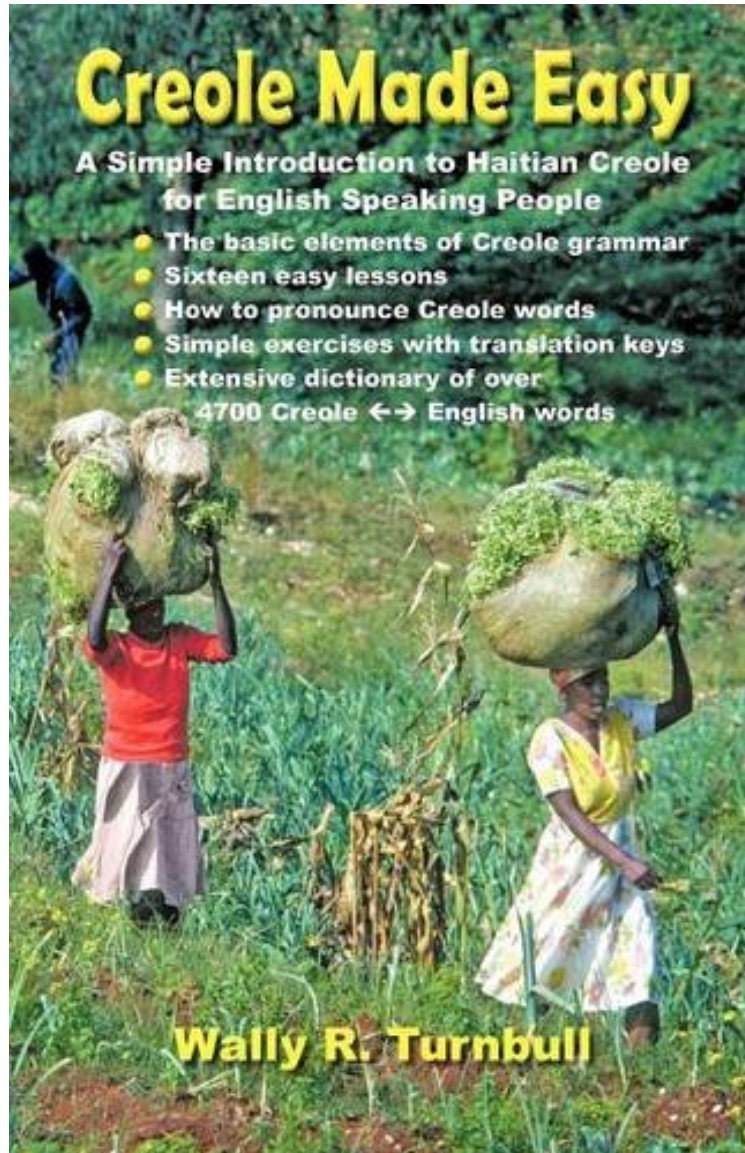


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Wally R. Turnbull : Creole Made Easy before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Creole Made Easy:

7 of 7 people found the following review helpful. Very good book but it is best used with the Audio CD set By S. Leiphart I bought this book and audio CD set a couple months beforehand to help me get ready for a 3 week Missions Trip to Haiti in June 2011. The book has additional text to help explain what the CD's only pronounce. The audio of the CDs do not completely cover the topics and explanations in the text of the book. Wally Turnbull (the author of the

book and voice on the audio CD's) is a very good and clear teacher. Except that he mispronounces the English word Machete. 8-) But I can deal with that! He speaks so slowly and deliberately, initially it was annoying to listen to. However, once I got used to that, it was great! After going through the book and listening to the CD's a bunch of times in my car (along with the 30 lesson Pimsleur Haitian Creole course), I was very well prepared for my trip. Of the team that went down to Haiti, I was by far the best prepared for the language. I was introduced as "this is Steve, he is almost Haitian" to the church congregation we were visiting. I had three Creole dictionaries with me. The small dictionary included in the back of the "Creole Made Easy" book was by FAR the most useful of the three. The other two had more words, but none of the three had "all" the words I needed to look up. That was irritating. The words I actually used were more often in this Create Made Easy book's dictionary than either of the other two larger books. I would not suggest buying this book without the associate audio CDs. I may buy a copy without the CDs now because I already have the CDs and the book is getting worn out by excessive use looking things up in the dictionary. While I was in Haiti I had this book with me almost the whole time and even the Haitian kids in the school would be sitting there using it to learn English when I didn't have the book in my hands. I highly recommend this book and the accompanying audio CDs! I am still listening to the CDs in the car and studying the book in the evenings while I prepare for my upcoming second of many future anticipated trips to Haiti!

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. THE source for learning beginning Kreyol

By Priscilla Stilwell Unfortunately, there are few sources out there for learning Kreyol (Haitian Creole). This little book is one of the best options available, and that is the sad thing. At 146 pages, this source is jammed-packed with sixteen logically-arranged lessons, some reading exercises, and an English-Kreyol dictionary at the end. The information is academically correct, but for self-study, it becomes difficult to go beyond this little book. I would advise the author to include the workbook and CDs right into this book. On the other hand, people will pay \$20 for each "piece" of the system faster than they will pay \$60 in one shot, so it's probably a business decision to do it this way. I am learning a lot from this book, but it seems like it really is best in a classroom or practical setting. And the phrases are not arranged in a way that they can be immediately used. What I mean by that is that the "hello", "please", "thank you" phrases are skipped over at the beginning of the book so that the student can get right into the practical formulation of sentences and phrases. But children learn a language with simplified use, learning words like "yes", "no", "more", "bye-bye" first, and that is really the most effective way to learn. This book gets four stars because it is logically laid-out and gives a good basis. But if there was something out there that was better, the rating would likely drop for this one. I just feel that it could be so much better than it is. A better option for learning Creole is to attend an immersion class such as offered by the Academy of Haitian Language and Culture. It gives in-depth training in the culture and language while providing a great view of Haiti! [...]

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Helpful!

By CGR2003 I have been to Haiti five times and each time I leave with mission to learn Creole. This has been the best book I have found yet. I have also purchased the online class call Haiti Hub. My friend and I have been studying each week and I hope the next time I go back I will be able to communicate better! The book makes it easier to understand learning Creole.

Creole Made Easy. A simple introduction to Haitian Creole for English speaking people. Sixteen easy lessons cover the basic elements of Creole grammar and how to pronounce Creole words. The lessons include simple exercises and translation keys. A thorough up to date dictionary of over 4600 words Creole to English and English to Creole word translations is included. A 2 CD set pronunciation guide is available separately.

About the Author Wally Turnbull received his BA in Psychology from Rockford College in 1970 and his MFA in photography from Ohio Univeristy in 1972. He was born and raised in Haiti where he resided until 1963 when he left to pursue his education. He returned to Haiti in 1972 with wife Betty and has since worked in rural education and self-help. In 1978, Turnbull received a Diplome de Citation from the Haitian Government Department of Education for his work in rural education. He also received an award of distinction from Rockford College in 1983 for his humanitarian work in Haiti. The couple has three children, all of whom were born and raised in Haiti.