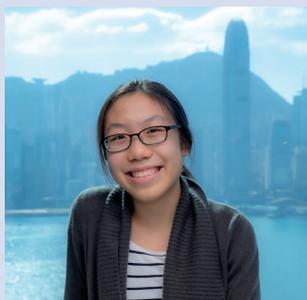


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A Straightforward Course for Young Beginners

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Introductory Latin for Kids: A Straightforward Course for Young Beginners is a self-study Latin textbook that includes notes on grammar – from the cases of nouns to the gerundive – vocabulary lists for reference and exercises complete with answers at the back of the book. Originally undertaken as a personal project by the author – a young student herself – it eventually blossomed into something more. Aware directly of the challenges many Latin students have to confront, Tatiana Zhang has created this book to help others navigate their ultimately rewarding Latin journeys by guiding them past the obstacles ahead, offering her own signposts to successful translation and splitting complex grammatical features into easily followed steps. By working through this textbook, the student should develop a solid understanding of the basics of the Latin language and, at the same time, gain insight into Greco-Roman myths and customs. After this, they should be able to embark more confidently on the road to reading more complex Latin texts and reaping the rich rewards that the language offers.



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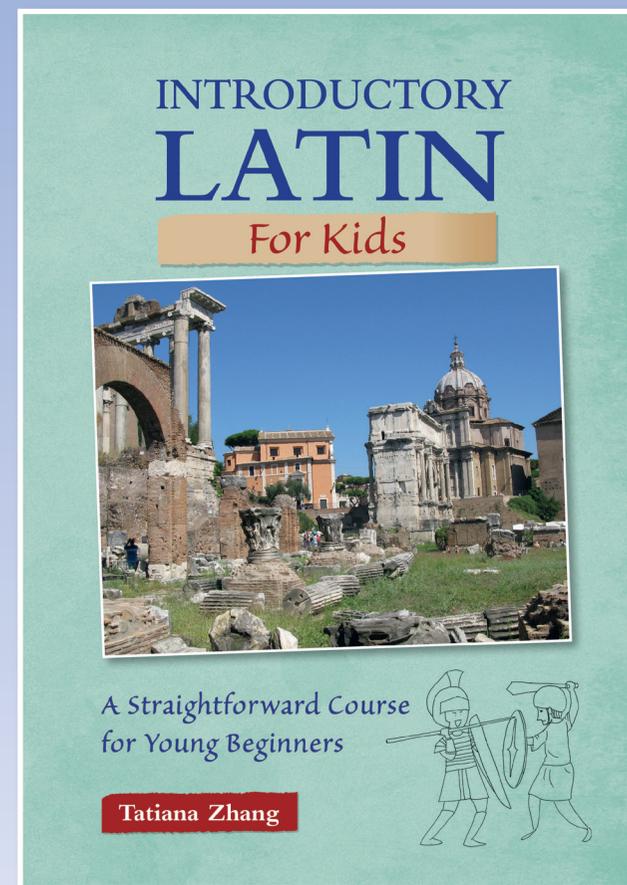
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