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'n' is a symbol of nasalization of the preceding diphthong. Such inconsistencies are found throughout, with long and short vowels often confused and the reader is often left to figure out or guess the value of the letters used in transliteration. For another example, 'aa' is often used to indicate the long 'a' of "father" but the reader is not told this. There is no mention of retroflex consonants, which, while usually not crucial to being understood, is covered in many other phrasebooks. The user of this otherwise attractive and handy book would do well to study the Devanagari script in order to pronounce the Hindi words correctly. Also, I have noticed that the new format of Berlitz phrasebooks offers larger print but fewer sentences and individual words. The 2006 edition of the "Berlitz Hindi Phrasebook" has many more sentences in each section than this 2014 edition does. Since Hindi uses the English words "fax", "e-mail," etc., if you're buying this edition just for the modern vocabulary (most of which is also in the 2006 edition), you would do better to purchase the 2006 edition of this phrasebook. It does not have beautiful photographs, but is loaded with vocabulary and sentences, in the tradition of the older Berlitz phrasebooks.

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