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Lectures on Language Performance

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Springer Apr 2012, 2012. Taschenbuch. Book Condition: Neu. 235x155x15 mm. Neuware - Titling this book Lectures on Language Performance was not done to be cleverly 'eye-catching'-the title is quite literally appropriate. With minor adaptations for a general reading audience, the eight chapters in this volume are the actual lectures I gave as the Linguistic Society of America Professor for its Summer Institute held at the University of Illinois in 1978. The eight lectures are an 'anticipation' of my magnum opus-I guess when one has passed into his sixties he can be forgiven for saying this! a much larger volume (or volumes) to be titled Toward an Abstract Performance Grammar. The book in your hands is an anticipation of this work in at least three senses: for one thing, it doesn't pretend to cover the burgeoning literature relevant to the comparatively new field of psycholinguistics (my study at home is literally overflowing with reference materials, all coded for various sections of the planned volume(s); for another, both the style and the content of these Lectures were tailored to a very broad social science audience -including students and teachers in anthropology, linguistics, philosophy and psychology (as well as in various applied...


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