Assignment #11 for Honors Section

Due: April 20 at the beginning of class.

You all talk to computers in various ways. For example, using email, you issue various commands to the computer for reading, editing, and sending email. What would be the simplest way to make your email interface more like a human language? Make sure to refer to theoretical constructs (things or ideas) we have discussed in this class in your answer.

What would be a particularly difficult thing to do to make your email interface more language-like?

Requirements:

1. This can be no longer than two pages.

2. This must be typed.

3. This must be double-spaced.

4. The font size and margins must be reasonable!

5. Put your name and section number on your assignment.

Things to keep in mind:

1. Be clear, not deep!

2. Make sure to briefly describe your current interface.

3. In what regard is this not like a human language?

4. What does it mean to be more like a human language?

5. Propose a clear change.

6. Explain how your proposal relates to some idea or thing from class.

7. Make sure to explain how your proposal is a “simple” one.