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The Structure of Modern English - Laurel J. Brinton 2000-01-01

This text is designed for undergraduate and graduate students interested in contemporary English, especially those whose primary area of interest is English as a second language. Focus is placed exclusively on English data, providing an empirical explication of the structure of the language.

Idioms - Martin Everaert 2014-04-04

Idioms have always aroused the curiosity of linguists and there is a long tradition in the study of idioms, especially within the fields of lexicology and lexicography. Without denying the importance of this tradition, this volume presents an overview of recent idiom research outside the immediate domain of lexicology/lexicography. The chapters address the status of idioms in recent formal and experimental linguistic theorizing. Interdisciplinary in scope, the contributions are written by psycholinguists and theoretical and computational linguists who take mutual advantage of progress in all disciplines. Linguists supply the facts and analyses psycholinguists base their models and experiments on; psycholinguists in turn confront linguistic models with psycholinguistic findings. Computational linguists build natural language processing systems on the basis of models and frameworks provided by theoretical linguists and, sometimes psycholinguists, and set up large corpora to test linguistic hypotheses. Besides the fascination for idioms that make up such a large part of our knowledge of language, interdisciplinarity is one of the attractions of investigations in idiomatic language and language processing.

On Idiom - Chitra Fernando 1981

Handbook of Idiomatic English as Now Written and Spoken - John Kirkpatrick 1912

Substance and Structure of Language - Jaan Puhvel 1969

365 American English Idioms - Michael DiGiacomo 2014-01-28

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Handbook of Idiomatic English - John Kirkpatrick 1927

Fixed Expressions and Idioms in English - Rosamund Moon 1998

This book is intended for academics and postgraduate students of lexicology, lexicography, and corpus

linguistics.

Idiomatic Creativity - Andreas Langlotz 2006-01-01

This book revisits the theoretical and psycholinguistic controversies centred around the intriguing nature of idioms and proposes a more systematic cognitive-linguistic model of their grammatical status and use. Whenever speakers vary idioms in actual discourse, they open a linguistic window into idiomatic creativity □ the complex cognitive processing and representation of these heterogeneous linguistic constructions. Idiomatic creativity therefore raises two challenging questions: What are the cognitive mechanisms that underlie and shape idiom-representation? How do these mechanisms define the scope and limits of systematic idiom-variation in actual discourse? The book approaches these problems by means of a comprehensive cognitive-linguistic architecture of meaning and language and analyses them on the basis of corpus-data from the British National Corpus (BNC). Therefore, Idiomatic Creativity should be of great interest to cognitive linguists, phraseologists, corpus linguists, advanced students of linguistics, and all readers who are interested in the fascinating interplay of language and cognitive processing. This book has a companion website: www.idiomatic-creativity.ch.

The Only True Guide to English Grammar - John Mead Ray 1779

English for Dessert - Svetlana Rozovsky 2014-10-16

This is a fun dictionary of 361 everyday colloquial "live" American English idioms. The book is an enjoyable, practical guide for those mastering English as a second language supported with examples translated into Russian, easy comments, illustrations and fun explanations. of the idiom structure.

[English Idioms: An Idiomatic Journey to the West: Dual Language: Traditional Chinese](#) - Dave Alber 2020-04-14

English Idioms: An Idiomatic Journey to the West by Dave Alber is a book to learn English vocabulary and English idioms. The book is written in English and has a Traditional Chinese translation. The Chinese translation of the English text helps Chinese speakers practice English reading. The Chinese story of the Monkey King will further inspire Chinese speakers who are learning English. First, in part 1, you'll focus on the dictionary definition and word origin of idiom. Second, you'll understand idiomatic expressions as English grammar. Idioms often use figurative language: metaphor, simile, personification, onomatopoeia, and oxymoron. You'll examine the sentence structure of English idioms, slang, phrases, and figures of speech. Finally, you'll learn how language is culture. In part 2, idioms are used to explain The Journey to the West, a Classical Chinese adventure. This popular Chinese Ming dynasty book, tells the story of a Tang dynasty monk who travels to India in search of Buddhist scriptures. In Chinese legend, this monk, Xuanzang, meets Sun Wukong, the monkey king. You'll learn the meaning of animal idioms, such as, "monkey around," and "pig sty." Piggy, Sandy, and the white horse also travel west in this classical Chinese myth. Guan Yin even makes an appearance (in the story and in the English class) before the end of the journey at Xi'an. In this idiomatic 2013, Journey to the West and Monkey King book, you'll learn American pronunciation from the English coach and trainer, Dave Alber, author of 50 Idioms You Absolutely Must Know; English for Chinese Speakers: Secret Message From Planet Meigu; and The Sound of English: English Pronunciation Practice. Chinese Translation is by the wonderful Zephyria Wang. You'll get practical English training practicing sentences with idioms.

You'll learn new English vocabulary and English phrases. You'll learn English for success! You'll get the meaning and definition of a phrase. Often, an idiom's definition or the meaning of a phrase includes an explanation of American slang. English Idioms: An Idiomatic Journey to the West is an American English lesson where you'll travel to both the East and West.

[Idiom Structure in English](#) - Adam Makkai 1972-01-01

The Only True Guide to English Grammar; Displaying the Genuine Structure, and Peculiar Idiom of the English Language, Etc. [By John Mead Ray?]. - ENGLISH GRAMMAR. 1779

[Handbook of Idiomatic English](#) - John Kirkpatrick 1912

101 American English Idioms - Harry Collis 1987-02-09

An introduction to American colloquialisms through the use of explanatory dialogue or narrative.

English Idioms and how to Use Them - Jennifer Seidl 1978

This is a reference book providing intermediate to advanced level students with information about over 3000 idioms. Each idiom is listed, explained and presented in context to enable students to understand how and when to use it.

Idioms and Fixed Expressions - Implications of Cognitive Linguistics for the Selection of Web-based Teaching Exercises - Dirk Steines 2007-08

Seminar paper from the year 2006 in the subject English Language and Literature Studies - Linguistics, grade: 2,0, University of Cologne (Englisches Seminar), course: Idioms - Cognitive and Didactic Aspect, 8 entries in the bibliography, language: English, abstract: Idioms are an important factor in native-like discourse by an English as a foreign language (EFL) speaker. According to Fernando (1996) "the sheer number of idioms and their high frequency in discourse make them an important aspect of vocabulary acquisition and language learning in general". Many linguists claim that idioms require special attention in language programs and should not be relegated to a position of secondary importance in the curriculum. However, classroom learning of EFL is - at least in Germany - not very concerned with the teaching of idioms and fixed expressions, as analyses from current and historical textbooks have shown. This results in the necessity for the teacher to make up own exercises or series of lessons to put the teaching of fixed expressions into the curriculum. The cognitive approach to language learning provides useful aspects and implications on how to organize idiom learning in a classroom context. The aim of our paper is to use the cognitive linguistics approach towards idioms and other fixed expressions in English to analyse different homepages on the World Wide Web. In order to do this we will first present a short survey of different cognitive approaches to idioms and their didactic implications for teaching exercises. We will then go on with an analysis of six websites with respect to how the content, structure and exercises follow the implications given by the presented cognitive approaches. After a discussion of the positive and negative aspects we found on the web, we try to give a proposition on how an idiom learning website could be structured and how exercises could look like, when they try to follow a cognitive approach.

Cambridge Advanced Learner's Dictionary KLETT VERSION - Kate Woodford 2003-02-13

The Cambridge Advanced Learner's Dictionary gives the vital support which advanced students need, especially with the essential skills: reading, writing, listening and speaking. In the book: * 170,000 words, phrases and examples * New words: so your English stays up-to-date * Colour headwords: so you can find the word you are looking for quickly * Idiom Finder * 200 'Common Learner Error' notes show how to avoid common mistakes * 25,000 collocations show the way words work together * Colour pictures: 16 full page colour pictures On the CD-ROM: * Sound: recordings in British and American English, plus practice tools to help improve pronunciation * UNIQUE! Smart Thesaurus helps you choose the right word * QUICKfind looks up words for you while you are working or reading on screen * UNIQUE! SUPERwrite gives on screen help with grammar, spelling and collocation when you are writing * Hundreds of interactive exercises

English Linguistics - Thomas Herbst 2010-06-17

The book introduces the reader to the central areas of English linguistics. The main sections are: the English language and linguistics - sounds - meaning-carrying units - sentences: models of grammar - meaning -

utterances - variation. Notably, the book is written from a foreign student's perspective of the English language, i.e. aspects relevant to foreign language teaching receive particular attention. A great deal of emphasis is put on the insights to be gained from the analysis of corpora, especially with respect to the idiomatic character of language (idiom principle, valency approach). In addition, the text offers basic facts about the history of the language and elaborates on the differences between British and American English. The author demonstrates that a linguistic fact can usually be described in more than one way. To this end, each section contains a chapter written for beginners providing a broad outline and introducing the basic terminology. The remaining chapters in each section highlight linguistic facts in more detail and give an idea of how particular theories account for them. The book can be used both from the first semester onwards and as perfect study aid for final B.A.-examinations.

365 More American English Idioms - Michael DiGiacomo 2015-06-28

Including... The EXPLANATION of each idiom. USAGE NOTES to learn the history and/or way to use the idiom. The STRUCTURE showing the grammar usage of the idiom. EXAMPLE sentences to see how the idiom is used in context. What is an idiom? An idiom is a word or set of words that have a different meaning than the usual & literal meaning of those words. For example, let's look at the idiom, "get the ball rolling." To start a game like bowling or billiards, you roll the ball. So this idiom gives us the idea we are starting something. When we say, "Let's get the ball rolling," we mean, let's begin. You can use this idiom to begin a meeting, a class, or even a road trip. Why learn idioms? Idioms are commonly used in everyday, conversational English. You could begin your meeting with "Let's begin the meeting," but starting the meeting with "Let's get the ball rolling" will make you sound more like a native speaker, and more natural. I encourage you to study the lessons in this book, and begin using these idioms in your conversations. You will sound more natural when you do so!

365 More American English Idioms - Michael DiGiacomo 2015-06-01

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A Syntactic Study of Idioms - Anna Dąbrowska 2018-09-30

Since the general tendencies of present-day English focus more on idiomatic usage, it seems to be worth paying attention to the role phraseological units play in a language. In the field of English phraseology, linguists have shown a constant interest in idioms. Undoubtedly, not only are idioms an important part of the language and culture of the society, but they also carry more impact than non-idiomatic expressions because of their close identification with a particular language and culture. It is difficult to speak or write English without using idioms, especially while describing one's emotional or mental condition. Therefore, it is interesting and worthwhile to analyse both the language of phraseological units and emotions. In other words, this book focuses not only on idioms, but also on one's psychological condition. However, its purpose is neither to discuss the issues of idioms and emotions from the psychological point of view, nor provide a conceptual analysis of emotional metaphors. Instead, the book analyses idioms referring to psychological states in English from the perspective of syntax, focusing particularly both on the syntactic structure of this specific set of verbal psych-idioms, and on the constraints on the way they are built. Therefore, the most current studies, performed within the scope of the Phase Theory and the Idioms as Phases Hypothesis are

chosen to address certain syntactic problems that idioms pose.

Handbook of Idiomatic English, as Now Written and Spoken - John Kirkpatrick 2017-10-29

Excerpt from Handbook of Idiomatic English, as Now Written and Spoken: Containing Idioms, Phrases, and Locutions This Handbook is intended to help Students and Travellers of all nationalities to speak and to write English correctly but it is assumed that those who use it are not mere beginners, and that they will always have a dictionary at hand for consultation. The Handbook contains a carefully selected list of those words and phrases in everyday use which are idiomatic, that is to say, which can seldom or never be translated literally into other languages, and which are rarely to be found in any ordinary grammar or dictionary. Many words, as everyone knows, are used in more or less invariable connection with others. If, for one or other of such words, synonymous words were substituted, the phrase might still be intelligible, but it would be 'not English.' It should also be borne in mind that the same idea is expressed in different terms under different circumstances, as for example in speaking of oneself, or of others, or to others. Certain words and phrases again are chiefly used in the affirmative, others chiefly in the interrogative or chiefly in the negative. About the Publisher Forgotten Books publishes hundreds of thousands of rare and classic books. Find more at www.forgottenbooks.com This book is a reproduction of an important historical work. Forgotten Books uses state-of-the-art technology to digitally reconstruct the work, preserving the original format whilst repairing imperfections present in the aged copy. In rare cases, an imperfection in the original, such as a blemish or missing page, may be replicated in our edition. We do, however, repair the vast majority of imperfections successfully; any imperfections that remain are intentionally left to preserve the state of such historical works.

A Definition of Idiom - Mary McGee Wood 1986

Idioms in English - Jürg Strässler 1982

Dictionary of English Colloquial Idioms - Frederick Thomas Wood 1979

Idiom Translation in the Financial Press - Despoina Panou 2014-05-02

Bringing together disciplines such as news translation, media studies, linguistics and financial discourse, this book addresses the issue of English-Greek idiom translation in the news press. It adopts a novel idiom-typology which draws its main concepts from psychology and gives a detailed description of the idiom-translation strategies employed in the Greek financial press. More specifically, this book explores the syntactic, semantic and pragmatic changes that idioms undergo when they are translated and proposes possible parameters that license a particular idiom-translation strategy to be used in preference to another. It is suggested that the four major tendencies dominant in idiom translation, namely idiom adherence, literalization, deletion and compensation, are determined by syntactic, semantic, pragmatic, cognitive and textual parameters. On these grounds, a new idiom-translation model is presented where it is assumed that idiom translation is genre-sensitive, thus pointing to the context-sensitive nature of idiom translation expected to influence the translation quality of genres.

Analysis of Idiomatic Expressions Used in the Novel "The Monogram Murders" by Agatha Christie - Silvia Stamenova 2018-05-24

Diploma Thesis from the year 2016 in the subject English Language and Literature Studies - Literature, grade: 5.00, New Bulgarian University, language: English, abstract: The question posed in this thesis concerns the usage of idioms in the everyday language, as well as in the book "The Monogram Murders". This paper, therefore, argues that in the non-literal language, some differences are obvious, and thus we can recognize an idiom quite easily. However, there are differences and divisibilities in the idioms themselves - some of them bear the meaning of their compounds while others are simply composed of words that cannot be used with their literal meaning, especially in the context of the idiom itself. The language as a system of communication has both literal and often figurative meanings. However, in the historical grammaticism such a meaning was often used in order to give notions like metaphors, similes, proverbs and idioms. Most of them often carry a metaphorical sense that makes their comprehension difficult, as in fact their meaning cannot be inferred/guessed from the meaning of their constituent parts. Taking all of the abovementioned

into account, in the present thesis I will present the results of the research I have made based on the idiomatic usage in the novel of Agatha Christie "The Monogram Murders". Due to the extensive length of my research, I will focus on the idioms that have made their impression on me and on their translation into Bulgarian. The aim of this graduate thesis is to evaluate and describe the idiomatic expressions used in the novel "The Monogram Murders" by Agatha Christie. That kind of analysis is particularly interesting as it concerns the work of art of a famous writer that from a semantic point of view describes the ideas composing the whole book.

Idioms and Idiomaticity - Chitra Fernando 1996

The series will provide much-needed descriptions of modern English which take the revelations of recent research into account. This book provides a comprehensive treatment of idioms and idiomaticity from a functional perspective. It examines the use of idioms in discourse to combine the novel and the conventional, to convey representations of the world, evaluate people and situations, signal conviviality or conflict, and create coherent, cohesive texts. The book goes on to consider implications for language learning and development.

Handbook of Idiomatic English as Now Written and Spoken - John R. Kirkpatrick 1936

English Idioms - Dave Alber 2013-08-05

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Idioms - Cristina Cacciari 1993

First Published in 1993. Routledge is an imprint of Taylor & Francis, an informa company.

Collocational and Idiomatic Aspects of Composite Predicates in the History of English - Laurel J. Brinton 1999
The focus of this carefully selected volume concerns the existence, frequency, and form of composite/complex predicates (the "take a look" construction) in earlier periods of the English language, an area of scholarship which has been virtually neglected. The various contributions seek to understand the collocational and idiomatic aspects of these structures, as well as of related structures such as complex prepositions (e.g., "on account of") and phrasal verbs (e.g., "look up"), in their earliest manifestations. Moreover, study of these constructions at the individual stages of English leads to diachronic questions concerning their development, raising issues pertaining to grammaticalization, lexicalization, and idiomaticization-processes which are not always clearly differentiated nor fully understood.

American English - Julie S. Amberg 2009-10-30

This lively introduction to the study of language explores American English and its place within contemporary

society, highlighting the role of language in our daily lives. Beginning with a definition of language, the text unpacks the basic concepts used in linguistics, placing them in the context of real-life situations. Using examples from popular culture, the authors show how the study of language is relevant to students' experience. Teachers and students will appreciate the book's innovative structure, designed to build an understanding of how different aspects of language work together. A variety of exercises - individual, group, discussion, research - is provided to support every teaching style. Imaginatively organised and fun to use, *American English* is the ideal guide to language study for students taking the subject as a general education requirement, beginning undergraduates in linguistics, and future teachers of English.

Drawing a Map of Africa - Paul Skandera 2003

Phraseology - Sylviane Granger 2008-06-01

Long regarded as a peripheral issue, phraseology is now taking centre stage in a wide range of fields. This recent explosion of interest undoubtedly has a great deal to do with the development of corpus linguistics research, which has both demonstrated the key role of phraseological expressions in language and provided

researchers with automated methods of extraction and analysis. The aim of this volume is to take stock of current research in phraseology from a variety of perspectives: theoretical, descriptive, contrastive, cultural, lexicographic and computational. It contains overview chapters by leading experts in the field and a series of case studies focusing on a wide range of multiword units: collocations, similes, idioms, routine formulae and recurrent phrases. The volume is an invitation for experienced phraseologists to look at the field with different eyes and a useful introduction for the many researchers who are intrigued by phraseology but need help in finding their way in this rich but complex domain.

Handbook of Idiomatic English as Now Written and Spoken - John Kirkpatrick 2019-11-05

This book has been considered by academicians and scholars of great significance and value to literature.

This forms a part of the knowledge base for future generations. So that the book is never forgotten we have represented this book in a print format as the same form as it was originally first published. Hence any marks or annotations seen are left intentionally to preserve its true nature.

The English Language and Images of Matter - Randolph Quirk 1972

Practice Work in College English - John Calvin French 1934