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Language production is an area of psycholinguistics that studies how speakers turn messages into utterances. Theories of language production propose concrete mechanisms that associate prelinguistic messages with lexical entries and grammatical functions, and in turn associate grammatical functions and lexical entries with sentence trees and actual words. Words in complete sentences are also processed by a phonological component that encodes phonological representations similar to the ones found in generative phonology, and then the result of this encoding is converted to