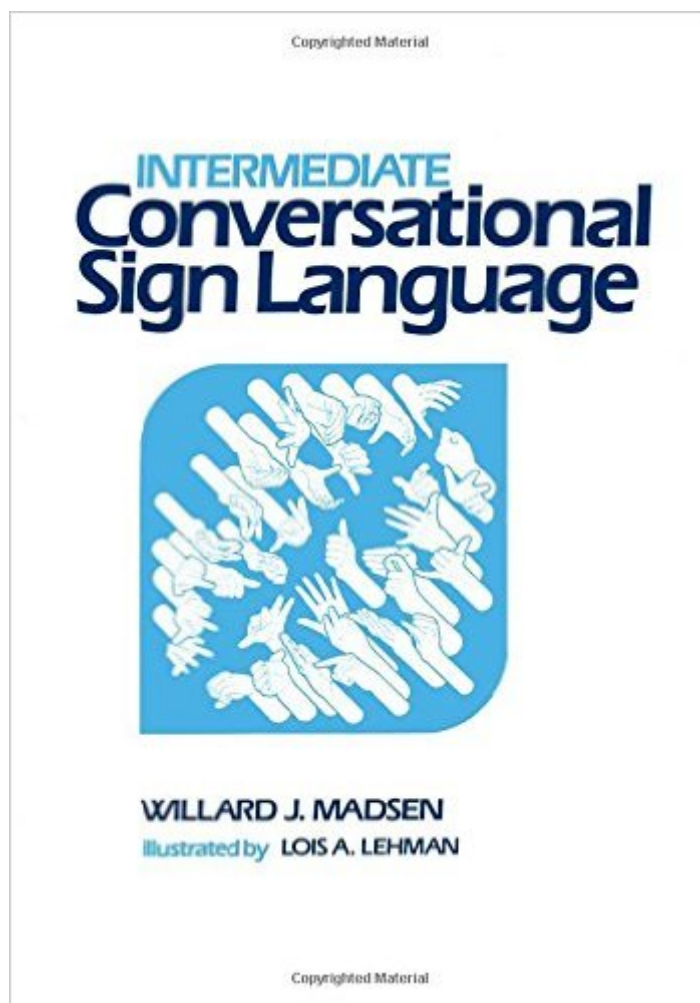


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# Intermediate Conversational Sign Language



## Synopsis

This text offers a unique approach to using American Sign Language (ASL) and English in a bilingual setting. Each of the 25 lessons involves sign language conversation using colloquialisms that are prevalent in informal conversations. It also includes practice tests and a glossed alphabetical index.

## Book Information

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This is it! The ultimate book for those of you who are past the basics, but still need help on your conceptualization. This is an awesome resource and one of my (a Deaf American Sign Language instructor) favorites! Granted, this book is a challenge and, if you don't already have a firm understanding of ASL, can be intimidating on your own. But the benefits you will reap from this book are worth the extra brain power. Filled from front to back with outstanding illustrations of signs, this book takes you through various experiences and shows you three things: The person's conversation in ASL (written form through glosses), the person's conversation translated for you into English, and the ASL conversation drawn out for you in impressive illustrations. They also have notes about specific idiomatic phrasing, ASL glossed monologues (which you have to translate yourself), and practice sentences and exercises. I feel this is one book that should be in every signer's library (hearing, hard of hearing, deaf, obstinate, you name it). Higher than Highly recommended, if you are serious about ASL, you will not regret the time, money or brain power

used to drink in this work of art! :v)

My first reaction on getting this book was, "Whoa, I better get his "Beginning Conversational Sign Language." Unfortunately this is his only book. It definitely is designed to be used in class rather than for home study, and it will sober you up quickly if you had delusions about learning fluent ASL on your own. On the other hand, it has an incredible amount of detail about the fine points of ASL grammar and how a single sign can vary depending on context. I would like to see a "Teacher's Edition" with answers for the exercises, and a little more attention to detail where the pictures and the glosses don't always match.

This book is the best. If you have a basic knowledge of ASL and want to learn more than just the vocabulary, this is the best one I have seen

Excellent. This is what I needed to learn the correct order for signing in ASL versus English sentence structure rules. Worth the price!!! I finished 3 semesters of ASL so this is about the right level to start this sort of study.

Mr. Madsen's textbook is easy to understand, informative and very interesting. I took Mr. Madsen's basic class at Gallaudet University and the entire class was so pleased that we collectively petitioned to have him teach us the next semester!

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