



Using language data to learn language: Corpora and data-driven learning

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This lecture provides an introduction to the use of language corpora for pedagogy, also known as Data-driven learning (DDL). The lecture highlights the purported benefits of DDL, including constructivist, usage-based learning and social learning through mediation with teachers and peers. I also provide examples of how corpora can be integrated into language teaching, including the concepts of pattern hunting/refining and the 4is (illustration, interaction, induction, intervention). We look at sample DDL lesson plans produced by language teachers in Brazil, present an overview of a recent study using DDL in an Australian secondary school, before introducing a new tool specifically designed for DDL with pre-tertiary language learners (<https://corpusmate.com>). We hope you come away from the lecture willing to give corpora and DDL a try within your current suite of CALL tools.