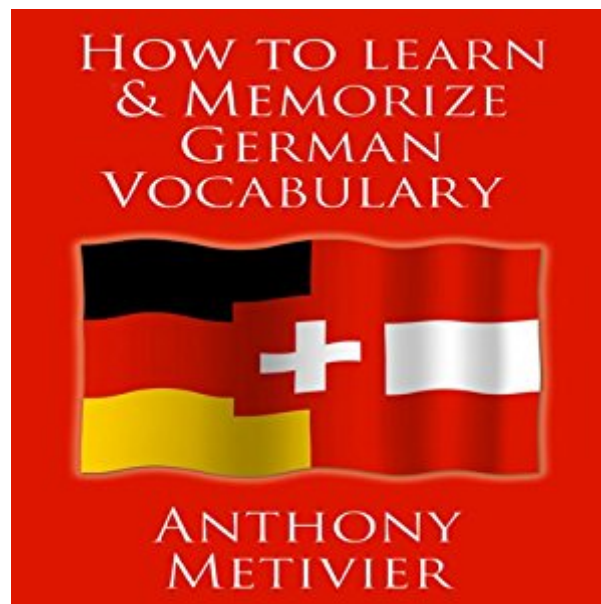




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How To Learn And Memorize German Vocabulary



Synopsis

Using a Memory Palace Specifically Designed for the German Language (and adaptable to many other languages too) If you'd like to improve your ability to learn the German language by as much as 100%, 200%, even 300% (or more) using simple memory techniques that you can learn in 15-20 minutes (or less), then this may be the most important book you will ever listen to. Believe it or not, it doesn't matter if you have a good memory or not. The information in this eBook will teach you: Why memory is like a bicycle everyone can ride (with some minor personal adjustments). The real reason why no one should ever be squeamish about memorization or learning a language. Why and how some of the most famous memory skills are applicable to learning any language, especially German. How to create a 26 "letter location" memory system based on the alphabet English speakers share with the Germans. Unique techniques that will have you literally "tuning in" on the German language. How to separate German words in the most effective manner for memorization. A simple strategy for memorizing the male, neuter and feminine genders (a process that some people consider the ultimate nightmare of language learning). Two secret ways to use relaxation to aid the memorization process. These two methods alone are worth the price of this book because they will literally eliminate stress from your body as you work on learning German. And much, much more....These techniques have been used by real language learners, most of whom previously considered themselves owners of a "bad memory" to make real strides in acquiring German. Don't worry! None of these techniques are rocket science. Frankly, if you can memorize a short email address or the name of a movie, then you can use this system to memorize a language as rich and diverse as German. Plus, everything you'll learn in this book applies to every other language that shares the same alphabet with English. And with a little imagination, the ideas are easily transferable to other alphabet systems.

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Customer Reviews

I used this book to learn more Arrernte vocabulary - even though it's aimed at people learning German. Arrernte is Australian Aboriginal language that is TOTALLY unlike any European language, so I would argue that if the method is going to fail, then it will fail with a language like Arrernte. I should also add that I read this book in conjunction with doing the author's online course, as I find I learn by reading, thinking and doing much easier than watching or listening to lectures, greatly benefited from the book. First up, it should be stated that this technique is not for lazy people or those who want a quick fix. It involves creating complex mental imagery and higher-level cognitive processing, which is in fact why you're able to recall the words and their meanings as you walk through your mental journey. The system can be summarised in these steps:

1. Imagine a place that starts with a letter of the alphabet in the language you're learning (places like shopping centres and university campuses or highways worked best for me)
2. This is the palace
3. Identify 10 words starting with this letter that you wish to remember
4. Within your place (let's use the Stuart Highway, going north, from Port Augusta in South Australia), identify 10 stations or locations along the way
5. Take great care NOT to get into a dead end, though.
6. Create mnemonic images (the more outrageous the better) to help you recall your words (i.e. to remember the word for Victoria Wattle in Arrernte, I imagined lots of lepers running naked through this prickly wattle!)
7. Place each image at a location within the palace
8. Rinse and repeat for each letter of the alphabet in your target language.

I followed and actually DID what the author suggested, using his downloadable sample worksheets and in 10 days was able to remember an additional 200 words in a language that is considered one of the most difficult for English speakers to learn. I can't tell you how thrilled I am with this! The ONLY secret to being able to use this system is that you actually need to do the work to implement it. I won't lie: it's a lot of work to set up the memory palaces in the beginning and you will need to allow yourself between 1-5 hours to do this. Then you need to create at least 10 stations in

each palace, then add your words and create your images. In reading a number of the negative reviews here, I get the impression that they were commenting on Metivier's writing style rather than any attempt to actually implement the system so it's grossly unfair to critique a system when you haven't even tried to use it. The complexity of the Magnetic Memory Palace System can be daunting initially, so I accept some people won't have the patience to implement, however for those who do, I suspect that you will AMAZE yourself with what your mind is capable of learning.

Mr. Metivier's enthusiasm for his subject is obvious. But, and this is a very big BUT, if he wishes converts to his method, he badly needs a good editor. This book was not ready for publication, and it looked to this reader to be of the "first draft- last draft" variety. This very brief book, which does have some helpful content, is riddled with spelling and grammar errors. For example, the author makes much of the memorization of the sequence of a deck of cards. Several times the printer used "suite" for a "suit" of cards, and then switched to the correct spelling later. Grammar errors appear with jarring frequency. I like the ideas contained in the book, if not the implementation, which demonstrates that we all have minds that work differently.

There is the most detailed and thorough book on memory palaces that I have read. It goes into great depth outlining how to use memory palaces to memorize German vocabulary. I've been at an impasse with gaining proficiency with German, mainly because I could not remember vocabulary. I've tried many different ways to memorize vocabulary with little luck. The book also has a couple good appendices with resources for memory and language learning. The book gives a method for remembering language vocabulary. You have to implement these methods to get anything out of the book. This is not the mnemonic method. This uses memory palaces which has the advantage of engaging your spatial memory. I think this is a great book especially for the price. Also the author is very accessible and is willing to answer questions and take suggestions.

This book will appeal to two distinct communities: people who are already involved in learning and using memory techniques such as those described by Joshua Foer in "Moonwalking with Einstein," and those who are interested in finding practical approaches to accelerate their language learning. Among books written about memory techniques, this one stands out for its focus on language learning and vocabulary building. It's really a short handbook, just enough of a how-to guide to get anyone started, whether or not you've ever experimented with links, or memory palaces, or the

journey system. The writing is clear, and Anthony Metivier earned my trust by presenting his methods as practical experiments that he has tested over and over, and keeps modifying. Worth the price of the book alone is the extra material that he offers anyone who buys his book, e-mails and newsletters that will quickly add on more than what's already in the text. The book includes a sample German wordlist, which functions more as interesting notes on nuances or common mistakes in understanding German than as a direct help to using the memory systems.

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