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**From:** jeffrey E. <jeevacation@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 12, 2016 1:54 AM  
**To:** Noam Chomsky  
**Subject:** Re:

I will now credit you with the derivation. Do a new term. - Dubes =A0 Data usage based enthusiasts

On Thursday, August 11, 2016, Noam Chomsky <nchomsky3@gmail.com <mailto:nchomsky3@gmail.com> > wrote:

Every act is is power in some small way. But the sense relevant =o those who write about power -- Morgenthau, Russell, etc. -- is coercive =ower. Like my telling my dog right now that I can't play with he=.

How about putting an animal with a human auditory and visual=system in the same room as a human infant -- a chimp for example. An= see if it can learn speech or sign the way the infant does. Acquisi=ion of speech and sign are remarkably similar. And we know that even=with huge training efforts, which the infant doesn't need at all, resu=ts for the chimp will be zero. But interestingly, the facts as usual=have no interest to the data-processing usage-based enthusiasts.

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On Thu, Aug=11, 2016 at 8:48 PM, jeffrey E. <jeevacation@gmail.com> wrote:

Even if far it could act as a North Star . , power has many p=operties those might me some . Is the ability to care for many =A0 Power? Is the ability to find new medicines power .

How about a challenge that says put a thing in a room and see =f can learn a language .?

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Thinking abou= it. Keep realizing that I'm not Hilbert, and linguistics isn<sup>l</sup>=;t 20th century math. The exciting problems I can think of are eithe= too far from current understanding, or too theory-internal for the genera= significance to be easily perceived.

Meanwhile, ran across a=nice definition of "power," thinking about an earlier letter tha= you may have forgotten. From Hans Morgenthau: Power in the internat=onal context is "that untamed and barbaric force which finds its laws=in nothing but its own strength and its sole justifi cation in its own a=grandizement."

On Thu, Aug 11, 2016 at 8:50 AM, jeffrey E. =lt;jeevacation@gmail.com> wrote:

five questions in language. =A0 the chomsky challenge. . 50k in prizes. ?=C2 use  
the internet to reach the brightest minds ? why not?=C2

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