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The focus is on the various approaches to syntactic theory. The following modern grammars are critically examined: Bloomfieldian/taxonomic grammar, tagmemic grammar (K.L.Pike); systemic/functional grammar; transformational generative grammar (Chomsky's several models); and stratificational, sector analysis and case grammars. The usefulness of each theory and its application to English are discussed.