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We are pleased to present this collection of papers on linguistic and language related topics in *Zambezia*. Paper topics cover the linguistic structure of Shona, Shona socio-linguistics and applied English linguistics. The original idea for this collection first arose from the Tuesday Seminar series in the Department of Linguistics. Presenters in this series have come not only from the Department of Linguistics, but also represent a variety of other departments both within and outside of the Faculty of Arts. The range of research topics made us realise the diversity of linguistic and language expertise to be found at the University of Zimbabwe. Our desire in this collection is to showcase this diversity, while emphasising its common foundation — the study of human language. As such, this collection provides theoretical and applied perspectives on language at a time when such issues are of prime concern in Zimbabwe.

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