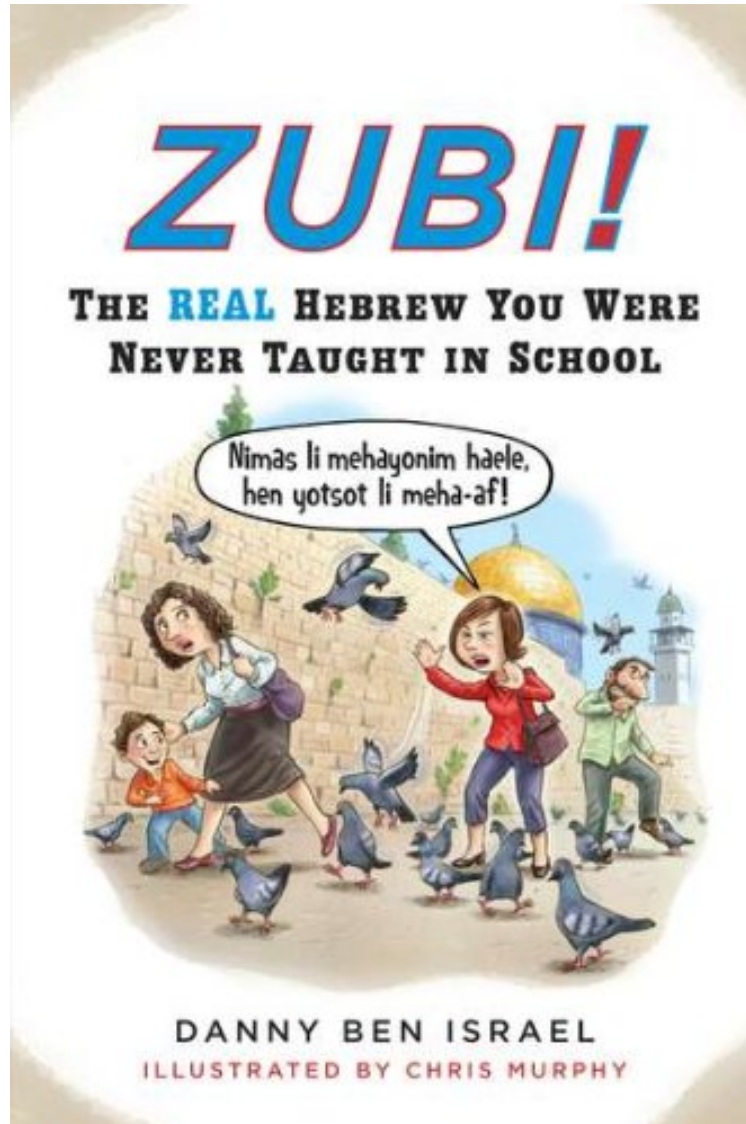


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Danny Ben Israel : Zubi!: The Real Hebrew You Were Never Taught in School before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Zubi!: The Real Hebrew You Were Never Taught in School:

14 of 15 people found the following review helpful. Great Idea...falls a bit short of the mark. By Mary Robinson Though I rarely purchase books without seeing the book first or reading thorough reviews, I took a chance and purchased it sight unseen. I was looking forward to a book that covered informal or slang Hebrew which is never

taught in Hebrew textbooks and needs to be gleaned from the internet or the streets. I even purchased Ruvik Rosenthal's Comprehensive Slang Dictionary (all Hebrew Edition) which is absolutely terrific. However, that is more for reference and is much more comprehensive. The premise of the book was really great. However, the author covers relatively little information in an often choppy or self-musing style that hampers its effectiveness. There are often lists of words with little or no examples of how to use them. The chapter on sex (Chapter 6) is strange particularly with regard to ultra-religious couples which is lacking in facts and is basically a caricature. While there are some common slang expressions dealt with, I made up a list of over a hundred words and expressions not dealt with. The potential for this type of book is great (perhaps in a future edition). There is so much slang in Modern Hebrew today and needs to be addressed. This book however falls short of the mark. 3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. funny little book
By grateful user
It is really a nice cute little book. Even though almost everything was familiar to me, with some expressions I was happy to refresh my memory. My only complaint is that there waaaay too many profanities. Yes, it is part of slang, but the author dedicated SOOOO much space for that and left out hundreds of other, not less valuable expressions. Still. overall, not a bad product. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Useful, funny phrases, and surprising insights as well!
By Joshua P. Zatzoff
Not only light and humorous and full of the advertised, pedestrian slang which would actually be useful in idiomatic Hebrew conversation, but the author also includes surprising insights about the historical, religious, and cultural origins of the slang, which gives one a better, fuller understanding of Israel and Judaism as well. Very well done.

How to talk dirty and influence people-in Hebrew! You can study Hebrew for years, but do you really know how to talk like a native speaker? The next book in Plume's foreign language series, Zubi! will make sure you learn all the colorful vernacular words and phrases for a variety of situations, including insulting your neighbor, flirting with the hot guy or girl at the club, and even chatting online-not to mention plenty of Hebrew words that are... well, best not to mention. Accessible and useful to complete novices, intermediate students of Hebrew, or just anyone who enjoys cursing in other languages, this irreverent guide is packed with hilarious examples and stories to acquaint the reader not only with popular terms but how they are used in everyday speech. With clever illustrations, Zubi! covers it all-from essential basics to the hottest new slang-and proves that no language is too sacred.

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