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I taught Latin I for 20+ years in the public school system and stayed frustrated with the texts we were given to use. Now that I'm teaching independently and can choose my own text, I'm going with the Oxford Latin Course. The vocabulary is similar to other texts, but this series gives accessible translations so students can master that important skill early. I'm also pleased that the OLC does not give dull grammar exercises but presents important concepts and gives practice through the cartoons, the translations, etc. The lessons are short and move quickly. The cultural info is also good. Other than wishing for more info on derivatives, I'm enjoying using it to teach Lain 1 students.

I thought this book has been helpful getting me to learn Latin so far. I bought the CD with it to help practice hearing it and get some pronunciations down. If I were a brand new language learner completely, I don't know how helpful this was, but my background in studying German for 9 years helped me understand things like the accusative case and made me pay attention to verb-endings. If you've never studied a foreign language before, I would hesitate to do this alone.

My grandson, for whom this was a gift, advises me that this is a wonderful Latin review book. It reinforces his Latin studies from middle school. He studies it daily to reinforce his knowledge of the language.

I am a collector of curriculum, and Latin resources in particular. This is a fabulous book! Well laid out and paced, very clear instruction on grammar and pronunciation. Highly recommended!

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