

In linguistics, a **corpus** (plural corpora) is a large and structured set of texts (now usually electronically stored and processed). A corpus may be used to help linguists to analyze a language, or for the purpose of dictionary writing or language teaching. The British National Corpus (BNC) is a 100-million-word text corpus of samples of written and spoken English from a wide range of sources. The corpus covers British English of the late twentieth century from a wide variety of **genres** with the intention that it be a **representative** sample of spoken and written British English of that time.

1. What is a corpus?

- A. A type of large dictionary
- B. A single written text
- C. A tool for language analysis

2. Why was the BNC compiled?

- A. For the purpose of language teaching.
- B. To document written and spoken English from a particular period in time.
- C. To document the history of the English language.

Hoàn thành bảng từ vựng sau:

Sort elements

corpus

genre

representative

đại diện, tiêu biểu	
tập văn, tập sao lục, văn thư	
thể loại	