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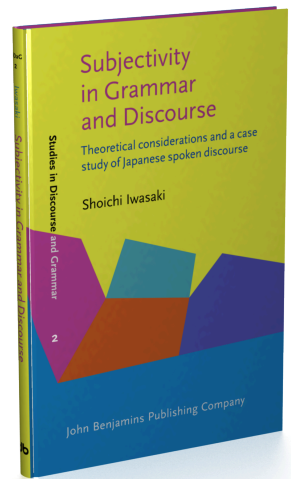
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PREFACE

This book evolved out of my 1988 UCLA dissertation. The main ideas about subjectivity and the speaker's epistemological perspective have not changed, but much has been revised in order to make the discussion clearer. I have also been able to carry out additional research, the results of which are included in the present book.

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