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An Introduction to Language-Victoria Fromkin 1996-01-01 Third Australian edition of Fromkin and Rodman's US text modified and extended for interdisciplinary Australian use. Topics include the nature of language, grammatical, and biological aspects, language in the computer age, and Aboriginal English, pidgins and creoles. Each chapter includes a summary, exercises, references and further reading. With glossary and
index. Blair is head of the school of English, linguistics and media at Macquarie University, and Collins teaches English at the University of New South Wales.

**An Introduction to Language and Linguistics**-Ralph Fasold 2006-03-06
This accessible textbook is the only introduction to linguistics in which each chapter is written by an expert who teaches courses on that topic, ensuring balanced and uniformly excellent coverage of the full range of modern linguistics. Assuming no prior knowledge the text offers a clear introduction to the traditional topics of structural linguistics (theories of sound, form, meaning, and language change), and in addition provides full coverage of contextual linguistics, including separate chapters on discourse, dialect variation, language and culture, and the politics of language. There are also up-to-date separate chapters on language and the brain, computational linguistics, writing, child language acquisition, and second-language learning. The breadth of the textbook makes it ideal for introductory courses on language and linguistics offered by departments of English, sociology, anthropology, and communications, as well as by linguistics departments.

**An Introduction to the Study of Language**-Leonard Bloomfield 1914

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**How Languages Work**-Carol Genetti 2018-09-30 Language is a sophisticated tool which we use to communicate in a multitude of ways. Updated and expanded in its second edition, this book introduces language and linguistics - presenting language in all its amazing complexity while systematically guiding you through the basics. The reader will emerge with an appreciation of the diversity of the world's languages, as well as a deeper understanding of the structure of human language, the ways it is used, and its broader social and cultural context. Part I is devoted to the nuts and bolts of language study - speech sounds, sound patterns, sentence structure,
and meaning - and includes chapters dedicated to the functional aspects of language: discourse, prosody, pragmatics, and language contact. The fourteen language profiles included in Part II reveal the world’s linguistic variety while expanding on the similarities and differences between languages. Using knowledge gained from Part I, the reader can explore how language functions when speakers use it in daily interaction. With a step-by-step approach that is reinforced with well-chosen illustrations, case studies, and study questions, readers will gain understanding and analytical skills that will only enrich their ongoing study of language and linguistics.

**Language and Linguistics**-John Lyons 1981-05-29 This 1981 book is a general introduction to linguistics and the study of language, intended particularly for beginning students and readers with no previous knowledge or training in the subject. There is first a general account of the nature of language and of the aims, methods and basic principles of linguistic theory. John Lyons then introduces in turn each of the main sub-fields of linguistics: the sounds of language, grammar, semantics, language change, psycholinguistics: the sounds of language, grammar, semantics, language change, psycholinguistics, language and culture. Throughout the book he emphasizes particularly those aspects of the discipline that seem fundamental and most likely to remain important. He stresses throughout the cultural at least as much as the biological context of human language, and shows how the linguist’s concerns connect productively with those of the traditional humanities and the social sciences. Each chapter has a wide-ranging set of discussion questions and revision exercises, and extensive suggestions for further reading. The exposition is marked throughout by the author’s characteristic clarity, balance and authority.

**An Introduction to Language and Linguistics**-Christopher J. Hall 2005-01-01 'Christopher Hall's book is the best new introduction to linguistics that I have seen in decades. It is engagingly written without talking down to the reader and it covers all the subparts of the field in a comprehensive and even-handed manner. I plan to use it the next time that I teach an introductory course at Washington.' Professor Frederick J. Newmeyer, University of Washington 'With apt examples from novels and newspapers, courtroom trials and telephone conversations, the lowly and mighty, his book repeatedly startles as it casts light on language. This is a bright, humorous, and completely accessible tour of 21st-century linguistics.' Professor Edward Finegan, University of Southern California This book introduces the fundamentals of human language from a linguistic point of view, using examples drawn from everyday life to aid comprehension, and encouraging critical thinking throughout. Besides presenting the fundamental building blocks of language and explaining how these function, the book also introduces other key elements of the discipline of linguistics, including language acquisition, applied linguistics, psycholinguistics and discourse analysis. Packed full of examples, this is the ideal introduction to language for those who are interested in studying linguistics, have already started a course, or just want to study at home.

**An Introduction to Corpus Linguistics**-Graeme Kennedy 2014-09-19 The use of large, computerized bodies of text for linguistic analysis and description has emerged in recent years as one of the most significant and rapidly-developing fields of activity in the study of language. This book provides a comprehensive introduction and guide to Corpus Linguistics. All aspects of the field are explored, from the various types of electronic corpora that are available to instructions on how to design and compile a corpus. Graeme Kennedy surveys the development of corpora for use in linguistic research, looking back to the pre-electronic age as well as to the massive growth of computer corpora in the electronic age.

**Linguistics**-Adrian Akmajian 2010 A new edition a popular introductory linguistics text, thoroughly updated and revised, with new material and new examples. This popular introductory linguistics text is unique for its integration of themes. Rather than treat morphology, phonetics, phonology, syntax, and semantics as completely separate fields, the book shows how they interact. It provides a sound introduction to linguistic methodology while encouraging students to consider why people are intrinsically interested in language—the ultimate puzzle of the human mind. The text first treats such structural and interpretive parts of language as morphology, phonology, syntax, and semantics, then takes a cognitive perspective and covers such topics as pragmatics, psychology of language, language acquisition, and language and the brain. For this sixth edition, all chapters
have been revised. New material includes updated examples, new special
topics sections, and new discussions of the minimalist program, semantic
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languages, Gricean theories, experimental pragmatics, and language
acquisition. The organization of the book gives instructors flexibility in
designing their courses. Chapters have numerous subsections with core
material presented first and additional material following as special topics.
The accompanying workbook supplements the text with exercises drawn
from a variety of languages. The goal is to teach basic conceptual
foundations of linguistics and the methods of argumentation, justification,
and hypothesis testing within the field. By presenting the most fundamental
linguistics concepts in detail, the text allows students to get a feeling for
how real work in different areas of linguistics is done.

An Introduction to English Language  Koenraad Kuiper 2016-11-17 Have
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ebook which allows you to access media resources while you're on the
move. The book’s learning materials (including Powerpoint slides,
downloadable sound files and video tutorials) are also freely available on the
glish-Language/

Language and the Lexicon  David Singleton 2016-05-06 The lexicon
represents the building blocks of language: words and vocabulary. Most of
us think of language in terms of words, and words are also integral to the
way in which linguists approach language as an object of study. The lexicon
and lexical issues must be taken in consideration in every domain of
language study and, conversely, the lexicon cannot be viewed in isolation
from other aspects of language. 'Language and the Lexicon' provides a
comprehensive yet accessible overview of lexicology, introducing the reader
to the lexicon by exploring the lexical aspects of a range of different areas
of language: syntax, morphology, semantics, phonology, language variation,
language change, language acquisition and language processing. Assuming
no prior knowledge of linguistics, the book introduces the key concepts
employing examples from a wide variety of languages in order to illustrate
the points made. This book is ideally suited to those approaching lexicology
for the first time. With its wide breadth of focus and diverse topics, it can
equally serve as a first introduction to linguistics.

An Introduction to Language  Victoria Fromkin 2017 An Introduction to
Language introduces students to the fascinating study of human language.
Engagingly and clearly written, it provides an overview of the key areas of
linguistics from an Australian perspective. The International Phonetic
Alphabet is represented by both HCE and MD versions, allowing lecturers to
use whichever IPA system they prefer. The text is divided into four sections,
and chapters take students through the nature of human language, the
grammatical aspects and psychology of language, finishing with language
and its relation to society. Chapters have also been reworked and revised to
keep all syntax up-to-date and accurate. Popular features have been
retained for this ninth edition including learning objectives and margin
definitions in each chapter, along with summary tables inside the covers,
assisting readers to learn core concepts and terminology. To supplement
student learning, An Introduction to Language continues to offer the
strongest resources package in the market, giving students access to
CourseMate Express with interactive audio phonemes, as well as offering a
new Test Bank for instructors.

An Introduction to Grammar for Language Learners  Don Ringe
2018-08-23 Explains universal concepts of language structure to help
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<td>Pierre M. Nugues</td>
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<td>This book teaches the principles of natural language processing and covers linguistics issues. It also details the language-processing functions involved, including part-of-speech tagging using rules and stochastic techniques. A key feature of the book is the author's hands-on approach throughout, with extensive exercises, sample code in Prolog and Perl, and a detailed introduction to Prolog. The book is suitable for researchers and students of natural language processing and computational linguistics.</td>
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hypotheses and interpretations of data. It makes the assumption that having
a theory of language development is as important as having reliable data
about what children say and understand, and it advocates a combination of
both `rationalist' and more `empiricist' traditions. In fact, the author overtly
argues that different traditions provide different pieces of the picture, and
that taking any single approach is unlikely to lead to productive
understanding. Susan Foster-Cohen explores a range of issues, including
the nature of prelinguistic communication and its possible relationship to
linguistic development; early stages of language development and how they
can be viewed in the light of later developments; the nature and role of
children's experience with the language(s) around them; variations in
language development due to both pathological and non-pathological
differences between children, and (in the latter case) between the
languages they learn; later oral language development; and literacy. The
approach is distinctly psycholinguistic and linguistic rather than
sociolinguistic, although there is significant treatment of issues which
intersect with more sociolinguistic concerns (e.g. literacy, language play,
and bilingualism). There are exercises and discussion questions throughout,
designed to reinforce the ideas being presented, as well as to offer the
student the opportunity to think beyond the text to ideas at the cutting edge
of research. The accessible presentation of key issues will appeal to the
intended undergraduate readership, and will be of interest to those taking
courses in language development, linguistics, developmental psychology,
educational linguistics, and speech pathology. The book will also serve as a
useful introduction to students wishing to pursue post-graduate courses
which deal with child language development.

The Sounds of Language-Henry Rogers 2014-05-12 Phonetics is the
scientific study of sounds used in language- how the sounds are produced,
how they are transferred from the speaker to the hearer and how they are
heard and perceived. The Sounds of Language provides an accessible,
general introduction to phonetics with a special emphasis on English.
Focusing on the phonetics of English, the first section allows students to get
an overall view of the subject. Two standard accents of English are
presented- RP (Received Pronunciation), the standard accent of England,
and GA (General American), the standard accent throughout much of North
America. The discussion is arranged so that students can read only the RP
or GA portions, if desired. Sixteen additional accents of English spoken
around the world are also covered to provide students with wider
国际市场 coverage. The author then moves on to introduce acoustics
phonetics in an accessible manner for those without a science background.
The last section of the book provides a detailed discussion of all aspects of
speech with extensive examples from languages around the world.
Containing student-friendly features such as extensive exercises for
practising the sounds covered in each chapter; a glossary of technical
terms; instructions on how to write phonetic symbols; the latest
International Phonetic Alphabet chart and a detailed list of English
c consonantal variants, The Sounds of Language provides an excellent
introduction to phonetics to students of linguistics and speech pathology
and students of English as a second language.

An Introduction to Sociolinguistics-Janet Holmes 2017-02-10 In this
best-selling introductory textbook, Janet Holmes and Nick Wilson examine
the role of language in a variety of social contexts, considering both how
language works and how it can be used to signal and interpret various
aspects of social identity. Divided into three sections, this book explains
basic sociolinguistic concepts in the light of classic approaches as well as
introducing more recent research. This fifth edition has been revised and
updated throughout using key concepts and examples to guide the reader
through this fascinating area, including: a new chapter on identity that
reflects the latest research; a brand new companion website which is fully
cross-referenced within this book, and which includes and video and audio
materials, interactive activities and links to useful websites; updated and
revised examples and exercises which include new material from Tanzania,
Wales, Paraguay and Timor-Leste; fully updated further reading and
references sections. An Introduction to Sociolinguistics is the essential
introductory text for all students of sociolinguistics and a splendid point of
reference for students of English language studies, linguistics and applied
linguistics.

Language Files-Department Of Linguistics 2016 Language Files: Materials
for an Introduction to Language and Linguistics has become one of the most
widely adopted, consulted, and authoritative introductory textbooks to
linguistics ever written. The scope of the text makes it suitable for use in a wide range of courses, while its unique organization into student-friendly, self-contained sections allows for tremendous flexibility in course design. The twelfth edition has been significantly revised, clarified, and updated throughout—with particular attention to the chapters on phonetics, phonology, pragmatics, and especially psycholinguistics. The restructured chapter on psycholinguistics makes use of recent research on language in the brain and includes expanded coverage of language processing disorders, introducing students to current models of speech perception and production and cutting-edge research techniques. In addition, exercises have been updated, and icons have been added to the text margins throughout the book, pointing instructors and students to useful and engaging audio files, videos, and other online resources on the accompanying Language Files website, which has also been significantly expanded.

**Language and Reality**-Michael Devitt 1999 What is language? How does it relate to the world? How does it relate to the mind? Should our view of language influence our view of the world? These are among the central issues covered in this spirited and unusually clear introduction to the philosophy of language. Making no pretense of neutrality, Michael Devitt and Kim Sterelny take a definite theoretical stance. Central to that stance is naturalism—that is, they treat a philosophical theory of language as an empirical theory like any other and see people as nothing but complex parts of the physical world. This leads them, controversially, to a deflationary view of the significance of the study of language: they dismiss the idea that the philosophy of language should be preeminent in philosophy. This highly successful textbook has been extensively rewritten for the second edition to reflect recent developments in the field.

**An Introduction to the Language of Mathematics**-Frédéric Mynard 2018-11-24 This is a textbook for an undergraduate mathematics major transition course from technique-based mathematics (such as Algebra and Calculus) to proof-based mathematics. It motivates the introduction of the formal language of logic and set theory and develops the basics with examples, exercises with solutions and exercises without. It then moves to a discussion of proof structure and basic proof techniques, including proofs by induction with extensive examples. An in-depth treatment of relations, particularly equivalence and order relations completes the exposition of the basic language of mathematics. The last chapter treats infinite cardinals. An appendix gives some complement on induction and order, and another provides full solutions of the in-text exercises. The primary audience is undergraduate mathematics major, but independent readers interested in mathematics can also use the book for self-study.

**Living Language**-Laura M. Ahearn 2016-12-19 Revised and updated of the previous edition: 2012.

**Language and Linguistics**-John Lyons 1981-05-29 A 1981 introduction to linguistics and the study of language, for beginning students and readers with no previous knowledge or training in the subject.

**Joysprick**-Anthony Burgess 1975

**Language**-Edward Sapir 2004-09-10 An expert, accessible study, this book asks and answers fundamental questions about how language works, its regional variations, and its cultural and historical roles. The author relates linguistic issues to a broad spectrum of other areas, including the part played by language in the nature of thought and in artistic expression. No finer introduction to the subject exists, and this work's direct style and thought-provoking topics extend its appeal beyond the classroom.

**An Introduction to Linguistics and Language Studies**-Anne McCabe 2017 This introductory textbook provides readers with a foundation in methods for analysing and understanding language from various theoretical perspectives within linguistics and language studies. Its novel approach introduces systemic functional linguistics, text and discourse analysis, and formal approaches to linguistics. It demonstrates applications of these
approaches to reveal how we use language in society, how our brains process language, and how we learn language. Topics include phonetics, phonology, conversation analysis, morphology, semantics, functional and formal syntax, text linguistics, genre analysis, evaluative lexis in text, multimodal representations of meaning, language change and variation, animals and language, the brain and language, and first and second language development/acquisition. The main language focused on is English, while other languages are also drawn on to illustrate the principles, models and theories. Learning outcomes, exercises (with answer key), ideas for project work, and questions for reflection are provided throughout. A final chapter gathers explanations of various fields of practice within linguistics, written by linguists from around the world, including David Crystal (Clinical Linguistics), Frances Christie (Educational Linguistics), and Malcolm Coulthard (Forensic Linguistics). An Introduction to Linguistics and Language Studies offers an array of analytical tools for undergraduate students of language, communication, and education, and provides an overview of the field for those interested in further study in linguistics and applied language studies. Readers will come away with a heightened sensitivity to and appreciation of their own and other's use of language for creating meaning and for interaction.

An Introduction to Forensic Linguistics-Malcolm Coulthard 2007-11-28
Overview of the interface of language and the law, illustrated with authentic data and contemporary case studies. Topics include collection of evidence, discourse, courtroom interaction, legal language, comprehension and forensic phonetics.

The Anthropology of Language: An Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology-Harriet Joseph Ottenheimer 2012-01-01
Ottenheimer's authoritative yet approachable introduction to the field's methodology, skills, techniques, tools, and applications emphasizes the kinds of questions that anthropologists ask about language and the kinds of questions that intrigue students. The text brings together the key areas of linguistic anthropology, addressing issues of power, race, gender, and class throughout. Further stressing the everyday relevance of the text material, Ottenheimer includes In the Field vignettes that draw you in to the chapter material via stories culled from her own and others' experiences, as well as Doing Linguistic Anthropology and Cross-Language Miscommunication features that describe real-life applications of text concepts. A revised companion workbook/reader and robust Anthropology CourseMate website make a complete integrated package for your course. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Psychology of Language (PLE: Psycholinguistics)-Murray Singer 2013-10-23
Originally published in 1990, this comprehensive volume addresses the central issues of sentence and discourse processes, with particular emphasis placed on reading and listening comprehension. The text material is accessible to both upper-level undergraduate and graduate students and informative for professionals and educators. In this regard, this uncommon volume identifies the logic of both the specific experimental manipulations that are described, and the more general on-line and memory measures frequently invoked. The principles presented in the text are supported by hundreds of numbered and unnumbered examples, and by precise tables and figures.

For the Love of Language-

Language, Gender, and Sexuality-Scott F. Kiesling 2019-03-18
Language, Gender, and Sexuality offers a panoramic and accessible introduction to the ways in which linguistic patterns are sensitive to social categories of gender and sexuality, as well as an overview of how speakers use language to create and display gender and sexuality. This book includes discussions of trans/non-binary/genderqueer identities, embodiment, new media, and the role of language and interaction in sexual harassment, assault, and rape. Drawing on an international range of examples to illustrate key points, this book addresses the questions of: how language categorizes the gender/sexuality world in both grammar and interaction; how speakers display, create, and orient to gender, sexuality, and desire in interaction;
how and why people display different ways of speaking based on their gender/sexual identities. Aimed at students with no background in linguistics or gender studies, this book is essential reading for anyone studying language, gender, and sexuality for the first time.

**Language and Society** - Andrew Simpson 2019-01-02

Language and Society is a broad introduction to the interaction of language and society, intended for undergraduate students majoring in any academic discipline. The book discusses the complex socio-political roles played by large, dominant languages around the world and how the growth of major national and official languages is threatening the continued existence of smaller, minority languages. As individuals adopt new ways of speaking, many languages are disappearing, others are evolving into hybrid languages with distinctive new forms, and even long-established languages are experiencing significant change, with young speakers creating novel expressions and innovative pronunciations. Making use of a wide range of case studies selected from the Americas, Europe, Asia and Africa, Andrew Simpson describes and explains key factors causing language variation and change which relate to societal structures and the expression of group and personal identity. The volume also examines how speakers' knowledge of language acts as an important force controlling access to education, advances in employment and the development of social status. Additional topics discussed in the volume focus on the global growth of English, gendered patterns of language use, and the influence of language on perception.