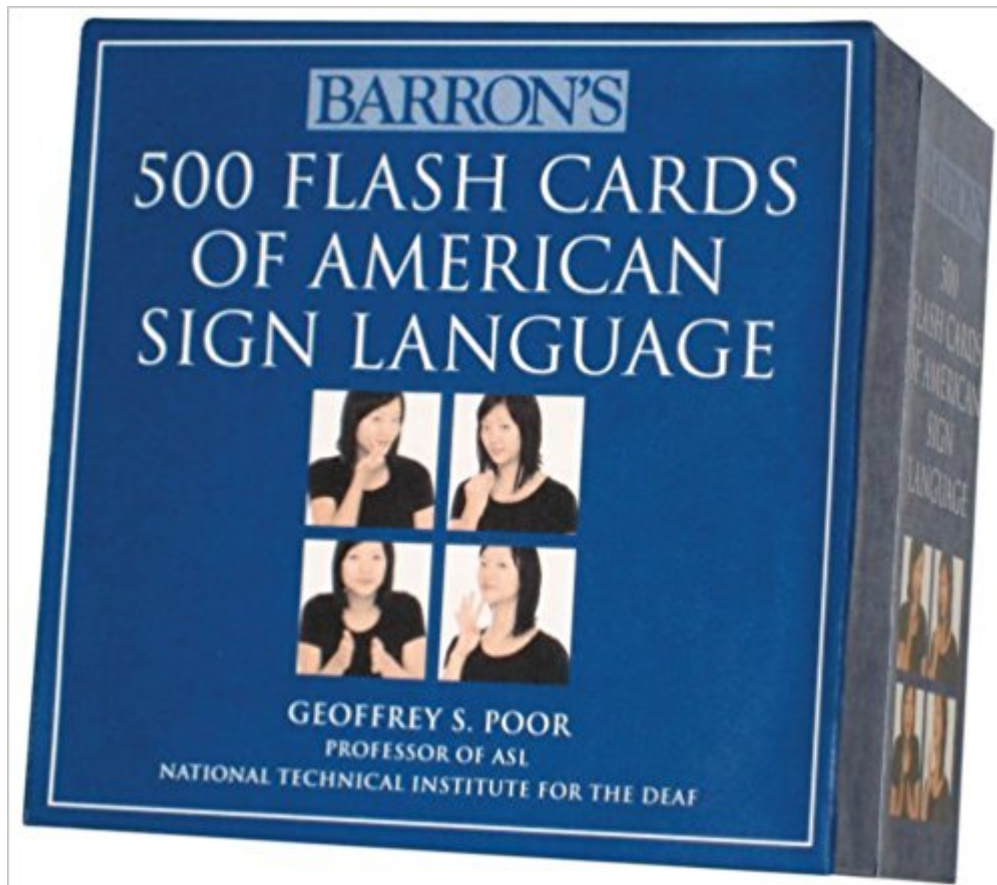




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Barron's 500 Flash Cards Of American Sign Language



Synopsis

Full-color photos on flash cards present close-ups of a model demonstrating 500 American Sign Language (ASL) signs. The meanings, brief descriptions of hand and arm motions, and related words are listed on the reverse side of each card. Correct formations of hand shapes and facial expressions are clearly shown to eliminate any possible confusion regarding intended word meanings. Where appropriate, photos include directional arrows that show hand or arm movements. Each flash card has a hole in one corner to accommodate a metal ring included with the boxed set. Users can select and fit any combination of cards they please to combine relevant words and create statements, or to review signs that they have difficulty identifying. Here is an ideal method for recognizing and memorizing American Sign Language vocabulary--a fine learning resource for all who plan to work with deaf people.

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Customer Reviews

I have been studying ASL for a while now and have various books and tools to help me practice. These cards are some of the most extensive I have seen so far. Though they obviously can't contain everything that you will need, they do have the most practical words for everyday usage in a very clear format on each card. The box contains a binder ring and each card is whole punched so that you can make you own "study sets" if you like. They are alphabetized by color and are numbered so that they can be placed back in order if you choose to store them that way for quick reference after using them. About the size of two playing cards, and roughly the consistency of

playing cards, they are big enough to see clearly but small enough to carry along with you. There are arrows showing movement direction and they are easy to understand but I would recommend that you already be a bit familiar with the real-life movements (maybe by having seen a video version first) in order to get the most out of this deck, since it is difficult to imagine precise movements/placement by looking at a two-dimensional card. These cards are a great addition to any practice tools you might have for learning and recalling many signs, so I highly recommend them.

Like other reviewers have said, this is a very well made set and I'm glad that I purchased it. It seems to be the best set available, as well. The one down side as a new student of ASL is that it is missing about half of the words that used in even the beginning chapters of my signing textbook. Simple stuff: color words, family relationships, clothing, colors, foods. This set is best viewed as a tool for solidifying numerous terms in one's basic working vocabulary and for intermediate learners. No reasonable set can be complete, but I wish that there were two sets: a more elementary one and a more advanced one. I would have happily purchased both of them. You won't be disappointed with this set - just know what you're getting - and intermediate or sparse set.

The sign language flash cards are great for teaching onself signing. I even use then in a preschool classroom as I teach the children. Having a visual on one side and the word plus instruction on the other. I would encourage anyone wanting to learn sigh language to get this set of cards it also easy to carry around. The card come hole punched and with a ring.

I am currently in school for ASL interpreting and these cards have been invaluable to me! The set comes with 500 cards all in alphabetical order. I study one or two letters a week and have already learned sooo many new signs! I've been looking on for something to really help me with my ASL and this is the best help I've found so far. I would definitely recommend it. It's worth your money.

These flash cards are a great asset and supplement to your other ASL resources, whether you are learning the language in a classroom setting or on your own. The cards are in alphabetical order and color coded according to the order (for example, all words that begin with the letter "A" are coded red). The cards are also numbered 1 through 500 so you can easily put them back in order. The pictures demonstrating how to do the sign are clear with an arrow showing directions of signs, and are of a real person, rather than a drawing. The back of the card has the sign's meaning, a written explanation of how to do the sign, a synonym, and related words along with which number

the card is in the deck. For example, the first card is "About (Concerning): Index finger circles out, down, and around closed left hand. Synonym: Concerning. Related Words: 74. Book 321. Movie 427. Story (Tale)."The cards are somewhat sturdy. They'd be better if they were made of a thicker card-stock. I wouldn't get them wet or put them in your bag (they might get bent). Some people complain that these cards are not organized into any sort of category, but I feel that as a supplement to perhaps a dictionary that is categorized, this is not a big deal. Besides, it comes with a ring in which you can make your own categories or group of words you want to learn in a given time. The reason I give this four (4) stars instead of five (5) is because I do wish there was a booklet with an index listing every single word in the 500 flash card deck. I have no idea what words are in the deck, but I'm in the process of creating an index in MS Excel that is in alpha-numerical order for quick reference. If you are interested in having this index, email me at livingtowrite [at] yahoo [dot] com and I'll gladly share it with you for free.

I'm a relatively new asl student. have taken a couple classes now. I bought these cards largely to give me something to do for a train ride home for the holidays. I wish I had bought these cards when I first started taking asl. Here's what I like about them: (1) For beginners they have 500 of some of the most common words you will learn in a beginners class. If you spend a few minutes a day with these words before you start taking an asl class, you will be at a great advantage. (2) I like that they are small enough to fit in your backpack or purse. You can test yourself while in line at the grocery store, at the bus stop, or waiting for a train. (3) The ring is nice too. The cards all have a little hole in them and come with a ring so that you can put the hard to remember cards together. That way you can put those cards in a backpack or purse and practice them when you have a few spare moments on the go. It would be nice if they gave some clues as to how to remember the signs on the back like another book I have does. But you can pretty much look at these signs and come up with your own ways of remembering them. These are great for building your vocabulary. I'd love to see another 500 signs II package come out like this.

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