

# **Theoretical Grammar**

Lecture № 1

**Theoretical Grammar  
as a branch of linguistics**

## The list of selected bibliography:

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## **The plan of the discussion**

1. General characteristics of language as a functional system.
2. Theoretical Grammar and its subject.
3. Morphology and syntax as two parts of linguistic description.

# Language

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graph TD; Language --> Phonological[the phonological system]; Language --> Lexical[the lexical system]; Language --> Grammatical[the grammatical system];
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the phono-  
logical  
system

the lexical  
system

the gram-  
matical  
system



a structured  
set of elements  
related to one  
another

the relations  
between the  
elements  
regulated by  
strict rules

# The structure of language

Phonological layer



Morphological layer

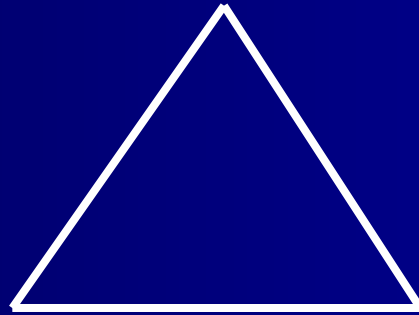


Syntactical layer



Supersyntactical layer

# A linguistic unit



1

2

the content side

the expression side

**Language**



**Speech**

a set of basic  
elements ;

the manifestation  
of language

common for  
personal

individual, individuals

*phoneme*



*sound*

*sentence*



*utterance*

*text*



*discourse*



**Morphology**



**Syntax**

paradigmatic  
relations  
(intersystemic)

syntagmatic  
relations  
(linear)

***Paradigm***