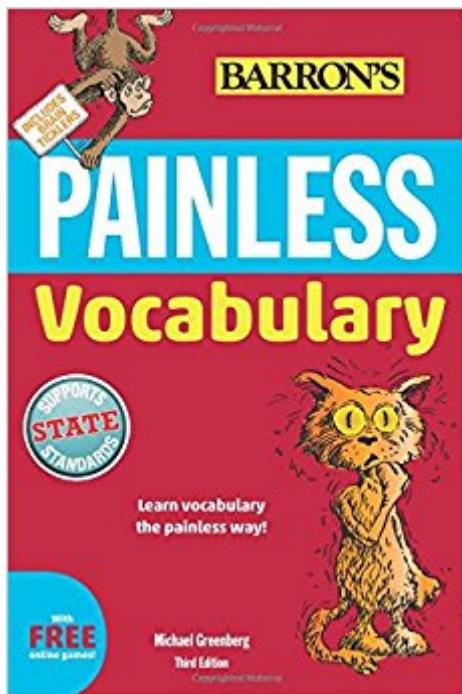


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# Painless Vocabulary (Painless Series)



## Synopsis

This fun-filled guide to learning vocabulary replaces the fear with fun! Students will learn the meanings of new words by seeing them used in amusing contexts, find examples of vocabulary for modern technology, learn Greek and Latin word roots, track progress with challenging games, and more. Titles in Barron's extensive Painless Series cover a wide range of subjects taught at middle school and high school levels. Perfect for supporting state standards, these books are written for students who find the subjects somewhat confusing, or just need a little extra help. The authors' main goal is to clear up confusion and pique interest by emphasizing the intriguing and often exciting ways in which students can put each subject to practical use. Most of these books take a lighthearted, humorous approach to their subjects, and offer fun exercises including puzzles, games, and challenging "Brain Tickler" problems to solve. Bonus Online Component: includes additional games to challenge students, including Beat the Clock, a line match game, and a word scramble. Includes a new appendix.

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(back cover) Really. This won't hurt at all . . . The thought of having to learn a lot of new words once turned brave students into cowards . . . but no more! THE PAIN VANISHES WHEN YOU TRANSFORM VOCABULARY PROBLEMS INTO FUN-- Understand meanings of new words by seeing them used in amusing statements Check out messages headed Major Mistakes Territory

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(back cover) **PAINLESS Vocabulary** Really. This isn't going to hurt at all . . . If you think that developing a large vocabulary means dreary and painful memorizing of hundreds of words, this book has good news for you. You can develop the word power that will help you achieve high grades--and enjoy yourself while you learn! Each of 20 chapters introduces 15 new words, first placing them in a brief, entertaining essay, and then discussing their meanings and the ways they can be used. "Brain Tickler" questions that follow challenge your skill at word definitions, and sidebars help you avoid vocabulary mistakes while you pick up interesting facts about word origins and usage. When you reach the end of this book you'll discover to your delight that your vocabulary has increased many times over--and your grades have also risen. Just as important, you'll discover that you've had fun learning! For Middle School and High School Students

This will be a great help for my ESL high school freshman. He had been in ESL classes until the sixth grade where the teachers and aides spoke to him in Spanish. As a result, my tutee is sorely lagging in his English oral, reading, and writing skills. I will be working with him and his parents upon improving his confidence and use of English skills. He is smart, but very shy.

This is a well organized book for doing a little each day. There are usually 15 words per chapter, and each chapter can be completed in four days. The first day has a reading passage presenting the words in context and an exercise for the first 5 words. The second and third days have exercises covering words 6-10 and 11-15. The final exercise is a review of all 15 words in the chapter providing good reiteration. My son enjoyed writing in "ful" for "less" on the cover title, but I feel the varied exercises will help him with future tests. A volume 2 containing a new set of words would be great.

It's good it incorporates the words in short stories (a few paragraphs). But I think there are too many words in each set and the definitions aren't very clear. They're more usage examples than definitions. So it's a bit difficult for kids to learn the new words using just this workbook.

My 15-year old daughter is a voracious writer. She felt she was being held back by her limited vocabulary skills and she asked me to get her this book. She loves it. My daughter has ADD and it is often difficult for her to maintain focus for long periods of time. She has been completing one chapter a day and loves the way the book presents itself. She told me it is written in a fun and contemporary manner, not like a traditional textbook. She loves to tell me what she has learned and is actually eager to work with the book (extremely unusual for her). The vocabulary is definitely at a highschool level and contain words that are practical and could be used on a frequent basis. An excellent book.

It's a great book, but I found it helpful to have a pocket dictionary by my side.

My girls and I are thoroughly enjoying the "brain ticklers" (quizzes) and stories in this book! We choose new words each week and test over correct usage and spelling. Highly recommend!

Great for my high school tutee who is performing miserably in English. He is a native Spanish speaker and although he is earning B+s in English, he can hardly construct a cohesive sentence. His parents and I know that there are low expectations of this child; however, his younger brother is excelling in the second grade and reads at third grade level. The two boys are very different: the older is an introvert while the younger is an extrovert. While the older is easily intimidated and very shy, the younger asks a lot of questions and gets along with many classmates. This book is for the older child.

Book arrived in very good condition. I can't imagine my students every using most of the words in the book. I was disappointed in the book.

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