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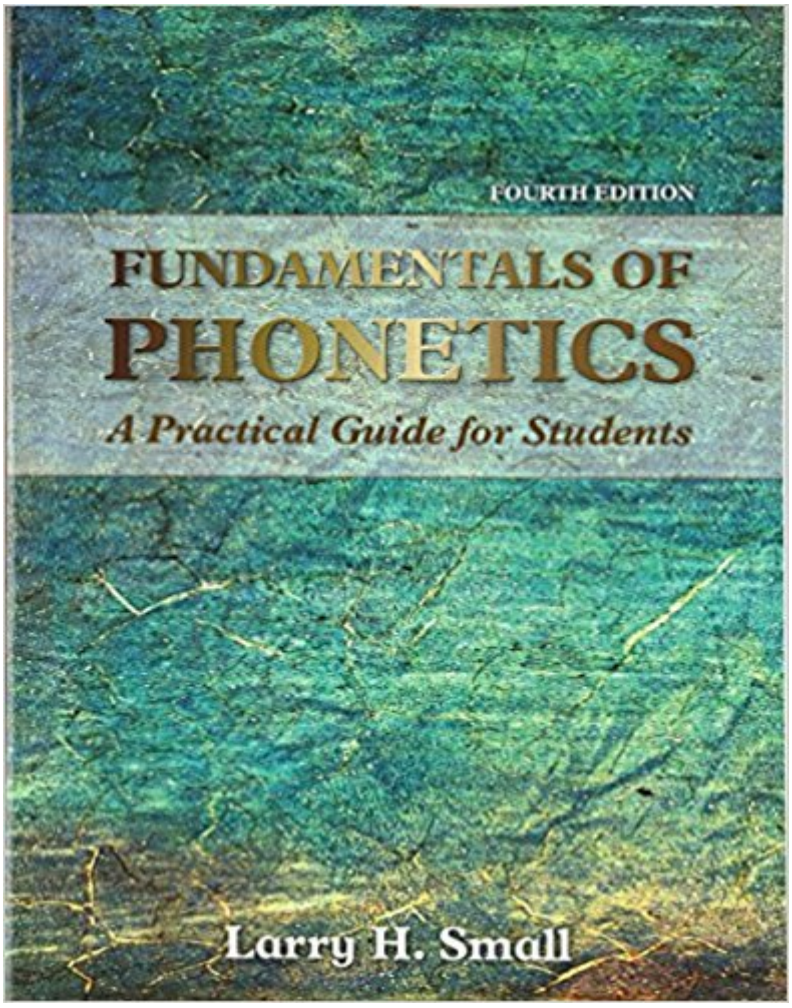


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## Synopsis

Note: This text does not come with the audio cd. To order the 3 audio CD set, use ISBN 013403306X. To order the audio CD packaged with this text, use ISBN 0134204816. Ã Â Here is a clear, systematic introduction to the fundamentals of linguistic phonetics with a total learning package designed to help students become proficient in phonetics and phonetic transcription. Fundamentals of Phonetics by Larry Small provides speech and hearing students with a good understanding of phonetics principles through practice. The text uses in-text exercises and supplemental audio recordings to teach the practical skills necessary to successfully perform phonetic transcription of individuals using the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA). Students learn about the transcription of consonants and vowels, connected speech, and individuals with speech sound disorders. A chapter on speech acoustics introduces spectrograms and the acoustic characteristics of speech sounds. Students also learn how to transcribe individuals who display regional and ethnic dialectal variation of speech, including those who have learned to speak English as a second language. Throughout the text are included chapter objectives, learning exercises, in-class and take-home assignments, online resources, and study questions that will help students learn, process, and practice the material presented in the text.

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## Customer Reviews

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Larry H. Small received both a B.S. in Speech Pathology and Audiology (1977), and an M.A. in Audiology (1977) from Kent State University. He received his Ph.D. in Speech and Hearing Science from Ohio University in 1984. He worked as a clinical audiologist at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha from 1978 Ã¢â ¬â œ 1980. Dr. Small joined the faculty of Bowling Green State University (BGSU)Ã Â in 1984, and remained on the faculty for twenty-four years, prior to his retirement in 2008 when he was named Associate Professor Emeritus. While at BGSU, he served as the Director of the University Honors Program (1991 Ã¢â ¬â œ 1996). He was also Chair of the Department of Communication Disorders from 2003-2007. Dr. Small was on the Executive Board of the Council of Academic Programs in Communication Sciences and Disorders (CAPCSD) from 2007-2011, serving as President from 2009-2010. He began teaching undergraduate and AuD courses at Ohio State University (OSU) in 2008. For the past thirty years, he has taught courses at the undergraduate and graduate levels in phonetics, hearing science, diagnostic audiology and

aural rehabilitation, both at BGSU and OSU. He has authored or co-authored numerous presentations and publications. Dr. Small was named an ASHA Fellow in 2014.

Don’t usually review text books, but this one was really good. Not hard to read, nothing fancy, I used this for all my exams to practice IPA and have done pretty well so far :) You’ll learn IPA (narrow/broad) from this book and after you’ll be able to actually transcribe something off cuff.

Very well written, I love the organization of ideas. It is set up to make you totally understand the concepts and succeed in the class. I really like how they have in chapter assignment with answered after every presented idea

I am using this book for my "Applied Phonetics" class and it is working out great. It is very thorough and well put together. I haven’t opened the cd yet so I am not sure how helpful that is. I have been working through the book at a steady pace and haven’t felt like anything is negative about this book, I really like it so far. Obviously if you are buying this you need it for something to do with speech/language or for a class so it might be required. It is worth the money and make sure you buy it new or you will do a lot of erasing and whiting-out. This is a workbook with pages and pages of writing exercises.

There was a lot of writing and a few pages missing

The book is definitely used and some of the pages I needed were ripped out (such as assignments) but I knew that when I bought it used. The text is readable, easy to follow. The tables are very useful. Review questions are very clear and concise. Thanks for the seller! Really needed this for class and career.

it’s a little confusing and could use more examples. nevertheless, its a good book

Phonetics was an entirely new language for me. The book was very helpful. Used as a reference for other classes(lang development in children, phonological disorders, speech acoustics, etc)

Amazing

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