

Week 10

- CP and V2
- A'-movement and six islands
- PS6 (your last!) is possible now, due next week

Next:

- How things move long-distance (across clauses)

One note on PS4:

(1) **Grammaticality/convergence:**

A structure is grammatical (a derivation *converges*) if it can be built from items in the *lexicon*, using the operations available (Merge,...), and has no unchecked features.

***Wh*-questions in Japanese**

Japanese is a *wh*-in-situ language: *wh*-phrases do not need to move in *wh*-questions, unlike in English or German.

- (2) Kare-wa *nani*-o katta no?
he-TOP what-ACC bought Q
'What did he buy ___?'

- (3) Taroo-wa [Hanako-ga *nani*-o katta to] omotta no?
Taro-TOP Hanako-NOM what-ACC bought that thought Q
'What did Taro think that Hanako bought ___?'

Part 1: What is interesting about the grammaticality of (4–5)? What does this teach us?

- (4) Kimi-wa [Hanako-ga *dare-ni* ageta hon]-o yonda no?
you-TOP Hanako-NOM who-DAT gave book-ACC read Q
'Who did you read [the book that Hanako gave to ___]?'
- (5) John-wa [uchi-de *dono hon-o* yonde kara] dekaketa no?
John-TOP home-at which book-ACC read after went.out Q
'Which book did John go out [after he read ___ at home]?'

Part 2: Now consider *wh-the-hell* questions, which reflect the speaker's impatience or annoyedness. The part of *the hell* is played by *ittai* in Japanese.

- (6) Kare-wa *ittai nani-o* katta no?
he-TOP ITTAI what-ACC bought Q
'What the hell did he buy ___?'
- (7) Taro-wa [Hanako-ga kimi-ni *ittai nani-o* okutta to] omotta no?
Taro-TOP Hanako-NOM you-DAT ITTAI what-ACC sent that thought Q
'What the hell did Taro think that Hanako sent ___ to you?'

Compare (8–9) with (4–5) above. What do we learn?

- (8) *Kimi-wa [Hanako-ga *ittai dare-ni* ageta hon]-o yonda no?
you-TOP Hanako-NOM ITTAI who-DAT gave book-ACC read Q
Intended: 'Who the hell did you read [the book that Hanako gave to ___]?'
- (9) *John-wa [uchi-de *ittai nani-o* yonde kara] dekaketa no?
John-TOP home-at ITTAI what-ACC read after went.out Q
'What the hell did John go out [after he read ___ at home]?'