

SPV 221 Language Acquisition Lehman College W15

Course Notes

Day 1: Jan 2

Introductions

Explanation of Projects

- The 100 person idea
- Language
 - Symbols and referents
 - Speech Communities
 - Conventions/Expectations
 - Tool
- Modularity
- Technical
 - Speech
 - Speech vs. auditory perception
 - Dependence on listener
 - Coarticulation
 - Language
 - The Bell & Butterfly
 - Communication
- Major Domains of language
 - Form (Syntax & Morphology)
 - Content (Lexicon or Semantics)
 - Use (Pragmatics)
- Remarkable Features
 - Acquisition Rate
 - Universality
 - Human-ness
 - Productivity & Recursion