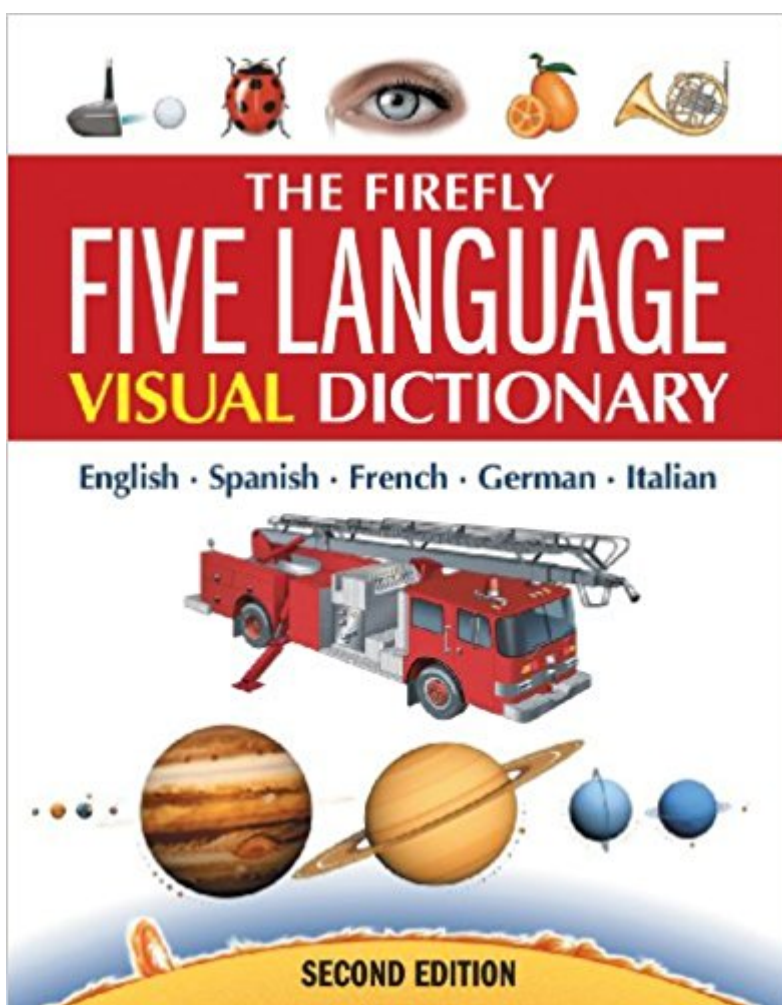


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Jean-Claude Corbeil is an expert in linguistic planning with a worldwide reputation in the fields of comparative terminology and sociolinguistics. Ariane Archambault is a specialist in applied

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