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The adoption and analysis of a specific model of acquisition, the Bottleneck Hypothesis, provides a unifying perspective. The book assumes some non-technical knowledge of linguistics, but important concepts are clearly introduced and defined throughout, making it a valuable resource not only for undergraduate and graduate students of linguistics, but also for researchers in cognitive science and language teachers.

"This book is intended for a broad audience: undergraduate students who want to explore the field of SLA; graduate students who are involved with applied linguistics and language teaching; and teachers who want to understand better how L2 learners learn in different contexts..."--Linguist List About the Author Roumyana Slabakova is Professor and Chair of Applied Linguistics at the University of Southampton, UK, where she is Director of the Centre for Linguistics, Language Education and Acquisition Research (CLLEAR). Her research interests are in the second language acquisition of meaning, more specifically phrasal-semantic, discourse, and pragmatic meanings, as well as generative linguistics research applied to language teaching. Her publications include *Telicity in the Second Language* (Benjamins 2001) and *Meaning in the Second Language* (Mouton de Gruyter 2008). She is the founding co-editor of the journal *Linguistic Approaches to Bilingualism* and also co-edits the journal *Second Language Research*.