

Glossing Rules

In this appendix we present the glossing rules that we ask you to follow while filling in the questionnaire. Interlinear morpheme-by-morpheme glosses give information about the meanings and grammatical properties of individual words and parts of words. Section 1 exemplifies the notions of the detailed and essential glossing; section 2 draws your attention to a number of important technicalities concerning fonts, formatting and abbreviations; in section 3 the glossing rules are listed¹; section 4 provides you with the list of standard abbreviations for grammatical categories.

Section 1. Detailed and not-so-detailed

Detailed glossing:

(1) Russian

My=ž s druž'-jami poexa-l-i na nov-oj mashin-e v Peredelkino.
1PL=FOC COM friend\PL-INS.PL go-PST-PL SUPE new-F.LOC car-LOC(F) ALL Peredelkino[ACC]
'We went with the friends to Peredelkino in the new car.' (SUPE = superessive)

Minimal glossing:

(2) Russian

My=ž s druž'-jami poexa-l-i na nov-oj mashin-e v Peredelkino.
we=FOC with friend-INS.PL go-PST-PL on new-LOC car-LOC in Peredelkino
'We went with the friends to Peredelkino in the new car.'

Section 2. Some technical guidelines

0A. Use a Unicode font for **ALL** non-English characters you need. If your language uses a non-roman script (e.g., Russian uses Cyrillic), please transcribe your examples in a simple romanization, using IPA symbols if necessary. If you do not know which fonts are Unicode, use one of the following free SIL fonts: Doulos SIL, Charis SIL, or Gentium². **DO NOT USE** any of the SIL IPA or SIL IPA 93 fonts (SIL Doulos IPA, SIL Charis IPA 93, etc). They are obsolete, non-Unicode fonts and we cannot use data coded using them.

0B. Avoid using formatting features (bold, sub/superscripts, font size changes, etc.) in your examples. Tabs or tables can be used to align words, of course.

0C. At the top of your document, give a list of definitions of all gloss abbreviations you use, unless they appear in the List of Abbreviations at the end of this document.

¹ These glossing rules are based on Leipzig Glossing Rules developed jointly by the Department of Linguistics of the Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology (Bernard Comrie, Martin Haspelmath) and by the Department of Linguistics of the University of Leipzig (Balthasar Bickel) (<http://www.eva.mpg.de/lingua/resources/glossing-rules.php>), but were altered and abridged to fit the purposes of the Universals and the Typology of Reflexives project of the Utrecht institute of Linguistics OTS.

² They can be downloaded from http://scripts.sil.org/cms/scripts/page.php?site_id=nrsi&id=IPAhome#Charis

Section 3. Glossing rules

Rule	Representation	Example
1. Word-by-word alignment	Interlinear glosses are left-aligned vertically.	cf.(1)
2. Morpheme-by-morpheme correspondence	To separate morphemes use a hyphen “-”. Clitic boundaries are marked by an equals sign “=”.	(3) Lezgian (Haspelmath 1993:207) <i>Gila abur-u-n ferma hamišaluğ güğüna amuq'-da-č.</i> now they-OBL-GEN farm forever behind stay-FUT-NEG 'Now their farm will not stay behind forever.' (4) West Greenlandic (Fortescue 1984:127) <i>palasi=lu niuirtur=lu</i> priest=and shopkeeper=and 'both the priest and the shopkeeper'
3. Grammatical category labels	Grammatical category labels are printed in upper case (capital) letters.	cf. examples above. A list of standard abbreviations is given at the end of this document.
4. One-to-many correspondences BUT:	If one morpheme realizes several grammatical categories, separate by a period “.”.	(5) Latin <i>insul-arum</i> island-GEN.PL 'of the islands'
5. Person and number labels	are not separated by a period “.”	(6) Italian <i>and-iamo</i> go-PRS.1PL (NOT : <i>go</i> -PRS.1.PL) 'we go'
6. Morphological change	In case of ablaut, mutation, tone alternation, etc. to separate the category label and the rest of the gloss, use the backslash “\”.	cf. (1) <i>druz'-jami</i> friend\PL-INS.PL '(with) friends' <i>druz'-jami</i> exemplifies a change of stem, cf. <i>drug</i> friend[NOM.SG] (7) Irish <i>bhris-is</i> PST\break-2SG 'you broke' (cf. nonpast <i>bris-</i>)
7. Agent-patient marking	For person-number affixes that express the agent-like (A) and the patient-like (P) argument of a transitive verb simultaneously, use the symbol ">" to indicate that the first is A and the second is P.	(8) Jaminjung (Schultze-Berndt 2000:92) <i>nanggayan guny-bi-yarluga?</i> who 2DU>3SG-FUT-poke 'Who do you two want to spear?'

8. Non-overt elements	put in square brackets [].	(9) Latin <i>puer</i> boy[NOM.SG] 'boy'	
9. Inherent categories	e.g. gender, put in the round parenthesis ().	cf. (1) <i>na nov-oj mashin-e</i> SUPE new-F.LOC car-LOC(F) 'with a new car'	
10. Bipartite elements and Circumfixes	If a grammatical or lexical element consists of two parts which are treated as distinct morphological entities, the respective gloss may be repeated .	(10) Lakota <i>na-wičha-wa-xʔu</i> hear-3PL.UND-1SG.ACT-hear 'I hear them' (UND = undergoer, ACT = actor)	(11) German <i>ge-seh-en</i> PTCP-see-PTCP 'seen'
11. Infixes	are enclosed by angle brackets, and so is the object-language counterpart in the gloss	(12) Tagalog <i>b<um>ili</i> (stem: <i>bili</i>) <ACTFOC>buy 'buy'	(13) Latin <i>reli<n>qu-ere</i> (stem: <i>reliqu-</i>) leave<PRS>-INF 'to leave'
12. Reduplication	separate with a tilde “~”	(14) Hebrew <i>yerak~rak-im</i> green~ATT-M.PL 'greenish ones' (ATT = attenuative)	(15) Tagalog <i>bi~bili</i> IPFV~buy 'is buying'

Section 4. List of Standard Abbreviations

1	first person	INDF	indefinite
2	second person	INF	infinitive
3	third person	INS	instrumental
A	subject (agent-like argument) of canonical transitive verb	INTR	intransitive
ABL	ablative	IPFV	imperfective
ABS	absolutive	IRR	irrealis
ACC	accusative	LOC	locative
ADJ	adjective	M	masculine
ADV	adverb(ial)	N	neuter
AGR	agreement	N-	non-(e.g. NSG – nonsingular, NPST – nonpast)
ALL	allative	NEG	negation, negative
ANTIP	antipassive	NMLZ	nominalizer/nominalization
APPL	applicative	NOM	nominative
ART	article	OBJ	object
AUX	auxiliary	OBL	oblique
BEN	benefactive	P	object (patient-like argument) of canonical transitive verb
CAUS	causative	PASS	passive
CLF	classifier	PFV	perfective
COM	comitative	PL	plural
COMP	complementizer	POSS	possessive
COMPL	completive	PRED	predicative
COND	conditional	PRF	perfect
COP	copula	PRS	present
CVB	converb	PROG	progressive
DAT	dative	PROH	prohibitive
DECL	declarative	PROX	proximal/proximate
DEF	definite	PST	past
DEM	demonstrative	PTCP	participle

DET	determiner	PURP	purposive
DIST	distal	Q	question particle/marker
DISTR	distributive	QUOT	quotative
DU	dual	RECP	reciprocal
DUR	durative	REFL	reflexive
ERG	ergative	REL	relative
EXCL	exclusive	RES	resultative
F	feminine	S	single argument of canonical intransitive verb
FOC	focus	SBJ	subject
FUT	future	SBJV	subjunctive
GEN	genitive	SG	singular
IMP	imperative	TOP	topic
INCL	inclusive	TR	transitive
IND	indicative	VOC	vocative