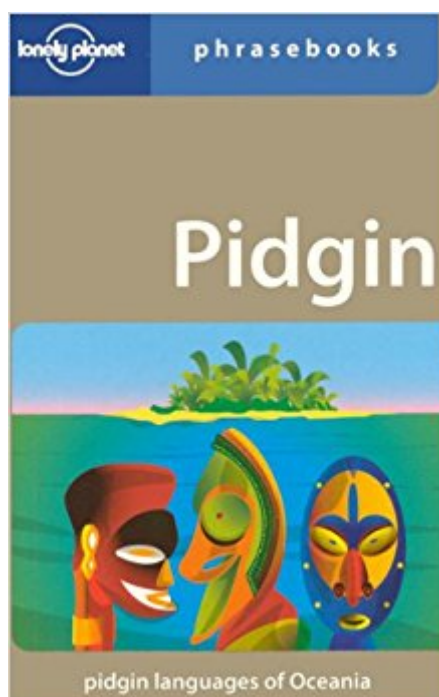


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# Pidgin: Lonely Planet Phrasebook



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Nice little book. I used it for Papua New Guinea's Tok Pidgin. It has a major lack: a mini-dictionary of common words. This would have made it much better. There is a new edition now.

This book had all the beginning praises for me to enter the country for the first time, and begin talking in Pidgin English. The only problem is that it was an introduction to 4 different languages; Bislama, Solomon Islands Pijin, Tok Pisin, and Other Creoles. If I wanted a book just for pidgin, 3/4 of the book was unnecessary. However, the section that was Pidgin, was very well done.

Useful! Lightweight, easy for travel. I was looking for a small dictionary/phrasebook just for Tok Pisin but couldn't find one that fit the bill and chose this instead. It is interesting learning about other pidgin (or technically creole) languages of the Pacific, too.

Really clear and helpful guide to Solomon Pidgin. I love it to pieces.

Filled with tips about customs, what to do in certain situations, etc. Small enough to fit in your pocket. Good little book.

This book covers the three Pidgin languages of Papua New Guinea, the Solomon Islands and Vanuatu - three of the most diverse, fascinating and unspoilt countries in the South Pacific. While English is spoken by many people in all the three, the Pidgins described here are the lingua franca in each, and I found that locals were very happy to hear me speak them. Each of the three languages is introduced by a good description of its grammar (don't worry, easy and similar in all three) and pronunciation, followed by useful phrases arranged thematically. And here comes my only complaint - I would have preferred more phrases, and perhaps short dictionary listings for all the three languages. Space for that could have been found by omitting what seems a waste here to me - descriptions of two obscure pidgin languages of Australia, which are also included in LP's Australian Phrasebook (where they logically belong) anyway. Still, within the confines of its limited

space, this little book is excellent. If you are lucky enough to travel to these charming archipelagos, don't leave home without it!

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