

Place Deixis in English

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ABSTRACT

The paper discusses English deictic expressions, the way they refer to various spatial dimensions, as well as different aspects and manifestations of place deixis in English. Such expressions, often accompanied by pointing or otherwise gestures, are anchored to their context of use, and their interpretation depends on both the speaker's intentions and their linguistic and extralinguistic components. These expressions are usually pronouns and place and time adverbs. The paper also discusses a deictic center and its key role in understanding the relationship between the interlocutors and the objects of their conversation. It is deictic expressions that enable us create a mental picture of a discourse and follow its logic and development.