



A Grammar of the Gujarati Language

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LINCOM, 2011. Softcover. Book Condition: Neu. Ohne Schutzumschlag. The Gujarati language belongs, like the Marathi, Hindi, Panjabi, Oriya, and many other Indian dialects, to the Aryan family, being a daughter of the Sanskrit. Its closest affinities are with the Western Panjabi on the one side, and the Braj Bhasha, an old form of Hindi, on the other. Besides various local dialects of Gujarati, there are three main varieties of the written and spoken language. First, Hindi Gujarati, which is that adopted and rightly so by the Government as the Standard, and taught in the schools. Second, Parsi Gujarati, the language as spoken and written by the Parsis. This differs from ordinary Gujarati in that it admits pure Persian words in considerable numbers, especially in connexion with religious matters, besides a host of Arabic and other words taken from the Urdu language, and that its grammar is in a very unfixed and irregular condition. Thirdly, Muhammadan Gujarati, which, like Parsi Gujarati, employs a great number of words borrowed from the Hindüstani (and through it from Persian and Arabic). But, though the vocabulary of the language varies considerably according as the Speaker is a Hindu, a Parsi, or a Muslim, yet its grammar when spoken...



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