

# Language & Linguistics

- The nature of language
- Linguistics
- Why should one study linguistics?



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(R. A. Hall. 1968. An Essay on Language. New York.)



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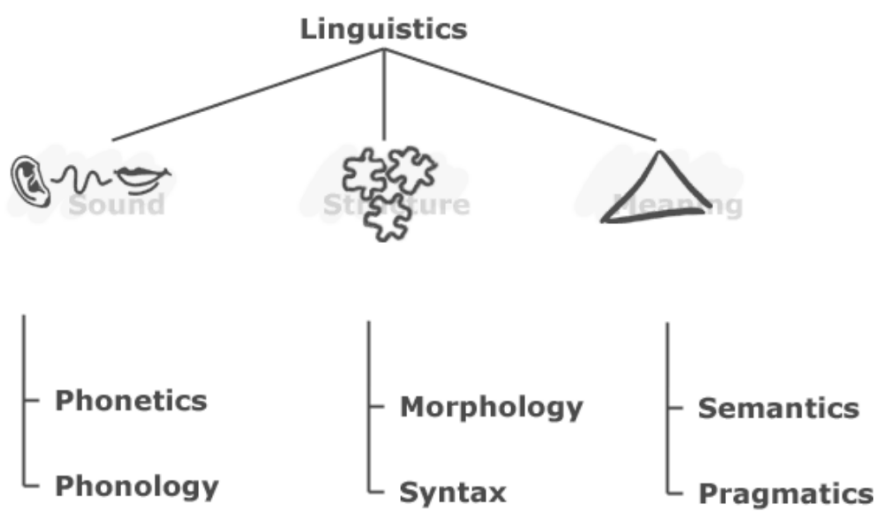


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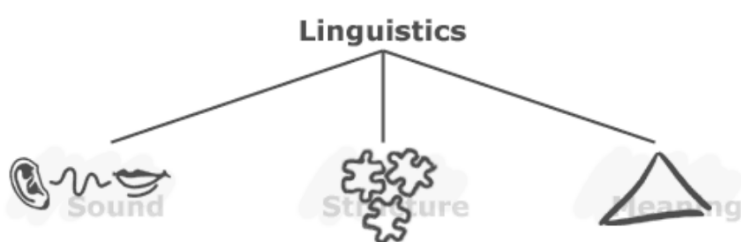
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Phonetics  
Phonology

Morphology nation-al-ize-ation  
Syntax Colorless green ideas  
sleep furiously.

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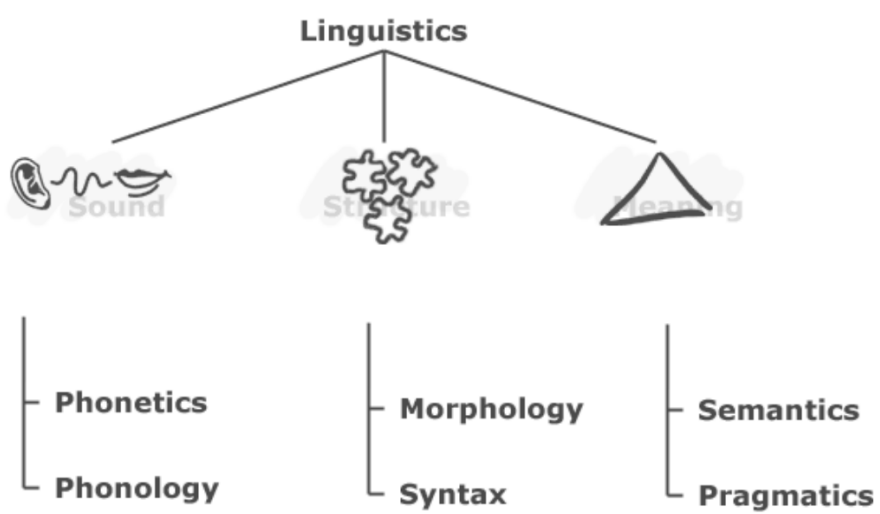
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WIDE - NARROW  
TULIP - FLOWER  
Semantics  
Pragmatics

I'll come to your party!

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Why .... ?



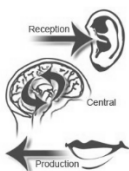
# Why .... ?



language awareness



language acquisition



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