Editorial

Since this is the last issue which I shall edit for the Journal, I would like to express my thanks to authors, reviewers and members of the Editorial Board, to Patrick McCartan and Gwenda Edwards at CUP and to Clive Jenkins, the copyeditor, for their efforts over the past nine years. Very special thanks go to the team of Associate Editors, past and present, the book reviews editor, the statistics consultant and Jo Lewis, the editorial assistant, who has worked with me for almost the entire period of my editorship. Their commitment to the Journal and our discipline and their hard work has made the job not only possible but also enjoyable.

During my time as Editor, I have tried to maintain and strengthen the theoretical breadth, methodological diversity and crosslinguistic range of the Journal as well as to increase the level of commentary and discussion. It has been a challenging but thoroughly satisfying role and I have been proud to be entrusted with it.

Edith Bavin and Philip Dale will be taking over as Joint Editors from January 1st 2006 and Miles Lambert has already taken over as Editorial Assistant. I am sure they will do a great job and wish them all the very best.

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