Components of a Speech Act

Locuationary Act   surface meaning of the statement

Illocutionary Act   intentions of the action; *illocutionary force*

Perlocutionary Act   what is actually achieved; *perlocutionary effect*

Types of Speech Acts

Direct Speech Act   the locutionary act is the same as the illocutionary act

Indirect Speech Act   the illocutionary act is implicated by the utterance

Explicit Performative   uses a performative verb to accomplish the act; always declarative; can use the *hereby* test to identify them

Implicit Performative   the more common form; can be a question or exclamation, particularly when direct, but declarative is also common