Assessment 2 – Collocations

Due date – to be decided by group

1. Synonymy: emotions vs. feelings

Choose two English reference corpora on BYU and / or Sketch Engine.

Compare the collocations of the two lexemes. Do you see any indices of differences in meaning?

Your choice of corpora, your choice of what collocations to examine is important.

Very briefly and simply present your results and interpret them.

2. Representation of Women

Choose two corpora that you believe will be informative on BYU and / or Sketch Engine.

Choose 2 lexemes that you believe are good indicators for retrieving information about the representation of women in the corpora you have chosen.

Choose two contrastive lexemes that you feel might help you understand how women are represented in language.

Examine the collocations for the two lexemes for women. What do they tell you about how people talk about women.

Examine the contrastive lexemes, do they reveal potential interpretations about concept of women in the society from which you have taken the corpora?

Your choice of corpora, your choice of what collocations to examine is important.

Very briefly and simply present your results and interpret them.

The whole report should not be more than a page or so, including tables.