## Appendix A: Experimental stimuli

Some target word forms in Exp. 1 and Exp. 2 cover more than one use, so we manually corrected the frequency measures to only include the relevant instances. For instance, the word ens has a frequency of 5123 in KorpusDK (DSL, 2007). In our study, ens carried a pronominal meaning ('one's'), but ens can also mean 'alike' as in de er ens 'they are alike'. To only include relevant pronominal uses in our frequency measure, we extracted 500 random occurrences of ens from KorpusDK, counted the number of tokens that were relevant to our study (i.e. omitting the *alike* uses) and were left with 339 relevant pronominal tokens. The fraction of relevant tokens was then multiplied by the total number of ens in the KorpusDK frequency count (5123). Similarly, the target word dit was used as a prenominal pronoun in our study meaning 'your', but the total count of dit in KorpusDK also includes irrelevant non-prenominal uses, such as valget er dit ('the choice is yours') and dit og dat ('this and that'). Using the same procedure as for ens, we therefore manually corrected the frequency measures to only include only relevant uses. For frequency calculations of ens, denne, dette, dit, mange, meget, nogle and noget, only prenominal uses were considered relevant. For det, den, en, et, only grammatical uses were considered relevant, and for the verbs *haft*, *blevet*, *været* and *fået* we did separate calculations for auxiliaries and full verbs.

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Table A.1: List of matched item pairs used in Exp. 1 (letter detection task)

Target letter	Grammatical	Lexical	Context	Frequency (relevant use)
n	en indefinite article singular	ens 3 <sup>rd</sup> person singular	men (lige netop) en/ens handske	968292/3487
	common gender	possessive pronoun	but (exactly) a/one's glove	
n	en indefinite article singular common	Sten male proper name	en mand/Sten,	968292/697
			a man/Sten	
	gender		(Focus manipulation: cleft)	
t	et indefinite	Ediths female proper	(kun) et/Ediths skrantede helbred	335146/16
	article singular neuter gender	name	(only) a/Edith's ailing health	
n	den definite article singular common gender	denne demonstrative adjective common gender	den/denne saftiggrønne, nyklippede plæne	510375/6468 2
			the/this juicy-green freshly mown grass	
			(Focus manipulation: cleft)	
n	den definite article singular common gender	denne demonstrative adjective common gender	(netop) den/denne nærmest underudviklede højrearm	510375/6468 2
	pondoi	Solidoi	(exactly) the/this almost underdeveloped right arm	
n	den	denne	(især) al den/denne	510375/6468

	definite article singular	demonstrative adjective	gamle snak	2
	common gender	common gender	(espeically) all the/this old talk	
t	det definite article singular neuter	dette demonstrative adjective	(netop) det/dette legemlige besvær	315315/3458 0
	gender	neuter gender	(exactly) the/this bodily discomfort	
t	det definite article singular neuter	dit 2 <sup>nd</sup> person singular	(lige præcis) det/dit blomstrede krus	315315/6537
	gender	possessive pronoun neuter gender	(exactly) the/your floral mug	
t	noget indefinite adjective singular neuter gender	meget 'much' neuter gender	noget/meget skammeligt stads some/much gross stuff	75004/11320 4
			(Focus manipulation: cleft)	
n	nogle indefinite adjective plural	mange 'many'	nogle/mange timer some/many hours	59771/96469
	adjective prazar		(Focus manipulation: cleft)	
n	nogle indefinite adjective plural	mange 'many'	nogle/mange spøjse ting some/many weird things	59771/96469
			(Focus manipulation: cleft)	
t	haft 'had' as auxiliary	haft 'had' as full verb	Jeg har engang (netop) haft plantet/haft en hasselbusk som den.	365/16067

			I have once (exactly) had planted/had a hazel bush like that.	
t	blevet 'been'/'becom e' as auxiliary	blevet 'been'/'stayed' as full verb	Det er (udelukkende) blevet omtalt/blevet mellem vejens kvinder.	22316/16329
			Is has (solely) been discussed/stayed among the women in the street.	
t	blevet 'been'/'becom e' as auxiliary	blevet 'been'/'stayed' as full verb	Anne er (bare) blevet boende/blevet hos sin mor.	22316/16329
			Anne has (just) been living/been with her mum.	
t	været 'been' as auxiliary	været 'been' as full verb	Den har vist (kun) været parkeret/været i deres indkørsel	12127/67499
			It seems it has (only) been parked/been in their driveway	
t	<i>fået</i> 'got' as auxiliary	<i>fået</i> 'got' as full verb	Jeg har (kun) fået købt/fået et par nye krus. I have (only) got bought/got a pair of new mugs.	4238/21192

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**Table A.2. List of matched item pairs used in Exp 2. (text-change study).** To avoid learning effects, each participant saw each item pair with four different kinds of context (cf. Christensen 2015a for a detailed description of the stimuli). Only the context used in version A is shown here, but there was also a version B, C and D which featured the same target word and the same focus particle, but with different words in the context surrounding the target word (cf. the materials section for Exp. 2). These versions were distributed between participants. For instance, one group of participants would read item 1 in version A with *også en* ('also a'), the second group of participants would read item 1 in version A with *også ens* ('also one's), the third group would read version A with *en* ('a' without a focus particle) and the forth group of participants would read version A with *ens* ('one's' without a focus particle).

Target	Lexical	Version A	Frequency (relevant use)
en indefinite article, singular, common gender	ens one's	Hvis man som studerende afleverer skriftlige opgaver, skal (også) en/ens censor inddrages i bedømmelsen.	968292/3487
		If as a student you submit written assignments, (also) an/one's external examiner must be involved in the assessment.	
et (a/an) indefinite article, singular, neuter gender	Eas Ea's	Peter har brugt frøken Jensens kogebog og (også) et/Eas spækbræt under tilberedningen af spaghetti med kødsovs.	335146/2
		Peter has used miss Jensens' cookbook and (also) a/Ea's chopping board during the preparation of spaghetti & meatballs.	

nogle Some	mange many	Drengene fra byen gav landmandens høns (netop) nogle/mange grønne æbler på deres årlige æblerov.	59771/96469
		The town boys gave the farmer's hens (just) some/many green apples while scrumping.	
noget some	meget much	Der er blevet konfiskeret (især) noget/meget udeklareret vin på gårsdagens razzia som skattevæsnet har foretaget.  (Epecially) some/much wine was confiscated during yesterday's raid undertaken by	75004/113204
det definite article, singular, neuter gender	dette demonstrative pronoun, singular, neuter gender	Enkelte af hans bekendte var vidner til (netop) det/dette blændende vid hos komponisten i hans store jugendinspirerede hjem.  Some of his acquaintances witnessed (exactly) the/that brilliant wit of the composer in his Art Nouveau- inspired home.	315315/34580
den definite article,	din possessive	Men (lige præcis) den/din lille mor på	510375/15906

singular, common gender	pronoun, singular, common gender	plejehjemmet har du glemt at invitere og så på juleaften, råbte Petras far rasende.	
		But you have forgotten to invite (exactly) the/your little mother at the nursery home even though it is Christimas eve, Petra's dad yelled furiously.	
de definite article, plural	disse demonstrative pronoun, plural	Når deres kristne elever ytrer (præcis) de/disse radikale ideer, slår flere skolelærere alarm for at undgå ballade.	552474/34836
		When their Christian students utter (precisely) the/these radical ideas, the teachers sound the alarm to avoid trouble.	
fået got (past participle auxiliary verb)	fået got (past participle full verb)	Fordi hun (ikke) har fået (købt) en, er pigen der er med sin far i Tivoli meget interesseret i sælgerens fine balloner.	4238/21192
		Because she has (not) accomplished buying/received one, the girl who is with her dad in Tivoli, is very much interested in the salesman's fine	

		ballons.	
haft had (past participle auxiliary verb)	haft had (past participle full verb)	Bogen om hjernens anatomi har professoren (ikke) haft (læst), men han synes også der er mange andre bøger der er lige så interessante.	365/16067
		The professor has (not) accomplished reading/owned the book about brain anatomy, but he also thinks many other books are just as interesting.	
blevet auxiliary in passive construction	blevet stayed (past participle)	Ifølge Ib der bor ved havnen, burde lystjollerne fra kapsejladsen (ikke) være blevet (søsat) der, og fiskerne burde kunne fiske i den.	22316/16329
		According to Ib, who lives by the harbor, the dinghies from the sailing race should (not) have been (launched) there, and the fishers should be allowed to fish there.	