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Preface

The Applied Linguistics in One Look provides students with a strong background in the scientific study of language and the uses to which such study can be put. Because language is the most accessible and structured of human behaviors, its analysis leads to great insights into the workings of the human mind and into human behavior in general. Linguistics has led to discoveries in other disciplines such as philosophy, cognitive studies, and artificial intelligence, as well as in social sciences such as anthropology, psychology and sociology. Linguists serve in many professions where an understanding of language is important.

Applied linguistics does not provide materials to teach English or any resources specifically on TESOL. If you are looking for a place to discuss applied linguistics, visit second language acquisition and other related sub-sections of the linguistics forum. Though the range of linguistics issues available for both teachers and researchers to use is vast, this book concentrates on helping you to develop a rigorous understanding of the key principles and practice of linguistics.

In this book, 21 chapters are included in which, chapters one and two talk about the study and origin of the language. In chapter three, the development of writing is discussed. In chapters 4 to 8, topics like phonology, morphology, word formation and etymology are addressed. In chapters 9 to 11, syntax, semantics and pragmatics are considered, respectively. Chapter 12 deals with discourse analysis. Chapter 13 considers the association between 'Language and the Brain Neuro-linguistics'. Chapters 14 and 15 are devoted to giving an understanding of first and second language acquisition. The critical issues of Sign Language are included in chapter 16 and in the next chapter, the origins of family trees are asserted. In chapters 18 and 19, the association between language and regional and social variations are stated. Language and culture are the

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critical concepts of the next chapter. And, finally the book concludes with human language processing.

The authors do not assume this book error-free. So, any critical ideas on the book are highly welcomed.

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