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This book is dedicated to Noam Chomsky, *il maestro di color che sanno*.

PREFACE

THE idea for this volume was first proposed to me by John Davey several years ago. Its production was delayed for various reasons, not least that I was chairman of the Faculty of Modern and Medieval Languages in Cambridge for the period 2011–2015. I'd like to thank the authors for their patience and, above all, for the excellence of their contributions. I'd also like to thank Julia Steer of Oxford University Press for *her* patience and assistance. Finally, thanks to the University of Cambridge for giving me sabbatical leave from October 2015, which has allowed me to finalize the volume, and a special thanks to Bob Berwick for sending me a copy of Berwick and Chomsky (2016) at just the right moment.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AS	Autonomy of Syntax
ASC	autism spectrum conditions
ASD	autism spectrum disorders
ASL	American Sign Language
BCC	Borer–Chomsky Conjecture
CALM	combinatory atomism and lawlike mappings
CCS	Comparative Creole Syntax
CL	<i>Cartesian Linguistics</i>
CRTM	Computational-Representational Theory of Mind
DGS	German Sign Language
DP	Determiner Phrase
ECM	Exceptional Case Marking
ENE	Early Modern English
EST	Extended Standard Theory
FE	Feature Economy
FL	language faculty
FLB	Faculty of Language in the Broad sense
FLN	Faculty of Language in the Narrow sense
FOFC	Final-Over-Final Constraint
GA	genetic algorithm
GB	Government and Binding
HC	Haitian Creole
HKSL	Hong Kong Sign Language
IG	Input Generalization
L ₁	first language, native language
L ₂	second language
L ₂ A	Second Language Acquisition
LAD	Language Acquisition Device

LCA	Linear Correspondence Axiom
LF	Logical Form
LH	left hemisphere
LI	lexical item
LIS	Italian Sign Language
LSF	French Sign Language
ME	Middle English
MGP	Modularized Global Parametrization
MnC	Modern Chinese
MP	Minimalist Program
NE	Modern English
OC	Old Chinese
OCp	Obligatory Contour Principle
OT	Optimality Theory
P&P	Principles and Parameters
PCM	Parametric Comparison Method
PF	Phonological Form
PFF	pleiotropic formal features
PLD	Primary Linguistic Data
PP	prepositional phrase
QUD	question under discussion
RBP	Rule-Based Phonology
SAI	Subject–Auxiliary Inversion
SCM	structural case marking
SLI	specific language impairment
SMT	Strong Minimalist Thesis
SO	syntactic object
STM	short-term memory
SVC	Single Value Constraint
TID	Turkish Sign Language
TLA	Triggering Learning Algorithm
TMA	Tense, Mood, and Aspect
TP	transitional probabilities
TSM	Taiwanese Southern Min

TVJT	truth value judgment task
UFS	Universal Feature Set
UG	Universal Grammar
VL	variational learning
WM	working memory

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