Preface to the Second Edition

Since the manuscript of the first edition of this book was completed in 1997, it has been used by many teachers and students. In the classroom it has been adapted to different teaching styles and for use with classes ranging in size from fifty to over 200 students. In the case of students studying on their own, the many exercises have enable them to confirm their acquisition of the language covered in the different chapters. Whether the student attends class or pursues the course by private study, the course can do much to advance skills in speaking and listening. In classes where the teachers have animated the dialogues, the lectures have been lively even entertaining.

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