

➤ **First Year Grammar**

Murphy's English Grammar in Use is adopted to be the coursebook for teaching English grammar for English department students at the university of AL-Hamdaniya. It was written by **Raymond Murphy** and first published in 1985 by **Cambridge University Press**. Since then, it has become one of the most widely used grammar books for learners of English worldwide.

Purpose and Audience

The book is designed mainly for **intermediate learners** (B1–B2 level). It is especially suitable for:

- Students studying English on their own.
- Classroom students who need extra grammar practice.
- Learners preparing for exams such as IELTS or Cambridge exams.

Its clear structure makes it accessible even for independent learners without a teacher.

Structure and Method

One of the book's most distinctive features is its **two-page unit format**:

- The **left page** explains a specific grammar point in simple language with examples.
- The **right page** contains exercises that allow learners to immediately practice what they have studied.

This practical, example-based approach helps students understand not only the rules but also how grammar is used in real communication.

Content Coverage

The book covers a wide range of essential English grammar topics, including:

- Verb tenses (present, past, perfect, continuous forms)
- Modal verbs (can, must, might, etc.)
- Conditionals and reported speech

- Articles and determiners
- Prepositions
- Adjectives and adverbs
- Questions and word order

The progression moves from simpler concepts to more complex structures.

Importance and Impact

Murphy's grammar book is widely praised for its:

- Clarity and simplicity
- Logical organization
- Practical exercises
- Suitability for self-study

As appreciated by many learners around the world, it has served as a foundational guide to mastering English grammar, especially for English learners, and remains a trusted resource in English language learning.