



Suggested Grammar Readings

Teaching languages involves, as you know, a knowledge of grammar. While you are not expected to begin the course (or finish for that matter) with a comprehensive understanding of English structure, we do recommend that you brush up on your grammar awareness. Below are short descriptions of a few grammar books that SIT TESOL Certificate course trainers use and recommend. Past participants have found them useful during and after the course as well. If you are interested in more information about these books, you can visit the publishers' websites.

1. **Grammar for English Language Teachers** by Martin Parrot, Cambridge University Press, 2010, <http://www.cambridge.org/gb/cambridgeenglish/catalog/grammar-vocabulary-and-pronunciation/grammar-english-language-teachers-2nd-edition>.
“Grammar for English Language Teachers provides invaluable support to teachers in training and those with more experience. As well as clearly explaining and illustrating the grammar, it examines difficulties learners often encounter, and provides help and advice in planning lessons. It explores the complexity of grammatical choices in an accessible way, and raises awareness of how these differ from the ‘rules of thumb’ often presented to learners.”
2. **Grammar Dimensions: Form, Meaning, Use** Diane Larsen-Freeman; Victoria Badalamenti; Carolyn Henner-Stanchina; Ingrid Wisniewska; Heidi Riggenschach; Virginia Samuda; Stephen Thewlis; Jan Frodesen; Janet Eyring, Heinle & Heinle, 2007, http://ngl.cengage.com/search/productOverview.do?N=4294918395+74+200&Ntk=P_EPI&Ntt=107462084366547239116328786131716040203&Ntx=mode%2Bmatchallpartial#undefined.
“Through clear and comprehensive grammar explanations, extensive practice exercises, and lively communicative activities, *Grammar Dimensions* helps students develop the skill of “grammaring”—the ability to use structures accurately, meaningfully, and appropriately.”
3. **Grammar in Use Intermediate** by Raymond Murphy with William R. Smalzer, Cambridge University Press, Third Edition, published in 2009 <http://www.cambridge.org/gb/cambridgeenglish/catalog/grammar-vocabulary-and-pronunciation/grammar-use-intermediate-3rd-edition>
“Ideal for students preparing for the TOEFL® test or other standard examinations, the new edition of this popular North American English grammar title offers even more support, with a larger format to include more explanation and practice, eight new units on phrasal verbs, and 10 pages of Additional Exercises. The book is available with and without a CD-ROM.”

Various websites can also be useful as sources of grammar help. Two you might like to have a look at are: <https://www.thoughtco.com/esl-4133095> and <http://www.eslcafe.com/>.