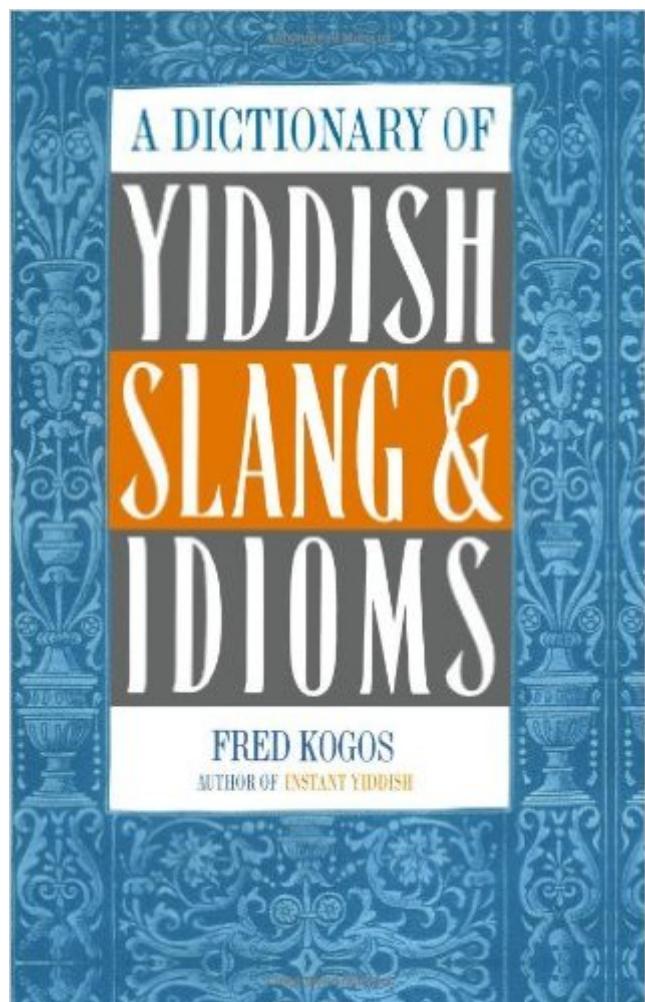


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Synopsis

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The setup of the book makes it easy to use. The words and phrases are accurate; my native Yiddish speaking mother liked it. We were able to start talking and having fun right away. I was raised around Yiddish, but it hadn't occurred to my parents to teach it to their children. Love this book.

This book appears to be a first draft. No pronunciation help. Does not show how use the words. It would be worth buying if the author finishes it.

Fabulous. Yiddish slang has made its way into English. You don't want to be left behind at a sophisticated dinner party, do you? And, Yiddish is SO much fun. A very powerful language when you need a good curse, an expression of hope, a blurt of disgust, blatant love and devotion and the top 6 phrases for dealing with a dope. A wonderful reference book as necessary as the OED.

I have wonderful friends who are Jewish and say Yiddish slang all the time. I hated to constantly be asking what a word meant. I went to Border Books and asked for a Yiddish dictionary and they

brought out a 20 pound book. I then asked for a book of Yiddish Slang and they ordered this book for me. The book became so popular at our home that I bought a bunch of copies on and give them to friends. Now I ask "how do you spell that word".

The first 3 words we looked up were missing. While we figured schmeckle had a 50/50 shot of being in there, putz and schmuck were missing. While originally from Dutch (maybe German?), verboden was also missing.

Am so excited. Reading this in my old age will keep my mind sharp, and my wits even sharper. Love Yiddish when I hear it and just wanted to learn more. When I started I didn't even know what "maven" was. Will get better thanks to this. Shipping went well too.

Yiddish is such a wonderful language filled with expressive words--some with multiple meanings. The authors have put together a very useful dictionary of slang and expressions, alphabetized and easy to find. It should be noted that the book is not an all-inclusive dictionary of the Yiddish language, but it is so very handy. An excellent book.

Recommend to anyone who loves Yiddish! Good for those who want to remember and those who want to learn Yiddish!

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