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Discourse analysis considers how language, both spoken and written, enacts social and cultural perspectives and identities. In this book, James Paul Gee introduces the field and presents his unique integrated approach to it.

Assuming no prior knowledge of linguistics, the author presents both a theory of language-in-use and a method of research. Clearly structured and written in a highly accessible style, *An Introduction to Discourse Analysis* incorporates perspectives from a variety of approaches and disciplines, including applied linguistics, education, psychology, anthropology, and communication, to help students and scholars from a range of backgrounds to formulate their own views on discourse and engage in their own discourse analysis.

The second edition has been completely revised and updated and contains substantial new material and examples of oral and written language, ranging from group discussions with children, adults, students, and teachers to conversations, interviews, academic texts, and policy documents.

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