

### Biangai Expository Discourse

Expository Discourse is a multi-tagmeme construction which has 3 obligatory tagmemes: Point, Conclusion, and Finis. All other tagmemes are optional, but 2 of the 5 Discourses analyzed manifested all tagmemes.

± Aperture	± Introduction	+ Point <sup>n</sup>	± Explanation
Exposition P.	Description P.	<del>Exp</del> <del>Narrative</del> Co-ordinate S.	Simple S.
Contrast P.	Exposition P.	Time Margin S.	Expository D.
Parallel P.	Narrative P.	Simple S.	
		Result P.	
		Narrative P.	
		Reason P.	
		Hortatory P.	
		Parallel P.	
		Exposition P.	

± Aperture	± Introduction	+ Point <sup>n</sup>	± Explanation
		Contrast P.	
		Explanation P.	
		Narrative D.	

± Application	+ Conclusion	+ Finis
Evaluation P.	Purpose S.	Formula
Hortatory P.	Identical Predicate P.	
	Amplification P.	

Aspect: is determined by the Paragraph expounding the tagmemes, any aspect permitted.

Linkage: Logical conjunctions

n=1-5

The Aperture tagmeme appears in 3 discourses. It is introducing the person involved in the Discourse and is manifested by an Exposition *Paragraph*, a Contrast *Paragraph*, or a Parallel *Paragraph*, ~~Personal Testimony Aperture.~~

The Introduction tagmeme is manifested in 3 texts by a Narrative *Paragraph*, a Descriptive *Paragraph*, and an Exposition *Paragraph*. The Introduction serves to introduce the topic under discussion.

Two texts began with the Point tagmeme which is manifested by various paragraph and sentence types.

The Explanation tagmeme appears in two texts and can follow any Point tagmeme. Explanation serves to explain background material. It is manifested twice by an Expository Discourse and once by a Simple Sentence, recognized by its content.

The Application tagmeme, appearing in two texts, is manifested by an Evaluation Paragraph and a Hortatory Paragraph. The Application serves as a personal application to the hearer.

The Conclusion Tag tagmeme appears in all the present data collected. The Conclusion serves to give the purpose of telling the text. This is done by means of an Identical Predicate Paragraph, Amplification Paragraph, or a Purpose Sentence or a Simple Sentence.

The Finis tagmeme is obligatory and is formulaic.

wameik  
true

'It is true.'

The Introduction, Application, and Conclusion tagmemes are recognized by the paragraph introducer togo 'and so' or, as in the case of 2, the previous paragraph is obviously finished and a description to fill the Introduction tagmeme

begins or the ending 'I tell this...' begins to Conclude the Exposition. A Point tagmeme is usually recognized by a new topic or togo 'and so'.

Persons seemingly play an important part in Expository Discourse. Two texts are descriptions of people and teaching drawn from their actions. One concerns the boy 'Selep' who stole. The other concerns a missionary 'Natang' who had preached to the Watut people. A third text is a personal testimony. The fourth and fifth texts are more general and first and third plural are used. Narrative Paragraphs are used to fill the Point tagmeme, yet these texts are not Narrative Discourse.

An Expository Discourse is distinguished from a Narrative in that in an Expository Discourse, time is not in focus,

all aspects are permitted, numerous logical conjunctions are used, and essentially it is a teaching or explaining device. Various types of paragraphs are used to encode teaching, explanation, or application; whereas, a Narrative is time oriented, must be in chronological order; the Episode tagmeme initiator is togo 'and so'; paragraphs are held together by ~~xxxxxx~~ recapitulation; <sup>g</sup>Aspect is completed; Conjunctions are logo 'and then' and pulaga 'and after that'; Narrative is given as a succession of events without application, teaching, or explaining. Background information is given by use of <sup>n</sup>Nominalization. Both Discourses use a Finis. Expository uses wameik 'It is true"; whereas, Narrative repeats the title - 'this is what happened when...'

Tagmemes	Text 1	Text 2	Text 3
Aperture	Exposition P.		Contrast P.
Introduction	Narrative P.		Descriptive P.
Point 1	Time Margin S.	Reason P.	Result P.
Point 2	Narrative P.	Narrative P.	
Explanation	Simple S.		
Point 3	Narrative P.	Co-ordinate S.	
Explanation			
Point 4			

Tagmemes

Text 1

Text 2

Text 3

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Explanation

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Point 5

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Application

Evaluation P.

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Conclusion

Identical

Purpose S.

Identical

Predicate P.

Predicate P.

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Finis

wameik

wameik

wameik

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Tagmemes

Text 4

Text 5

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Aperture

Parallel P.

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Introduction

Expository P.

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Point 1

Hortatory P.

Expository P.

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Point 2

~~Parallel P.~~  
Parallel P.

Narrative P.

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Explanation

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Point 3

Contrast P.

Contrast P.

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Explanation

Expository D.

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Point 4

Explanation P.

Narrative D.

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Tagmemes	Text 4	Text 5
Explanation		Expository D.
Point 5	Contrast P.	
Application	<del>XXXXXXXXXX</del>	Hortatory P.
Conclusion	Purpose S.	Amplification P.
Finis	<u>wameik</u>	<u>wameik</u>