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A Note on Terminology

1. The abbreviation 'SLA' is used to refer to second language acquisition as a *field* of study. In contrast, 'L2 acquisition' refers to the actual acquisition of a second language.
2. There is no consistency in the use of pronouns to refer generically to 'learner', 'native speaker', 'teacher' etc. This reflects my own changing practice in the use of these pronouns over the last decade. Whereas I initially opted for masculine pronouns I have more recently preferred feminine forms. I hope that, taken as a whole, the book offers reasonable balance between masculine and feminine pronouns and that, as a result, no serious offence to any reader will arise.