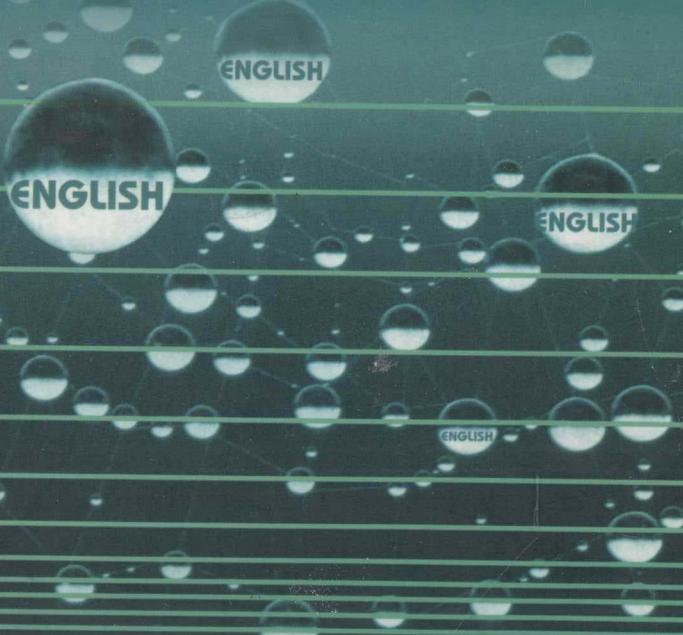


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前　　言

对于高等学校英语专业的学生而言，掌握关于语言方方面面的知识是情理中事。因此，近些年来，各高校英语专业大都为学生开设了“语言学概论”或“语言概论”，且将其定为必修课程。本书即应此需要而编写。

本书命名为《语言概论》，意在向读者提供有关语言分析和描述以及人类使用语言进行交际的基本概念和知识，以适应研究生、本科生、专科生和广大语言爱好者等不同层次的需要。既是“概论”，编者无意对语言研究的各个领域面面俱到，而是将注意的焦点集中在语言的语法和社会历史层面。据编者几年来开设“语言概论”课的经验，从这两个方面入手，也许更易于领会、掌握语言的本质。虽则如此，本书的讨论所及却也涉及到诸如心理语言学、语用学、文体学等领域，以利于学生进一步地学习和探讨。

编者有意编写本书非今日始，但本书的编写和得以出版却要归功于山东大学外国语学院院长王守元博士和副院长郭继德教授的远见卓识，是他们设计了包括本书在内的系列教材并亲自组织实施。

编写过程中，编者曾力图展现当代语言研究的最新进展，但

由于高科技时代人们知识更新的速度是如此之快，做到这一点殊非易事。然而，编者却不敢说“抛砖引玉”。因为，其一，在撰写过程中，编者参阅了大量中外语言研究专家的著作（见“参考书目”）。其二，同事们在学术探讨中所迸发出来的智慧的火花给编者带来了诸多灵感。其三，编者从学生的反馈中吸取了许多有益的信息。实际上，编者也确实满怀真诚，把自己最感得意、最感宝贵的认识和见解奉献给读者并和读者交流。

本书成稿后，知名英语语言学家李玉陈教授于百忙之中审阅了全稿，对问题的理论探讨及实用性，甚至条目的编排都提出了宝贵的指导性修改意见。他的睿智和独到见解无疑将使本书大为增色。

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虽然本书的成书有赖于诸多方面的指点和帮助，但限于编者的学识和见闻，书中的疏漏与讹误责任全在编者。诚望学界专家学者及同仁不吝赐教。

编 者
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