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What is good English, and why do we need it? The Queen's English shows how the English language, used properly, has great power to instruct, move and entertain people, but used incorrectly, can lead to a lack of clarity and confusion.

This book informs in a light-hearted way, reminding readers how to use the basics of grammar, punctuation and spelling, as well as further teaching them new tips and tricks of style, rhetoric, vocabulary and the use of foreign phrases, to give their writing and speech a stylish and impressive flair.

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- Includes short, interesting exercises to reinforce learning, with instructive answers, as well as amusing examples of bad English from educated people who really ought to know better...
- Written by the President of the Queen's English Society
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- 'Having been asked many times if he could recommend a definitive guide to use of our glorious language and not satisfied that the right book existed, Lamb wrote it himself' - *Yorkshire Post*
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