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Nota di contenuto	Preliminary lesson: phonetics and writing -- 1. Intransitive verbs, word order, absolutive suffix -- 2. Nouns and nominal predicates, the plural of nouns, questions and negation -- 3. Transitive verbs -- 4. Emphatic, interrogative, demonstrative and negative pronouns -- 5. Irregular verbs, introduction to locatives -- 6. Directional and reflexive prefixes -- 7. Quantifiers, zan, ye, oc -- 8. Preterite tense -- 9. Imperative/optative, vocative, future, imperfect -- 10. Possessed forms of the noun -- 11. Inherent possession, the suffix -yo, 'to have', possessive nouns -- 12. Nominal suffixes, "adjectives" -- 13. The principal locative suffixes -- 14. Coordination, phrases of time and manner -- 15. Impersonal and passive verb forms -- 16. Agent nouns, the -ni form -- 17. Compound nouns, verbal incorporation -- 18.

Bitransitive verbs, ambitransitive verbs -- 19. Causative verbs -- 20. Applicative verbs -- 21. Honorific and deprecatory verbs -- 22. Pluperfect, counterfactual, vetitive, directional conjugations -- 23. Morphological peculiarities of certain nouns and verbs -- 24. More on locatives -- 25. More on quantifiers -- 26. Details about number and person, indefinite pronouns and adverbs -- 27. Compound verbs -- 28. Reduplication outside of the plural, more on verbs -- 29. Derivative verbs -- 30. Derivative nouns -- 31. Noun clauses -- 32. Attributives, relative clauses, copula verbs, semi-auxiliaries -- 33. Comparisons, clauses of result, purpose and cause -- 34. Conditions, more particles -- 35. Temporal clauses, particles, interjections -- Appendix 1. Traditional orthography -- Appendix 2. Inflexional patterns -- Appendix 3. The Aztec calendar -- Appendix 4. Key to the exercises -- Nahuatl-to-English vocabulary -- English-to-Nahuatl vocabulary.

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### Sommario/riassunto

Now available to an English-speaking audience, this book is a comprehensive grammar of classical Nahuatl, the literary language of the Aztecs. It offers students of Nahuatl a complete and clear treatment of the language's structure, grammar and vocabulary. It is divided into 35 chapters, beginning with basic syntax and progressing gradually to more complex structures. Each grammatical concept is illustrated clearly with examples, exercises and passages for translation. A key is provided to allow students to check their answers. By far the most approachable textbook of Nahuatl available, this book will be an excellent teaching tool both for classroom use and for readers pursuing independent study of the language. It will be an invaluable resource to anthropologists, ethnographers, historians, archaeologists and linguists alike.

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