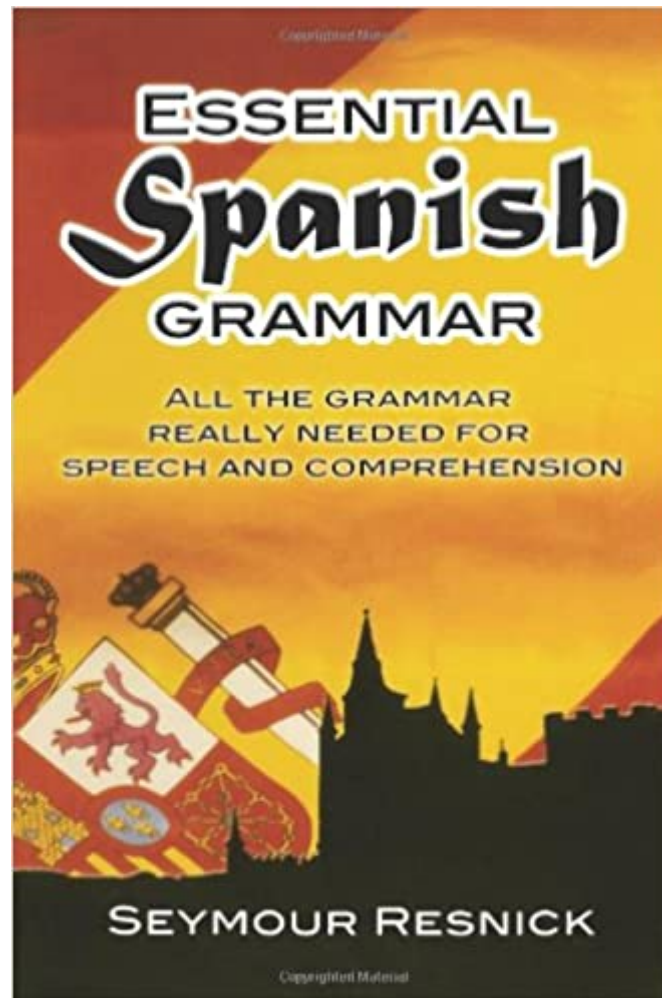




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Others are correct that the lack of the tu form is an update that we really need, but still to get such a great focus on just the pieces you need. I carry one book when I travel in Spanish speaking countries, and this is it. It is lightweight and very to the point.

Concepts of basic Spanish grammar, that have eluded or confused me for months, are crystal clear now, with this book, including reflexive verbs. Some people are able to learn a language by listening and attempting to speak it, but others of us desperately require some structure as a framework to hang all the spoken words on and make sense of them. This book is excellent for that purpose and I am so glad I found it on . I have Seymour Resnick's other book, 1001 Most Useful Spanish Words, which I also recommend.

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