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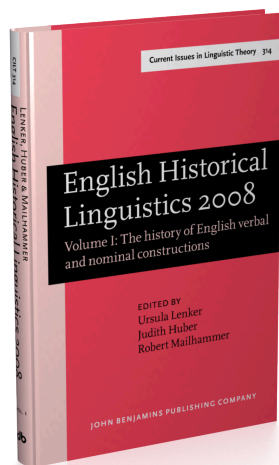
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The fourteen contributions to this volume, which were selected from papers delivered at the 15th International Conference on the History of the English Language (ICEHL) held at the University of Munich (24–30 August 2008), focus on the genesis and variation of nominal and verbal constructions in the history of English. At ICEHL 15, about 170 papers were given, of which fifty were handed in for consideration in the proceedings. The editorial board agreed on compiling three volumes, which were to be organized thematically. For the present volume, the editorial team from the Catholic University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt picked those papers which were related enough to form a fairly coherent volume dealing with syntactic and morpho-syntactic topics and ultimately, after a thorough inspection by the editors and reviewers, the fourteen papers here united were chosen for the present publication. The editing was completed in time for the subsequent ICEHL conference in Pécs, Hungary, in August 2010. In addition to this book, an editorial team based at the University of Munich (editor-in-chief: Hans Sauer) will compile at least one more volume, to be published with John Benjamins, comprising selections from the remaining papers carrying a different thematic focus.

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