

Understanding Language

(Semester 1)

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57 items

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Key readings (10 items)

Working with texts: a core introduction to language analysis, by Carter, Ronald; Beard, Adrian, 2008

[Book](#) | Recommended

Working with texts: a core introduction to language analysis, by Ronald Carter, 2001
[Book](#) | Recommended | E-book of the 2nd edition of the above text (no e-book of the 3rd edition is available).

The teacher's guide to grammar, by Cameron, Deborah, 2007

[Book](#) | Recommended

Registers - in The teacher's guide to grammar, by Deborah Cameron, 2007

[Chapter](#) | Recommended | This is a scan of Chp 9 Registers - it looks briefly at the difference between speech and writing and then applies this to the register of advertising.

Introducing English language: a resource book for students, by Mullany, Louise; Stockwell, Peter, 2010

[Book](#) | Recommended |

This is a good overview book that covers a number of areas on the module. It is divided into a number of sections: A for the basic review of theory - a section B which gives examples, further study of this area of theory - section C which takes it down into a more detailed area and then section D which gives a key reading in the area (so A1 links to B1, C1, D1 etc)

Introducing English language: a resource book for students, by Louise Mullany; Peter Stockwell, 2010

[Book](#) | Recommended

Discourse in English language education, by John Flowerdew, 2013

[Book](#) | Recommended | This is a book designed for Teachers of English as a second language (TESOL) but crucially covers some of the key areas we look at esp Chp 2 on Systemic Functional grammar, Chp 3 on Cohesion, Chp 8 on Genre and Chp 9 on Corpus linguistics.

The Routledge companion to English language studies, by Janet Maybin; Joan Swann, 2009

[Book](#) | Recommended

Discourse analysis: an introduction, by Brian Paltridge, 2012

Book | **Recommended** | This is a similar book to the Flowerdew (2013) - this module looks at 'texts' and how they work in specific contexts - and that generally goes by the name 'Discourse analysis'

The language of everyday life: an introduction, by Judy Delin, 2000

Book | **Essential** | An excellent look at a range of different Registers

Reading list (45 items)

An introduction to the nature and functions of language, by Howard Jackson; Peter Stockwell, ©2011

Book | **Recommended**

Linguistics: an introduction to language and communication, by Adrian Akmajian, 2010

Book | **Optional**

Using corpora in discourse analysis, by Paul Baker, 2006

Book | **Optional**

The language of politics, by Beard, Adrian, 2000

Book | **Recommended**

News discourse, by Monika Bednarek; Helen Caple, 2013

Book | **Optional**

Longman grammar of spoken and written English, by Biber, Douglas, 1999

Book | **Optional**

Longman student grammar of spoken and written English, by Biber, Douglas; Conrad, Susan; Leech, Geoffrey N., 2002

Book | **Optional**

Introducing language in use: a coursebook, by Bloomer, Aileen; Griffiths, Patrick; Merrison, Andrew John, 2005

Book | **Recommended**

Working with spoken discourse, by Cameron, Deborah, 2001

Book | **Recommended**

Working with texts: a core introduction to language analysis, by Carter, Ronald; Beard, Adrian, 2008

Book | **Recommended**

Exploring English grammar: from formal to functional, by Caroline Coffin; Jim Donohue; Sarah North, 2009

Book | **Recommended**

The discourse of advertising, by Guy Cook, 2001

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The discourse of advertising, by Guy Cook, 1992

[Book](#) | Recommended

The Cambridge encyclopedia of the English language, by David Crystal, 2019

[Book](#) | Optional

Pragmatics and discourse: a resource book for students, by Joan Cutting, 2002

[Book](#) | Recommended

An introduction to systemic functional linguistics, by Eggins, Suzanne, 2004

[Book](#) | Optional

Redesigning English, by Graddol, David; Goodman, Sharon; Lillis, Theresa M., 2007

[Book](#) | Optional

The Oxford handbook of the word, edited by John R. Taylor, 2015

[Book](#) | Recommended

Describing language, by Graddol, David; Swann, J.; Cheshire, Jenny, 1994

[Book](#) | Recommended

The language of advertising: written texts, by Goddard, Angela, 2002

[Book](#) | Recommended

An introduction to English grammar, by Sidney Greenbaum; Gerald Nelson, 2013

[Book](#) | Optional

Cohesion in English, by M. A. K. Halliday; Ruqaiya Hasan, 2013

[Book](#) | Optional

Cohesion in English, by Halliday, M. A. K.; Hasan, Ruqaiya, 1976

[Book](#) | Optional

Halliday's introduction to functional grammar, by M. A. K. Halliday; Christian M. I. M. Matthiessen, 2014

[Book](#) | Optional

Lexical priming: a new theory of words and language, by Michael Hoey, 2005

[Book](#) | Recommended | 6 copies in the library - one chapter scanned as PDF on Moodle.
This is a key bit of theory to consider for assignment one.

Lexical priming: a new theory of words and language, by Michael Hoey, 2005

[Book](#) | Recommended

The discourse reader, edited by Adam Jaworski; Nikolas Coupland, 2014

[Book](#) | Optional

An introduction to the nature and functions of language, by Howard Jackson; Peter Stockwell, c2011

[Book](#) | Recommended

Language and politics, by Joseph, John Earl, c2006

[Book](#) | Recommended

Metaphors we live by, by Lakoff, George; Johnson, Mark, 2003

[Book](#) | Recommended

Metaphors we live by, by Lakoff, George; Johnson, Mark, 1980

[Book](#) | Recommended

Discourse of blogs and wikis, by Greg Myers, ©2010

[Book](#) | Recommended

Grammar for English language teachers, by Martin Parrott, 2010

[Book](#) | Recommended

The language of newspapers, by Reah, Danuta, 2002

[Book](#) | Recommended

Trust the text: language, corpus and discourse, by John McHardy Sinclair; Ronald Carter, 2004

[Book](#) | Recommended | Key for assignment one - see PDF file in Moodle of key chapter on collocation

From corpus to classroom: language use and language teaching, by Anne O'Keeffe; Michael McCarthy; Ronald Carter, 2007

[Book](#) | Recommended

The Oxford handbook of the word, edited by John R. Taylor, 2015

[Book](#) | Recommended | This is a reference book and is available in the Harcourt Hill library.

The mental corpus: how language is represented in the mind, by John R. Taylor, 2014

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[Book](#) | Recommended

Corpus linguistics for ELT: research and practice, by Ivor Timmis, 2015

[Book](#) | Optional

Formulaic Language and the Lexicon, by Alison Wray, 2002

[Book](#) | Optional

Formulaic language and the lexicon, by Wray, Alison, 2002

[Book](#) | Optional

The study of language, by George Yule, 2017

[Book](#) | Optional

The study of language, by George Yule, 2010

[Book](#) | Optional

Discourse and digital practices: doing discourse analysis in the digital age, edited by
Rodney H. Jones; Alice Chik; Christoph A. Hafner, 2015

Book | Optional

Journals (1 items)

Applied linguistics, by American Association for Applied Linguistics; British Association for
Applied Linguistics

Journal | Optional