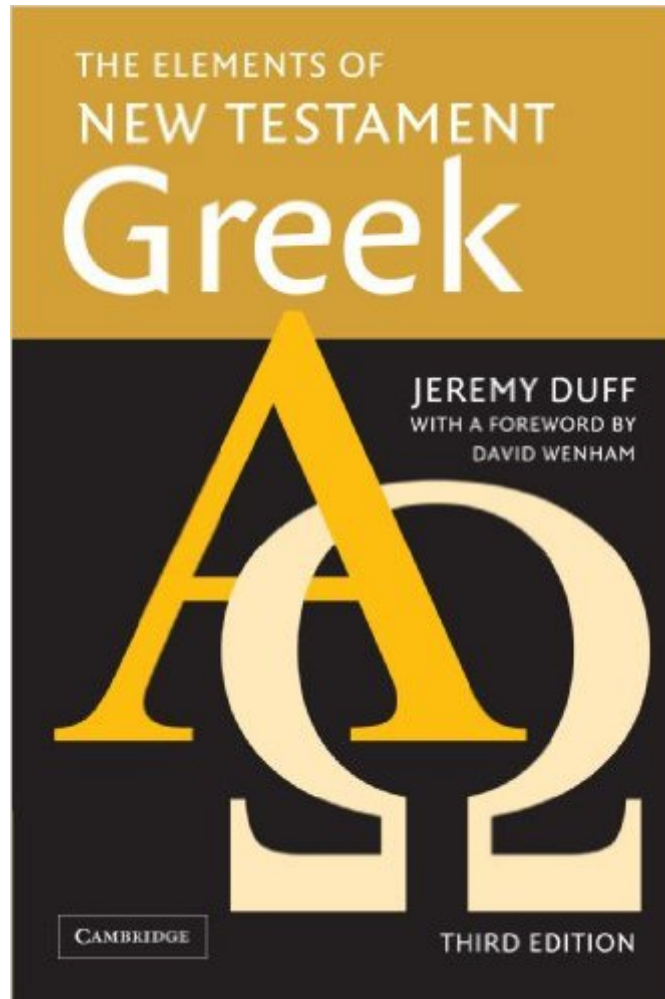


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(I cannot comment on the CD because I have not heard it; my review is on only the textbook) Jeremy Duff's book is a good review for people with some experience in reading Koine Greek. But it would be somewhat terse for the absolute beginner. His method of presenting concepts in complete categories is quite engaging. For example, in his chapter on the subjunctive mood, he gives this overview with examples of the instances when Koine writers used the subjunctive mood:\*

Indefinite clauses: whoever, wherever, whenever...\*

Purpose clauses: in order that...\*

Exhortations: Let's...\*

Deliberations: What shall I...?\*

Prohibitions: Don't...!\*

Emphatic negative future: I will never...\*

He discusses in a similar way participles, complex sentences, conjunctions, prepositions, the perfect tenses, and so forth. This is a smooth way of reviewing these topics. This book also offers copious sentence exercises for practicing these constructions. The only part of his book that I

do not approve of is the lack of written accents. In spite of the attractive way that this book presents Greek, A learner will have difficulty in pronouncing words because they carry no accent marks. Mr. Duff states that "the accents are not taught in this book for three important reasons:\* Accents were not present in written Greek in the New Testament period.\* The rules of accentuation are complicated, and you have enough to learn.\* Accents don't help you translate or understand Greek."The accents are helpful to me personally for memorizing vocabulary because they indicate which syllable to stress.

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