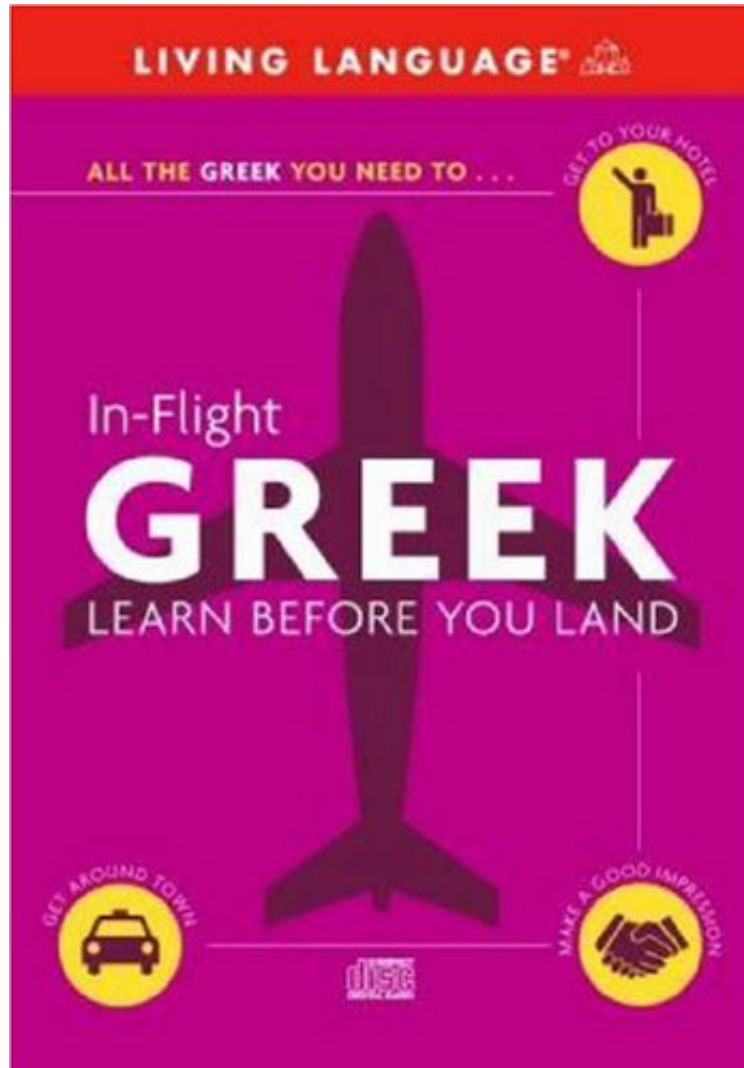


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Living Language : In-Flight Greek: Learn Before You Land before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised In-Flight Greek: Learn Before You Land:

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Good CD, Bad Marketing By A. Prats Living Language do a very good job making these CDs. Fast and Easy German and Fast and Easy Hungarian helped me immensely with my trips to eastern Europe, and In-Flight Greek has been working almost as well. I'll get to the "almost" in a bit. When I say "bad marketing," I mean it's just plain stupid. You will not, I repeat, NOT be able to start listening to this CD when you get on the plane, and get off the plane able to speak Greek. The way to actually learn from these CDs is to buy it a

month or two ahead of time, and listen to the CD three or four times a week during your commute to work. As mentioned in other reviews, the CD is basically just a bunch of phrases spoken in English and Greek. They are broken into logical chapters like "Numbers," "Asking Directions," and "At the Restaurant." It comes with a booklet that has the phrases written phonetically, and also in Greek. Whether this CD will work for you depends on how well you can listen to spoken sounds and reproduce them, and if you are good at recognizing patterns. After listening enough, you can infer some basic grammar by noting how words change in different sentences. I would have given this four stars, but the main difference between this CD and the Fast and Easy ones I mentioned is that in this CD the Greek phrase is spoken only once. It makes a big difference when you can hear a phrase, have time to try to say it yourself, and then hear it again. It sounds like a tiny fault, but I feel it's significant enough to cost a whole star. Of course, using a little program called Audacity and 30 minutes of free time, I doubled the phrases myself, but I shouldn't have to. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. A Solid Resource By J. Kereakoglow I realize Living Language has marketed In-Flight Greek as "learn before you land" and "you don't need to read or write anything", but Living Language's goal is to generate sales revenue, it is not to encourage consumers to learn Greek. Rosetta Stone and Pimsleur make equally ridiculous claims, learn to ignore them. The content of these lessons is sparse--for instance, grammar rules are not explained. At first, I thought this was a weakness. However, now that I have a solid foundation in Greek, I realize In-Flight Greek's true value. These lessons move quickly. While this will be aggravating for beginners, it's excellent for intermediate learners who are looking to add to their Greek vocabulary and don't want to wait for the words to be broken down. My advice: use In-Flight Greek as a supplement to your language education and use it when you have ample time to break-down the phrases and review the lessons on your own. Listen and repeat several times. Use it to build on your vocabulary that you already have. DO NOT make this your introduction into Greek and definitely DO NOT make this the only resource you use. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. helpful, but not great By Renee Meyer Unless your flight takes a few years you can't learn a language during it, but this c.d. can help you learn basic phrases and help you to pronounce by listening to the c.d. Since it doesn't repeat it is hard to understand all the words and you will need to use a rewind button frequently, especially if you don't know any Greek (which this was marketed for). I found the lady speaking the phrases in English to be somewhat annoying, talking excessively cheerfully and very slowly as though they were trying to lengthen the c.d. However the c.d. covers a great range of topics, including what you'll need to say in emergency situations, colors, how to tell time and the basic tourist phrases about hotels, airports, eating out, etc. Nothing important was left out. I have some knowledge of Greek and was a bit surprised by some of the phrases used--perhaps it was to make things easier for the listener to remember without confusing them with grammar. People should note that when the disc says, "Will you introduce me to your friend?" it uses the word for "female friend" and therefore could be embarrassing if you asked about a man. It would've been nicer if the words had been broken up more, but it is supposed to be for one fast use. All in all it's useful, but I would combine it with another book or c.d. before going on a trip.

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