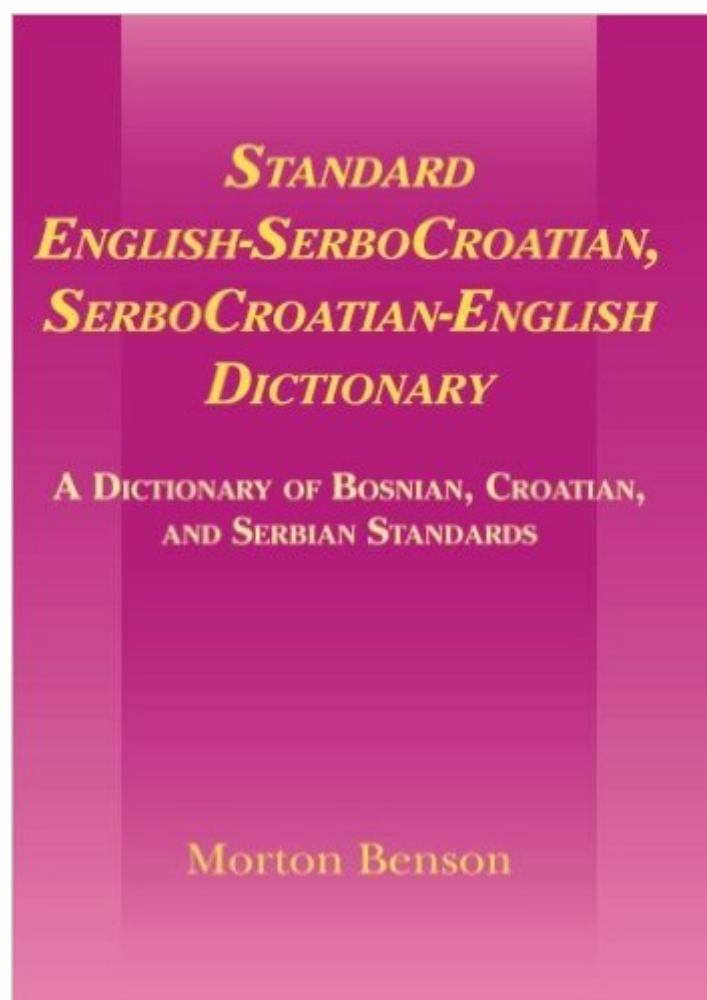


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I've bought the paperback-version of this dictionary, so it could be that the hardcover (?) version is much better and more complete. First of all some positive remarks: * It's a handy (though pretty heavy) dictionary; simple font and layout, but very readable. * A large amount of words and verbs. If you want to look up quickly the meaning of a word, or if you want to understand the basics of a text, this dictionary is an excellent match. But if you're looking for more; for more phrases, examples of pronunciation or daily communication, or perhaps the basics of Serbo-Croatian grammar, Morton Benson's dictionary won't be very helpful. * SERBIAN & CROATIAN. It's called "A dictionary of Bosnian, Croatian and Serbian standards", but basically it's a Serbian dictionary with the Croatian variation in brackets. Another thing which can be very annoying are the endless references to the Serbian spelling: *zvijezda* > see *zvezda* = star, or: *lijep* > see *lep* = beautiful, pretty. * BOSNIAN. Most people in Bosnia speak 'ijekavski', the Western (or Croatian) variation of a language we called in the past Serbo-Croatian. Though I'm not an expert on this field, Bosnian Moslems have their own linguistic variation, some call it a dialect, some call it slang, others call it a real language, which seems to be a mixture of the ijekavski- dialect and a lot of Turkish loan-words. But there's no trace of this Bosnian to find in Benson's dictionary, just ijekavski (Croatian) and ekavski (Serbian) are

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