

LING 183 Mastery Assignment 7 Word Order and Clauses

This assignment goes over some of the stuff we've been talking about the past two days.

Review

Name the valency changing operation! (Also whether it's morphological or analytical.)

1. tsy nɛ kuly:mine... ni mɛlgɛ sɛndrɛ ki ruvɔ a:minɛn. {2pts}

"I saw her... She had been taken to a great castle."

2. zɛn krɔɫnijæk zdərvəʃ ginəʃ. zdərv sftɔmnijæk kijəʃ ginəʃ havənəʃ. {2pts}

"I knew that boy. The boy stole bread for that girl."

Word Order

For questions 3-5, use the following data:

t'ulɛ ti lawɛ.

/sleep the boy/

"The boy is sleeping."

t'ɛt'ulɛ ti lawɛ.

/PRF-sleep the boy/

"The boy slept."

kamɛ ti lawɛ ti ɔnu.

/love the boy the cat/

"The boy loves the cat."

kamɛsi ti lawɛ ti ɔnu.

/love-INV the boy the cat/

"The cat loves the boy."

kɛkamɛ ti lawɛ ŋa ɔnu.

/PRF-love the boy by cat/

"The cat loved the boy."

kɛkamɛ ti ɔnu ŋa lawɛ.

/PRF-sleep the cat by boy/

"The boy loved the cat."

3. What is the basic word order of this language? (Circle One) {2pts}

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4. Why did you answer (3) the way you answered it? {2pts}

5. What was the original meaning (or function) of the prefix I have glossed as PRF (i.e. *now* it's perfective; what did it used to be)? What leads you to believe this? {4pts}

For questions 6-8, use the following data:

grɔst ʃɪb vɛl.

"The bread is warm."

əts xandrət ʃɪb vɛlə grɔst sə truməz.

"That girl eats the warm bread."

ʃɪb əts grɔst vɛl?

"Is that bread warm?"

ʃɪb xandrət vɛlə grɔst sə truməz?

"Is the girl eating the warm bread?"

xandrət ʃe:b ɪps sə truməz.

"The girl ate it."

bəl ʃɪb ɪs sɪmbyrəz.

"{She/He/It} impresses me."

mak ʃe:b ɪps sə ɡɔlnəz?

"Who saw {him/her/it}?"

tɪk ʃe:j grɔst maks xandrət ɪmbyrəjx sə truməz.

"I ate the bread that impressed the girl."

6. What is the basic word order of this language? (Circle One) {2pts}

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7. What was the *original* basic word order of this language? (Circle One) {2pts}

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8. Is there a *plausible* way to turn this language into a VOS language? If there is, explain how; if not, explain why. {4pts}

Epic Challenge Mode (Bonus)

Some questions about the data in the first two questions.

9. What type of verbal agreement is present in the first review question? {1pt}

10. What type of verbal agreement is present in the second review question? {1pt}

11. Is the language in the first review question head-initial or head-final? {1pt}

12. Is the language in the second review question head-initial or head-final? {1pt}

13. Does the language in the first review question display vowel harmony? If so, what kind, and why? If no, what makes you think so? {2pts}

14. Is the language in the second review question likely to have a dative case? Why or why not? {2pts}