

## DESKY KERNOWEK SUPPORT GROUP

### NAVIGATING CORNISH SENTENCE STRUCTURE

- A SENTENCES CLASSIFIED BY VERB TYPE
  - 1 Copula 'to be' sentences
    - a Stative
    - b Eventive
  - 2 Local 'to be' sentences
    - a Truly local
    - b With 'present participle'
  - 3 Auxiliary verb sentences
    - a Typical Insular Celtic ('verbal sentences')
    - b Cross-Tamar influence ('nominal sentences')
  - 4 Inflected verb sentences
    - a Typical Insular Celtic ('verbal sentences')
    - b Cross-Tamar influence ('nominal sentences')
- B ORDERING OF DOUBLE PREDICATES
- C ORDERING OF THE SENTENCE CODA
- D APPPOSITION
- E SUB-CLAUSES
  - 1 Nominal clauses
    - a Infinitive construction
    - b Subsumed verbal sentence
  - 2 Adjectival clauses
    - a Direct relative clauses
    - b Oblique relative clauses
  - 3 Adverbial clauses
    - a Temporal
    - b Causal
    - c Concessive
    - d Final (purpose)
    - e Consecutive (result)
    - f Unmarked (accompanying circumstances)
    - g In lieu of nominal clause
- F CONDITIONAL SENTENCES
  - 1 Real
  - 2 Unreal (irrealis)
- G THE FRONTING SLOT
  - 1 Fronting the subject
  - 2 Fronting the complement
  - 3 Fronting the object
  - 4 Fronting an adverbial
  - 5 Fronting a sub-clause
  - 6 Fronting a condition