1. Record Nr. UNINA9910828859803321 Autore Nikolaeva Irina Titolo A grammar of Tundra Nenets / / Irina Nikolaeva Pubbl/distr/stampa Berlin, [Germany];; Boston, [Massachusetts]:,: De Gruyter Mouton,, 2014 ©2014 **ISBN** 3-11-037329-7 3-11-032064-9 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (528 pages): illustrations, maps Collana Mouton Grammar Library, , 0933-7636; ; Volume 65 494.4 Disciplina Soggetti Nenets language - Grammar Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Frontmatter -- Acknowledgment -- Table of contents -- Abbreviations Nota di contenuto -- Chapter 1. Introduction -- Chapter 2. Phonology -- Chapter 3. Grammatical classes -- Chapter 4. Nominal inflection -- Chapter 5. Verbal inflection -- Chapter 6. Clitics and multi-based affixes --Chapter 7. Noun Phrases -- Chapter 8. Adjectival, adverbial and postpositional phrases -- Chapter 9. Syntax of simple clauses --Chapter 10. Valence patterns and alternations -- Chapter 11. Nonverbal predicates -- Chapter 12. Non-declarative clause types and negation -- Chapter 13. Overview of dependent clauses -- Chapter 14. Relative clauses -- Chapter 15. Complement clauses -- Chapter 16. Adverbial clauses -- Chapter 17. Anaphoric relations -- Chapter 18. Coordination -- Chapter 19. Texts -- References -- Index Sommario/riassunto The book is the first substantial description of Tundra Nenets, a highly endangered Uralic language spoken in Western Siberia and the north of European Russia, destined for the international linguistic community. Its purpose is to provide a thorough documentation of all of the major grammatical phenomena in the language. The grammar particularly emphasizes the description of syntax, because this has traditionally been a very neglected area of Nenets studies. Many syntactic aspects have not received a systematic treatment in the existing literature or have not been addressed at all. Since the existing works are not easily

available, incomplete, or idiosyncratically presented, Tundra Nenets

syntax has played little or no role in the considerations of modern linguists, whether more descriptively or theoretically inclined. The book is largely descriptive: it is not intended to address theoretical questions per se and the description is not meant to be formulated within a particular framework. However, it identifies and discusses issues which are of broad typological and theoretical interest. The description is richly exemplified. Most of the cited examples are the result of fieldwork conducted by the in various locations. They are sentences produced by native speakers either spontaneously or elicited in response to questions posed in Russian. Other examples are excerpts from original texts.