

# Syntax and Morphology

## Definitions

### What is linguistics?

ماهي اللغويات ( علم اللغات)؟

The scientific study of human language is called **linguistics**.

العلم الذي يدرس لغات البشر يسمى اللغويات

**A linguist:** is a scientist who investigates human language in all its facets (aspects): its structure, its use, its history, e.

اللغوي : هو العالم الذي يحقق في لغة الانسان من جميع الجوانب، هيكلتها، استخداماتها وتاريخها

### Branches of linguistics

فروع اللغويات

**Phonetics and phonology:** concerned with the sounds and sound systems of language.

الصوتيات وعلم الاصوات :يهتم

**Semantics:** studies the meaning of words and sentences.

علم الدلالة :يدرس

### **Morphology** والمورفولوجيا التشكل علم

- **Pragmatics:** studies language in context and the influence of situation on meaning.

البراغماتية : السياق والتأثير

- **Syntax:** studies the rules governing the way words are combined to form sentences in a language.

بناء الجملة : طريقة لتشكيل

- **Morphology:** is the study of the forms of words. It is the study of the ways in which words are built up from smaller units.

علم التشكل (المورفولوجيا : ) هو . بها

### - **In other words**

, **morphology** is concerned with the study of the internal structure of words, and the rules by which words are formed.

المورفولوجيا : هو . يهتم البنية الداخلية

**A word:** is a unit of expression which has universal intuitive (natural/innate) recognition by native speakers, in both spoken and written language.

الكلمة: هو التعبير العالمية البديهية (طبيعي) / يدركها الناطقين

**Morpheme:** is the smallest linguistic element capable of having a meaning or grammatical function.

المورفيم: هو وظيفة نحوية.

- **Example:** sell-er-s

**Free morphemes:** are morphemes which can occur as independent words.

- That is, morphemes which can stand by themselves as single words; e.g. *guide, go, open, etc.*

المورفيمات الحرة: هي وهذا يعني بوجودها بمفردها .

- **bound morphemes:** are morphemes which cannot normally stand alone, but are attached to other morphemes to form a word;

المورفيمات الملازمة: هي يمكن لوحدها، ولكنها فيمات لتشكيل

**Affixation** : means the attachment of **affixes**.

(Affixation) يعني يضاف يتبع عملية التغير . -

- **Affixes:** are **bound morphemes** that occur in more than one word.

اللواحق: هي المورفيمات المتلازمة التي تحدث في اكثر من كلمة واحدة

### 1- Prefixes:

- A prefix is an affix that is attached before the root (word). Prefixes are used in English morphology.

التشكيل الانجليزية ( ) هي يتم (المورفولوجيا)

- In English prefixes are always **Derivational** (i.e. they change the meaning of the lexeme)

هي انها تغيير اللكسيم (معجمية)

### 2- Suffixes:

- A suffix is an affix that is attached after the root (word).

- Suffixes are used in English morphology.

التشكيل الانجليزية : ( ) هي يتم (المورفولوجيا)

### 3- infixes:

However, it is possible to see a kind of infixes in certain expressions in English.  
التعبيرات الانجليزية .

- That is, infixes are occasionally used in casual or aggravating circumstances by emotionally aroused English speakers.

infixes احيانا الشديدة المتكلمين الانجليزية.

A person may express his/her aggravation when speaking to someone by screaming:

يعبر انزعاجه طريق .

### Root:

- The root is that part of a word which remains when all derivational and inflectional affixes (prefixes and suffixes) have been removed.

هو: يتم الاشتقاقية والاعرابية Prefixes- Suffixes

- It is the basic part of a lexeme which is always realized and it cannot be further analyzed into smaller morphs.

هي اللكسيم ( المعجمية ) يمكن تحليلها مورفيم

### Stem:

- A **stem** is formed when a root morpheme is combined with an affix.

- Other affixes can be added to a stem to form a more complex stem.

يتم تشكيل يتم بين مورفيم . يمكن اضافتها stem - لتشكيل تعقيدا.

## Inflection Vs. Derivation

### الاعراب ضد الاشتقاق

#### (A) Derivational morphemes

المورفيمات الاشتقاقية:

- Can be prefixes or suffixes.
- Create one lexeme from another.

( Prefixes or suffixes )

يمكن

معجمية

معجمية ( لكسيم )

2- A change in the grammatical class; i.e. the part of speech/syntactic category (e.g. a nouns becomes an Adj.)

تغيير التصنيف : النحوية : يصبح

**(B) Inflectional morphemes:** creates the form of a lexeme that is right for a sentence:

B(المورفيمات الاعرابية) (الصرف : ) للجمله

(1) **Content Words:** كلمات

**Content words** are words that have **meaning** in that they refer to objects, events and abstract concepts.

They are words we would look up in a dictionary, such as "lamp," "computer," "drove."

كلمات المحتوى : هو  
يشير  
مفاهيم  
" Lamp " " computer " " drove "  
وهي  
عنها

Content words are marked as being characteristic of particular social, ethnic, and regional dialects and of particular contexts.

باعتبارها لهجات اقليمي معين سياق معين

(2) **Grammatical (Function) Words:** (الوظيفية ) النحوية

- **Function words** are words that exist to explain or create grammatical or structural relationships into which the content words may fit.

الوظيفية : هو لشرحها نحوية هيكلية

They are often best defined by their function

يكون تعريف لها طريق وظيفتها.

### **Lexicon:**

- A lexicon refers to the inventory (list) of lexical items, seen as part of a native speaker's knowledge of his or her language.

انه هذا ينظر المعجمية، ( ) ( ) يشير )

- Thus, a lexicon is the mental dictionary that language users must be equipped with, in addition to the grammatical rules of their language.

lexicon ( هو ) يجب يكون مجهز مستخدمين النحوية

### **Neologism :**

جديدة

- When a word that does not exist in the lexicon is created through a morphological rule, we call it: **neologism**.

يتم لها عليها **neologism** لفظة جديدة

If this neologism is used once and never again, we call it: **occasionalism**.

هذا الجديد عليها عرضية **occasionalism**.

### **Productivity:**

- A productive rule is the one we can use frequently to form new words.

القاعدة الانتاجية: هي يمكننا استخدامها لتشكيل جديدة

### **Blocking:**

- blocking is the phenomenon whereby the existence of a word with a particular meaning inhibits the morphological derivation of another word with precisely that meaning.

blocking هو ظاهرة حيث لها .. بها يمنع اشتقاقها

### **1. Compounding** – التركيب اليه ,, يضاف

- It is the combination of two or more free morphemes.

هو مورفيم (إثنين )

(A) **Endocentric Compounds:** endocentric تركيبات اذ

- The compound is an instance of the entity, activity or property denoted by the last constituent (component/part).

هو الكيان ( يدل ) ( / )

## B) Exocentric Compounds: exocentric compounds تركيبات

- Here, the compound does not refer to an entity denoted by either constituent (component).

هنا، يشير الكيان ويدل ( )

## (C) Copulative Compounds: كابوليئف تركيبات ( )

- - Here, both constituents refer to the entity denoted by the whole compound.

هنا، (تشير الكيان التركيب

## 5) Base Shortening: التصغير - A- Backformation تشكيل

- Is a word-formation process in which a word of one type (usually a noun) is reduced to form another word of a different type (usually a verb).

هو علمية تشكيل ( ) لتصغير ( )  
(.

## B- Clipping

- Here, we shorten a word without changing its meaning or its part of speech.

- This occurs, for example, when a word of more than one syllable (e.g. telephone) is reduced to a shorter form (phone), often in casual speech.

هنا هذا يحدث سبيل تغيير يتم  
telephone  
phone

## 6) Alphabet Based Formations: التشكيلات الابجدية

### A- Blending

- Here, we merge two words by taking only the beginning of one word and joining it to the end of the other word.

هنا كلمتين يداية ونضمها نهاية

### B- Acronyms

- They are words that are coined from the initial letters of words in a name, title or phrase.

- Typically, acronyms are pronounced as single words

هي يتم

**FINITE verbs:** have tense and/or person and number inflections.

ولهذا هذه ويتوافق .

- That is, they are marked for 'tense' information and agreeing in 'person' and 'number' with the subject

FINITE verbs : هي ( ) ( ) / ( ) ( ) اثنتين

## Clauses

Clauses come in a variety of shapes and sizes.

( Clauses )

A **matrix clause** (or an **independent clause** or a **main clause**) contains a finite verb only (a verb that is marked for tense, person, number) and can stand as an expression in its own right.

يعرف ( ويمكن ( الرئيسية ) only finite verb ذاتها . مفهوم )

An **embedded clause** (or a **dependent clause** or a **complement clause**) can contain a FINITE (or NON-FINITE) verb, but is structured to be attached to (embedded in) a main clause

( -- ) الغير FINITE (or NON-FINITE) ولكنها verb (embedded in) الرئيسية

**Embedded** = to be inserted within/to be enclosed-

**Clauses**= Group of words that make part of a sentence

: لإدراجها / أن يكون

## MOOD

Each clause has mood. Mood has to do with two sets of distinctions:

Mood : هو : له مجموعتين ( . )

## Phrases

- Every phrase contains a **head**, which is the major content or function word within that phrase.

وهو الرئيسي وظيفة

## Reordering words: :

اعادة ترتيب الجمل:

When two words switch places, the switch is known as 'inversion'

'inversion'                      تبديل                      كلمتين، هذا التبديل يعرف

Another way to consider changing word order : is to look for a word that moves, where it moves from and where it moves to.

- This concept has a simple name: **movement**

هناك طريقة                      تغيير ترتيب                      هي:                      حيث                      هذا المفهوم  
يطلق عليه                      : **movement**

## Grammatical/Linguistic Competence

**Competence:** refers to the linguistic knowledge of native speakers, an innate (inherent) biological function of the mind that allows individuals to generate the infinite (unlimited) set of grammatical sentences that constitutes their language

الكفاءة: تشير                      اللغوية للمتكلمين الاصليين ( الناطقين بها ) وهي وظيفة فطرية ( بيولوجية  
وهي                      النحوية                      لغتهم                      غير .

That is, linguistic competence is the unconscious knowledge that native speakers share of their native language.

وهذا يعني،                      اللغوية هي                      اللاواعية                      يشترك بها المتحدثين الاصليين                      لغتهم " الاصلية ."

- It is the speaker's internalized grammar which enables him/her to speak and understand language.

وهي                      النحوية                      تجعله                      وفهم .

- It is what the speaker must know in order to be able to perform.

هو                      يجب                      يعرفه                      يكون .

- It is the speaker's implicit (hidden/unseen) knowledge of the rules of his language; i.e. speakers' *mental grammar*.

هي                      ( المخفية الغير مرئية ) -                      :                      النحوية الذهنية .



- Linguistic competence includes also the speaker's intuitions (instincts) about the syntactic structure of sentences of his language

اللغوية بدهة ( الطبيعية ) التركيب لغته.

The grammar designed by a linguist is said to be a *model* of the speaker's competence; i.e. a model of the speaker's internalized/unconscious grammar.

اللغوية النحوية / اللواعية  
" - a linguist " يحقق  
انها . انه ينطقها لأنه عليها.

- A *model* in the sense that it attempts to outline the kind of knowledge the speaker possesses, which enables him to use language creatively.

- *model* / توضيح هذا يمتلكها تمكنه .

Thus, grammar is a device capable of producing and interpreting all the well-formed (correct) sentences of a language.

grammar هو جهاز تفسير صحيح .

## Performance

**Performance:** refers to the actual use of language in concrete situations. It is the speakers' ability to use the unconscious knowledge of their language (which is represented by their linguistic competence).

الأداء : يشير  
وهي .  
" اللواعية  
اللغوية

**Communicative competence** : can be defined in terms of three components:

- تعريفها يمكن: التواصلية :

(1) Grammatical/linguistic competence

النحوية / اللغوية

(2) sociolinguistic competence

اللغوية الاجتماعية

(3) strategic competence.

الاستراتيجية

### (1) **Grammatical competence:**

- It means the acquisition of morphological rules, phonological rules, syntactic rules, semantic rules and lexical items.

النحوية والدلالية المعجمية.

### (3) **Strategic competence:**

is to do with the knowledge of verbal and nonverbal strategies in order to:

هذه هي : بالاستراتيجيات اللفظية الغير لفظية

(a) compensate breakdowns (such as self-correction),

هذه هي : بالاستراتيجيات اللفظية الغير لفظية  
( . تعويض ) التصحيح .

(B) enhance the effectiveness of communication (e.g. Guessing meaning from context, tolerating ambiguity).

. التعزيز فعالية ( سبيل تخمين السياق، ) .

:is the ability to overcome potential communication problems in interaction.

الاستراتيجية هي الاخرين.

### **What is Generative Grammar**

ماهي انتاجية

- Earlier approaches to syntactic description attempted to produce an accurate analysis of the sequence or arrangement of elements in the structure of a sentence.
- While this remains a major goal of syntactic description, more recent work in syntax, especially generative grammar, has taken a rather different approach in accounting for the sequence of elements within a sentence.

حين هذا يزال هدفا رئيسيا  
انتاجية  
نهجا لتمثيل  
محاولاته تحليل دقيق ترتيب المزيد تركيب .

**Generative grammar:** The dominant theory of syntax is due to Noam Chomsky and his followers, starting in the mid 1950s and continuing to this day.

انتاجية قواعد اللغة : النظرية المهيمنة  
نيوم تشومسكي أتباعه، بداية  
1651 اليوم  
للغاية لتحديد

**Definition:** Through generative grammar, Chomsky attempted to produce a particular type of grammar with a very explicit system of rules specifying what combinations of basic elements would result in well-formed(correct)sentences.

تعريف :  
الاساسية يمكنها  
صحيا ..  
تشومسكي  
معين  
للغاية لتحديد

## Generative grammar

### نتاجية

The underlying thesis of generative grammar is that sentences are generated by an subconscious (hidden/intuitive) set of procedures (like computer programs

الاساسية لإنتاجية  
هو يتم  
" خفية/بديهية "  
الكمبيوتر "

These rules are thought to generate the sentences of a language, hence the name generative grammar

يعتقد هذه لإنتاجية هنا تسميته generative grammar

## Universal Grammar

### القواعد العالمية

However, there are very good reasons to believe that a human facility/faculty for Language is innate. This facility is called **Universal Grammar** (or UG).

هناك وجيهة / عقلية هي فطرية . هذه  
العالمية

**Universal Grammar** (or UG).

## Descriptive vs. prescriptive Grammar

**Prescriptive grammar** is concerned with (prescribes) the ways in which language should be used rather than with how language is *actually* used by speakers

قواعد اللغة الالزامية تهتم " " ينبغي نستخدمها كيفية فعليا المتحدثين.

Thus, **descriptive grammar** is concerned with the ways in which language is actually used by speakers rather than with the ways in which language should be used.

هكذا، القواعد الوصفية تهتم المتحدثين بها، ينبغي بها.

GOOD LUCK ♥😊

