

# Flex 3

## Overview

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FLEx (or Language Explorer, as it is really called) is one program in a suite of programs to help language teams manage language and cultural data, called FieldWorks. Unlike previous programs for these tasks, FieldWorks has built-in knowledge about the kinds of data that linguists need to store. FLEx is designed specifically to help linguists build a dictionary and develop their understanding of the grammar, as they use it to analyse and interlinearize texts.

Some key points:

- FieldWorks is a suite like Microsoft Office. FLEx is to FieldWorks what Word is to MS Office.
- Each program in the suite is for a specific set of tasks a translator/linguist will tackle:
- Data Notebook - cultural observations and conclusions
- Language Explorer (FLEx) - lexicon, text analysis, concordance, grammar.
- Translation Editor - scripture editing, back translation, checking.
- *Unlike* MS Office, each of the above programs stores the data you enter in the **same** database.
- Development of FieldWorks is ongoing.

There is further information about FieldWorks at [www.sil.org/computing/fieldworks/](http://www.sil.org/computing/fieldworks/)<sup>[1]</sup>.

A zip file of the data for the course<sup>[2]</sup>

Session One<sup>[3]</sup>

Session Two<sup>[4]</sup>

Session Three<sup>[5]</sup>

Session Four<sup>[6]</sup>

Session Five<sup>[7]</sup>

Session Six<sup>[8]</sup>

Session Seven<sup>[9]</sup>

Session Eight<sup>[10]</sup>

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<sup>[1]</sup> <http://www.sil.org/computing/fieldworks/>

<sup>[2]</sup> [http://wiki.lingtransoft.info/lib/exe/fetch.php?media=courses:afa\\_flexdata.zip](http://wiki.lingtransoft.info/lib/exe/fetch.php?media=courses:afa_flexdata.zip)

<sup>[3]</sup> <https://lingtran.net/tiki-index.php?page=Flex+3+Session+One>

<sup>[4]</sup> <https://lingtran.net/tiki-index.php?page=Flex+3+Session+Two>

<sup>[5]</sup> <https://lingtran.net/tiki-index.php?page=Flex+3+Session+Three>

<sup>[6]</sup> <https://lingtran.net/tiki-index.php?page=Flex+3+Session+Four>

<sup>[7]</sup> <https://lingtran.net/tiki-index.php?page=Flex+3+Session+Five>

<sup>[8]</sup> <https://lingtran.net/tiki-index.php?page=Flex+3+Session+Six>

<sup>[9]</sup> <https://lingtran.net/tiki-index.php?page=Flex+3+Session+Seven>

<sup>[10]</sup> <https://lingtran.net/tiki-index.php?page=Flex+3+Session+Eight>