BOOK REVIEW

LISTENING DICTATION (Understanding English Sentence Structure)

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LISTENING DICTATION is the latest addition to the ESL textbook series from the English Language Institute of the University of Michigan. This textbook is coordinated with the basic text of the Michigan ESL series, English Sentence Structure (by Robert Krohn), but may be used independently.

Its thirty-two lessons may be used with accompanying tapes (purchased separately), or the dictation sections may be read by a classroom teacher.

Lessons are organized in two sections, one stressing the parts of the sentence under study and the other stressing the meaning and grammatical relationships of the whole sentence.

Students develop skill in attentively listening to the intricate grammatical details of spoken English sentences. Such regular phenomena as contractions, vowel reduction, consonant assimilations etc. are treated in an efficient and pleasant presentation, not found in other books of this type.

ESL students at the intermediate and advanced levels should profit from the use of this well organized textbook. The book provides a much needed reinforcement to the grammar patterns studied in ESL speaking and grammar classes. I highly recommend it, and have ordered it for use in our English Language Institute.

By William Gallagher