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Language Conflict and Language Rights - William D. Davies 2018-07-31
As the colonial hegemony of empire fades around the world, the role of language in ethnic conflict has become increasingly topical, as have issues concerning the right of speakers to choose and use their preferred language(s). Such rights are often asserted and defended in response to their being violated. The importance of understanding these events and issues, and their relationship to individual, ethnic, and national identity, is central to research and debate in a range of fields outside of, as well as within, linguistics. This book provides a clearly written introduction for linguists and non-specialists alike, presenting basic facts about the role of language in the formation of identity and the preservation of culture. It articulates and explores categories of conflict and language rights abuses through detailed presentation of illustrative case studies, and distills from these key cross-linguistic and cross-cultural generalizations.

Understanding Child Language Acquisition - Caroline Rowland
2013-10-23

Taking an accessible and cross-linguistic approach, *Understanding Child Language Acquisition* introduces readers to the most important research on child language acquisition over the last fifty years, as well as to some of the most influential theories in the field. Rather than just describing

what children can do at different ages Rowland explains why these research findings are important and what they tell us about how children acquire language. Key features include: Cross-linguistic analysis of how language acquisition differs between languages A chapter on how multilingual children acquire several languages at once Exercises to test comprehension Chapters organised around key questions that summarise the critical issues posed by researchers in the field, with summaries at the end Further reading suggestions to broaden understanding of the subject With its particular focus on outlining key similarities and differences across languages and what this cross-linguistic variation means for our ideas about language acquisition, *Understanding Child Language Acquisition* forms a comprehensive introduction to the subject for students of linguistics, psychology and speech and language therapy. Students and instructors will benefit from the comprehensive companion website that includes a students' section featuring interactive comprehension exercises, extension activities, chapter recaps and answers to the exercises within the book. Material for instructors includes sample essay questions, answers to the extension activities for students and a Powerpoint including all the figures from the book.
www.routledge.com/cw/rowland

Teaching Reading to English Language Learners - Kristin Lems

2009-11-20

Written specifically for K-12 educators, this accessible book explains the processes involved in second-language acquisition and provides a wealth of practical strategies for helping English language learners (ELLs) succeed at reading. The authors integrate knowledge from two fields that often remain disconnected—linguistics and literacy—with a focus on what works in the classroom. Teachers learn effective practices for supporting students as they build core competencies not just for reading in English, but also for listening, speaking, and writing. Engaging vignettes and examples illustrate ways to promote ELLs' communicative skills across the content areas and in formal and informal settings.

Advanced Natural Language Processing with TensorFlow 2 - Ashish Bansal 2021-02-04

One-stop solution for NLP practitioners, ML developers, and data scientists to build effective NLP systems that can perform real-world complicated tasks

Key FeaturesApply deep learning algorithms and techniques such as BiLSTMs, CRFs, BPE and more using TensorFlow 2Explore applications like text generation, summarization, weakly supervised labelling and moreRead cutting edge material with seminal papers provided in the GitHub repository with full working code

Book Description Recently, there have been tremendous advances in NLP, and we are now moving from research labs into practical applications. This book comes with a perfect blend of both the theoretical and practical aspects of trending and complex NLP techniques. The book is focused on innovative applications in the field of NLP, language generation, and dialogue systems. It helps you apply the concepts of pre-processing text using techniques such as tokenization, parts of speech tagging, and lemmatization using popular libraries such as Stanford NLP and SpaCy. You will build Named Entity Recognition (NER) from scratch using Conditional Random Fields and Viterbi Decoding on top of RNNs. The book covers key emerging areas such as generating text for use in sentence completion and text summarization, bridging images and text by generating captions for images, and managing dialogue aspects of chatbots. You will learn how to apply transfer learning and fine-tuning

using TensorFlow 2. Further, it covers practical techniques that can simplify the labelling of textual data. The book also has a working code that is adaptable to your use cases for each tech piece. By the end of the book, you will have an advanced knowledge of the tools, techniques and deep learning architecture used to solve complex NLP problems. What you will learn

Grasp important pre-steps in building NLP applications like POS taggingUse transfer and weakly supervised learning using libraries like SnorkelDo sentiment analysis using BERTApply encoder-decoder NN architectures and beam search for summarizing textsUse Transformer models with attention to bring images and text togetherBuild apps that generate captions and answer questions about images using custom TransformersUse advanced TensorFlow techniques like learning rate annealing, custom layers, and custom loss functions to build the latest DeepNLP models

Who this book is for This is not an introductory book and assumes the reader is familiar with basics of NLP and has fundamental Python skills, as well as basic knowledge of machine learning and undergraduate-level calculus and linear algebra. The readers who can benefit the most from this book include intermediate ML developers who are familiar with the basics of supervised learning and deep learning techniques and professionals who already use TensorFlow/Python for purposes such as data science, ML, research, analysis, etc.

Polish: An Essential Grammar - Dana Bielec 2012-03-15

Polish: An Essential Grammar is a user-friendly guide to all the important structures of this fascinating language. Presenting a fresh and accessible description of the language, this engaging grammar uses clear, jargon-free explanations and sets out the complexities of Polish in short, readable sections. Key features include: New chapter on studying an inflected language, including detailed analysis of a typical text Comprehensive descriptions of the parts of speech covered Information presented clearly and logically in table form Wealth of real-life examples Nine clearly-presented appendices. This grammar is an invaluable asset to anyone wishing to master the Polish language as it is spoken today. Two companion books, Basic Polish: A Grammar and Workbook and

Intermediate Polish: A Grammar and Workbook, provide more detailed practice in the language.

Machine Learning in Translation Corpora Processing - Krzysztof Wolk 2019-02-25

This book reviews ways to improve statistical machine speech translation between Polish and English. Research has been conducted mostly on dictionary-based, rule-based, and syntax-based, machine translation techniques. Most popular methodologies and tools are not well-suited for the Polish language and therefore require adaptation, and language resources are lacking in parallel and monolingual data. The main objective of this volume to develop an automatic and robust Polish-to-English translation system to meet specific translation requirements and to develop bilingual textual resources by mining comparable corpora.

Bosnian, Croatian, Serbian, a Textbook - Ronelle Alexander 2010-03

"Three official languages have emerged: Croatian in Croatia, Serbian in Serbia, and both these languages plus Bosnian in Bosnia-Herzegovina. Bosnian, Croatian, Serbian, a Textbook introduces the student to all three. Dialogues and exercises appear in each language, presented side by side for easy comparison; in addition, Serbian is rendered in both its Latin and its Cyrillic spellings. Teachers may choose a single language to use in the classroom, or they may want to familiarize students with all three"--Book jacket.

Basic Polish - Dana Bielec 2001

Building confidence in the use of the modern Polish language, this text presents concise explanations of Polish grammar with related exercises, and includes a full answer key as well as a Polish-English glossary.

Complete Serbian: A Teach Yourself Guide - Vladislava Ribnikar 2011-01-12

It's easy to teach yourself Serbian! Complete Serbian: A Teach Yourself Guide provides you with a clear and comprehensive approach to Serbian, so you can progress quickly from the basics to understanding, speaking, and writing Serbian with confidence. Within each of the 24 thematic chapters, important language structures are introduced through life-like dialogues. You'll learn grammar in a gradual manner so you won't be

overwhelmed by this tricky subject. Exercises accompany the texts and reinforce learning in listening, speaking, reading, and writing. This program also features current cultural information boxes that reflect recent changes in society. Features: One and five-minute introductions to key principles to get you started Lots of instant help with common problems and quick tips for success, based on the author's many years of experience Tests in the book and online to keep track of your progress Extra online articles at www.teachyourself.com to give you a richer understanding of the basics of the language

China - Cecilia Lindqvist 2009-04-27

The origins of Chinese ideographs were not known until 1899, when a scholar went to an apothecary for some medicine made of "dragon bone." To his surprise, the bone, which had not yet been ground into powder, contained a number of carved inscriptions. Thus began the exploration of the 3000-year-old sources of the written characters still used in China today. In this unparalleled and deeply researched book, Cecilia Lindqvist tells the story of these characters and shows how their shapes and concepts have permeated all of Chinese thought, architecture, art, and culture.

The Romance Languages - Rebecca Posner 1996-09-05

What is a Romance language? How is one Romance language related to others? How did they all evolve? And what can they tell us about language in general? In this comprehensive survey Rebecca Posner, a distinguished Romance specialist, examines this group of languages from a wide variety of perspectives. Her analysis combines philological expertise with insights drawn from modern theoretical linguistics, both synchronic and diachronic. She relates linguistic features to historical and sociological factors, and teases out those elements which can be attributed to divergence from a common source and those which indicate convergence towards a common aim. Her discussion is extensively illustrated with new and original data, and an up-to-date and comprehensive bibliography is included. This volume will be an invaluable and authoritative guide for students and specialists alike.

Sorbian [Wendish]-English/English-Sorbian [Wendish] Concise Dictionary

- 2000

The dictionary covers the Upper Sorbian dialect, spoken within and south of the city of Bautzen in Germany. This dictionary is a valuable addition to any Slavic language library.

The Origins of the British: The New Prehistory of Britain - Stephen Oppenheimer 2012-03-01

Stephen Oppenheimer's extraordinary scientific detective story combining genetics, linguistics, archaeology and historical record shatters the myths we have come to live by. It demonstrates that the Anglo-Saxon invasions contributed just a tiny fraction (5%) to the English gene pool. Two thirds of the English people reveal an unbroken line of genetic descent from south-western Europeans arriving long before the first farmers. The bulk of the remaining third arrived between 7,000 and 3,000 years ago as part of long-term north-west European trade and immigration, especially from Scandinavia - and may have brought with them the earliest forms of English language. As for the Celts - the Irish, Scots and Welsh - history has traditionally placed their origins in Iron Age Central Europe. Oppenheimer's genetic synthesis shows them to have arrived via the Atlantic coastal route from Ice Age refuges including the Basque country; with the modern languages we call Celtic arriving later. There is indeed a deep divide between the English and the rest of the British. But as this book reveals the division is many thousands of years older than previously thought.

A Primer of the Gothic Language - Joseph Wright 1892

Maine Lingo - John Gould 2015-11-23

John Gould's family first settled in Maine in 1618, so by the time he came along in the early 20th century, the Gould's were well steeped in the vernacular of the region, and his first inheritance was the turned-around, honed-down, and tuned-up language of his farming neighbors who seldom strayed beyond the village store. *Maine Lingo* was first compiled in 1975, when TV, radio, and other leveling media had begun to seriously erode regional speech distinctions, and this dictionary will furnish anyone interested in Maine or regional dialects with the terminologies of

regular folks, from lobstermen to farmers to woodsmen. Altogether it is a fun and fascinating collection of lore, humor, and straight information that will have you able to tell your billdad from your wazzat in no time flat.

Slovak for You - Ada Böhmerová 1996

Teaches you how to master the principal communicative skills in Slovak ; will enable you to read and understand current Slovak texts in the media and correspondence ; in texts and exercises presents the basic Slovak vocabulary.

The Student's Dictionary of Anglo-Saxon - Henry Sweet 1897

Croeso: beginners' Welsh - The Open University 2014-01-23

This 4-hour free course explored Welsh as a tool for communication and Welsh cultures, to support the development of language skills in Welsh.

Polyglot: How I Learn Languages - Kat— Lomb 2008-01-01

KAT LOMB (1909-2003) was one of the great polyglots of the 20th century. A translator and one of the first simultaneous interpreters in the world, Lomb worked in 16 languages for state and business concerns in her native Hungary. She achieved further fame by writing books on languages, interpreting, and polyglots. *Polyglot: How I Learn Languages*, first published in 1970, is a collection of anecdotes and reflections on language learning. Because Dr. Lomb learned her languages as an adult, after getting a PhD in chemistry, the methods she used will be of particular interest to adult learners who want to master a foreign language.

Bulgarian-English, English-Bulgarian Dictionary - Ivan Tchomakov 1992

This dictionary uses a simple transliteration scheme, which relies on commonsense pronunciation for both the Roman and Cyrillic alphabets. It has 8,500 entries and a pronunciation guide.

A Grammar of Ubykh - Rohan S. H. Fenwick 2011

How to Learn a Foreign Language - Paul Pimsleur 2013-10

Explains how to learn foreign languages, offering practical advice for overcoming the obstacles.

Fluent in 3 Months - Benny Lewis 2014-03-11

Benny Lewis, who speaks over ten languages—all self-taught—runs the largest language-learning blog in the world, Fluent In 3 Months. Lewis is a full-time "language hacker," someone who devotes all of his time to finding better, faster, and more efficient ways to learn languages. *Fluent in 3 Months: How Anyone at Any Age Can Learn to Speak Any Language from Anywhere in the World* is a new blueprint for fast language learning. Lewis argues that you don't need a great memory or "the language gene" to learn a language quickly, and debunks a number of long-held beliefs, such as adults not being as good of language learners as children.

Explainable AI: Interpreting, Explaining and Visualizing Deep Learning - Wojciech Samek 2019-09-10

The development of "intelligent" systems that can take decisions and perform autonomously might lead to faster and more consistent decisions. A limiting factor for a broader adoption of AI technology is the inherent risks that come with giving up human control and oversight to "intelligent" machines. For sensitive tasks involving critical infrastructures and affecting human well-being or health, it is crucial to limit the possibility of improper, non-robust and unsafe decisions and actions. Before deploying an AI system, we see a strong need to validate its behavior, and thus establish guarantees that it will continue to perform as expected when deployed in a real-world environment. In pursuit of that objective, ways for humans to verify the agreement between the AI decision structure and their own ground-truth knowledge have been explored. Explainable AI (XAI) has developed as a subfield of AI, focused on exposing complex AI models to humans in a systematic and interpretable manner. The 22 chapters included in this book provide a timely snapshot of algorithms, theory, and applications of interpretable and explainable AI and AI techniques that have been proposed recently reflecting the current discourse in this field and providing directions of future development. The book is organized in six parts: towards AI transparency; methods for interpreting AI systems; explaining the decisions of AI systems; evaluating interpretability and explanations;

applications of explainable AI; and software for explainable AI.

Slovak-English, English-Slovak Dictionary and Phrasebook - Sylvia Lorinc 1999

This dictionary and phrasebook, written to help travelers and businesspeople, features an extensive vocabulary, a useful grammar section and important phrases for getting around.

Colloquial Bulgarian - Kjetil Ra Hauge 2015-08-14

Colloquial Bulgarian: The Complete Course for Beginners has been carefully developed by an experienced teacher to provide a step-by-step course to Bulgarian as it is written and spoken today. Combining a clear, practical and accessible style with a methodical and thorough treatment of the language, it equips learners with the essential skills needed to communicate confidently and effectively in Bulgarian in a broad range of situations. No prior knowledge of the language is required. *Colloquial Bulgarian* is exceptional; each unit presents a wealth of grammatical points that are reinforced with a wide range of exercises for regular practice. A full answer key, a grammar summary, bilingual glossaries and English translations of dialogues can be found at the back as well as useful vocabulary lists throughout. Key features include: A clear, user-friendly format designed to help learners progressively build up their speaking, listening, reading and writing skills Jargon-free, succinct and clearly structured explanations of grammar An extensive range of focused and dynamic supportive exercises Realistic and entertaining dialogues covering a broad variety of narrative situations Helpful cultural points explaining the customs and features of life in Bulgaria An overview of the sounds and alphabet of Bulgarian Balanced, comprehensive and rewarding, *Colloquial Bulgarian* is an indispensable resource both for independent learners and students taking courses in Bulgarian. Audio material to accompany the course is available to download freely in MP3 format from www.routledge.com/cw/colloquials. Recorded by native speakers, the audio material features the dialogues and texts from the book and will help develop your listening and pronunciation skills.

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.

Czech: An Essential Grammar - James Naughton 2006-03-29

Czech: An Essential Grammar is a practical reference guide to the core structures and features of modern Czech. Presenting a fresh and accessible description of the language, this engaging grammar uses clear, jargon-free explanations and sets out the complexities of Czech in short, readable sections. Suitable for either independent study or for students in schools, colleges, universities and adult classes of all types, key features include: * focus on the morphology and syntax of the language * clear explanations of grammatical terms * full use of authentic examples * detailed contents list and index for easy access to information. With an emphasis on the Czech that native speakers use today, Czech: An Essential Grammar will help students to read, speak and write the language with greater confidence.

Intensive Bulgarian - Ronelle Alexander 2000

A comprehensive textbook teaching English-speakers to read, write and speak contemporary Bulgarian. Volume one, introducing the basic elements of Bulgarian grammar, contains lessons 1-15, a Bulgarian-English glossary, and English-Bulgarian glossary for beginners, and an appendix of verbal forms.

An Introduction to the Languages of the World - Anatole Lyovin 2017

Unique in scope, An Introduction to the Languages of the World introduces linguistics students to the variety of world's languages. Students will gain familiarity with concepts such as sound change, lexical borrowing, diglossia, and language diffusion, and the rich variety of linguistic structure in word order, morphological types, grammatical relations, gender, inflection, and derivation. It offers the opportunity to explore structures of varying and fascinating languages even with no prior acquaintance. A chapter is devoted to each of the world's continents, with in-depth analyses of representative languages of Europe, Asia, Africa, Oceania, and America, and separate chapters cover writing systems and pidgins and creoles. Each chapter contains exercises and recommendations for further reading. New to this edition are eleven original maps as well as sections on sign languages and language death and revitalization. For greater readability, basic language facts are now organized in tables, and language samples follow international standards for phonetic transcription and word-by-word glossing. There is an instructor's manual available for registered instructors on the book's companion website.

Plurilingual and Pluricultural Awareness in Language Teacher Education - Mercè Bernaus 2007-01-01

The LEA (Language Educator Awareness) training kit comprises a set of practical instruments designed to help teacher educators introduce the essential aspects of plurilingualism and pluriculturalism to language teachers and learners. It consists of a printed booklet setting out the rationale for a series of training activities, which are contained on an accompanying CD-Rom. The kit encourages language teachers to reflect on the notion of diversity, which is so fundamental an element in the process of linguistic and communicative education - the "dialogue with the other". Its ultimate goal is to contribute towards building a school capable of providing local and global perspectives on the language curriculum, of offering communication opportunities with peoples and cultures from far away as well as nearby and of promoting the ability to speak languages with different statuses and functions.

5 Steps to Speak a New Language - Hung Quang Pham 2010-09

"Hung Q. Pham has applied sound business practice to learning to create a inspiring guide to tackling any language. From identifying the vocabulary that really matters to tips for pronunciation - it's a great set of techniques which will have you speaking, reading and writing your new language in no-time" - Chris Graham (UK)

Latin - Floyd L. Moreland 1977

Life as a Bilingual - François Grosjean 2021-06-03

A book on those who know and use two or more languages: Who are they? How do they do it?

New Czech step by step - Lída Holá 2008

The Cambridge Handbook of World Englishes - Daniel Schreier 2020-01-02

The plural form 'Englishes' conveys the diversity of English as a global language, pinpointing the growth and existence of a large number of national, regional and social forms. The global spread of English and the new varieties that have emerged around the world has grown to be a vast area of study and research, which intersects multiple disciplines. This Handbook provides a comprehensive and authoritative survey of World Englishes from 1600 to the present day. Covering topics such as variationist sociolinguistics, pragmatics, contact linguistics, linguistic anthropology, corpus- and applied linguistics and language history, it combines discussion of traditional topics with a variety of innovative approaches. The chapters, all written by internationally acclaimed authorities, provide up-to-date discussions of the evolution of different Englishes around the globe, a comprehensive coverage of different models and approaches, and some original perspectives on current challenges.

Building Literacy with English Language Learners, Second Edition - Kristin Lems 2017-07-05

How can linguistics help teachers of English language learners (ELLs) improve their instruction? What specific competencies do ELLs need to

build in order to speak, listen, read, and write in a new language? Now revised and expanded with a broader view of literacy, this book has guided thousands of inservice and preservice teachers to understand the processes involved in second-language acquisition and help ELLs succeed. The authors explain relevant linguistic concepts with a focus on what works in today's diverse PreK-12 classrooms. Effective teaching strategies are illustrated with engaging classroom vignettes; the volume also features instructive discussion questions and a glossary. (First edition title: Teaching Reading to English Language Learners.) New to This Edition *Chapter on digital learning, plus new content on digital technology throughout the book. *Broader view of literacy; increased attention to oral language and writing as well as reading. *Even more user friendly--additional classroom suggestions from real teachers, vignettes, and examples and graphics illustrating linguistic concepts. *End-of-chapter "challenge questions" that inspire deeper reflection. *Coverage of timely topics, such as numeracy and the language innovations of text messages. This e-book edition features 18 full-color figures. (Figures will appear in black and white on black-and-white e-readers).

Analyzing meaning: An introduction to semantics and pragmatics. Third edition - Paul Kroeger 2022-09-28

This book provides an introduction to the study of meaning in human language, from a linguistic perspective. It covers a fairly broad range of topics, including lexical semantics, compositional semantics, and pragmatics. The chapters are organized into six units: (1) Foundational concepts; (2) Word meanings; (3) Implicature (including indirect speech acts); (4) Compositional semantics; (5) Modals, conditionals, and causation; (6) Tense & aspect. Most of the chapters include exercises which can be used for class discussion and/or homework assignments, and each chapter contains references for additional reading on the topics covered. As the title indicates, this book is truly an introduction: it provides a solid foundation which will prepare students to take more advanced and specialized courses in semantics and/or pragmatics. It is also intended as a reference for fieldworkers doing primary research on

under-documented languages, to help them write grammatical descriptions that deal carefully and clearly with semantic issues. The approach adopted here is largely descriptive and non-formal (or, in some places, semi-formal), although some basic logical notation is introduced. The book is written at level which should be appropriate for advanced undergraduate or beginning graduate students. It presupposes some previous coursework in linguistics, but does not presuppose any background in formal logic or set theory.

Ukrainian: A Comprehensive Grammar - Ian Press 2015-06-18

Ukrainian: A Comprehensive Grammar is a complete reference guide to modern Ukrainian grammar. The authors have consulted a great number of sources, in addition to a wide range of native speakers. The result is the first true reference grammar of Ukrainian to be published outside Ukraine, it will be the standard reference work for years to come. The volume is organized to enable students of the language to find the information they seek quickly and easily, and to promote a thorough

understanding of Ukrainian grammar. It presents the complexities of the language in a systematic and user-friendly form. Features include * detailed tables in each chapter for easy reference * numerous examples throughout * thorough descriptions of all parts of speech * list of grammatical terms in English and Ukrainian * complete descriptions of the word-formational processes of Ukrainian * an overview of past and present changes in the language * bibliography of works relating to Ukrainian * full index.

301 Polish Verbs - Klara Janecki 2000-02-01

The most commonly used Polish verbs are listed alphabetically, one verb per page, and fully conjugated in a table format. Other helpful features for both language students and travelers include English-Polish and Polish-English verb indexes listing nearly 2300 verbs, and common Polish idioms using verbs. The book also features puzzles, Polish proverbs, self-tests, and other aids designed to improve students' familiarity with and usage of Polish verbs.