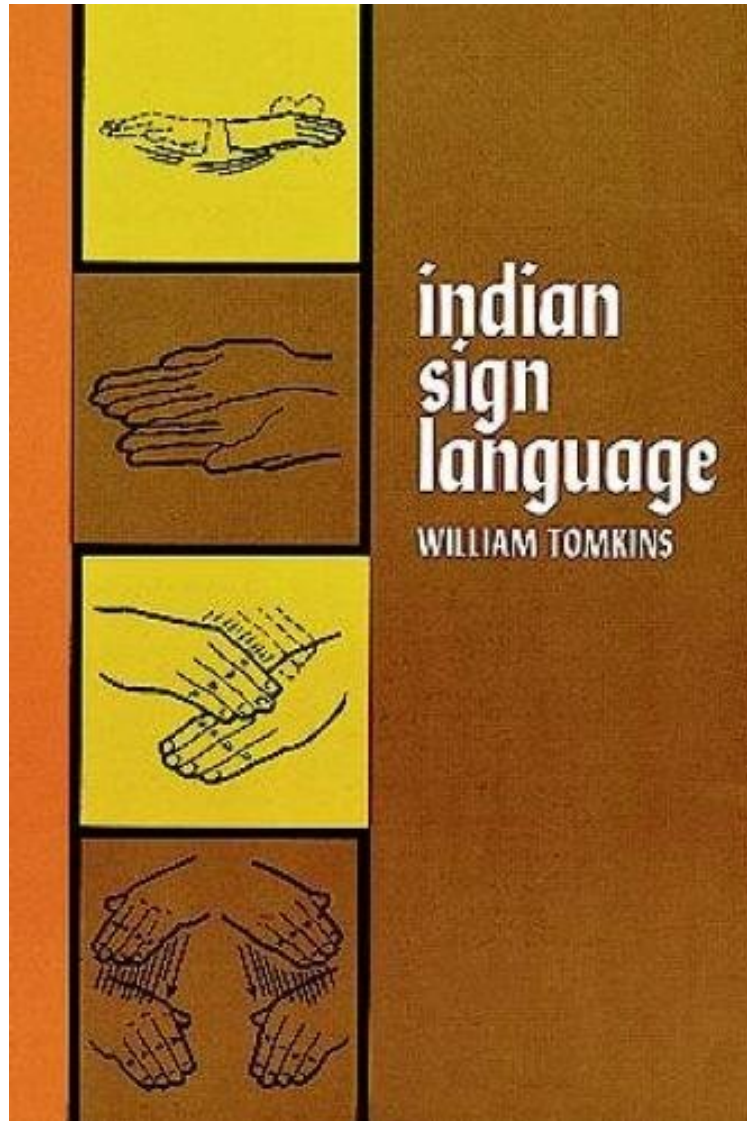


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historical references and photos that are featured in the book. My only complaint is that it is sometimes hard to tell if you're actually doing the sign correctly based upon the guide photos. Also, the book was a little small. Either way, it's a good purchase and a good beginner look into Native American Sign Language. 6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. Informative but missing essential vocabulary By lupina24 The order and instruction are clear and easy to follow even without illustrations. However, I was disappointed that common words or synonyms for some basic vocabulary such as 'please', 'thank you', and 'sorry' and basic directions like 'left', 'right', 'straight' or cardinal directions, or other synonyms were not listed anywhere in the book. The illustrations were well portrayed. The book does cover the basics however some of the signs are combination words such as 'shawl' is making the sign for WOMAN and BLANKET other signs are interchangeable. For instance, the sign for 'wolf' is the same for spy, cunning, and Pawnee. Overall I consider this a good way to be introduced to the Native sign language.

Plains Indians from different tribes speaking different languages were nevertheless able to communicate facts and feelings of considerable complexity when they met. They used a language composed of gestures made almost entirely with the hands and fingers, probably the most highly developed gesture language to be found in any part of the world. With this book, you will find it simple to use this language, which the author learned in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, principally from Sioux Indians in Wyoming. Drawings and short descriptions make clear the proper positions and motions of the hands to convey the meaning of over 870 alphabetically arranged common words hungry, camp, evening, angry, fire, laugh, owl, cat, many times, brave, cold, heart, rain, spotted, together, river, etc. The words are then used in sample sentences. There are also brief sections on the pictography and ideography of the Sioux and Ojibway tribes, and on smoke signals. This is a book for anyone who wants to learn or teach Indian sign language scouts, school teachers, camp counselors, scout leaders, parents, linguists, and students of Indian culture. To help counselors and teachers, the last chapters give instructions on how to conduct the Indian ceremony for opening a council fire, an Indian initiation ceremony, and suggestions for sign language tests and exercises.

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