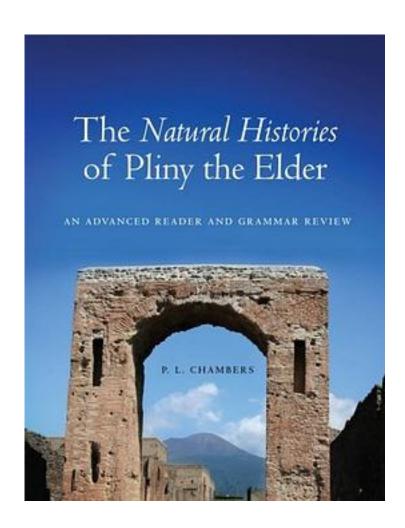
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For students of Latin--even those at an advanced level--reading original works by Latin authors can be daunting. Students must remember a seemingly endless array of grammatical rules and vocabulary, and often the material to be translated seems dull

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