

ENGLISH SYNTAX AND THE INFLUENCE OF TEXT ON WORD ORDER

תחביר השפה האנגלית והשפעת הטקסט על סדר המילים

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Tuesdays 13.30-15.00

Syllabus

1. Linguistic analysis and the central status of syntax
2. Form and function
3. The structure of the simple sentence
4. The structure of the compound sentence -- coordination
5. The structure of the complex sentence – subordination
6. Word/phrase order in languages: SVO, SOV, VSO
7. The sentence out of context and in context
8. Information structure – topic and comment
9. Phrase movement -- extraposition
10. Other types of phrase movement

Assessment: exercises

Bibliography:

There is no one textbook for the course, but students should consult well-established, linguistically-based books on grammar and syntax, e.g.

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Halliday, M. and C. Matthiessen. 2014. *Introduction to Functional Grammar*. Abingdon: Routledge.

Huddleston, R. and G. K. Pullum. 2005. *A Student's Introduction to English Grammar*. Cambridge University Press.

Quirk, R. and Greenbaum, S. 2007. *A University Grammar of English*. London: Pearson