The Word Order in Western Asia Corpus

metadata for the data set

Iranian — Balochi (Coastal)

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Overview of the data set

data set	`iran_balochi_coastal`
contributors	Maryam Nourzaei
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texts	3
tokens	1535 analyzed (1631 total)
notes	XLS/TSV contain entire source text

Metadata for individual texts

Text A

source	Nourzaei (In preparation: 1–28) (WAV ✓ PDF ✓)
location	Sedighzahi, Dashtiyari, Iran (25.5934° N, 61.1359° E)
recorded	c. 2010
text type	traditional narrative
speaker	01 — female, age 56
tokens	363 analyzed (398 total)

Text B

source	Nourzaei (2017: 435–495) (WAV ✘ PDF ✓)
location	Korsar, Dashtiyari, Iran (25.5997° N, 61.1279° E)
recorded	c. 2010
text type	traditional narrative
speaker	02 — female, age 45
tokens	551 analyzed (596 total)

Text C

source	Nourzaei (2017: 496–544) (WAV ✓ PDF ✓)
location	Korsar, Dashtiyari, Iran (25.5997° N, 61.1279° E)
recorded	c. 2010
text type	traditional narrative
speaker	03 — male, age 58
tokens	621 analyzed (637 total)

Background to the data set

The texts were recorded in situ during fieldwork by Maryam Nourzaei, much of it in the course of her PhD project (see Nourzaei 2017 for details), and later transcribed and analysed by her. All three source texts are available as fully transcribed, translated, and glossed texts: Text A is available as a pre-publication PDF (Nourzaei, In preparation), while texts B and C both stem from published work (Nourzaei 2017).

References

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