

WORKSHEET 1

Chomsky, N. (1965): Methodological Preliminaries. Generative grammars as theories of linguistic competence. In Arnove, M. (Ed.) (2008): *The Essential Chomsky*. The Bodley Head, London. 33-38.

Answer the following questions:

Chomsky prefers Humboldtian conception of underlying competence to Saussure's concept of langue. TRUE/ FALSE

In your own words explain the difference between competence and performance:

Competence=

Performance=

In what way are the traditional grammars deficient?.....

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What does Chomsky mean by the naive view of language structure?

Generative grammar=system of rules. TRUE/FALSE

Generative grammar deals with conscious mental processes. TRUE/FALSE

Is Chomsky interested in speech production models?