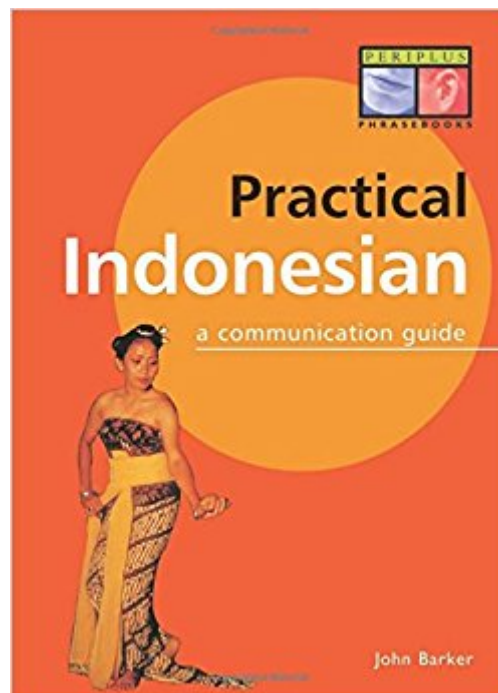




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This had the basics, but I would have liked an Indonesian to English glossary as well as the English to Indonesian

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