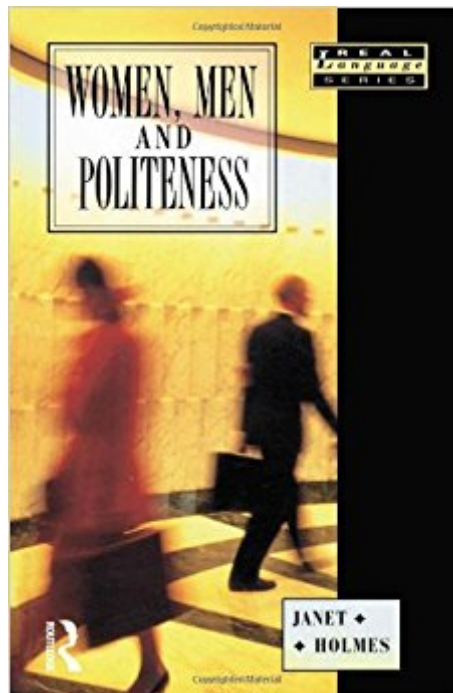




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I was required to buy this for class. As a linguistics student, I found some of the connections between Politeness Theory and different types of speech interesting. This book is based on the speech patterns of those from New Zealand, so I think that it makes a big difference in comparison to the United States speech patterns. I did not like her argument style personally. It seems like she expected her readers to come to the same conclusion as she did when that might not be the case.

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