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The Lincom Guide to ELT Materials Design and Development: Theory and Practice

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This much-needed volume offers focused approaches and frameworks of designing or developing English materials in both EFL and ESL contexts. Informed by current empirical, theoretical, and practical grounds, the text treats key issues in English language teaching (ELT) materials design or development and sample ELT materials in which the justifications for such materials design or development are also discussed. Through the sample teaching materials included in the text, the readers can see underlying principles or frameworks of how those materials are designed or developed. In other words, this volume is a user-friendly guide to materials design or development for language teachers/practitioners in that theoretical or empirical considerations are balanced with practical materials.

Thus, Materials Design in English Language Teaching is a valuable collection not only for language teachers/practitioners, but also for language materials writers and developers, graduate students majoring in TESOL, pre-service teachers, and teacher educators and trainers who teach or engage in ELT materials design or development on secondary school, college, and university levels.

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pedagogies of others via observation, (4) Lessons learned from post-observation discussion as forms of (dis)empowerment, and (5) promoting critical praxis in teacher education programs.

Pulling together the five aforementioned issues in this edited volume enables us as teacher-researchers and teacher educators to reconceptualize our teaching via engaging in critical reflections, observing other teachers' teaching, and challenging our own as well as others' views on how teaching is intimately connected to the world we live in. Thus, this edition is a useful guide and resource for pre- and in-service teachers who wish to be involved in observation of teaching as a research and teacher professional development tool. It can also serve as one of the foundational texts for teacher education courses that highlight the content and methodological areas emphasizing the following domains: (1) conducting teachers' lived history (i.e., narrative inquiry); (2) promoting action research; (3) conducting self-observation and classroom research; (4) understanding teaching through observation; and (5) using observation as a methodological, pedagogical, and professional development tool.

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Second Language Acquisition of the Spanish Verb ESTAR with Adjectives

An Exploration of Contexts of Comparison and Immediate Experience

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Unlike English, Spanish uses two verbs to express 'to be': *ser* and *estar*. Though these verbs are taught early in instruction, second language learners struggle to acquire the differences between the two verbs, particularly when they are used with adjectives. This struggle is due in part to the fact that not only can the majority of adjectives be used with both *ser* and *estar*, but also that specific meanings in the context are highlighted by the use of one verb or the other. For example, *estar* may be used to highlight a comparison of the referent with itself at another point in time. Thus, *el chico está alto* 'the boy is tall' draws attention to the boy's present height in comparison with his previous height. Another example is the use of *estar* to express a reaction to an immediate experience with the referent. Therefore, *el chico está alto* may also highlight a visual and immediate encounter with the boy.

The purpose of the current study is to investigate the second language acquisition of *estar* in the two specific pragmatic contexts mentioned above: (1) comparisons of the referent to itself, and (2) visual and immediate experiences with the referent. In order to examine these contexts effectively in learner production data, research instruments were carefully designed to create clear pragmatic contexts and provide ways to confirm speaker intent within 'copula + adjective' contexts.

Data for the present study were collected from 111 university Spanish students at four different levels of proficiency. Participants completed a picture description task and a contextualized preference task. Chi-square tests and regression analyses were run for each level to examine the impact 'comparison' and 'immediate experience' had on the use of *estar*. Results show that 'comparison' is not a predictor of *estar* at any

Les constructions prépositionnelles chez les apprenants de français langue seconde au Gabon: étude didactique

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Les apprenants du Gabon utilisent de manière singulière les prépositions françaises. Là où la préposition doit apparaître, les apprenants ne la produisent pas ; là où elle n'est pas attendue, elle apparaît ; là où un morphème prépositionnel est attendu, un autre est rendu et là où les prépositions doivent se construire avec des constituants nominaux, des structures sujet + prédicatif sont réalisées. Nous avons choisi d'étudier ces constructions, sans parti pris de type normatif, avant de formuler des propositions concrètes dans le cadre de l'enseignement des prépositions en classe de français langue seconde au Gabon.

Loin d'être de simples erreurs, nous avons considéré ces constructions prépositionnelles comme un sociolecte que nous avons appelé « lecte des apprenants ». L'enquête menée nous a permis de recueillir les productions linguistiques des apprenants, puis de décrire et d'expliquer l'usage des prépositions relevées. Pour cela, nous nous sommes rendu dans cinq des neuf provinces du Gabon : l'Estuaire, le Haut-Ogooué, le Moyen-Ogooué, la Nyanga et le Woleu-Ntem.

Quatre parties ont ponctué notre étude : le cadre socio-didactique, la présentation de

l'enquête et du corpus, l'analyse du corpus, les propositions et le bilan du travail.

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Observation of Teaching Bridging Theory and Practice through Research on Teaching

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Grounded in postmodern perspectives on teaching, this much-needed edited volume offers fascinating insights into observation of teaching. As editors we argue that observation can be a powerful tool for doing research and vibrant teacher professional development. This edition provides the reader with how observation can also be a dialogic inquiry between teachers and students through teaching, teachers and their colleagues through observing others, and between teachers and themselves through self-inquiry. Informed by current empirical, theoretical, and practical grounds, the text treats five key issues in observation of teaching, including: (1) conceptual and methodological frameworks for research on teaching, (2) critical self-reflective inquiry as an exploration of teaching, (3) exploration of the

Linguistic Competence across Learner Varieties of Spanish

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This book presents a detailed examination of how five groups of learners/users of Spanish (N=25, 5 at each level) *organize* and *use* different aspects of their linguistic competence. The five groups (Basic, Intermediate, Advanced, Superior and Native Speakers) perform language tasks involving three dimensions of *language knowledge* (verb lexis, sentence production, and metalinguistic judgments of grammaticality) and three aspects of *language use* (conversational, descriptive, and narrative discourse).

The book consists of eight chapters: Chapter 1 (Introduction), Chapter 2 (Verb Lexis), Chapter 3 (Sentence Formation), Chapter 4 (Metalinguistic Judgments of Grammaticality), Chapter 5 (Conversational Discourse), Chapter 6 (Descriptive Discourse), Chapter 7 (Narrative Discourse), and Chapter 8 (Linguistic Competence across Language Measures). Chapters 2 to 7 follow a similar pattern, beginning with a (1) review of major theoretical concerns, (2) methods/procedures for studying the particular aspects of linguistic competence addressed in the chapter, (3) categories for analyzing the linguistic data, (4) quantitative/qualitative description of the performance of each language group, and (5) Summary and Conclusion. Chapter 8 establishes linguistic profiles for each language group and selected individuals by contrasting the variable performance across the six dimensions of linguistic competence.

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Important features of narrative have been applied on two selected excerpts of relatively matching scenes. One narratological model/approach has been applied for elucidating the biblical material in the Quranic one, which not only enhances the understanding of the relationship between the Two Books, but also reflects on the art of Quranic and Biblical narratives. The components of such an approach has been assembled from several analytical strategies, among which are the work of narrative versions, narrative and speech act theories. The literary structure of the story has been investigated because of its impact on the whole framework of analysis for both books. Providing an insight into the shape of both narratives, leads to important implications for the study of the relationship between the Quran and the Bible which is one of the sought after objectives of this work, and that will hopefully lead to positive results in correcting the imbalance that usually informs Quran-Bible comparisons, and help in providing a common ground of tolerance and understanding for peoples of both faiths.

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« LA GRAMMAIRE EN CONTEXTE »

Genèse du concept dans les théories linguistiques contemporaines et son introduction dans l'enseignement du français au Maroc

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L'enseignement d'une langue étrangère a suscité et suscite toujours un intérêt certains chez les didacticiens. Au Maroc comme partout ailleurs cet enseignement a connu différentes approches et méthodes. Notre perception de cet enseignement s'insère dans le contexte des exigences que révèle l'enseignement /apprentissage du français dans le système d'enseignement marocain et qui ne dissocient nullement le communicatif du grammatical.

Ce travail a pour objectif de vérifier si un enseignement grammatical contextualisé est à même de favoriser l'acquisition des compétences communicatives. le recours à la grammaire en contexte, dans l'optique de cette recherche, est à considérer comme une pratique qui pourrait non pas résoudre tous les problèmes, mais favoriser la réalisation d'objectifs précis visant une communication orale et écrite satisfaisante en langue étrangère. Ce choix trouve sa justification dans le fait que l'étude du domaine grammatical a connu un certain développement suite à une évolution linguistique indéniable. Cette évolution s'est traduite par l'apport judicieux de différentes théories. D'abord la grammaire générative qui fait de la syntaxe un élément incontournable ensuite la théorie de l'énonciation qui, à notre sens, se présente comme un autre élément de progrès. En effet, en faisant apparaître différents paramètres qui interviennent dans la conversion de la langue en discours, l'énonciation a rétabli le rôle essentiel du contexte linguistique et extralinguistique. Ce dernier est perçu comme une mise en exercice de la maîtrise des règles dans une situation déterminée. Le troisième palier est celui de la pragmatique. Cette perspective s'est intéressée à l'étude de la relation des phrases aux locuteurs. Elle a mis en évidence des formes linguistiques qui n'ont de sens que dans un contexte. Ce phénomène a mis le concept de « contexte » au centre des préoccupations des linguistes.

Les théories linguistiques et didactiques sont donc mises à contribution afin de cerner la question du « contexte ». L'idée qui ressort de cette association reflète une conception élargie de

level of proficiency, while 'immediate experience' becomes a predictor at higher levels.

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The Role of Achievement Motivation on the Inter-language Fossilization of Middle-Aged English-as-a-Second-Language Learners

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Second language acquisition (SLA) is seldom entirely successful with adult learners. It has been suggested that all second language (L2) learners, in the process of mastering a target language (TL), develop a linguistic system that is self-contained and different from both the learner's native language and the TL. This system is referred to as 'interlanguage' (IL). In the process of SLA, IL evolves into an ever-closer approximation of the TL, and ideally, a learner's IL should continue to advance until it becomes equivalent to the TL. However, it has been observed that somewhere in the L2 learning process, IL may reach one or more plateaus during which the development of the IL is delayed or arrested. A permanent cessation of progress toward the TL is referred to as 'fossilization'. Researchers in SLA agree that motivation is one of the key factors influencing language-learning success and studies suggest that some language learning motivation may be related to the need for achievement. The purpose of this research was to establish if adult English-as-a-Second-Language (ESL) learners are aware of fossilization and, to examine if motivation, and more specifically achievement motivation (AM), is a factor in IL fossilization.

The participants in this study consisted of 15 ESL learners in Puerto Rico who had at least eight years of formal ESL training / classroom exposure. The instrument used to gather information included a questionnaire to obtain demographical and qualifying data, an 'English Language Proficiency Evaluation' (ELPE) to determine levels of IL fossilization, a 'Measure of

Achievement Motivation' (MAM) to ascertain achievement motive, and individual, group, and follow-up interviews in order to ascertain perception(s) regarding the role of motivation on fossilization and perceptions regarding the barriers to achieving TL competency. The research demonstrated that there is a moderate to strong positive relationship between IL fossilization and achievement motivation, i.e., high achievement motive is correlated to TL competency and descending levels of achievement motive are correlated to ascending levels of IL fossilization.

During the study's follow-up interviews, the 14 participants with IL fossilization were individually provided negative cognitive feedback related to the fossilized items of their speech. These participants were re-tested 6 months later to determine if the corrective feedback provided in those interviews resulted in participants taking any action towards (1) diminishing or overcoming IL fossilization and (2) achieving TL competency. The findings have significant implications for both ESL learning and instruction, and suggest that not all IL fossilization is permanent.

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Telling and Retelling: Approaching the Religious Narrative of Joseph

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This study looks into two pieces of two religious scripture, one taken from the Holy book of Muslims, the Quran, which pervades Islamic literature, and the other from the Bible, which is another masterpiece of literature. An internal analysis of the Quranic and Biblical pieces provides a fuller understanding of both versions and eventually some narrative aspects of both Books. This study conducted a comparative stylistic analysis based on issues that are important to the narratives in hand such as narratology, repetition, the mode of discourse, and other closely related features including narrator, voice, and linguistic subjectivity.

The L1 in L2 learning – Teachers' beliefs and practices

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Opinions concerning the use of the L1 in L2 learning and teaching have differed markedly over the years. For much of the past century, it has generally been asserted by theorists and methodologists that the L1 has a largely negative influence on L2 learning and that its use should therefore be kept to an absolute minimum in L2 teaching. However, in recent years this position has been called into question, leading to the beginnings of a reassessment of previous orthodoxies.

This book sets out to examine this controversial issue of the L1 in L2 teaching and learning from the perspective of the practitioner rather than the theorist. Focusing on the cases of four L2 teachers, all of whom share the same L1 as their students, this book investigates in depth the attitudes these four teachers hold towards the L1 in their L2 teaching, the extent to which their attitudes are reflected in their L1-related behaviours in class, and the factors they perceive as influences on their beliefs and behaviours. The book contributes to our understanding of teachers' perceptions of the L1 as a medium of instruction in L2 teaching and of their L1-related practices when faced with day-to-day classroom realities. It examines the potential implications of these enhanced understandings for teacher education.

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differences in the perception of both sound systems, and how the learners' system may vary from that of the NS. In the natural speech tasks they had to identify the vowels with which they were provided from list of written words, one of which contained the target vowel. In addition, they were asked to select which synthesized vowel sounds resembled the most the ones whose spelling was presented to them in the MOA task similar to the one developed by Johnson et al. (1993).

The results obtained indicate that Spanish NS identify English vowels in a less native-like manner than English NS identify Spanish vowels. The method of adjustment tasks with synthesized data yielded average results which indicate that Spanish NS perceive most English vowels with formant values which are different from the ones selected by NS of English. However, English NS perceive Spanish vowels which more closely resemble the ones selected by NS of Spanish.

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LEARNER KNOWLEDGE OF TARGET PHONOTACTICS: JUDGMENTS OF FRENCH WORD TRANSFORMATIONS

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This study investigates whether inter-language phonology is channeled by Universal Grammar constraints. While it is well attested that L2 phonological production is rarely native-like, no previous research has investigated whether L2 intuitions regarding phonotactics in the target language are similar to native intuitions. The empirical research entails a study testing English native L2 learners of French in their knowledge of three structural features: 1) maximum consonant cluster limits in French; 2) sonorancy assimilation at morpheme boundaries; 3) similarity avoidance at morpheme boundaries. The data show that intermediate and advanced learner groups recognized both well-formedness and phonotactic violations in French. That they are able to do this in spite of L1 English allowances and in spite of degenerate French input implicates UG-access in L2 phonology. Learners appear to possess knowledge of French phonotactics that parallels native speaker knowledge with responses patterning like those of the native speaker control group for the criteria studied. It is concluded that adult L2 knowledge reflects a high sensitivity to L2 phonological grammar. The results are found to be incompatible with models based on statistical learning or markedness implications. A *full transfer/full access* account of acquisition is offered to account for the learner preferences.

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ELT Profession: Challenges & Prospects

The Proceedings of the 2nd International conference on ELT, 2006, Eastern Mediterranean University, Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus

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This is a collection of selected papers contributed

l'enseignement de la grammaire, à savoir l'articulation de différents cadres : grammaire de la phrase /grammaire du texte /grammaire du discours. C'est une conception étendue puisqu'elle tend à être compréhensive, donc beaucoup plus productive.

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The Second Language Acquisition of Spanish Gender Agreement

The Effects of Linguistic Variables on Accuracy

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This study examines gender agreement between a complex sentential subject (containing two nouns) and a predicate adjective in second language Spanish. The data were collected using a computerized sentence completion task that measured gender agreement accuracy (correct or incorrect). Seven binary linguistic variables were analyzed: noun class of the head and attractor nouns (semantic or non-semantic), head noun morphology (overt or non-overt), gender of the head and attractor nouns (feminine or masculine), and noun class and gender congruencies (matched or mismatched). All possible combinations of the variables were considered. To date, no study has examined all of these variables in a single experimental design assessing the second language acquisition of Spanish gender agreement. Participants were learners at three different levels of proficiency, and Spanish native

speakers. Grammar and vocabulary knowledge were also examined as independent variables. Findings reveal that noun class does not affect accuracy of gender agreement. In contrast, both learners and native speakers are sensitive to the gender and morphology of the head noun, and gender congruency: participants were more accurate when the head noun was masculine and overtly marked for gender, and when the two subject nouns were of the same gender.

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The Acquisition of Vowels in Spanish and English as Second Language

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This study investigates the perception of Spanish vowels: /a e i o u/ and English vowels: /i i ɪ e eɪ æ u ʊ ʊə a ʌ/ by native-speakers (NS) of English learning Spanish and NS of Spanish learning English. It analyzes and compares the perception of NS and non-native speakers (NNS) cross-linguistically.

The perception of English vowels has been investigated in depth (Bohn & Flege, 1990; Fox, Flege & Munro, 1995; Mitleb, 1984; Munro, 1993), and it has been cross-linguistically analyzed with French and German among other languages primarily with discrimination and identification tasks. Johnson, Flemming and Wright (1993) analyzed the perception of English vowels by NS using a method of adjustment (MOA) task. No previous study, however, has focused on the investigation of Spanish and English vowels using both natural and synthesized data, and NS and NNS in identification and MOA tasks.

English NS learning Spanish (n= 54) and Spanish NS learning English (n= 17) completed four tasks in Spanish and four in English whereby they were exposed to both natural and synthesized data (330 synthesized vowels, as in Johnson et al. 1993) in order to analyze spectral

to The 2nd International ELT Conference held in North Cyprus in 2006, which placed special emphasis on challenges and prospects in ELT profession. Part 1 includes papers presented by the plenary speakers like Cem Alptekin who focused on topical structure analysis of compositions, Deniz Kurtoğlu Eken with her paper devoted to teacher training and A. Suresh Canagarajah with his paper about changing pedagogical priorities. Part 2, which consists of the selected papers, addresses various issues that challenge the foreign language teaching community: Teachers (challenges for initial teacher training programmes, the perspectives of various groups in in-service teacher education program, pre-service teachers' beliefs about EFL materials, uncertainties and challenges of EFL teachers, pre-service teachers' reflections of journal writing and language teacher competency), Learners (their learning style preferences, andragogical and pedagogical orientations, needs, and beliefs), European Language Portfolio (its potential benefits, implementations, implications and limitations, and promoting process and context awareness), and Language culture and classroom pedagogy. We believe that the issues treated in this collection challenge all of us who are the members of language teaching community.

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Interlanguage Lexical Innovation

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Lexical innovation has been dealt with both in studies of second language lexical acquisition and communication, the former often trying to determine the principles that govern the acquisition of the word formation system of a language, the latter studying the application of these processes to compensate for deficiencies in interlanguage vocabulary during communication.

Both approaches are combined in the present work, which focuses on lexical innovation in the oral production of Spanish learners of L2 English. The analysis and classification of the examples of lexical innovation spotted in the corpus provides a linguistic description of the word formation system of these learners' interlanguage, by determining the frequency of application of these mechanisms as well as the influence of linguistic, contextual and individual variables.

The participation of subjects of different proficiency levels in the L2 allows checking whether the principles of productivity, transparency and simplicity have any influence on the acquisition of L2 word formation. Finally, the detailed analysis of a selection of examples in context allows us to trace the psychological processes that take place during communication, and to ascertain the extent to which some contextual variables influence process selection.

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A Neurobiological Theory and Method of Language Acquisition

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This monograph is NOT about teaching - it's

about EFFECTIVE LEARNING from a perspective that leads to an entirely new form of learning and language acquisition involving transformational discovery, mentorship and interpretation.

Its roots are as old as Socrates. Linguists, biologists, anatomists, physiologists, psychologists, sociologists and physicians in the tradition of the "German School" of learning have contributed over the centuries to what is now nothing less than a revolution in learning, and the "business of teaching."

In this seminal work, the author has drawn from contemporary clinical and experimental data beginning with effective traumatic learning to develop a Neurobiological theory of learning, including methodology and tenets. When applied in a traditional language classroom setting, the results have been nothing short of astounding.

With its focus on language acquisition and learning, this monograph is a treasure-trove of new information for educators, linguists, "teachers," tutors, psychologists, physicians and researchers interested in transforming a field that has remained in the "dark ages" for too long.

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The Acquisition of Malay Wh-Questions

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The purpose of this study is to provide an account of children's acquisition of wh-questions in the variety of Malay spoken in Singapore. The work examines how children acquire colloquial Malay, the language to which they are exposed at home and in the speech community before they are taught the standard, formal language in school. It is intended to be a contribution to the study of how children acquire typologically distinct language. In addition, it is a contribution to the examination of the grammar of colloquial Malay, a topic which has not been given much attention in studies of the Malay language. The following issues are examined: children's knowledge of the different options for asking simple questions (wh-in situ, questions employing wh-movement and focus questions), their knowledge of these question types in long-distance questions, and the role of island constraints in the syntax of these question types in the Malay of young children. The study uses two experimental methodologies; a comprehension task (the picture-story method) and a production task (elicited imitation). It is also based on a longitudinal spontaneous production study of two Malay-speaking children.

In addition to its descriptive value, the thesis is of theoretical interest. According to the innateness hypothesis, children have a biologically determined knowledge of Universal Grammar, and universals like the island constraints on movement are respected by all languages. Contrary to these expectations, the empirical evidence discussed in this thesis shows that Malay-speaking children, ages 4;5-6;5, appear not to respect island constraints on wh-movement. A careful analysis of the results, however, shows that this seeming challenge to Universal Grammar is more apparent than real, and that the island violations are the result of a processing effect in which in situ wh-questions, which are not subject to islands, prime the responses for the fully moved questions.

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The Acquisition of L2-English Spelling

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The present study describes the orthographic interlanguage of Galician-Spanish undergraduates and pays special attention to the exploration of spelling errors in as far as they are indicators of the learners' use of strategies. The author's main assumption is that writing

processes are also ruled by a grammar, and as a consequence, that learning to spell is a hypotheses-testing process.

The first part of the study provides the theoretical background of the book. Chapter 1 examines the linguistic approaches to the relationship between speech and writing. Chapter 2 presents a contrastive analysis of the different orthographic systems involved in the research. Chapter 3 provides the psycholinguistic background.

The second part of the study concentrates on the empirical analysis of the spelling data taken from 95 compositions and 30 dictations. Chapter 4 classifies, describes and explains the misspelling types identified in the composition sample, and is mainly devoted to the cross-sectional analysis of the four types of error mechanism (*displacements, additions, omissions and substitutions*), although a more detailed analysis of *substitutions* is attempted in terms of strategies. Finally, Chapter 5 is an attempt to ascertain the psychological reality of the strategies of *overgeneralisation* by means of a dictation-test consisting of 20 non-words. The study closes with a summary of the main conclusions that can be drawn from the different chapters.

By providing the first full description of the orthographic interlanguage of Spanish learners of English, the book could contribute to establishing a typology of mechanisms and strategies of misspellings made by L2-English learners in general, and so it may serve to answer questions such as: how do subjects who have learned to read and write using a regular system cope with an irregular system such as the English one? or how does L1-orthographic knowledge interact with L2-orthography learning?

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The Acquisition of the Chinese ba-construction

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The ba-construction is probably the best-known syntactic construction in Modern Standard Chinese, but little has been done on the acquisition of it by second language learners. My study fills this gap. The theoretical framework is Liu's (1997) aspectual analysis of ba. The study is experimental. The constraint on the ba-NP and the constraint on the ba-VP were investigated. The subjects were 65 students learning Chinese in the intensive Chinese program at the Defense Language Institute (DLI) in Monterey, California. They were in three proficiency groups. A group of 20 native speakers of Chinese also participated as a control group. The study involved two experiments based on video clips: production and grammaticality judgments. I also asked the subjects to indicate their confidence in their judgments. Results were that even though the learners generally produced fewer ba-constructions than the native speakers, their judgments of most of the sentences were as good as those of native speakers, indicating that they had some good knowledge of the construction. Moreover, learners with similar production patterns showed different patterns in their grammaticality judgments, suggesting that the two kinds of data complement each other in our understanding of language acquisition. Results also show that the confidence dimension captured subtle differences that would not have been captured by the judgments of grammaticality alone. Production patterns used by learners to substitute for the ba-construction and error patterns have also been identified. Finally, the variation among native speakers in their

judgments of the ba-construction calls for a more systematic study of exactly how native speakers of Standard Chinese use the ba-construction, especially those who have been exposed to other Chinese dialects.

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Crossing Disciplinary Boundaries to Improve the Analysis of Second Language Data

A Study of Copula Choice with Adjectives in Spanish

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This volume focuses on the acquisition of the two Spanish copular verbs, *ser* 'to be' and *estar* 'to be', by English-speaking adult learners. It outlines a cross-disciplinary approach in which syntactic, semantic and pragmatic features are assessed as predictors of copula choice. This new model of analysis, which uses several variables that are simultaneously present in the discourse context, provides a description of learner language while focusing on language use. This research has implications for theoretical and sociolinguistic approaches to copula choice, and is generalizable to other areas of interest within the field of second language acquisition.

The first section of this book critically examines studies in theoretical and sociolinguistics. The second section includes an in-depth review of previous research on the second language acquisition of copula choice, followed by the presentation and application of a new model of analysis to data from novice, intermediate and advanced learners, and native Spanish speakers. The final section addresses pedagogical and theoretical implications, and outlines future research goals.

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Developing Aspects of Second Language Discourse Competence

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This work explores the development of aspects of discourse competence by French immersion students in Ontario, Canada. It represents a new front for second language acquisition and immersion research in that, firstly, it provides an in-depth analysis of the mastery by immersion students of several polysemous and poly-functional words (i.e., *comme/like; donc/alors/(ça) fait que/so; bon; and là*), words playing key roles in the expression of fundamental semantic notions (e.g., comparison, consequence, location) and discursive functions (e.g., emphasis, topic shifting, turn yielding). Secondly, it offers insight into the use of discourse markers by immersion students, an as yet under-researched area. Finally, it documents the influence on second language learners' discourse competence exerted by a range of

independent factors, many of which have not before been applied to research on the development of this competence.

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Bilingualism and Education: From the Family to the School

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This volume (whose title reflects the central theme of the *Second University of Vigo International Symposium on Bilingualism*, held in Vigo, Spain, in October 2002) deals with the relations between bilingualism and education through three major approaches, preceded by way of introduction by five texts of well-known authors in this field of study (*Part One*). The first of these perspectives (*Part two: Bilingual socialization in the family*) undertakes the processes of constitution of the bilingual child, through the child linguistic socialization within the family. This is an approach that in few occasions has been related with the necessary depth, as we aspire to do in this book, to bilingualism in the formal educative and school domains. The second of these perspectives (*Part Three: Plurilingualism in education*) takes on the specific problems of bilingualism in the international institutional educative domain, with proposals of innovative models on multilingual/plurilingual education, reconsiderations on the role of plurilingual education in the maintenance of languages, as well as on the scope that these initiatives can have in their social environment. Finally, the third perspective (*Part Four: Bilingualism and education in contemporary Spain*) discusses the status of the languages in the educative systems of different Spanish communities.

As a summary, the bilingual socialization processes in the family and at school are an inseparable whole, and this is the general intention that motivates the authors in presenting this volume.

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Academic Attainments and Cultural Values

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This book describes an ethnographic study of Second Language teaching in the Fiji Isles in the South Pacific. It shows that the different cultural expectations of Fiji's two main ethnic groups, the indigenous Fijians and the Indo-Fijians, are manifested in different teaching practices that result in their differential attainments. The study uses an extended Grounded Theory methodology that has allowed for empirical generalisation of its findings by further ethnography and census and for generalisation of its theoretical constructs by further mixed method analysis.

The motivation that emerged for the study was

the local concern over the differential educational attainments of the two groups. The ethnography used historical archival and current documents, together with community and institutional interviews and observations over a four year period, to contrast Fijian and Indian socio-cultural expectations, and their matching behaviours, for teaching and learning English as a Second Language. The methodology resulted in the recognition of three major cultural constructs that describe the different behaviours serving the differential social expectations and cultural intentions of the two groups. The constructs were validated both ethnographically and by census and allowed the identification of social fractionalisation and cultural incursion. Qualitative and quantitative analyses of the data from the study enabled the three constructs to be developed into a generalisable conceptual framework for predicting differential classroom behaviours in multicultural societies.

The innovative research methods and the generalisable instrument developed for measuring cultural identity which were used for the study are described. These include:

(i) a method of quantitative data collection and analysis, namely collection of proportional ratings allowing calculations of grounded preferences for more rigorous analysis; (ii) methods of qualitative analysis to resolve issues of etic/emic confounding, namely separation of etic and emic meanings during analysis and a method of validating emic meanings that minimised etic intrusions; (iii) methods of qualitative reporting, using bipolar and modal grounded composites to maintain validity during extensive ethnographic data reduction; and (iv) a generalisable 'Cultural Index', which is an efficient grounded instrument consisting of Primary and Relative cultural indices used for defining cultural identity and for predicting culturally-determined behaviours.

This study evidences the paramount influence of cultural expectations on differential educational attainments in multicultural societies.

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Ethics and Education in Linguistically Diverse Classrooms

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This ethnography of language and education considers the ethics of pedagogy for linguistically and culturally diverse students. It does so by drawing on the existentialist ethics of the philosopher Emmanuel Levinas. Following the Levinasian connection between ethics and language, the study explores the ethical challenges and possibilities confronting teachers of junior school students (ages 6-10) who speak languages in addition to or other than the dominant language which, in this study's Canadian context, is English.

In particular, the study looks at images of self and other as they manifest themselves in pedagogical practices, and it elaborates relations of responsibility between teachers and students. The data include in-depth interviews with and extended observations of teachers in their publicly-funded, mainstream Anglophone school in Mississauga, Canada. The findings suggest that teachers with flexible linguistic identities are more amenable to pedagogical practices supportive of linguistic diversity during the regular school day while teachers with less equivocal linguistic identities are more sympathetic to a monolingual mandate.

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Critical Discourse Analysis & Classroom Discursive Practices

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The aim of this study is to display the important contribution, which critical analysis makes to our understanding of students/teachers relationship through the analysis of their discursive practices. The work focuses specifically on interaction within Moroccan classrooms.

In order to examine teaching/learning relations between teachers and students, this research presents a detailed analysis of the linguistic features used by teachers.

Such discourse features are IRF patterns, modality, politeness, Q/A and interruption. A comprehensive analysis of these features requires a focus on the social and cultural practices of which classroom practice is a part. This book demonstrates comprehensively the inextricable link between the participants' classroom discursive practices and their social and cultural practices.

The research provides a detailed analysis of classroom discursive practices and describes specific ways in which teachers control students' interaction. It traces such practices to many factors, which are discussed and examined extensively. It demonstrates that both students' and teachers' assumptions and social beliefs of the classroom practices contribute to producing particular discourse practices in the classroom. These discursive practices can either hinder or foster the classroom interaction. The book concludes that both students and teachers' classroom practices shape and are shaped by their social and cultural practices.

The book also highlights some of the methodological difficulties emerging from applying Critical Discourse Analysis to a classroom data.

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Investigating Reconstruction in a Second Language

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Highly significant in current linguistic research (e.g., Barss, 2001; Lasnik, 2001), but not fully investigated in second language (L2) acquisition

research (see Ying, 1999 for discussion), reconstruction refers to structures with a reflexive inside a moved noun phrase (e.g., John_i wonders which pictures of himself_i Bill_j likes.) or predicate (e.g., How proud of herself_i does Mary_j think that Jane_i is t_i/*_j?). This research monograph examined L2 learners' interpretation of reconstruction in three separate studies.

The first study used a fresh online timed judgment task. The experimental stimuli were programmed to stay on the screen for three seconds. It elicited both reaction times and measure of error rates. The second study, aimed at finding out whether the experimental results obtained from the online task can be replicated, used an offline sentence interpretation task (MacLaughlin, 1998). The first two studies focused on investigating the interpretation of reconstruction in English by Chinese-speaking learners of English. To find out how English-speaking learners of Chinese would interpret reconstruction in Chinese, I conducted a third study using an offline sentence interpretation task by Lakshmanan and Teranishi (1994). The results indicate that L2 learners' interpretation of reconstruction was constrained by linguistic principles and L1-induced language mapping.

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Competencias e identidades interculturales

La educación en la costa caribe de Nicaragua y en otros contextos multiculturales

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Hacia finales de la década pasada, en la costa atlántica de Nicaragua, en ambas Regiones Autónomas, se abrió una perspectiva sin precedente para el desarrollo democrático y económico que incluye a las sociedades indígenas (Miskitos y Sumu-mayangnas), a los pueblos afrodescendientes (Creoles, Ramas y Garífunas) y las comunidades mestizas hispanohablantes. Autonomía, fase posterior de un conflicto político-militar, multilingüismos con jerarquías y pidginización y notable convergencia cultural en un entorno de gran etnodiversidad, hacen del caso "costeño" de Nicaragua una de las experiencias paradigmáticas latinoamericanas en el proceso de desarrollar una educación intercultural diferencial.

En esta obra colectiva se expresan experiencias, visiones y propuestas de los diversos tipos de actores sociales que han contribuido a este proceso que tiende a producir un cambio radical en la educación y en las relaciones socioculturales, mediante una escolarización compatible con los objetivos autonómicos y la construcción de una interculturalidad plural.

Se presentan, además, análisis y resultados del pionero proyecto de Educación Bilingüe Intercultural (PEBI), uno de los principales antecedentes de las reformas interculturales del

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Recipes for Success in Foreign Language Teaching:

Ready-Made Activities for the L2 Classroom

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Much like a collaborative cookbook is a collection of best-loved recipes, "Recipes for Success in Foreign Language Teaching: Ready-made Activities for the L2 Classroom" is a collective volume of fifty teaching strategies, activities and ready-made lessons from language educators from all over the world. The lessons, both traditional and contemporary, are teachers' personally developed and road tested second language classroom activities that will benefit all French and Spanish instructors.

An eclectic mix of instructional approaches, the "recipes" address common beginnerlevel lessons such as the teaching of verb tenses and other common grammar points, and essential target language vocabulary. It includes three categories of lessons and activities: those designed specifically for French classes, for Spanish classes or those that can easily apply to either language.

Each "recipe" includes an introduction to the activity and an explanation of how to implement it in a classroom context. The activities are clearly described and user-friendly with step-by-step instructions written in a straightforward manner. In many cases, teachers are even able to photocopy flashcards, handouts, games, and images directly out of the book for their own classroom use. This volume is designed as an

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Program Evaluation Revisited

Language Improvement Courses

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The book describes an evaluation case study on a pre-service language teacher education program. The study evaluates the language improvement courses in the undergraduate curriculum of the English Language Teaching (ELT) Department at Eastern Mediterranean University, North Cyprus on the basis of a model modified for the specific context.

The first chapter presents the theoretical and contextual background of the study and its focal points while the second chapter reviews literature in the related field with specific focus on language education. Chapter 3 explains the method of the study: the evaluation model, the participants, the data collection and analysis procedures. Chapters 4, 5 and 6 present the results of the study, and the final chapter discusses the results and their further implications.

The data collected from various sources through a wide range of data elicitation instruments has enabled the researcher to arrive at some important conclusions. Therefore, the case study has several implications for language program evaluation research. First, the results may provide valuable data which can be used to improve the ELT students' proficiency. Second, the framework used in the study can be implemented in carrying out similar studies at the ELT departments of other universities in similar contexts. Finally, the evaluation model implemented in the present study can effectively be used for the evaluation of the other courses (e.g. methodology courses) in the ELT curriculum.

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Learning to give and respond to peer-feedback in the L2

the case of EFL criticisms and responses to criticism

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This book addresses two under-researched speech acts: criticisms and responses to criticism from the perspectives of acquisitional interlanguage pragmatics. It seeks to provide a typology of realization strategies for these two speech acts and add further evidence to the limited but growing body of developmental interlanguage pragmatics, especially with regard to the question of how learners acquire the competence of using face-threatening speech acts in the target language, and what may be the major tasks for them in acquiring L2 pragmatics.

The study reported in the book was conducted with three groups of informants. Interlanguage data were collected from 36 Vietnamese learners of English as a foreign language at different levels of English proficiency, via a written questionnaire and conversation elicitation task. The data were then analyzed with reference to L1 and L2 baseline data collected from 12 Vietnamese and 12 Australian native speakers via the same methods. Metapragmatic data were collected via retrospective interview. The findings of the study have been discussed within the framework of a number of Second Language Acquisition theories, including Bialystok's Processing Model of L2 pragmatic acquisition, Meisel *et al.*'s Complexification Hypothesis, and Kellerman's Transferability Hypothesis.

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ESL/TOEFL

How to Write the TOEFL Test of Written English and the Graduate School Application Essay

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This text aims at students whose native language is other than English and who want help either with the TOEFL Test of Written English or with the essays that they have to write for admission to graduate school in the United States.

The Test of Written English is given by the Educational Testing Service to students taking the TOEFL test and who choose to write an essay in order to demonstrate their writing ability. The scores are used then by admissions persons at colleges and universities to evaluate the student's ability to express himself/herself in writing. The

essays are scored on a 1 to 6 level basis, level 6 being the highest score possible, and level 1 the lowest. The first part of the book is devoted to The Test of Written English and to a discussion of the kinds of things that students want to consider before they take the test, like the importance of the organization and development of ideas, and the importance of providing examples for the points made in their essay.

Although the questions that are provided in this book are not the exact questions students will receive on their test (these are provided in the bulletin used to register for the exam), they are close enough to give readers a good idea of the kinds of responses that the rater is looking for. The models in this book, then, will give the reader a good idea of what to do and what not to do when writing his or her own essay. Practice is always important, and it would be a good idea for the reader to practice with the questions in this book as well as the questions provided in the TOEFL test bulletin. If readers have an opportunity to have an experienced rater read their essay, this would give them a good chance to get feedback and to learn from their mistakes.

The second part of this book is devoted to the graduate statement of purpose or college/university application essay. This essay is part of nearly all the applications required by undergraduate and graduate schools in the United States--and it is an important part of the application, since it is often a student's only chance to speak personally and directly to the admissions committee. In this part of the book, we look at examples of essays that have been part of accepted applications to some of America's top-level graduate and MBA programs.

The essays represent many of the disciplines that are offered by American colleges and universities, including a special section on the MBA application essay, which typically consists of 4 or 5 separate essays in response to specific questions. The essays are intended to be used for inspiration, providing readers with ideas about how to best present themselves to the schools of their choice. It is hoped that the essays and writing advice contained in this book will help students to write their own essays and to realize their academic goals. Writing is hard work, but it is enjoyable and rewarding work. In this case, the reward might be the education and career of a lifetime.

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