



Linguistics

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-Course Assessment

Exam 1 (written)	10 Marks
Exam 2(Final Project)	10 Marks
Student Presentations	10 Marks
Class participation/Discussion	10 Marks

ASSESSMENT



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Exam 2(Final Project)

10 Marks

Recording Audio + Slides + (Video is Optional)

Duration: +5 minutes

Deadline: 15th March 2023

How to send: Any of the following

Telegram, Whatsapp, Viber, Messenger, email

Topic: Any topics related to linguistics , language

Some suggested titles are below:



Exam 2(Final Project)

10 Marks

Some suggested titles are:

1-Human vs.animal language

3-Language and culture

5-The origin of language

7-Properties of language

9-The future of language

11-Language and media

13-Language and gender

15-Language Acquisition

17-Body language and Sign language

19-Language and meaning

21-If you create a language, how will it be?

22-Is the number of languages increasing or decreasing in the world?

23-???

24-????

25 Any other topic related to linguistics and language

2-Language and the brain

4-Language and social class

6-Functions of language

8-Language Change

10-Artificial language

12-Language and technology

14-Language comprehension

16-Language and context

18-Schools of linguistics

20-Language and artificial intelligence

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-Course-book Details

1-Introduction

2-What is linguistics? (pp. 3-14)

3-What is language? (pp. 15-28)

4-The study of language (pp. 29-39)

5-Language as a game (pp. 40-49)

6-Language and Meaning (pp. 106-122)

7-Using language (pp.123-136)

8-Language and Society (pp.137-158)

9-Language and Mind (pp.160-178)

10-Language change (pp.195-209)



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Student Responsibilities

- Attend classes
- Participate in in-class discussions
- Ask questions/Answer questions
- Submit assignments on time
- Present a topic inside the the class
- Do the final project
- Attend exams



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Classroom Routines

- Respect each other
- Punctual
- Avoid side conversations
- Take notes
- Have fun!

Do you want to add anything?

Class Rules

Linguistics



- **Key concepts:**

- Language & Communication

Language is the method of human communication, either spoken or written, consisting of the use of words in a structured and conventional way

- What do we mean when we say somebody know a language?

(Sound system , words, sentences)

- Is Language specific to human beings?

- **Linguistics** : The scientific study of language. It aims at studying language system but since it is not accessible, it primarily studies language behaviour.

- **Linguist**: person who studies languages

- **Polyglot** : person who knows many languages

- Is it necessary for a linguist to know many languages?

- Is the person who knows many languages a linguist?

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- **Scientificness of linguistics:**

We consider linguistics on certain grounds:

1-Objectivity :no personal judgments , avoid preconceptions

2-Consistency: no contradictory ideas and attitudes

3-Economy:the shorter the better

4-Comprehensiveness: all aspects

5-Systematicness: standarized procedures, framework

6-Explicitness: Adequate in definitions and rules

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- Scientificness of linguistics:

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What is linguistics?

Linguistics is the **systematic study** of
language

Keywords

Systematic =

Study =

Language =



What is linguistics?

- Normal humans come into contact with tens of thousands of words each day.
- The use of language is an integral part of being human.
- Because language is important , we need to study it from different perspectives
- Linguistics tries to answer the basic questions ‘what is language’ , ‘how does language work?’ , ‘what do languages have in common?’ , how does human language differ from animal language?’ , how does a child learn to speak ? , why do languages change? ‘ ...

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What is linguist?

- A person who studies linguistics is called linguist
- A linguist does not need to speak the languages he/she is studying



Linguistics versus traditional grammar

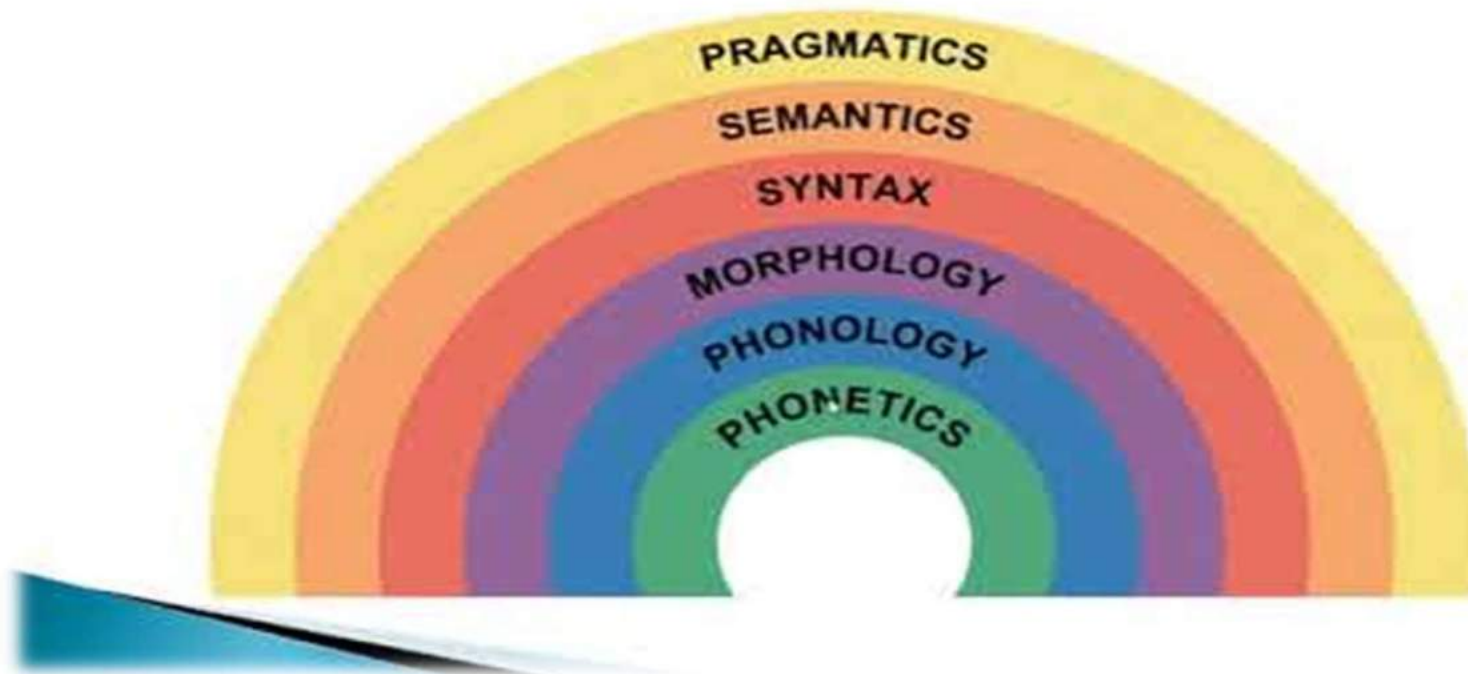
How does linguistics differ from traditional grammar?

- Linguistics is descriptive not prescriptive: do not prescribe rules of “correctness”.
 - Language changes all the time: linguist do not judge but observe this:
different to -----different from
- Linguists regard the spoken language as primary not the written.
 - Writing systems are derived from the vocal sounds

The scope of linguistics

The scope of linguistics

- ▶ Inner circle





Summary:

- A person who studies linguistics is called a linguist
- A linguist does not need to speak the languages he/she is studying
- A linguist describes languages but does not prescribe how to use them
- Languages change constantly
- Spoken and written language need to be analyzed separately
- No language should be forced into the framework of another
- Language can be analyzed at a single point in time (synchronic linguistics), or its development over a number of years can be studied (diachronic linguistics)



Thanks for Listening

Any Questions? Suggestions for Improvement?

Your assignment for next week

What is language? (pp. 15-28)