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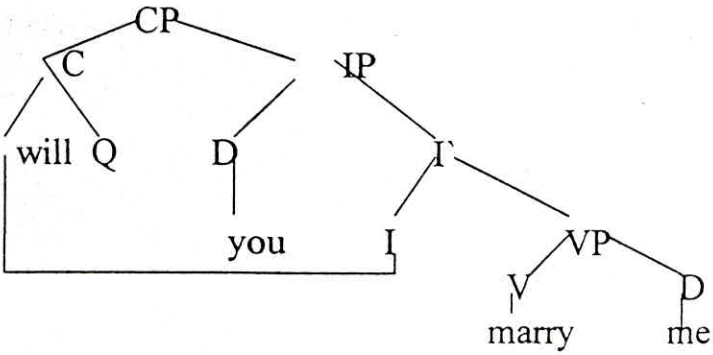

The assumption that "some categories are strong (and conversely others are weak) "(A.Radford,1997: 109) may also be used to account for the questions in English that contain no auxiliary and require "the use of the (dummy or expletive) auxiliary *do*". (A.Radford,1997: 109) If an interrogative COMP is strong in present-day English and has to be filled, then INFL is weak and does not have to be filled. Moreover, as complementizers cannot be used to fill COMP in main clauses, the only way of filling COMP in interrogative clauses "is to resort to generating the auxiliary *do* in INFL and then raising it from INFL to COMP (to satisfy the requirement for a strong COMP to be filled)". (A.Radford,1997: 110) The auxiliary *do* cannot be regarded as being entirely generated in COMP "because *do* requires a VP complement , and will only have a VP complement if it originates in INFL". (A.Radford,1997: 110)