

Greetings from the editors of the first *SKY JoL*

In 1988, the Linguistic Association of Finland started publishing its annual yearbook. In 1999, after eleven issues under the name of *Yearbook*, the publication appeared under a new title, *SKY Journal of Linguistics*. To mark the continuity of the publication, the journal's numbering started where the yearbook had left off, from number 12.

The real differences between the final *SKY Yearbook* and the first *SKY Journal of Linguistics* were minor. The title was new, the cover design was new, and the journal now featured a book review section; but still, just like the last yearbooks, it used anonymous peer review, it appeared annually, and it was open for contributions from all schools and fields of linguistics. The title change was thus part of an ongoing effort to bring the profile of the journal up to date.

Those three statements are still true of the *SKY Journal* a decade later. This does not mean that the journal has stagnated; times have changed, and the journal has changed with them, in ways that the editors of the 1999 volume could not have dreamed of. Contrary to popular belief, we did not dress in pelts, live in caves or hunt for a living with wooden clubs back in those days; we even had the Internet, but search engines were still in their infancy and nobody seriously expected everything to be available online. Now, thanks to the journal being at the forefront of open-access publishing, the potential readership of *SKY Journal of Linguistics* has grown dramatically: instead of being limited by the number of copies printed, it is now limited only by the number of linguists with an Internet connection. Furthermore, if the contact addresses given by authors are any indication, the pool of potential contributors seems to have expanded significantly as well.

Congratulations to the 10-year-old and best wishes for the decades to come!

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