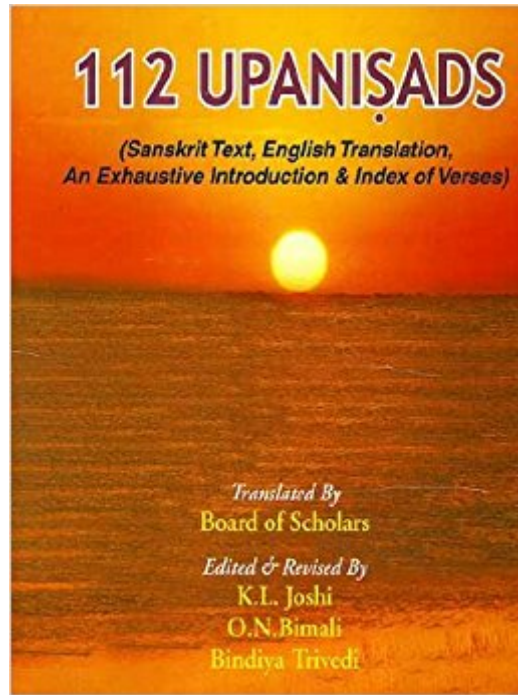




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Upanishads. It would have been nice if they had pre-fixed the chapter and the section number to the verse number, like for example "4.8.12". Some of the Upanishads (e.g. Isawashya) I think are supposed have the 'swara' markings (intonation guide for reciting aloud). I don't remember noticing them in this book, but this is not a serious drawback. I also noticed that some of the 'shanthi patas' (invocation verses) have not been printed in full, when its occurrence is repeated from one Upanishad to another. The first and the last word of the verse alone are printed with ellipses in between. Since no reference is given as to where exactly it appeared for the first time, you have to depend on your own memory. I noticed this only with respect to the repeated invocation verses; this may not be so on any other repeated verse. I would not recommend this book, unless you are interested just in the Devanagiri Sanskrit text part alone, and willing to assume that it has been printed error-free. If only the English passages were proof-read carefully and corrected for typos and grammatical errors, this would have been a great reference book.

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