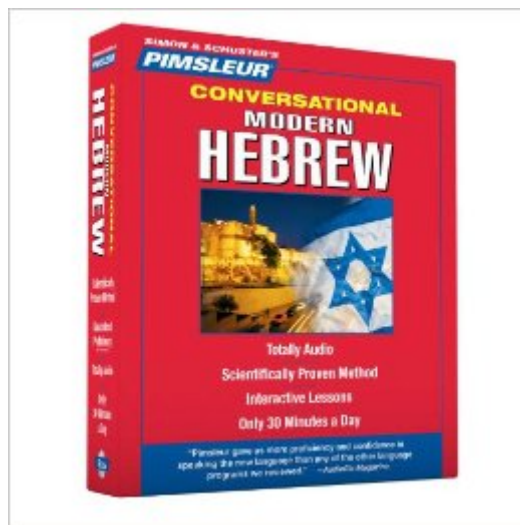


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Synopsis

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This is a review of both Pimsleur Hebrew I and II. I feel that I have wasted enough time with this course. I do not want to waste more time writing a separate review for both levels. I bought these courses based on the good reviews that they received. I, like most people, am not independently

wealthy. I do not like to waste my money. I was willing to spend the money to buy these courses because I had the reasonable expectation that they would teach me an adequate amount of Hebrew to offset the cost. I was wrong. My problems with these courses:

1. Limited vocabulary. After both levels I still only have a very limited vocabulary. I augmented the vocabulary with other courses.
2. Bad grammar. They intentionally teach what most experts deem "lazy Hebrew". This is especially noticeable in the negative. Essentially they teach one to say "I no want" instead of "I do not want" etc. It gets the point across but it is incorrect and must be unlearned later.
3. Random gender. In Hebrew the male and female conjugations of verbs are different. This course tells one to translate "I want" "I am" etc. without bothering to tell you if you are to translate it as a male or a female. Sometimes you start a practice conversation as one gender and then finish it as the other! They attempt to correct this about halfway through the second level. However then you still have random gender. This is frustrating when attempting to give the correct answer. Example: "You are in a cafe and you want to buy something....." in this exercise you really need to know if you are acting as a man or as a woman to conjugate the verbs correctly but they seldom bother to tell you.
4. Repetition. Some words and phrases are reviewed to a frustrating degree. Some repetition is necessary for any student.

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