this comprehensive guide and workbook covers all those aspects of German grammar that you might find a little intimidating or hard to remember. *Practice Makes Perfect: Complete German Grammar* focuses on the practical aspects of German as it's really spoken, so you are not bogged down by unnecessary technicalities. Each unit features crystal-clear explanations, numerous realistic examples, and dozens of engaging exercises in a variety of formats--including multiple choice, fill-in sentences and passages, sentence rewrites, and creative writing--perfect for whatever your learning style. Whenever possible, explanations include comparisons you to understand the basic logic behind the rules and to remember correct usage. This new edition includes: Time-saving vocabulary panels that eliminate having to look words up Advice on how to avoid common mistakes A detailed answer key for quick, easy progress checks Offering a winning formula for getting a handle on German grammar right away, *Practice Makes Perfect: Complete German Grammar* your ultimate resource for learning to speak German the way the native speakers do.

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## Customer Reviews

Ed Swick has taught German for 30 years. He is the author of *Practice Makes Perfect: German Vocabulary* and *Practice Makes Perfect: German Sentence Builder*.

Probably it is worth noting that this covers only the most basic German grammar. It starts at near zero, and covers the basics (plurals, ein-words, verb tenses, modals, etc.) Most of the translation exercises are very short sentences of 10 words or less. If you have the equivalent of one year of college German, this will not be very interesting and will seem like a step backward. You should have a working knowledge of grammatical terms (preposition, adjective vs. adverb, relative clauses, etc.) or you will have some difficulties understanding what is being taught. For somebody who has previous working knowledge of German and needs a quick, basic review, this is good. In fact, that is its niche. Hard to see other use cases for it. If you are just learning German from scratch, you might find this tough to use unless you are familiar with grammar concepts and terminology. I did some German in college and had gotten rusty, so this was a good refresher. The exercises are good and unambiguous: straight one-sentence-at-a-time translation or 'fill-in-the-blank'. Either you did it right, or else wrong, and you can check the key to see. That's it. No frills, German crossword puzzles, fake conversations, and other junk like that. Note: This is not an advanced grammar review, or even intermediate. It is less thorough and not as advanced than Schaum's Review of German Grammar, which has more detail and covers more special cases (but also takes a lot longer to work through).

I teach German and have a full shelf of grammar books. There are two others I prefer, but they are very pricey. This is a good, basic book with many exercises and at a price that most can afford. I would recommend it for self study.

I purchased this PMP text after a first attempt with \_Basic German\_ (from the same series). My task this summer is to teach myself the equivalent of a first year of German so that I can read articles in German and I've only been working with this book for about a week (up to Ch. 7). This book is nicely organized and graded, moving from easy grammar and drills to progressively harder grammar and drills. The repetition in the drills made memorizing vocabulary and verbs easy. I come to this book with language experience in Spanish, Italian, and Latin, so I'm not learning grammatical concepts from scratch, but I think that this is a great grammar for beginners.

I absolutely love this book! I just start learning German, and it has tons of exercises to practice. I bought a Kindle version and it's good enough to be usable. The only issue I am having is that some of the exercises are posted like images, and the resolution is a bit too low.

I used this book in conjunction with some old textbooks to teach myself German. I love this book. It has a lot of explanation and a lot of exercises which really reinforce what they are trying to teach you. I love the fact that the vocabulary builds on itself in the book so not only is it helping you with the Grammar but it also helps build your basic vocabulary. This is an excellent book for anyone learning German and if I could only recommend one book to have, it would be this one. I have a number of books in this series and have only worked with a couple and I really like this author and his style of teaching and especially all the exercises.

great to support my German learning

Unlike some of the other Practice Makes Perfect books--this one is geared to an absolute beginner. There are many many written exercises in each chapter and each item is presented very clearly with lots of examples. Pair this with Mr. Swick's Easy German Step by Step and the beginner has a great chance at success.

Grammar is THE tough topic for me in German. It's really amazing how many words that we share with German, but the grammar is very different. Working through this book, put in a common sense form, has been helping me a lot with my German.

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