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1. Introduction. Your article needs to have the formatting, layout, and style features displayed in this document. This is a \LaTeX template based on the [LSA Proceedings style sheet](#). Please see the style sheet itself for full details.

Section title formatting is bold, numbered, followed by a period, and wholly contained within the first paragraph of the section that it names. These and all titles use sentence case, which is to say that only the initial ordinary word or any ordinary word after a colon has the first letter in uppercase. Naturally, words that ordinarily have the first letter in uppercase, such as proper names, should have them that way in sentence case as well.

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1.2. SUBSECTION. All subsection formatting is the same as section except “it has the number in regular font and the section title in small caps” ([LSA Proceedings style sheet](#)). Note that there is a period after each number.

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2. How to include language examples. The examples in this document use the `expex` package and have been adjusted to the LSA format requirements.¹ Details on glosses and IPA can be found in the template for *Phonological Data and Analysis* journal.

Example (1) shows how to include a single numbered language example with interlinear glossing together with a line identifying the language and its source. Use the [Leipzig glossing rules](#).

- (1) Lezgian (from Haspelmath 1993:207)
 Gila abur-u-n ferma hamišaluğ güğüna amuq-da-č.
 Gila they-OBL-GEN farm forever behind stay-FUT-NEG
 Now their farm will not stay behind forever.

Example (2) shows how to include multiple letter-labeled examples under a single number label.

- (2) a. ñuka-ka Maria papa-ta yanu-chi-shka ka-rka-ni.
 1SG-TOP Maria potato-ACC cook-CAUS-PASS be-PST-1SG.SBJ
 I was made to cook potatoes by Maria.
 b. *ñuka-ka mishqui-ka miku-naya-shka ka-rka-nil.
 1SG-TOP candy-TOP eat-DESID-PASS be-PST-1SG.SBJ
 I wanted to eat candy.

There should be no extra space between any contiguous examples. But each whole set of such should have a 6-point space above and below. The first line may be set in italics, if you prefer.

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Drawings of sentence structures and the like can either be placed next to a number or included as a figure, if preferred. Table formatting should be as in Table 1:

	Heading 1	Heading 2
X	Some data	Some data
Y	Some data	Some data

Table 1. Table showing some data about something

The spacing before and after this table is controlled by the `\setlength\intextsep{6pt}` command in the preamble. The space between the table and the caption is also set in the preamble, by `\setlength\abovecaptionskip{6pt}`.

¹ This is a numbered footnote that is meant to show how it differs from the thanks footnote and to be just long enough to show that it is ragged right and not indented.

3.1. TABLEAUX. An example of a tableau – with use of `tipa`, incorporation of other symbols (namely, \blacktriangleright – `\PointingHand`), varying alignment (left in the first column, right in the last), dashed lines, and coloring – is below.

(3) /mú-betè/ → [míbetè] ‘mouth’

	mú-betè	FAITH(α bk)	(*A-SPAN)(α bk)	FGDSP(α bk)
a.	(mú)(betè)		*!	*
b.	(mú)(batà)	!*	*	**
c.	(mú)(batà)	*!*		**
d. \blacktriangleright	(mí)(betè)			*

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- `\cite{anderbois_semantics_2014}` which yields AnderBois (2014)
- `\cite{Goldsmith+2010+19+52}` which yields Goldsmith (2010)
- `\citep{claus_puzzling_2017}` which yields (Claus et al. 2017)
- `\citep{chomsky_knowledge_1986, claus_puzzling_2017}` which yields (Chomsky 1986; Claus et al. 2017)
- `\citep{chomsky_knowledge_1986, chomsky_language_1987}` which yields (Chomsky 1986, 1987)
- `\citep[cf.][]{nee_engaging_2021}` which yields (cf. Nee & Ramirez 2021)
- `\citep[e.g.,][50–95]{fodor_reanalysis_1998}` which yields (e.g., Fodor & Ferreira 1998:50-95)
- `\citealt{silk_modality_2012}` which yields Silk 2012
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- There are very few cases where the “note” field is used, two examples are Ozernyi (2022a) and Ozernyi (2022b).
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The *Semantics and Pragmatics* stylesheet [sp.bst](#) meets the LSA formatting requirements for the list of references, and so may be used. See info.semprag.org. This .bst file is used in conjunction with this .tex file to compile bibliography.

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