A stepwise simple introduction to this delightful ancient and very much alive language of Indian scriptures, classic literature, and philosophy. Nothing to memorize, but you would want to!

**Personal Review: Sanskrit: An Appreciation Without Apprehension by Bharat S. Shah MD**

This book is beyond excellent. If you are a desi (NRI) trying to learn Sanskrit, do not think any further. Order this book. I promise to you, you will love this book.

This book does use Devanagri as the representation script for Sanskrit words. There is an entire section devoted to Devanagri script, so there shouldn't be any problem learning it.
This book introduces concepts slowly, one by one without making it too complicated. Books like Coulson's (That's the correct spellings I hope), are on the other extreme. They might be for users who are doing some comparative research etc.

But for a layman like myself, this book is a God sent. It is actually enjoyable to read the book. And at the same time its not like the author is just beating around the bush. He is actually pretty fast at introducing new concepts, just that everything is presented in such an easy way that it's like an interesting story unfolding.

This book is beautiful. It is a book for a beginner. I have struggled for so long because of lack of resources but now it seems there are so many resources on the net. This book will be a very nice (gentle) invitation into the Sanskrit world. It brings out the concepts beautifully and I believe that the author is quite fast in giving new concepts too.

Hats off to Mr. Bharat S. Shah (the Author of this book).

I actually wish the author writes more books on Sanskrit, maybe one which will be a step after this book, specially introduction to Ancient Sanskrit Literature (Puranas, Scriptures etc.) That book could have more Vocabulary, special usage notes, etc.

Thank you for this book.

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