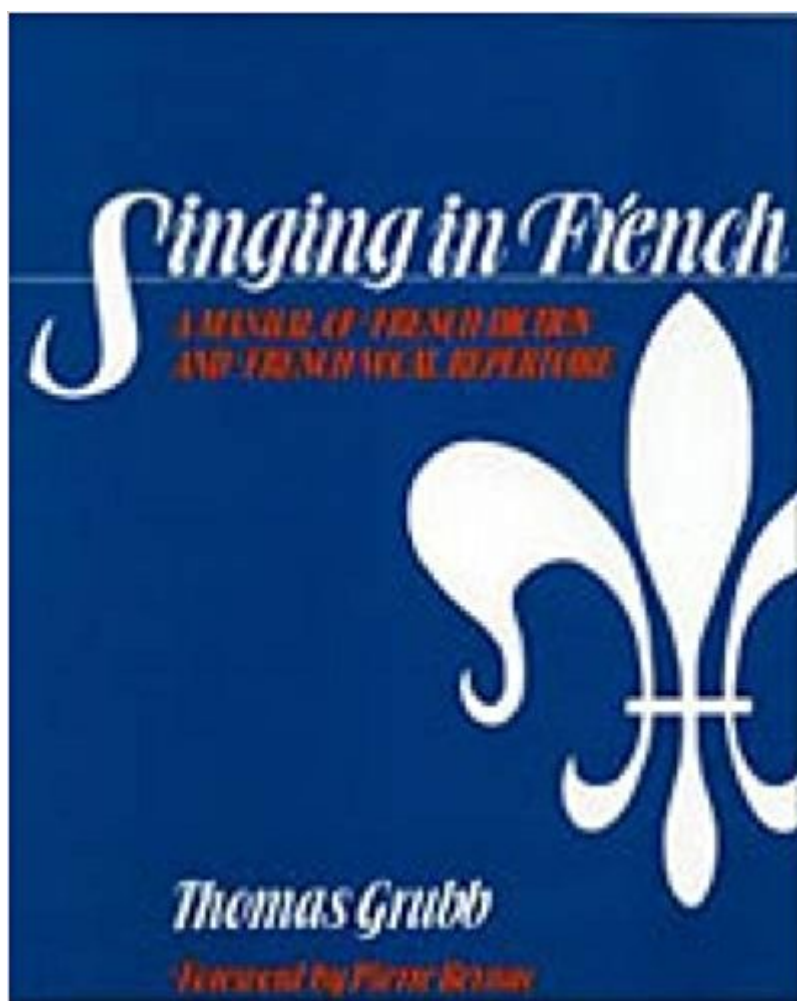


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that sometimes they give more examples of the exceptions than the rules. Otherwise a great resource!

As an Instructor for the class I would like to have a pronunciation cd to use with this text. (An older version of the book had a record with it, and I found it very helpful).The text is excellent.Best regards,Dian Lawler-JohnsonVoice Faculty at Columbus State University (GA)Columbus State University

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