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This is an introduction to pragmatics, the study of how people make sense of each other linguistically. The author explains, and illustrates, basic concepts such as the co-operative principle, deixis, and speech acts, providing a clear, concise foundation for further study.

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Bookshire Cat says

Have read chapters 1-7 for my sociolinguistics class. Very good reading, enjoyable style.

Abdulmogeeb AlHumaid says

nice and simple .

Jonathan Weinand says

This is an excellent introduction to the field of pragmatics. While relying on some base knowledge of common linguistic terms, this book is readily understandable even for someone just discovering the joy of linguistics!

One of the best and most surprising parts of this book is the author's wit. Examples of abstract concepts in pragmatics will be given in a tone that clearly yet humorously illustrates the point.

I would have enjoyed if the book were much longer, but of course it is most definitely an introductory text. All in all a splendid work.

Sadia Mansoor says

This is the book which helped me a lot to understand the basic concepts of *Linguistics* in my uni days... Its a very simplified & quick version to grasp the knowledge of necessary definitions for understanding English Language.

Anna De colle says

great overview of basic terms with well-chosen examples - delightfully accessible.

Ahmed J says

The author has not focused on the cognitive aspect of pragmatics since it is clear in the examples provided that most pragmatic strategies are performed unconsciously. Also, the examples are mainly from English throughout, so the book lacks cross-linguistic examples. Despite minor shortcomings, Pragmatics provides a thorough introduction to the field and as such I highly recommend it to all readers, both novice and advanced. Like all the volumes in Oxford Introductions to Language Study series, it also contains three parts: a collection of key readings, a list of references, and a brief glossary. In this volume, Yule provides copious examples in addition to a great number of concepts that should be known for anyone reading about pragmatics.

Lucy says

Easy to read and follow. Clear examples. Information to the point.

Guille Osorio says

It is a good introduction to the pragmatics field, but there are some terms which could have been explained better. Specially, when some of them are so similar.

Alma Wahdie says

My Professor said that this is pragmatics for dummy.

I'm thankful because I am the newbie in this area.

This book is very easy to be understood and after read this book my interest in language is getting bigger and bigger.

I love it

Lucy says

A decent introduction.

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Pragmatics by George Yule

The book as the name implies talks about pragmatics, the linguistic field that is concerned with how does people communicate using language or even without using it.

A good lecturer knows what to give to his students, and in our fourth year as Specialized students of English we had the chance of being taught Pragmatics with Mr.Sirag Shennieb who knows very well what to teach and how to teach it. During the lectures we discussed our actual life situations that reflects pragmatic behavior, after that I read this book as a curious reader not as a student and I found it very delicious!

Yule illustrates the basic pragmatic notions in a clear language that would be easily understood by any intermediate speaker of English, he talks about the cooperative principle, deixis, and speech acts providing examples that makes every concept clear and funny.

This kind of books makes you love your field of study and think seriously about having further studies about linguistic disciplines.

Deya M. says

what a great journey with pragmatics this year!
I loved it. (:

Haroon Ur says

this book is about pragmatics and i want to read the book

Marcus Lira says

Nice introduction. It didn't delve too deeply into the theory, which is exactly what you expect from an introductory text. The references/notes in the end are also really great.

Paul Auster says

Easy to read, but it touches only the very surface of each topic. It didn't help me a lot to understand the basic concepts since the introductions were simply too superficial and short. There are better (though longer) introductions out there. However, it gives you a very condensed overview, so it might be useful for some purposes, but generally speaking I wouldn't recommend it.
