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# THE STUDENT'S GUIDE

TO

## ENGLISH GRAMMAR.

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Grammar (from the Greek word *gramma*, a letter or law,) means the science or *law* of language.

English Grammar teaches the correct manner of speaking and writing the English language.

Language (from the Latin word *lingua*, a tongue,) means speech, or *tongue*, or the expression of our ideas by words.\*

In order that Grammar may be more easily and methodically studied, it is divided into four parts or sections, called ORTHOGRAPHY, ETYMOLOGY, SYNTAX, AND PROSODY.

ORTHOGRAPHY (from the Greek words *orthos*, just or right, and *graphè*, writing,) points out the *right* mode of joining letters into syllables and words.

ETYMOLOGY (from the Greek words *étumos*, true, and *logos*, a word,) treats of the *true* origin of words, their classification, and the various changes made in them.

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\* Words will be explained under the head of Orthography.