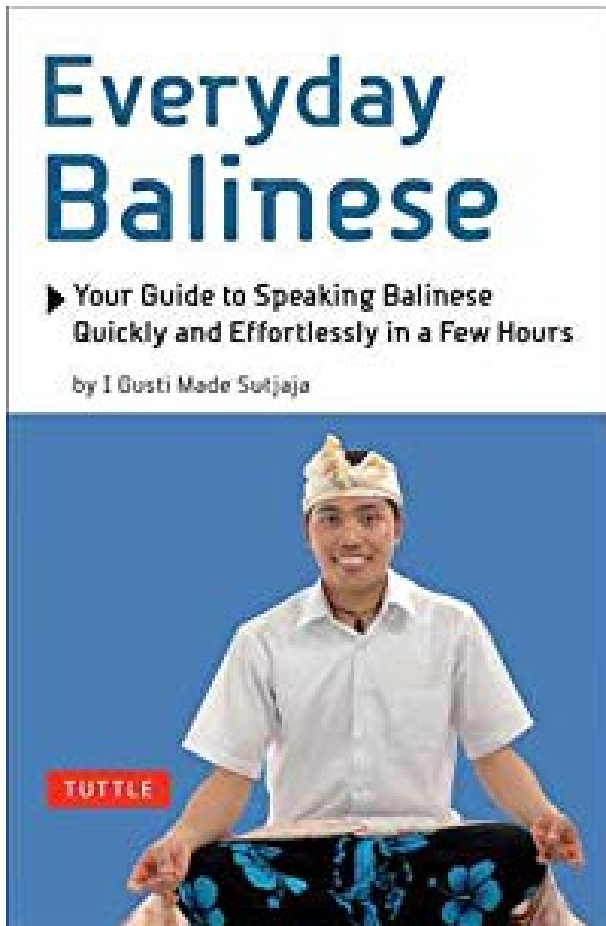


Everyday Balinese: Your Guide to Speaking Balinese Quickly and Effortlessly in a Few Hours



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This is a concise and user-friendly guide to the Balinese language. *Everyday Balinese* is targeted to anyone who wishes to learn to speak colloquial Balinese. There are 23 lessons in the book, each with a dialogue that centers around the Balinese daily life. These realistic beginner Balinese dialogues are a great way to learn Balinese as it is really spoken.

The dialogue is presented twice: The first version representing the *lumrah* or common Balinese; the second the *alus* or refined Balinese. Both versions are exactly the same grammatically; the difference lies in the word choice. *Lumrah* or common words are used by participants of equal social status in a conversation, and it reflects intimacy and informality among the users. *Alus* or refined words are associated with distancing and formality among users in a conversation. Each lesson contains a section on the grammar and word function, as well as a list of words in both the *lumrah* and *alus* forms, followed by their Indonesian and English equivalents. Each lesson ends with a section on sentence construction—how to use the structures taught to make simple sentences. The book has a pronunciation guide at the front, and a section on greeting, ordinal numbers and a handy dictionary at the end. The dictionary is arranged alphabetically by Balinese, followed by their

Indonesian and English equivalents.