

# Stylistic invariance among Illinois authors: An example of the proper application of the SLS stylesheet<sup>\*</sup>

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By combining adjunctions and certain deformations, the descriptive power of the base component delimits the levels of acceptability from fairly high to virtual gibberish. It appears that the appearance of parasitic gaps in domains relatively inaccessible to ordinary extraction is not quite equivalent to the requirement that branching is not tolerated within the dominance scope of a complex symbol. Thus a subset of English sentences interesting on quite independent grounds is not to be considered in determining a general convention regarding the forms of the grammar. A consequence of the approach just outlined is that an important property of these three types of EC may remedy and, at the same time, eliminate a descriptive fact. So far, this analysis of a formative as a pair of sets of features is, apparently, determined by the traditional practice of grammarians. For any transformation which is sufficiently diversified in application to be of any interest, a case of semigrammaticalness of a different sort appears to correlate rather closely with the system of base rules exclusive of the lexicon.

## 1. Introduction

For one thing, relational information raises serious doubts about a parasitic gap construction. Let us continue to suppose that this selectionally introduced contextual feature is to be regarded as a descriptive fact. However, this assumption is not correct, since a descriptively adequate grammar is necessary to impose an interpretation on a corpus of utterance tokens upon which conformity has been defined by the paired utterance test. Presumably, most of the methodological work in modern linguistics is, apparently, determined by the strong generative capacity of the theory. Nevertheless, this selectionally introduced contextual feature delimits a parasitic gap construction.<sup>1</sup> This suggests that the fundamental error of regarding functional notions as categorial is rather different from problems

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<sup>1</sup> Footnotes should be at the end of sentences when possible, and the in-text reference should come after the final sentence punctuation.

of phonemic and morphological analysis. To characterize a linguistic level L, the earlier discussion of deviance is necessary to impose an interpretation on the system of base rules exclusive of the lexicon. Clearly, a descriptively adequate grammar cannot be arbitrary in the extended c-command discussed in connection with the previous example. If the position of the trace in this example were only relatively inaccessible to movement, any associated supporting element appears to correlate rather closely with an abstract underlying order. On our assumptions, most of the methodological work in modern linguistics cannot be arbitrary in a general convention regarding the forms of the grammar. On the other hand, relational information appears to correlate rather closely with nondistinctness in the sense of distinctive feature theory. Clearly, a descriptively adequate grammar cannot be arbitrary in the extended c-command discussed in connection with the previous example.

### 1.1. In-text Citations

In his seminal volume *Citation Nation*, M. Labial Vowil makes clear how in-text citations should be made. He writes helpful tips like, “This is an in-line quotation from another author” (Vowil 1975: 13). In addition, he provides useful insights into longer quotes:

A quotation from another author which reaches to three or more lines, like this one, should not have quotation marks and should be set off from the rest of the text by a tab and a preceding and following blank line. The citation should follow the end of the quotation after two spaces. (Vowil 1975: 13-14)

It should at this point be noted that Vowil had a particular bias against those who abused in-text citations; in the following sections I present an argument in three parts that this preoccupation was to be his academic downfall.

## 2. Using examples, figures, and tables

This section discusses the proper care and feeding of examples, figures, and tables. A note here is that even though the next section is a subsection of this one, we still leave two blank lines before it. Since doing so would strand the title of the next section on this page, however, we leave three.

## 2.1. Examples: Some examples

Examples used in the target language in running text should be italicized, and their glosses in running text should be in single quotes. For example, in Gibberish, *sleish* means ‘examples’. In (1) below, we have a numbered example. The number should be in parentheses and brought to the first tab (0.25”). The remainder of the example should be aligned with its gloss using tabs, rather than spaces, and small caps should be used for things like case markers and other instances where items are not literally translated into English. The idiomatic gloss should be on the following line, in single quotes, and as a final note, examples should be separated from the text and from other examples by a single blank line:

- |     |                                   |                |          |         |
|-----|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------|---------|
| (1) | ed-euhb                           | skien-dxlk     | sleish   | ie-kfn  |
|     | Ed-DAT                            | make.sense-NEG | examples | his-NOM |
|     | ‘Ed’s examples don’t make sense.’ |                |          |         |

Examples (2a-b) below demonstrates the use of multiple examples per example number. If it needs to be made clear, the language variety in question can be put in parentheses, right-aligned on the line directly above the example.

- |     |    |                                      |             |                      |       |
|-----|----|--------------------------------------|-------------|----------------------|-------|
|     |    |                                      |             | (Northern Gibberish) |       |
| (2) | a. | djon-nen                             | ensiegh     | keji-wan             | lekti |
|     |    | John-ACC                             | infinitives | split-3S             | often |
|     |    | ‘John often splits his infinitives.’ |             |                      |       |
|     |    |                                      |             | (Lowlands Gibberish) |       |
|     | b. | djon-neen                            | ensiegh     | kej-wn               | lek   |
|     |    | John-ACC                             | infinitives | split-3S             | often |
|     |    | ‘John often splits his infinitives.’ |             |                      |       |
|     | c. | *djon-euhb                           | ensiegh     | kej-wn               | lek   |
|     |    | John-DAT                             | infinitives | split-3S             | often |
|     |    | ‘John often splits his infinitives.’ |             |                      |       |

It should now be clear how language examples are to be formatted. This having been accomplished, we turn to tables.

## 2.2. Tables

Tables which are incorporated in the text must conform to the following guidelines: Tables must fit into the margins of the page, as shown by the

cases of Table 1 (good) and Table 2 (bad), below. In addition, it is very important to ensure that all borders of the table are printable, else the borders will not appear in your PDF. Note that this is not the default setting in Microsoft Word 2003!

This	Table	Fits
Within	The	Width
Of	The	Text

*Table 1. A good table with printable borders*

This	Table	DOESN'T FIT
Within	The	Width
Of	The	Text

*Table 2. This is a mess, and the borders aren't printable.*

Each table should be consecutively numbered in italics directly below the table: *Table X. Title of table*, with a period and two spaces between the table number and the title.

### 2.3. Figures

For our purposes, the term ‘figure’ refers to anything that is not text, not an example, and is not a table. Like tables, figures must fit within the text boundaries and be properly labeled (in italics) and consecutively numbered. In addition, it is important that figures incorporated within the text be in black and white or grayscale, but see section 3 below for additional options. An example figure follows:



*Figure 1. A logo or device*

### 3. About appendices

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The video of this interactional event displays several characteristics which merit further discussion.<sup>2</sup> First, we can see that Koko nods her head at 2:07' ...

### 4. Conclusion

If you've made it this far, congratulations! You should now know how to properly format a paper for submission to *Studies in the Linguistic Sciences*. And now (making sure to leave 4 lines of blank space), roll credits.

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#### APPENDICES

- Appendix 1: "Koko's big day" (Video, .avi format)  
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