Record Nr. UNINA9910811232603321 Autore Plag Ingo Titolo Introduction to English linguistics / / Ingo Plag [and three others] Pubbl/distr/stampa Berlin, Germany;; Boston, Massachusetts:,: De Gruyter Mouton,, 2015 ©2015 **ISBN** 3-11-037838-8 Edizione [Third, revised and enlarged edition.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (302 p.) Collana Mouton Textbook Classificazione HF 100 Disciplina 428.2 Soggetti English language - Grammar English language Linguistics Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Frontmatter -- Table of contents -- Preface to the first edition --Preface to the second edition -- Preface to the third edition --Abbreviations and notational conventions -- Introduction: what this book is about and how it can be used -- 1. The sounds: phonetics --2. The sound system: phonology -- 3. The structure of words: morphology -- 4. The structure of sentences: syntax -- 5. The meaning of words and sentences: semantics -- 6. Studying language in use: pragmatics -- 7. Extensions and applications: historical linguistics, sociolinguistics and psycholinguistics -- 8. Linguistics as an empirical science -- Glossary -- References -- Subject index The new and updated third edition of this highly successful textbook Sommario/riassunto contains an additional chapter that presents modern empirical research methods in the form of exemplary small-scale studies. In these projects the authors invite the reader to develop and address research questions from phonetics/phonology, morphology and syntax. The pertinent experimental and corpus-linguistic techniques are introduced

and students are familiarized with some basic statistical tools

orientation, with a strong focus on linguistic analysis and

necessary for the analysis of the data. The major difference between this book and its potential competitors lies in its hands-on didactic argumentation. Language and linguistic theory are approached from a strictly empirical perspective: given a certain set of data to be accounted for, theoretical and methodological problems must be solved in order to analyze and understand the data properly. The book is not written from the perspective of a particular theoretical framework and draws on insights from various research traditions. Introduction to English Linguistics concentrates on gaining expertise and analytical skills in the traditional core areas of linguistics, i.e. phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics and pragmatics. The chapter on "Extensions and applications" widens the perspective to other areas of linguistic research, such as historical, socio- and psycholinguistics. Each chapter is accompanied by exercises and suggestions for further reading. A glossary and an index facilitate access to terms and topics.