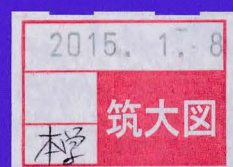


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PREFACE

We are very pleased to present the 31st volume of *Tsukuba English Studies*, a series of working papers which carries contributions by current and former graduate students of the University of Tsukuba. All contributors are members of the Tsukuba English Linguistic Society (TELS).

This volume contains papers on a variety of subjects in syntax, semantics, and pragmatics, reflecting the catholicity of our interests in linguistics. It also includes the summaries of the papers presented at the 32nd annual meeting of the TELS, held at the University of Tsukuba in the autumn of 2011, and indexes of Volumes 1-30 of *Tsukuba English Studies* as an appendix. We hope that the works in this volume will prompt and stimulate fruitful discussion and contribute to further research in current linguistic theory.

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