

# **World Englishes**

## **(ENG506)**

### English as a Global Language

#### Topic-001: Introduction to the Course

The course gives an engaging overview of the development and concept of World Englishes. The course discusses the role of English as a single global language all over the world and its advantages for the world as well as the dangers for the minor languages. The course also describes various political, social and historical contexts which led to the spread of English throughout the world and eventually caused it to become a lingua franca.

The course aims to:

- understand globalization, global language and the need of a global language
- comprehend the relation between language and identity and the dominance of a global language over minor languages.
- have a conceptual understanding of English as native, second, foreign and international language and the factors affecting them.

#### Topic-001: Globalization

World Englishes is a term coined by Braj Kachru (an Indian-American linguist) initially to refer to the institutionalized varieties of English. Now the term refers to various varieties of English across the world. The pluralization of World English in the title refers to the large number of varieties that English is accrued as a result of its contact with sociolinguistic context. It means that English is no longer used by native English speakers in native English speaking countries like America, Australia, New Zealand, etc. Now English is also used by non-native English speakers in non-native English speaking countries for various professional, official and educational purposes. These countries include Pakistan, India, Sri Lanka, Hong Kong, etc. These distinct varieties are grouped together under the heading of World Englishes.

Globalization refers to a great number of things taking place in the world and their interconnectedness. It is a process of interaction and integration among people, companies, and governments of different nations. This interaction can take various forms, e.g. political cooperation among countries with the hope that this kind of co-operation will help prevent disputes or in case of a dispute will help resolve such disputes. Some examples are SAARC, European Union and NATO. Another form that this interaction can take is through sharing of ideas and information. In today's world sharing of information takes place through social media and internet. This can also take place with the help of TV programs, films and books.

Trade and exchange of resources greatly enhances this interaction. Countries like America sell their finished products and technologies to countries which lack them. Similarly, developing countries sell their natural resources to the developed countries which need them.

Globalization is not a new phenomenon. For thousands of years countries and later corporation have been selling and buying things from far off lands. Similarly, for centuries, countries have been investing in enterprises in foreign countries. It increased as result of technological development. Globalization has

also led to cultural exchange among different countries and this cultural exchange may lead to harmonization of world cultures with the result that one day all the people of the world maybe eating the same food, listening to the same music and speaking the same language.

### **Topic-002: What is a Global Language?**

A language achieves a global status when it develops a special role recognized in every country. Now the question arises what determines a special role? If the mother tongue status of a language makes it global then Spanish should be the global language as it is the mother tongue of over 20 countries around the world. If the speakers' number determines it then English is spoken by millions of people around the world.

However, it is neither the mother tongue status nor the number of speakers which determine the global status of a language. It is, in fact, identities of the speakers which determine the global status of a language.

Millions of people around the world speak English as a first language. Even a great number of speakers speak it as their second language. Today, total 1.5 billion speakers of English exist around the world. No other language can match this degree of growth and development.

A global language essentially refers to a language that is learned and spoken internationally, and is characterized not only by the number of its native and second language speakers, but also by its geographical distribution, and its use in international organizations and in diplomatic relations.

A global language is a language taken up by people in countries in which it is not the mother tongue. It can be done in two ways:

- By making it the official language of the country (second language)
- By making it a priority in foreign-language teaching e.g. Russian is popular in former Soviet Union countries

### **Topic-003: The Need for a Global Language**

There is an urgent need for global language but this need is not new. Linguistically mixed communities have been communicating with each other for thousands of years. Communication in the past was through translators and interpreters. Monarchs, kings and ambassadors met with each other in the presence of interpreters. However, this kind of communication has its own problems. It was restricted and incomplete information because intensity and mildness of feelings cannot be communicated through translation. Having a common language (lingua franca) is the solution to this problem. Lingua franca can be defined in the follow words:

A lingua franca is a language that is adopted as a common language between speakers whose native languages are different.

#### **Choice of a language as the lingua franca**

- A simplified language used by different trading communities (Pidgin)
- An indigenous language can be adopted as a lingua franca, e.g. Mandarin Chinese
- A foreign language of a powerful nation becomes lingua franca, e.g. English

The extent of the use of a lingua franca depends on these factors.

- Between a few ethnic groups in one part of a single country, e.g. Urdu can be a lingua franca in

Lahore if people from four provinces get together.

- Between the trading populations of just a few countries instead of the whole world
- Between the countries in a particular part of the world, e.g. Mandarin Chinese as a lingua franca in East Asian countries (China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, South and North Korea)

Global lingua franca is comparatively a newer idea. It emerged in the twentieth century (in particular since 1950s after World War II). There are two separate factors which are responsible for the growth in contacts among countries:

- Increased Interaction among countries at international forums. After 2nd world war, several international organizations such as United Nations Organization (UNO), World Bank, World Health Organization (WHO), The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF), were developed to bring countries closer and to resolve their disputes.
- Increased contacts among countries because of technological developments, especially advancement in communication technology and technology for transportation.
- Need for a common language at international forums

UN has a membership of 190 countries at the moment. It started with five official languages but there was a need to reduce the number of official languages in order to save the cost of translation and interpretation. However, language choice is a sensitive issue as no country would like the official status of its language to be changed or lowered at international levels. The solution is the voluntary use of a common language as a working language. English has proved to be such a language due to the increase of general competence in it or its popularity to be learnt as a foreign language.

Another need for a global language is on business and academic front. Collaboration among scientists and scholars from different countries is possible only through a lingua franca, e.g. a scientist from Sweden and a scientist from India want to work together on a research project, they will not be able to do so without using a common language. Similarly, a common language provides a lot of facilitation in international business. A businessman from Japan and a businessman from America cannot work together on a business project unless they use a common language.

#### **Topic-004: What Makes a Global Language?**

Here are few misunderstandings about the success of a language.

- Perceived aesthetic qualities
- Clarity of expression
- Literary power
- Religious influence
- Simple structure and grammar

In the following, some misunderstandings about the popularity of English have been provided.

- Ease of learning
- Few inflectional endings,
- a word changes form in the end, e.g., adopt, adopted (V), word, words (Noun)
- Gender neutral

- English makes no distinction of gender in the use of nouns, verbs and adjectives.
- Appealing properties of a language
- Familiar vocabulary because thousands of words are borrowed from various languages.
- Democratic nature of the language (English grammar does not distinguish between social classes)
- Cosmopolitan (multicultural) character because of a large number of borrowed words

A language does not become a global language because of its:

- Structural properties
- Vocabulary
- Association with great literature, culture or religion
- A strong power base
- Political power and military power
- Economic power
- Technological power
- Cultural power
- Economic Power

Now-a-days, along with politics and military power, economics is also the chief driving force behind the world events. If the military power establishes a language in a region, it is the economic power which spreads and maintains it.

### **Topic-005: Emergence of English as a Global Language**

Communication technologies expanded the scope of economic developments leading to:

- Formation of countless multinational organisations
- Rapid increase in international marketing and advertising
- Empowerment first of press and then of broadcast media

### **Economic empowerment and communication technologies**

Growth of new mass entertainment industry in the form of movies and music, e.g. availability of movies on computer screens, USB drives, discs, etc.

- Desire for progress in science and technology has resulted in the development of an international intellectual and research environment.
- Economic supremacy of English speaking countries
- Countries at the centre of this plethora of activities were USA and Great Britain.
- Economic supremacy of English speaking countries

Britain

- The world's leading industrial and trading country by the beginning of the 19th century
- Biggest colonial power
- Economic supremacy of English speaking countries

USA

- Fastest growing population in whole of the Western Europe (100 million by the end of the 19th century)
- Fastest growing and most productive economy in the world

- Power of English established by British colonial power was maintained by America, making English a truly global language.

### **Topic-006: Change in the Status of English**

The following question arises in the minds of the people about the global status of English: Is the reversal of status of English possible? The answer is yes it is possible.

#### **Possibility of change in the status of English**

- A change in the existing balance of power
- An alternative method of communication

#### **Change in the balance of power**

- Political power
- Economic influence

#### **Change in the balance of power**

A large scale change in the current balance of power may lead to a change in the status of English. A small change cannot reverse the status of English as the popularity and use of English has spread to countless nations; therefore, its ownership belongs to many nations.

#### **An alternative method of communication**

- Using machine translations
- Making it possible to communicate in the first language

#### **An alternative method of communication**

- Global spread and economic accessibility of such a method
- Doesn't pose a threat to the need of a global language

### **Dangers of a Global Language**

Having a single global language for the whole world may have its advantages; e.g. it may facilitate interaction among countries thus promoting trade and business among them. It may also open new avenues for education, research and scholarship. A single global language may also contribute to bringing countries closer by enabling them to share books, music and movies thus promoting peace and harmony in the world. But we cannot overlook the fact that a global language also has its disadvantages. It can unduly empower its native speakers as well as eliminate minor languages entirely from the face of the world.

#### **Topic-007: Dangers of a Global Language**

Due to the hegemonic presence of English, an elite monolingual class comes into existence which is overly self-satisfied due to the fact that it has access to the global language and the people belonging to this class look down upon other languages. Therefore a gap between social classes is created.

Users have an advantage over non-users of English in:

- Business
- Employment
- Academics
- Computers
- Entertainment

Unpopularity of other languages

- Lack of interest in learning other languages
- Reduced opportunities for learning other languages

#### **Topic-008: Undue Empowerment of Mother Tongue Users of Global Language**

One of the most important disadvantages of a single global language is the advantaged position of mother tongue users as compared to the non-native users. As language as an instrument of action and power, the mother tongue speakers of English get empowerment in professional fields such as

- Science and technology
- Business
- Academics

The solution to this problem is powerful bilingualism. To maintain powerful bilingualism, proper attention should be paid to language teaching/ learning of the global language in educational contexts. The global language should be introduced early in schools to improve students' skills.

Difficulty in achieving bilingualism

- Financial implications

Only those countries are able to achieve powerful bilingualism which are financially better off e.g. Germany, Sweden, etc. This type of bilingualism is not available to the citizens of the developing countries e.g. Pakistan, Bangladesh, etc.

### **Topic 9: Linguistic Complacency**

Linguistic Complacency means being satisfied with one's language and lack of motivation for learning other languages. The following factors are involved in linguistic complacency.

- Lack of money
- Lack of opportunity
- Lack of interest

A change of attitude is needed to save the minor languages from elimination.

- Breakaway from monolingual bias
- Sensitivity to business partner's language
- Respect of other cultures
- Readiness for language learning

### **Topic 10: Loss of Linguistic Diversity**

The phenomenon of language death is an occurrence throughout the history. There are 7,099 languages in the world these days out of which fifty percent are at risk.

The following natural catastrophes often cause death of a language.

- Earthquakes
- Floods
- Storms
- Famines
- Droughts

Other factors that cause language death are mentioned below.

- Cultural assimilation
- Demographic submersion
- Military superiority
- Economic reasons
- Urbanisation and Consumer culture

The following international organizations have been formed for conservation of endangered languages.

- The International Clearing House for Endangered Languages, Tokyo
- The Foundation for Endangered Languages
- The Endangered Language Fund, USA

### **Topic 11: Loss of Linguistic Diversity II**



English has affected minority languages only in the areas where it was the dominant first language, e.g. North American, Australia, etc. Therefore, it only had a limited effect on disappearance of languages from the earth.

Impact of English as global language on linguistic diversity

- Loss of linguistic diversity and spread of English
- Influences the structure of other languages
- Provides loan words

English and loss of linguistic diversity

- Correlation between English adoption and decline of minority languages
- Asymmetrical power relations
- Impact on first world countries

Other factors behind the adoption of English

- Global interdependence
- Place in the world forums
- Access to trade markets
- Functional approach to English
- Empowerment of the subjugated and marginalized people

### **Topic 12: Issues of National and Cultural Identity**

Language is a major means (some would say the chief means) of showing where we belong, and of distinguishing one social group from another, and all over the world we can see evidence of linguistic divergence rather than convergence. For decades, many people in the countries of former Yugoslavia made use of a common language, Serbo-Croatian. But since the civil wars of the early 1990s, the Serbs have referred to their language as Serbian, the Bosnians to theirs as Bosnian, and the Croats to theirs as Croatian, with each community drawing attention to the linguistic features which are distinctive. A similar situation exists in Scandinavia, where Swedish, Norwegian, and Danish are largely mutually intelligible, but are none the less considered to be different languages.

Arguments about the need for national or cultural identity are often seen as being opposed to those about the need for mutual intelligibility. But this is misleading. It is perfectly possible to develop a situation in which intelligibility and identity happily co-exist. This situation is the familiar one of bilingualism – but a bilingualism where one of the languages within a speaker is the global language, providing access to the world community, and the other is a well-resourced regional language, providing access to a local community.

## Historical, Political and Social Contexts

### Topic 13: Introducing World Englishes

World Englishes as a field of study has been recently established.

There are two distinct positions on it:

- A single standardised form of English as the model (Randolph Quirk, 1985)
- Many linguistically equal varieties of English (Baraj Kachru, 1985)

#### **Kachru's classification of English**

Kachru classified English into three concentric circles:

1. Inner Circle
2. Outer Circle
3. Expanding Circle

Traditional classifications of English

- English as a native language (ENL)
- English as a second language (ESL)
- English as a foreign language (EFL)

Phases of development of English language varieties

1. The local variety remains unrecognized
2. Local variety and inner circle variety exist side by side
3. The local variety becomes recognized as the standard

### Topic 14: Origins-I

### Topic 15: Origins-II

Origins of English

- Was spoken in the north-west corner of Europe
- Then called Teutish, or Teutsch, or Deutsch
- Brought to Britain by settlers like Jutes, Angles and Saxons in 449

Arrival of English in Britain

- An invading army or uncoordinated bands?
- Ruling minority or large group of settlers?
- Pushed the inhabitants of the island – the Britons – to the north and west (Scotland, Wales, Cornwall and Ireland)

Arrival of English in Britain

- The settlers had more power and prestige e.g. Wealh = Britons, foreigners/slaves
- Germanic became the dominant language
- These groups were closely related in language and culture.

- The word Engle ‘the Angles’ was applied to all the settlers.
- The related adjective Englisc was applied to all these people and their language.

Spread of English over Britain

- The Jutes who came from Jutland (Jutland) settled in Kent
- The Saxons settled in the south and western parts of England.

Spread of English over Britain

- Essex: the kingdom of the East Saxons
- Wessex: the kingdom of the West Saxons
- Middlesex: the kingdom of the Middle Saxons
- Sussex: The kingdom of the South Saxons

Spread of English over Britain

- The Angles settled chiefly on the east coast.
- The kingdom of East Anglia was divided into the regions of the:
  - North Folk (Norfolk)
  - South Folk (Suffolk)

### **Topic 16: Spread of English Through Migrations and Settlements: America**

Settlement history

Expeditions to America

1584

- First expedition ending in failure

1607

- (Chesapeake Bay): First permanent settlement

Expeditions to America

1640

- Successful settlement
- Number of immigrants increased (twenty-five thousand more immigrants arrived)

Dialectical diffusion

- Diverse group: different regional, social, occupational and linguistic backgrounds

Tidewater accent

- Southern settlement included settlers from England’s ‘West Country’
- Brought their characteristic accent
- z voicing of s sounds
- r strongly pronounced after vowels

Dialectical diffusion

- Northern colonists came from the east of England lacked r sound after vowels
- Later population movements preserved this dialect distinction
- Blurred dialect picture because of frequent movements

### **Topic 17: Spread of English Through Migrations and Settlements: America II**

Increase in population

Seventeenth century

- A large number of immigrants from Midlands and northern England

1720s

- New wave of immigrants from Ireland

Increase in population

Nineteenth Century

- Increase in immigration due to poverty
- Revolutions in Germany and Italy
- Jewish pogrom in Europe

Increase in Population

- Between 1790 and 1890, the population grew from four million to 50 million
- 1900: the population was just over 75 million
- 1950: this total had doubled
- 2016: 323.1 million

Increase in mother tongues users of English

- Within one or two generations immigrants began to speak English
- A massive growth in mother-tongue use of English
- Eighty percent of the 323.1 million population used English as their mother tongue

## **Topic 18: Spread of English Through Migrations and Settlements: Australia and New Zealand**

Settlement history

1770

- James Cook discovered and charted New Zealand and Australia

1788

- Australia was colonized by the British

1840

- New Zealand was colonized by the British

Settlement history of Australia

- Australia was made a penal colony.
- Housed 130, 000 prisoners between 1788 and 1808
- Other settlers also entered the country but in small numbers

Increase in Population

- Rate of immigration increased rapidly in mid nineteenth century
- Population grew from 400, 000 to 4 million in 50 years
- In 2002, it was nearly 19 million
- In 2016, 24.13 million

Influences on Australian English

- Settlers included convicts from London and Ireland
- Cockney accent of London and brogue of Ireland
- Aboriginal languages
- American English

- Immigrants

#### Settlement history of New Zealand

1790

- European settlements began

1814

- Christian missionary work

#### Settlement history of New Zealand

1840

- Treaty of Waitangi between Maori chiefs and the Crown
- Official establishment of a British colony

#### Increase in immigrant population

- 1840-1850: 20, 000 – 25, 000
- 1850 – 1900: 25, 000 – 750, 000
- Gold rush
- Increased immigration from Britain
- 2002: 3.8 million
- 2016: 4. 693 million

#### Influences on New Zealand English

- Perception of stronger ties with Britain
- A growing sense of national identity
- Concern for the rights and needs of the Maori people

## Historical, Political and Social Contexts

### **Topic 19: Spread of English: Caribbean**

Slave trade gave rise to a distinctive kind of English in West Indies and mainland America.

Black slave trade

- Cheap goods exchanged for black slaves
- Atlantic triangle of journeys between Europe, West Africa and West Indies and America

Three stages of slave trade

Stage I

1. Ships left from British ports to West Africa
2. Carried finished goods (cloth, guns, ironware, drinks)
3. West African countries: Senegal, Nigeria

Stage II

1. African dealers kidnapped villagers from hundreds of miles inland.
2. Treated them cruelly.
3. Slaves were traded for the goods brought from Europe.

Stage III

1. Slaves were transported to the Caribbean islands and American coasts.
2. Sold to the highest bidder at slave auctions
3. Worked on sugar plantations for nothing
4. Goods were bought with the money made from the sale of slaves

Emerging of a new linguistic code

1. Growth of several unique codes of communication called pidgin
2. Pidgins gave rise to Creole English
3. Intermingling of different Creoles with standard English resulted in several varieties of English

### **Topic 20: Spread of English: South East Asia**

America established its sovereignty over Philippines in 1898. Strong influence of American English in Philippines persists. It includes the largest population of the English speaking states in the region (90 million in 2016). British colonial empire in Southeast Asia was begun by Sir Thomas Stamford Raffles (British statesman). After that, several British settlements took place in Penang, Malacca and most notable Singapore (1786 - 1824). By 1867, English had been established as the medium of law and administration. English rapidly became the language of power in the British territories of South-east Asia. Many other regions in Southeast Asia also came under the British control:

- Hong Kong island (1842) Kowloon (1860)
- The New Territories, which form the largest part of the colony, were leased from China in 1898 for ninety-nine years.

Introduction of a British educational system:

- English medium schools began in Penang (now Malaysia's leading port) in 1816.
- Teaching staff routinely brought in from Britain.
- Standard British English model
- English became the language of professional advancement and the language of higher education
- Became a prestigious lingua franca among those who had received an English education

Southeast Asian Englishes: Singapore

- 1950s: a bilingual educational system with English alongside Chinese, Malay, and Tamil.
- English remained the language of government, legal system, education and the media.
- Popular among population in family settings
- Development of Singlish

Southeast Asian Englishes: Malaysia

- Bahasa Malaysia was adopted as the national language after the independence in 1957
- Role of English became restricted.
- Malay-medium education was introduced, with English as a compulsory subject

Southeast Asian Englishes: Hong Kong

- Limited use of English in government, military administration, law, business and the media
- English and Chinese have joint official status.
- Chinese predominates in most speech situations.

## **Topic 21: Spread of English: South Africa I**

Contemporary situation

- Eleven national languages
- Afrikaans is the first language of the whites of Dutch origin.
- Symbol of identity for Afrikaners
- First language of most of the coloured population
- English enjoys more prestige than any other language

Contemporary situation

- English belongs to two of the three concentric circles in Kachru's model of world Englishes:
- Inner
- Outer
- Expanding

Contemporary situation

- English used by the whites of British background ( 4.9 million, 9.6%)
- Increasingly used by black population
- Taken up by Afrikaners due to its value for upward mobility
- Roughly 11 million users of English as a second language

South African Varieties of English

A continuum of accents exists:

- Influenced by Afrikaans
- Influenced by British Received Pronunciation

- Influenced by African languages

South African varieties of English

A continuum of accents exists:

- White South African English (SAE)
- Black SAE
- Indian SAE
- Colored SAE

South African varieties of English

Gradually, a more homogeneous accent has emerged.

1. Uses of English in South Africa

- Interpersonal
- Instrumental
- Regulative
- Innovative/imaginative

## **Topic 22: Spread of English: South Africa II**

Colonial rules

- Dutch from 1652 to 1795
- British from 1795 to 1948
- Dutch (by now called Afrikaners) 1948 – 1994
- Several British settlements were established in 1840s and 1850s.

Immigrations

- Witwatersrand gold rush attracted a large number of immigrants in the 1870s
- Arrival of half a million English speaking immigrants towards the end of nineteenth century

History of English language in South Africa

- First Dutch (later Afrikaans) then English were used as the official languages
- Struggle for power and privilege for the speakers of a particular language
- Language was used to strengthen apartheid.

History of English language in South Africa

- After taking over from the Dutch in 1806, British tried to Anglicise the region.
- 1910: formation of Union of South Africa
- Declaration of Dutch and English as co-official languages
- In 1948 Afrikaners came into power and introduced Afrikanerization.

History of English language in South Africa

- English came to be used, by those with an ethnically mixed background.
- Also adopted by many immigrants from India

Controversial Language Policy

Bantu Education Act

- Imposition of Afrikaans as the medium of instruction in black schools
- Resistance from Black students resulted in bloody uprising

Controversial Language Policy



- Afrikaans perceived by the black as the language of oppression and English as the language of liberation
- Blacks viewed English as a tool for achieving an international voice
- The Bantu Education Act had the opposite effect than desired for it.

### **Topic 23: Spread of English: Africa**

#### Colonial Africa

- Cape of Good Hope: the only colonial settlement until 1794
- By 1914 several colonial territories had emerged.

#### Colonial Africa

- Repartitioning after the two World Wars
- Liberation of African countries towards the second half of the 20th century
- Formation of Organization of African Unity

#### Spread of English in Africa

- Increase in commerce
- Anti-slave activities facilitated the spread of English.

#### Spread of English in Africa

- In 1807, the British Parliament passed an Act for the abolition of the slave trade.
- Royal Navy's West Indies squadron seized thousands of ships and slaves were freed.

#### Spread of English in Africa

- Settlements made for freed slaves
- Served as bases for the anti-slave trade squadrons
- Later became crown colonies
- Visited by missionaries

#### Spread of English in Africa

1. Sierra Leone
2. Ghana
3. Nigeria
4. Gambia
5. Cameroon

#### Spread of English in Africa

- Highly multilingual region
- Standard varieties of English used by the colonial officials and missionaries

#### Spread of English in Africa

- Emergence of English based pidgins and creoles
- English based creole – Krio major form of communication

#### Spread of English in East Africa

- Formation of British East African Company in 1888
- Establishment of British colonial protectorates
- Almost all the protectorates declared English their official language after independence

#### East African English

- A large number of emigrants and Africa-born whites

- British model used in schools
- A range of mother tongue English varieties

## **Topic 24: Spread of English: South Asia**

### South Asian countries

- India
- Pakistan
- Bangladesh
- Sri Lanka
- Nepal
- Bhutan

### Arrival of English in South Asia

- Formation of the East India Company in 1600
- The decline in the powers of the Mughal emperors
- Trading transformed into dominance over India

### Role and status of English during the Empire

- Became the language of administration
- English education system was introduced in 1835
- Became the medium of instruction in higher education
- Increased the growth and status of English

### Role and status of English during the Empire

- Two systems of education: English medium and vernacular medium
- English became language of empowerment

### Role and Status of English in Pakistan

- Inherited the dual system of education from the British
- Urdu was declared the national and English the official language in 1947.
- The government continued to support English medium schools.

### Use of English

A number of functions in important domains

- The courts
- Government administration
- Higher education
- The armed forces
- The media
- Business and tourism
- In-group communication

### Use of English

- Associated official language in Pakistan and India
- Emergence of an official indigenized variety
- Majority showing a leaning towards British English followed by American English

### Users of English

- Pakistan: 17,000,000
- India: 200,350,000

### English in South Asia

- Outnumbers the speakers in USA and UK combined
- It is due to the number of speakers in India.
- Twenty percent of one billion people speak English.
- Used as a lingua franca in the south of India

### Use of English in other South Asian countries

- No official status in other South Asian countries
- Medium of international communication
- Sign of cultural modernity

## Historical, Political and Social Contexts

### **Topic 25: Political Developments**

Role of English during the Empire

- Exerting civilising influence was a goal.
- English facilitated the achievement of this goal.

Role of English during the Empire

- English was considered a symbol of political unity.
- Developments of railway, roads and telegraph may be symbolized by the use of the language in these regions

Role of English during the Empire

- A unifying medium of communication within a colony
- Showed bonds between the colony and the home country
- Access to industrial developments

Triumphalist attitude

- Education as a means of bringing people peacefully under subjugation
- The education was to be delivered through English.

Triumphalist attitude

“We were taught—and believed—that the best ideas were English ideas, the best government was English government, and the best men were Englishmen” (Mandela as quoted in Rahman 2005, p. 26).

Enduring influence of English

- English chosen as the official language by many African and Asian countries
- Still considered a symbol of progress

### **Topic 26: Technological and Industrial Development-I**

Britain’s industrialization

- Population growth
- Economic growth
- Production growth

Production growth

- Massive changes in technology and organization
- Large scale production of manufactured goods
- Britain becoming the workshop of the world

USA’s industrialization

- USA overtook Britain
- Many American inventors came to fame

Linguistic consequences

- Most research being done by English speaking countries or by their collaboration
- Between 1700 – 1900 most of the scientific research had been documented in English

Linguistic consequences of industrialization

- Addition in the English lexicon
- Need of English for borrowing or buying this technology
- Exchange/hiring of expertise

## **Topic 27: Technological and Industrial Development-II**

Access to new knowledge

Supported by:

- Developments in printing press
- Transportation

Developments in transportation

- Railway system
- Road network
- New sources of energy

Major business giants in the USA

- John D. Rockefeller
- William Randolph Hearst
- John Pierpont Morgan

Economic imperialism

- Growth of international banking system
- Growth of world trade and investment
- Investments provided to new colonies and less wealthy European countries

Economic imperialism

- London and New York became the investment capitals of the world.
- £4,500 thousand million investment abroad

## **Topic 28: Social and Cultural Trends**

Consolidation of English after WWI

- Role as a mediating language
- Spread through colonial cultural legacies
- Expansion due to technological revolution

Role of English in international relations

- Sole or co-official language of most international organizations
- Role in restricted membership organizations

English-only organizations

- Scientific organizations
- The African Association of Science Editors
- The Cairo Demographic Centre
- Baltic Marine Biologists

- European Association of Cancer Research and the European Association of Fish Pathology
  - Sporting organizations
- A different kind of role
- Language of protests
  - English and the right to use one's own language

### **Topic 29: International Travel**

Role of English in international travel

- USA: the leading tourism earner and spender
- In 2001, the USA earned over \$72,000.

Role of English in international travel

- Staff at hotels
- Signs at airports and popular tourist sites

Presence of English on international travel

- Signs in the shop windows
- Restaurant menus
- Credit card facilities
- Selling of artefacts
- Beg money from the passing visitor

English as an auxiliary language

- Safety instructions
- Notices
- Road signs

Role of military travel

- Contact with the English speaking culture
- Songs and music
- Radio broadcasts
- Peace keeping missions

### **Topic 30: English as a Lingua Franca**

Reasons for the emergence of English as a lingua franca

- Retaining of English as an official language by former British colonies
- USA's economic power

Reasons for the emergence of English as a lingua franca

- Internal political reasons
- Intellectual reasons
- Practical reasons
- Entertainment reasons

Points of view regarding the status of English

- jeopardizes the role and status of other languages.
- Restricts the understanding of other cultures

Points of view regarding the status of English

- Wide spread use of English acknowledges diversity.
- Strengthens the possibility of planetary citizenship

## **Contact Induced Varieties of English**

### **Topic-031: Pidgins and Creoles**

#### Pidgin

It is the product of a multilingual contact situation in which those who wish to communicate must find or improvise a simple language system that will enable them to do so.

#### Language contact

- A linguistic and social phenomenon
- Speakers of different languages interact with one another
- This results in transfer of linguistic features

#### Pidgin

- A reduced variety of a language
- Results from extended contact between groups of people with no language in common
- Arises to fulfill the restricted communication needs of such people

#### Origin of the term pidgin

- A Chinese corruption of the English word 'business'

gospidgin man = God's businessman (priest)

chow chow pidgin = cooking

- Portuguese ocupação meaning 'trade, job, occupation'.

#### Origin of the term pidgin

- A form from the South American language Yayo 'pidian' meaning 'people'
- Hebrew word 'pidjom' meaning 'barter'

#### Creole

- A pidgin that has become the first language of a new generation of speakers.
- Creoles arise when pidgins become mother tongues

### **Topic-032: Process of Pidginization-I**

#### Background

- A result of European colonization into Africa and Asia
- New World slavery

#### Background

- Slaves were deliberately drawn from a variety of language backgrounds.
- The reason was to avoid rebellion against their masters.

#### Background

Communication was needed between:

- Slave master and slave
- Slave and slave



Process of pidginization

The simplification of a language used by groups of speakers separated from each other by different languages.

Process of pidginization

Contact between speakers of:

- A dominant European language
- Mutually unintelligible African and Asian languages

### **Topic-033: Process of Pidginization-II**

Simplification of dominant language

- The need for restricted communication
- Simplification of the dominant language

Simplification of dominant language

- Has simplified grammar
- Fewer words (700 – 2000)
- Less morphology
- Restricted range of phonological and syntactic options

Simplification of dominant language

- Grammatical redundancy is not needed

Example

Two big newspapers

Three tall girls

Les deux grands journaux

Di tu big pepa

Simplification of dominant language

- Bros = friend, male friend
- Show = to come, to arrive
- Haus = house

Bros show ma haus

Dok = animal

Sik = sick

Haus dok sik = hospital (house dog sick)

Simplification of dominant language

- Dogbaby = puppy
- Cowbaby = calf
- Talkitalki = very talkative
- Gras bilong head = hair
- Gras bling moth = moustache

Common views about pidgins

- Marginal languages
- Degenerations
- Deviations

- Imperfectly learned languages

Common views about speakers of pidgins

- Deficient
- Ignorant
- Inferior
- Lazy

Features of a pidgin

- Has no native speakers
- Is no one's first language
- Has a limited use
- Has simplistic structure
- Has limited functions
- Is an adjunct language (no one speaks only a pidgin)

### **Topic-034: Process of Creolization-I**

Creole

- Evolves from a pidgin into a richer language
- Has native speakers (the children learn the pidgin as their first language)

Origin of the term creole

- Comes from the Portuguese word 'criar' meaning 'to nurse', 'breed', 'bring up'
- Crioulo = an African slave born into the new world

A pidgin or a creole?

- Some pidgins exist as both pidgins and creoles.

Process of creolization

- Opposed to the process of pidginization
- Used for a wide range of functions
- Has a larger vocabulary
- Has more complicated grammatical resources than pidgins
- Expansion of morphology and syntax
- Regularization of the phonology
- Deliberate increase in the number of functions
- Development of a rational and stable system

"Sapos yu kaikai planti pinat, bai yu kamap strong olsem phantom."

"Fantom, yu pren tru bilong mi. Inap yu ken helpim mi nau?"

"Fantom, em i go we?"

Process of creolization

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"Fantom, em i go we?"

"If you eat plenty of peanuts, you will come up strong like the phantom."

"Phantom, you are a true friend of mine. Are you able to help me now?"

“Where did he go?”

Common view about creoles

- Speakers range from a low of 6–7 million to as many as 10–17
- Often regarded as lesser languages
- Speakers feel a great sense of inferiority about their languages

### **Topic-035: Process of Creolization-II**

Process of Creolization

- Most pidgins are lingua francas, existing to meet temporary local needs.
- Very few pidgins undergo the process of creolisation.
- Pidgins are spoken by those who also use another language.
- If a pidgin is no longer needed, it dies out.

Emergence of creole continuum

- A creole continuum arises because of its relationship with a superstrate language
- An English based creole can develop a number of varieties when it is in contact with Standard English

Decreolization

- Increase in varieties leads to an increase in the influence of the Standard English
- This process has become known as *decreolization*
- Considerable social stratification is involved in the process

Parts of the creole continuum

Acrolect (High speech)

- Shift toward standard form of the language
- Educated variety
- Has very few differences from the standard language

Basilect (Low speech)

- The variety at the other extreme of the continuum
- Least comprehensible to a speaker of the standard language

Mesolect (Middle speech)

- Intermediate varieties
- Not discrete varieties
- Blend into each other

Condition for continuum

- Two extreme varieties are varieties of the same language
- When different languages are involved there can be no continuum
- In case of no contact between the standard language and the creole there will be no continuum

Hypercreolization

- Aggressive reaction against the standard language on the part of creole speakers
- Speakers focus on what they see as the “pure” form of the creole

Recreolization

- Deliberately recreolize the standard language they use to assert their ethnic identity and solidarity

Samples from the continuum

1. *ai tNuld him*

2. *ai to:ld him*

3. *ai to:l im*
4. *ai tyl im*
5. *a tyl im*
6. *ai tyl i*
7. *a tyl i*
8. *mi tyl i*
9. *mi tyl am*

### **Topic-036: Geographical Distribution**

- Distributed mainly in the equatorial belt around the world
- Found in places with direct or easy access to the oceans
- found mainly in:
  - the Caribbean
  - around the north and east coasts of South America
  - around the coasts of Africa, particularly the west coast
  - across the Indian and Pacific Oceans
- Hancock (cited in Wardaugh, 2006) lists 127 pidgins and creoles, out of which 35 are English-based.

There are countries or areas that are almost exclusively Spanish-speaking and have no surviving pidgins or creoles as a result of their settlement histories, e.g., the Dominican Republic, Cuba, and Puerto Rico.

- Some countries have only English-based creoles, e.g., Antigua, Barbados, Grenada, Jamaica, and Guyana.
- Still others have only French-based ones, e.g., Martinique, Guadeloupe, St Lucia, and Haiti.
- Sierra Leone has both pidginized and creolized Englishes.
- The pidgin is indigenous West African Pidgin English used as a trading language.
- The creole, Krio, is found in and around the capital, Freetown.
- It may have originated among the returning slaves from Jamaica and Britain.
- The language distribution reflects the social and political history of these regions.

## **Pidgins and Creoles: Theories of Origin**

### **Topic-037: Independent Parallel Development Theory**

Theories of Origin can be divided into 3 groups:

1. Polygenesis  
Evolved from various sources
2. Monogenesis  
Evolved from a single source
3. Universal strategies  
Derived from universal strategies

The independent parallel development theory (Polygenetic)

- Pidgins and creoles developed independently from variety of origins
- Similarities due to shared circumstances of origin  
Shared circumstances of origin
  - Need for communication for the purposes of trade
  - Often share the same superstrate language i.e. English
  - Other superstrates belong to the same language family i.e. Indo-European Shared circumstances of origin
  - Simplification processes for any language are the same
  - Shared social contexts
  - Common communicative needs
  - Shared substrate

### **Topic-038: Nautical Jargon Theory**

Developed as a lingua franca

- The possible influence of nautical jargon noted by the American linguist John Reinecke in 1938.
- Ships had crews from different nationalities.
- Developed from a shipboard lingua franca
  
- The lingua franca not a pidginized standard language was used on trading routes
- Was passed on to the Asians and Africans the sailors came in contact with
- Served as the origin for various pidgins

Characteristics

- Consisted of a core vocabulary of nautical items and a simplified grammar
- Evidence is the presence of nautical elements in many pidgins and creoles

Examples:

hivim = heave

kapsite = capsize

haisim = hoist

Evidence against the theory

- There are only a few sea-based terms in different pidgins
- Structural similarities among existing pidgins and creoles that arose from different European languages

### **Topic-039: Monogenesis Theory: Afrogenesis Hypothesis**

Polygenesis vs. monogenesis

Polygenesis

- Pidgins and creoles are European-language-based.
- Newly created in different places

Monogenesis

- Originated from a single source

Afrogenesis hypothesis

- Presented by Mc Whorter in 1995
- Monogenetic
- A single source accounts for the perceived similarities among pidgins

Slave trade as the origin

- Existence of English and French slave forts
- Development of contact languages in slave forts
- Contact languages are the bases of most pidgins

Evidence for the hypothesis

- Relative paucity of Spanish based creoles in the New World
- Spain did not have large slave forts and settlements in Africa
- It did not use labour-based cultivation systems

### **Topic-040: Baby Talk Theory**

Origin

- Proposed in 1876 by Charles Leland
- Considered the earliest pidgin generation theory
- Compares pidgin speakers to young children first learning to speak

Rationale

- Similarities identified between early speech of children and certain pidgins:
- Use of a high proportion of content
- Lack of structural words
- Lack of morphological change
- Approximation of standard pronunciation

Use of the baby-talk

- The subordinate class perceived as unable to master the dominant class's language
- Masters try to imitate their servants' incorrect speech patterns
- Results from intentional simplification of speech

Use of the baby-talk

- Deprives the learners the opportunity to learn the correct model
- Their only option is to learn the new “baby-talk” pidgin.
- Simplified forms provide pidgins with their basic structures and lexicon

Evidence against the theory

- Pidgins are far more frequently used among non-Europeans than between Europeans and non-Europeans

### **Topic-041: Theory of Relexification**

Theory of relexification

- All European-language-based pidgins derive from a single source: A pidgin called Sabir

Theory of relexification

- Sabir was used as a lingua franca by traders on trade routes in the Mediterranean Sea in the Middle Ages

- Portuguese relexified Sabir

What is relexification?

- A a mechanism of language change
- One language changes its vocabulary with the vocabulary of another language
- Not much change occurs in the relexified language's grammar

Process of relexification

- This pidgin was relexified into pidginized French, English, and Spanish
  - Vocabulary was replaced
  - Grammar remained intact
- Sabir

Portuguese Pidgin

Atlantic Indian-Pacific

Portuguese      Portuguese

Pidgin            Pidgin

Classification

- Atlantic Portuguese Pidgin
- Portuguese varieties (Guiné Crioule)
- Hispanic varieties (Papiamentu)
- Anglicized varieties (Jamaican)
- Gallicized varieties (Louisiana, Haitian)

Classification

- Indo-Pacific Portuguese Pidgin
- Gallicized varieties (Seychelles)
- Nederlandized (Afrikaan)
- Anglicized (Tok Pisin)

## **Topic-042: Universal Principles Theory**

### Universal principles theory

- Similar to Baby-Talk theory
- Presents the perspective of universal language behaviour in contact situations
- All L1 speakers simplify their languages in similar ways
- Language simplification process is an innate ability

### Evidence for the theory

- All children go through the same stages of language mastery
- Children produce their own regular patterns across L1s different from adults
- Language simplification is practiced in all language communities between proficient and less proficient speakers

### Development of language in L1 children

- Children move on from simple register to conform to the adult norms

### Retention of simplified language by pidgin users

- Children of the pidgin speakers do not have an unsimplified norm to conform to
- They use the innate ability for language learning to transform pidgins into creoles

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### Monogenetic or Polygenetic?

- Monogenetic: Creoles developed by a single linguistic bioprogramme
- Polygenetic: Independent origin in separate locations



## Pidgins and Creoles: Theories of Origin

### Topic-043: Pidgins and Creoles Linguistic Features: Lexis

Source

- Dominant language: the source of lexis
- Usually a European language
- The dominant language is called the lexifier

Pidgin lexis

- Is systematic
- Uses rules
- Rules move from simpler to more complicated

Rules of pidgin lexis

Lengthy coding of concepts

Example:

Bilong (of) = Belong

Papa bilong me = my father

Haus bilong you = your house

Rules of pidgin lexis

Reduplication

- To intensify meaning

Example:

tok = talk

toktok = chatter

look = look

looklook = stare

Haus bilong you = your house

Rules of pidgin lexis

Reduplication

- To avoid confusion

Example:

sip = ship

sipsip = sheep

was = watch

waswas = wash

### Topic-044: Phonology

Reduction of sounds

Vowels

- Have fewer sounds than the corresponding standard languages
- Pacific pidgins have only five vowel sounds

- Some Caribbean pidgins have 12
- Compared to American English's 17 and British English's 20 Vowels

Examples

/i:/ (deep) = /ɪ/ (dip)

eat = it

ɔ: (walk) = /ɜ:/ (work)

Simplification of consonant clusters

Examples:

friend = fren

salt = sol

cold = col

Conflation of consonants

The process of reducing inflected words to their word stem, base or root form.

Examples (Caribbean Creoles)

/t/ = /θ/

/d/ = /ð/

/tʃ/ = /ʃ/

Conflation of consonants

Examples (Pacific Pidgin: Tok Pisin Creoles)

/f/ = /p/

friend = pren

/s/, /ʃ/ = /tʃ/

### **Topic-045: Grammar I**

- Pidgins show a simplification of linguistic structure

Morphology

- Few inflections in nouns and verbs:
- Nouns not marked for case, number and gender
- Verbs have no tense marker

Grammar

Morphology

Case

- A single pronoun serves as both subject and verb:  
em = 'he' and 'him'  
ol = 'they' and 'then'

Grammar

Morphology

Number

- Plurality is not indicated by inflection
- Plural marking is realized by:
- an actual number
- the context or

- separate lexical item 'ol'

Morphology

Number

Example:

- Actual number indicating plurality
- Long dispela wik, moa long 40 meri bilong Milne Bay

Along this-fellow week, more along 40 woman belong Milne Bay

This week, more than 40 women from Milne Bay

Morphology

Number

Example:

- Lexical item indicating plurality
- Ol opisa bilong Melanesin Envairomen Faundesin

All officer belong Melanesian Environment Foundation

The officers of the Melanesian Environment Foundation

Morphology

Gender

- Gender distinctions are missing
- A single pronoun stands for both male and female referents:
- em = 'he' and 'him'  
'she' and 'her'

Prepositions

- Only two proper prepositions:
- bilon = means "of" or "for"
- long (means everything else)

Tense

- Verbs not inflected to mark tense
- Tense is marked externally to the verb by a lexical item

Example:

Bung i bin stat long Mande

Meeting he been start along Monday

The meeting started on Monday

## **Topic-046: Grammar II**

Grammar

Sentence structure

- Negative formed with a negative particle 'no'

Jan no waan go

John no want go

John does not want to go

Clause structure is not complicated

- There are no embedded clauses

Sentence structure

- There are no complex sentences (e.g. sentences with relative clauses)

Upi lo pikanin yena funa skafu?

Where the child s/he want food?

Where is the child who wants food?

Development from pidgins to creoles

Four types of changes take place:

1. Increase in speech rate resulting in assimilation and reduction

man bilong me mombloomi

my husband

2. Expansion in vocabulary

- New shorter words are formed

man bilong pait

man belong fight

Paitman = fightman (fighter)

- Word building capacity

im added to adjectives to form verbs

bik bikim

(large) (to enlarge)

brait braitim

(wide) (to widen)

3. Development of a tense system

bin past tense

Bung i bin stat long Mande

Meeting he been start along

Monday

The meeting started on Monday

Development from pidgins to creoles

bai future

(from by and by)

na bai pinis long Fraide, Epril 22

And by finish along Friday April 22

And will finish on Friday, April 22

Development from pidgins to creoles

#### 4. Greater sentence complexity

Use of relative clauses

Meri ya i-stap long hul i-hangre

Woman (relative subject marker) stay in hole was hungry

The woman who stayed in the hole was hungry

#### **Topic-047: Social Functions**

- Perform a wide range of social functions
- Capable of expressing all the needs of its users
- Used in:
- Education
- Literature
- Mass media
- Advertising
- Leads to overall structural elaboration of the pidgin in both vocabulary and grammar
- Its initial structural simplicity becomes much more complex in the process

Examples of expanded social functions of pidgins and creoles

Literature

Pren man bilong Rom, Wantok, harim nau.

Mi kam tasol long plantim Kaesar. Mi noken beitin longen

Examples

Literature (English version)

Friends, Romans, Countrymen, lend me your ears.

I come to bury Caesar, not to praise him

Examples

Advertising

Colgate i save strongim tit bilong yu

Lukaut: planti switpela kaikai na loli i savi bagarapim tit hariap

Examples

Advertising (English version)

Colgate strengthens your teeth

Take care. Lots of sugary foods and sweets rot your teeth fast

Examples

News headline

Ol meri gat bikpela wari yet

All women got big fellow worry yet

Women still have big worries

#### **Topic-048: Creole Development in the US and UK**

London Jamaican

(Patios/Patwa)

- Originated from the Atlantic creoles of West Africa and Caribbean
- A combination of creole and a form of non-standard English
- Also called:
- Black talk
- Nation language
- Black slang

Symbol of group identity

Used as a symbol of group identity by:

- British Black children
- British Black adolescents
- White adolescents

Recreolization

The movement of a creole language towards the more-creole end of the continuum

Recreolization of Jamaican Creole

Post-creole continuum

- A situation where a creole language consists of a spectrum of varieties arranged on a continuum according to level of formality and prestige

Post-Creole Continuum

Features of London Jamaican Creole

- Interchangeable use of pronouns
- 'i' and 'me' both used for I and me
- 'im' and 'i' both used for he, she, it, him, her, its, his, hers
- Use of present tense for both present and past
- 'an I se' (and I said)

Features of London Jamaican Creole

- Elimination of tense suffixes and of participle endings: -es, -ed, -t, -ing, -ed, -en,
- Yu bret stink (Your breath stinks)
- Expressing negation with 'no' with phonological changes
- 'no bret stink' (my breath doesn't stink)

Ebonics (African American Vernacular English)

- A blend of words 'ebony' (black) and 'phonics' (sound)
- Considered improper speech by many Americans
- Symbol of linguistic and social identity among African Americans

Linguistic Features of Ebonics

- Habitual be for intermitten activity
- Sometimes my ears be itching
- Absence of copula in contracted forms of 'is' and 'are'
- She nice
- Present tense third person – s absence
- She walk

Linguistic Features of Ebonics

- Ain't for didn't
- He ain't do it
- Use of 'f' and 'v' for final 'th'

- Smoov for smooth and toof for tooth

Ebonics controversy (1996)

- Oakland (CA) School Board recognized it as the 'primary' language of its majority African American students

- Resolved to use it for teaching them standard or academic English and subsequently other subjects

Ebonics controversy (1996)

Was considered by many as:

- A separatist move
- An action that stigmatized the English varieties of disenfranchised
- Labelling African Americans as foreigners
- Encouraging a dialect that is likely to increase their alienation

## Lesson-09

### Models and Classifications

#### Topic-049: English as a Native Language

Distinction between native speakers and non-native speakers

Non-native speakers

- Do not use it as a mother tongue or a first language
- Accents and lexicon are different from that of native speakers

Distinction between native speakers and non-native speakers

Native speakers

Those who have “internalized” a language rather than learning it deliberately

Native vs. non-native speakers and ELT

- The distinction is of particular relevance to English language teaching
- Native speakers are a preference for English language teaching
- Considered superior to non-native English language teachers

Native speaker criteria

- Exposure to the language from early childhood
- Use of English as a first language/home language

Native speaker criteria

The other criteria include:

- Intuitive knowledge of the structure of the language
- Creative use of the language

Native speaker criteria

These criteria depend on such parameters as:

- Contact with other people
- Opportunities for active use of the language
- Others' attitude towards one's use of the language

Discrimination between native and non-native speakers

The discrimination of people on the basis of the accents, vocabulary and sentence structure is based on

the 'politics of identity'

### **Topic-050: Native and Non-Native English Speakers**

Discrimination between native and non-native speakers

The discrimination of people on the basis of the accents, vocabulary and sentence structure is based on the 'politics of identity'

Native vs. non-native speakers

- The fundamental opposition between native speaker and non-native speaker is one of power

Native vs. non-native speakers

- A factor responsible for marginalizing the periphery communities is also what Phillipson calls the "monolingual tenet"

Native speakerism

- The monolingual tenet was central to the colonial agenda
- It marginalizes the English language learners and privileges native speakers
- Extends the colonial agenda of economic exploitation and cultural domination

Native speakerism and economic exploitation

- "Economy is the engine that drives ELT"
- Native speakerism unveils ELT as a tool for economic exploitation

Native speakerism and economic exploitation

- Internationally most of the jobs are reserved for native English speaking teachers
- Most text books are published by native English publishers
- Teaching methods are introduced by native theorists and practitioners

Need to contextualize language teaching

- All pedagogy, like all politics, is local
- Understanding of local linguistic, sociocultural and political particularities
- To ignore local needs is to ignore lived context-sensitive pedagogic knowledge

### **Topic-051: English as a Foreign Language**

#### **Different English language learning situations**

- Mid 20<sup>th</sup> century brought the realization that all English language learning situations were not the same

English Language Teaching (ELT)

English

English as



as a Second                      a Foreign

Language                      Language

(ESL)

(EFL)

- Learners have other languages at their disposal
- Learn English without any native speakers around them
- Learn English for restricted purposes:
  - Reading keep up with Western science and technology
  - Academics
  
- Typically takes place in a foreign country
- Usually with students from the same country
- Students share the same language and culture
- Learning English may not have any obvious practical benefit.
  
- The teacher may be the only English speaker students have exposure to
- Few opportunities to use English outside the classroom
- Students have limited exposure to English-speaking culture
- Users are not expected to be able to speak the language
- Lower proficiency level expected
- Perceived as less than ESL

### **Topic-052: English as a Second Language (ESL)**

English as a second language

- Generic
- Inclusive label for teaching English to those who already speak other languages

English as a second language situations

- ESL is used by immigrants to Inner Circle countries
- Learners take up English as their language for all necessary business
- Social interactions also take place in English

English as a second language situations

- ESL users study English with more interest
- ESL situations involve more intensive study of English
- Learners aim at developing proficiency in speaking

ESL situations perceived as superior

- ESL users are considered more proficient, thus superior to EFL users

- ESL situations involve more intensive study of English
- Learners aim at developing proficiency in speaking

English as a primary and as a secondary language distinction

- English is used as a primary language by those who grow up in an English speaking environment
- English is used as a secondary language by those who use it for the purposes of business, education and diplomacy

English as a secondary language

Two distinct contexts

- English as a foreign language
- English as an official language

English as a secondary language

English as a foreign language

In contexts where it is not:

- a medium of instruction
- a code for administration
- a medium of education, legal affairs, broadcasting, print media, public and private discourse

English as a secondary language

English as an official language

In contexts where it is used as a language of:

- education
- creative literature
- officially designated functions
- social interaction

### **Topic-053: English as an International Language (EIL)**

- IE refers to particular variety of English e.g. Australian English, Singaporean English, Chinese English etc.

Difference between EIL and International English (IE)

- EIL paradigm overlooks the symbolic markers of the politicized construct of native speaker
- It focuses on communication instead of the speakers' nationality or race

English as an International Language

- Does not refer to a particular variety of English
- Rejects the idea of selecting a particular variety as a lingua franca for international communication

EIL and the paradigm shift

- Refers to a paradigm shift in response to the complexities emerging from the rapid global spread of English

- Suggests a revisiting of the notions, analytical tools, approaches and methodologies within the established disciplines of English studies

English as an International Language

- Recognizes English as a language of international and intercultural communication

EIL and the paradigm shift

- In EIL context, English is used between speakers from different cultural and national backgrounds
- Recognizes world Englishes irrespective of its origin

### **Topic-054: Speech Community and Speech Fellowship**

Speech Community

- Speech communities are groups that share values and attitudes about language use, varieties and practices

Speech Community

Speech:

- A form of social identity
- Is used as an indication of membership of different social groups and speech communities

Membership of a speech community

People who speak the same language are not always members of the same speech community

Speech community and speech fellowship

The current state English require us to make a distinction between speech community and speech fellowship

Speech community and speech fellowship

Speech community

- A wide-ranging ‘association’ of different varieties
- Subsumable as ‘sub-varieties’ under a broad label

Speech fellowship

Refers to the:

- Real world of English users
- Their underlying distinct differences and characteristics
- Sub varieties

Speech fellowship

The distinction suggests fellowship to be narrow and close and community to be wider

Speech fellowship

- The distinctions and dichotomies between NS/NNS or ESL/EFL on the basis of forms and functions are not very useful
- Grouping together different varieties under the concept of Englishes functional characteristics is more desirable

## **Lesson-10**

### **Models of World Englishes**

#### **Topic-055: Models of World Englishes**

Models and classification of English

- Classifications and models attempt to explain the differences in the ways English is used in different countries

The most common classification

- English as a native language (ENL)
- English as a second language (ESL)
- English as a foreign language (EFL)

Shortcomings of this classification

- Misunderstandings caused by the term 'native language':
- Considered standard
- Spoken by all people
- Is considered superior
- Represents a good model for English language speakers in other countries

Shortcomings of this classification

- Inadequacy of the EFL classification
- more applicable to the contrast between city and countryside

Alternative models

- Geographical locations
- Regional varieties
- Individual users

Advantages

- Offer a pluralistic view of English
- Do not suggest superiority of one variety over others
- Present English as having multicultural identities

### **Topic-056: Strevens Model of World Englishes (1980)**

#### **Strevens' Model (1980)**

- The oldest model
- Shows the relationship of different varieties of English with British and American English

#### **Strevens' World Map of English**

#### **Strevens' Model**

- Provides historical overview of the development of globalized English
- Presents all English varieties as having either British or American standards as their origin

#### **Strevens' Model**

- American English accounts for Canada, the US, Puerto Rico and the Philippines
- British English accounts for the rest of the world

#### **Weakness of Strevens' Model**

- Overlooks the varieties that developed through contact with local vernaculars
- Developed without any direct association with either British or American Standard English (e.g. China)

- Mainly influenced by other culturally relevant sources that are available through the global media

### **Topic-057: Mc Arthur's Circle of World Englishes**

Concentric circle models

Later models were based on concentric circles. These included:

- McArthur's Model
- Golluch's Model
- Kachru's Model

Concentric circle models

- Concentric circles reflect the cline of intelligibility that all varieties of English (native and non-native) demonstrate
- The distance from the center of the circle decreases the mutual intelligibility of the variety

McArthur's Wheel Model (1987)

- The wheel is divided into geographical sections
- The varieties become more localized the further they are from the centre

McArthur's Wheel Model (1987)

- Varieties are connected to the previous geographically situated variety
- They are connected linearly, like a spoke, back to the centre

McArthur's Wheel Model (1987)

- The lines separating variety segments are not permeable
- Varieties may not be mutually intelligible

### **Topic-058: Manfred Golluch's Circle Model of English**

Manfred Golluch's Circle Model of English

### Gorlach's Circle Model of English (1988)

- Similar to McArthur's wheel model
- Standard English at the centre surrounded by regional standard Englishes

### Gorlach's Circle Model of English

- Is organized with greater depth
- Places varieties in a series of expanding rings

### Rings of Gorlach's circle model

1. Regional and national standards (e.g. (African, British Canadian, Caribbean, South Asian, US)
2. Sub/Semi-regional standards (e.g. s Indian, Irish, Kenyan, Papua New Guinean)

### Rings of Gorlach's circle model

#### 3. Non-standard Englishes

(e.g. Aboriginal English,

Jamaican English, Yorkshire

dialect)

#### 4. Pidgins and Creoles (e.g.

Cameroon Pidgin English

and Tok Pisin)

### **Topic-059: Modiano's Centripetal Circles of International English**

#### Modiano's Centripetal Circles of International English

#### Modiano's Centripetal Circles of International English (1999)

- Not concerned with historical and geographical divisions of a variety
- Individual users and their choices of a variety are given equal importance

#### Modiano's Centripetal Circles of International English (1999)

- Based on mutual comprehensibility of the proficient speakers of English

#### Implications of the word 'Centripetal'

- The adjective “centripetal” suggests the movement of high proficiency users of English towards the core of the global English-speaking population

Implications of the word ‘Centripetal’

- Are drawn to global English-speaking population in their efforts to make themselves comprehensible in different context they find themselves

Implications of the word ‘Centripetal’

- Global English speakers replace the traditionally revered native speakers as the centre
- The support indicates the acceptance of the idea of “English as an International Language” (EIL)

Source:<http://everythingaboutelf.blogspot.com/2016/12/world-englishes.html>

The Structure

The centre comprises speakers who are:

- Proficient speakers of English as an International language irrespective of being native or non-native English speakers
- Able to speak without any strong or regional accent

Modiano’s Centripetal Circles of International English (1999)

- The next circle consists of proficient users of English as a first or second language rather than as an international language

Modiano’s Centripetal Circles of International English (1999)

- The third circle is made up of learners of English
- The final band outside this circle represents those who do not know English at all

Weaknesses of Modiano’s model

- How do we define International English?
- How do we differentiate between proficient and non-proficient users of International English?

Weaknesses of Modiano’s model

- How do we differentiate between strong and not so strong regional accents?
- Who makes the differentiation?

### **Topic-060: Modiano’s English as an International Language (EIL) Model**

Modiano’s model of English as an International Language

- Based on features of English common to all varieties of English

Modiano’s model of English as an International Language

- The centre comprises ‘English as an International Language’ (EIL)
- EIL consists of a core of features

Modiano’s model of English as an International Language

- These features are common to native and competent non-native varieties of English
- Create mutual comprehensibility

Modiano’s model of English as an International Language

- The second circle consists of features which may or may not become internationally common

Modiano’s model of English as an International Language

The outer area consists of five groups:

- i. American English
- ii. British English

- iii. Other major varieties
- iv. Other local varieties
- v. English as a Foreign Language speakers

Weaknesses of Modiano's EIL model

- Difficulty of distinguishing between core and non-core features
- Equating native speakers with 'competent' non-natives
- Labelling native varieties as 'major' but established Outer Circle varieties (such as Indian English) as 'local'

Strengths of Modiano's models

- Disapproves ideas of prestige
- Cares for the diversity of English
- Understands the spread of the language from a geopolitical view
- Focuses just on proficiency giving English as a globally functioning language a central position

## Lesson-11

### Kachru's Three Circle Model of World English

#### Topic-061: The Inner Circle

Spread of English in the inner circle

Inner Circle

This classification is in accordance with the three-way categorization of ENL, ESL and EFL.

The Inner circle

Inner circle includes the following countries:

- USA
- UK
- Canada
- Australia
- New Zealand

Spread of English in the inner circle

- English reached these countries as a result of its first diaspora

Diaspora

- The movement or migration of a group of people away from their established or ancestral homeland

English diaspora

First diaspora



- English speakers from Britain carried the language to Australia, New Zealand, and North America
- They established substantial settlements and displaced the indigenous population

Features of the inner circle

- Traditional monolingual native speakers of English are found
- English is the first and sometimes the only language
- Dominant culture is based around English

### **Topic-062: The Outer Circle**

Countries in the outer circle

Some of the countries included in the outer circle are the following:

- India
- Pakistan
- Philippines
- Singapore
- Nigeria
- Gambia

Spread of English in the outer circle

Second diaspora

- The second diaspora spread the language through colonization in Asia and Africa
- Settlements were fewer
- Maintained the indigenous population in subjugation

English diaspora

Second diaspora

- Allowed a section of population to learn English as a second language
- English continued to be used even after the departure of the British

The outer circle

- Became an official language in many former colonies
- This brought about new varieties of English called the 'second language varieties'

Features of the outer circle

- English is only one of two or more languages in the linguistic repertoire
- English enjoys an important status in the language policies
- It is either the official or a major government language e.g. India, Pakistan, Singapore, Zambia, Nigeria

Nigeria

Features of the outer circle

- English performs a range of functions in a variety of social, educational, administrative, and literary domains:
- Medium of higher education
- Literature
- Courts
- Media and broadcast

### **Topic-063: The Expanding Circle**

Expanding circle countries

Includes the following countries:

- China

- Indonesia
- Russia
- Saudi Arabia
- Japan
- Korea

English Diaspora

Third Diaspora

- Distinct manner of dispersal of English from the other two Diasporas
- Has a more recent history
- English was not transplanted through speaker migration

English Diaspora

Third Diaspora

- The political and economic influence of Britain and the USA in East Asia, Middle East and Latin America and Europe
- Spread by individuals acquiring it as an additional language for international or intranational communication

Features of expanding circle

- English has limited roles in the public life
- Has very restricted functions in the personal domain
- Dependent on the norms of native English

Features of expanding circle

- Situation is likely to change
- More and more Asians and European countries introducing English at early stages of schooling
- Learning of English to benefit from technological developments

### **Topic-064: Status and Functions of English in the Outer and Expanding Circles**

#### **Range**

English performs a wide range of functions:

Formal

- Education at all levels
- Business
- Legal system
- Administration

Social

- Family
- Social networks

Range of varieties

- Use of a range of varieties in or across utterances
- The choice of variety is linked with identity

Depth

Variety of people with access to English:

- Different educational levels
- socioeconomic levels
- Different jobs and professions

Depth

- Differing degrees of proficiency
- A cline of proficiency
- Basilect: Speakers with little contact with the standard variety
- Acrolect: Speaker with higher socioeconomic class

**Topic-065: Norm Providing, Norm Developing and Norm Dependent**

Inner circle: Norm providing  
 Outer circle: Norm developing  
 Expanding  
 circle: Norm dependent

Norm providing (Inner Circle)

- Provides norms
- Provides teaching models and methods
- Provides textbooks

Norm-Dependent

(Expanding Circle)

- Includes performance varieties
- English has no official status
- Dependent on native speaker standards

Norm-Dependent

(Expanding Circle)

- British and American variety as the prestige models
- Plurality of varieties

Norm-Developing

(Outer Circle)

- Ambivalence towards English
- Concerns about political and cultural identities

Norm-Developing

(Outer Circle)

Varied attitudes:

- Suggestions for banishing English
- Adoption of one of the inner circle varieties as the model
- Adoption of a local or regional variety as model

**Lesson-12**

**Kachru's Three Circle-Model of World English**

**Topic-066: Institutionalization of English**

Institutionalization

- The official recognition and acceptance of English
- The status is explicitly recognized

Africa

- In Kenya, English is the second national language after Swahili
- In Nigeria and Zambia English is one of the state languages

#### Caribbean

- English is the official by law
- Used in addition to the English-based creole and immigrant languages

#### Asia

- It is the official language in Pakistan used in several domains
- In India, English is an associate official language with Hindi
- It is one of the four official languages in Singapore along with Malay, Mandarin and Tamil and the most common home language

#### Europe

- Emergence of Euro-English variety
- English is working language of the European Union along with French
- English is used for communication in meetings
- Fluency in English is a prerequisite for EU employees

#### Europe

- English has a very high profile in Belgium, Germany, the Netherlands and the Scandinavian countries
- Ninety percent of all EU students learn English as their first foreign language

### **Topic-067: Limitations of Kachru's Three Circle Model-I**

#### Limitations

- Based on geography and history
- Actual use of English by speakers in these regions overlooked

#### Limitations

- Based on the basic distinction between native speakers and non-native speakers
- Native speakers being considered superior regardless of the quality of their language
- Pidgins and creoles do not fit into the categorisation

#### Changing use of English

- Use as a first language in the outer circle
- Increase in uses in the expanding circle:
- Social purposes
- Medium of instruction in schools and universities

#### Grey areas in the classification

#### Inner and Outer Circles

- Learnt as the first language
- Used as the home language

#### Expanding and Outer Circle

A number of countries in transition from EFL to ESL status

### **Topic-068: Limitations of Kachru's Three Circle Model-II**

#### Status of a language in a multilingual situation

#### Inner and Outer Circles

- Bilinguals and multilinguals use different languages for different purposes

## Expanding and Outer Circle

A number of countries in transition from EFL to ESL status

Does not define users' proficiency

- Native Speakers may demonstrate poor proficiency
- An EFL or ESL user may be more competent in grammar and vocabulary

Ignores variations within a circle

- Language situation is not uniform within a circle
- Varying degrees of linguistic diversity
- Sociolinguistic variations
- Use by different L1 groups within a country

Likely to be misinterpreted

- Misinterpretation of the term 'inner circle'
- Native speakers appearing to be more important

### **Topic-069: The Nativeness Paradigm**

Nativeness Paradigm

- The nativeness principle was the dominant paradigm in second language teaching before the 1960s
- A binary classification of speakers: native and non-native

Nativeness Paradigm

- Exerts a powerful impact on society:
- Native speakers are 'the best' teachers of English

Nativeness Paradigm

- Serves important practical functions:
- It serves as a model and an inspiration for English language learning

Criticism

- Determination of identity as native or non-native speaker depends on social factors rather than linguistic

- Restrictive social and professional identities

Criticism

- Proficiency is determined by the order of acquisition of languages
- Overlooks the fact that English is used as the home and official language in many outer circle countries

- Promotes the English of the ethnic Anglo speaker

Criticism

- Implies a unidirectional power relationship: the innovations of the outer and expanding circle are not readily accepted

Criticism

- Native speakers are considered fit to design teaching methodologies and strategies
- Causes deficiencies in the testing of English
- Causes negative perceptions of non-native speakers, teachers and researchers

### **Topic-070: The Nativeness Paradigm II**

Problems in defining native speakers

- Which accent?
- Which social group?

- Which age group?

Alternatives to native non-native distinction

- Use of the term 'expert' to describe accomplished users of English

Advantages of the term 'expert'

- Expertise is not identity
- Expertise is learned not innate
- Expertise is relative
- Expertise is partial
- Expertise goes through testing and evaluation

Disadvantage of the term 'expert'

- Implies value judgement when contrasted with non-expert

Reconceptualization of the concept

- Monolingual English speakers (MES)
- Bilingual English speakers (BES)
- Non-bilingual English speakers (NBES)

Advantages and disadvantages of reconceptualization

- MES is less favourable than BES
- BES removes the distinction between L1 and L2 speakers of English

Advantages and disadvantages of reconceptualization

- Determining the difference between bilingual and non-bilingual competence

### **Topic-071: Redrawing the Three Circle Model-I**

David Graddol's Modifications (1997)

Change in terminology

Inadequacy of Kachru's model in the 21st century

David Graddol's Modifications (1997)

Change in terminology

Inner Circle = L1 speakers

Outer Circle = L2 speakers

Expanding Circle = L3 speakers

David Graddol's Modifications (1997)

Language shift

Shift from L2 to L1:

- In L2 countries English is used for intranational communication
- The trend of using English as the home language

David Graddol's Modifications (1997)

Language shift

Shift from L3 to L2:

- English traditionally used for international communication
- An increasing use of English for intranational communication

David Graddol's Modifications (1997)

Problems

No explanation of the level of abstraction of the overlap:

- Countries
- Speakers

- varieties

David Graddol's Modifications (1997)

Problems

No explanation of the level of abstraction of the overlap:

- Countries
- Speakers
- varieties

David Graddol's Modifications (1997)

Problems

Ignores the possibility of a shift in the opposite direction:

outer circle          inner circle

### **Topic-072: Redrawing the Three Circle Model-II**

Yanu Yasukata's Modification (2001)

Change in the context of use

- Many varieties of English in the outer circle have become established varieties
- Outer circle speakers may consider themselves native speakers

Yanu Yasukata's Modification (2001)

Changes in the context of use

Increase in immigrants to inner circle countries will result in increase in the number of people for whom English is an L2

Yanu Yasukata's Modification (2001)

Redefining the circles

Inner circle = genetic ENL

Outer circle = functional ENL

Yanu Yasukata's Modification (2001)

Problems

- The term 'genetic' may be misunderstood as an indication of race
- Wide gap in the proficiency levels in outer circle countries

## **Lesson-13**

### **Variations Across Cultures**

#### **Topic-073: 'new' Englishes and 'New' Englishes: Definitions and Differences**

'new' Englishes

- Resulting from the first diaspora
- Comprising North America (USA and Canada), Australia, New Zealand, South Africa
- Developing independently of the British English

'New' Englishes

- Resulting from the second diaspora
- Being used as second languages by bilingual or multilingual people
- Comprising Pakistani English, Indian English, Nigerian English, Singapore English

Independent status of 'new' and 'New' Englishes

- Should be considered in their own right

- Should not be compared with other varieties of Englishes
- Independent status of 'new' and 'New' Englishes
- Acceptance of American English
  - Reluctance to accept other varieties

#### **Topic-074: 'new' Englishes and 'New' Englishes**

'New' Englishes

- Includes a large number of varieties
- Dissimilar in characteristics and use

Characteristics of 'New' Englishes

Learning

- Learned in schools
- Used as a medium of instruction
- Additional to some other first language

Characteristics of 'New' Englishes

Contact with native variety

- Developed in regions where a native variety was not the main language of the population

Characteristics of 'New' Englishes

Functions and speakers

- Used for a range of functions
- Used among the speakers of the region where it developed

Characteristics of 'New' Englishes

Nativization/Localization

- Have adopted some language features (sounds, intonation patterns, sentence structures, words and expressions)

'New' Englishes' norms and innovations

Factors determining the status of an innovation

- Demographic factor
- Geographical factor
- Authoritative factor
- Codification
- Acceptability factor

Bamgbose, cited in Jenkins, 2000

#### **Topic-075: Nativization-I**

Nativization

- A process in which a language gains native speakers
- This happens when a second language used by adult parents becomes the native language of their children

Nativization

- Acculturation
- Indigenization



- Hybridization

Nativization of English

Changes English has undergone as a result of contact with other languages in diverse cultural and geographical settings in the outer circle

Nativization

Is triggered when users in a second language environment inevitably mould the language to express facts, ideas and concepts relevant to their own particular context

Nativization

The process of nativization is due to the:

- Transfer from local languages to English
- Transfer of English to the new cultural environment and communicative needs

Factors prompting nativization

- English's assuming of functions in the outer circle that relate to the expression of typically local ideas

- English needs to adapt itself to its new environment to be able to express local concepts

Factors prompting nativization

- Absence of native speakers
- Inadequate teaching
- Acquisitional limitations

### **Topic-076: Nativization-II**

Functional nativization

- Functional nativeness is determined by the range and depth of a language in a society
- Range: domains of function
- Depth: the degree of social penetration of the language

Functional nativization

- Deep social penetration
- Extended range of functions of English in diverse sociolinguistic contexts
- Emergence of several varieties, localized registers and genres for expressing local social, cultural and religious identities

Functional nativization

- English is nativized in South Asia as Indian English and Pakistani English
- Range of functional domains:
  - Corporate trade
  - Media
  - Development
  - Government
  - Higher education
  - Science and technology
  - Creative writing

Functional nativization

- Social depth of English use:
  - an estimated 333 million users of English in India

- the highest number of (non-creole) English speakers in the world after the US and UK

### **Topic-077: Nativization-III**

Recognition of nativized varieties

- English has acquired new identities in new socio-cultural contexts
- Autonomous local varieties
- Their own set of rules
- Cannot be treated as mistakes of deficient Englishes

Recognition of nativized varieties

- The acceptance of nativized varieties is openly debated in the outer circle
- The ideal pronunciation remains RP
- Indiginized forms of English are stigmatized

Recognition of nativized varieties

- Indiginized forms of English are stigmatized
- Prevailing perception in inner circle does not recognize nativized varieties as standard English

language varieties

Recognition of nativized varieties

Nativized English social lectal continuum ranges between:

Acro-	Meso-	Basi-
lect	lect	lect

Characteristics of nativized varieties

- English in the outer circle has evolved characteristic features at the:
- phonological
- lexical
- syntactic and
- discourse level

Characteristics of nativized varieties

- Initially, these innovations were rejected by purists
- Now being increasingly accepted

Characteristics of nativized varieties

The nativization of

English has enriched English and the indigenous languages through:

- Processes of borrowing
- Coinage of new words and expressions
- Semantic shifts

### **Topic-078: Nativization of English in Pakistan**

Native lexicalization (functional shift)

Noun to verb

- The PPP had informed him that Election Commission's affairs were handed over to a Secretary against whom the Anti-Corruption Committee conducted an enquiry and who was to be charge-sheeted

Bilingual functional shift

Noun to verb

- As Pakistanis waited on a cold December night for 1991 to be firecracked...
- Multan traders to gherao Municipal Corporation

Adjective to verb

Allahyar lived in Multan right into the 1950s. His wife cooked in my aunt's house, the daughter washed and served and the son was the general factotum who fetched and carried and "hallaed" the chickens

Colonial lag

- dickey or diggie
- stepney

Word formation

Compound words

Flying coach

Marriage party

Cent percent

Derivations

- Affectee
- Pointation
- meuseumize

Word formation

Urdu-English hybrid derivations

- Goondaism
- Dacoit
- Dacoitee

Semantic shift

- a monthly: a bribe paid every month
- a gunman: a bank guard

Grammar

Variation in preposition

- Fill up a form
- Cope up with a situation

Lack of subject – verb inversion in questions

Why you are laughing?

What you are looking at?

Grammar

Pluralization of uncountables

- Equipments
- Informations
- Researches
- Hairs

**Lesson-14**

## **Variations Across Cultures**

**Topic-079: Contact Literature-I**

Contact Literature

Contact with non-Western cultures and languages enables English to express new linguistic and cultural functions

Contact Literature

- Nativized varieties of English are produced through contact of English with new cultures and surrounding languages
- The literature written in distinctive varieties of English is often called contact literature

Contact Literature

- As English becomes institutionalized in nations that do not share its Western cultural traditions, the language is broadening

Beliefs of contact literature writers

- Some aspects of non-English culture is inexpressible in English
- Cultural material in contact literature stretches or reshapes the expressive qualities of English

Beliefs of contact literature writers

- Provides an exposure to the the literary effort of international writers
- Provides an opportunity to observe the process of language change

### **Topic-080: Contact Literature-II**

Implicitly or explicitly, native English has been the criteria for description of language varieties and for literatures written in them

Choice of variety

- The spread and the institutionalization of English has resulted in the pluricentricity of English
- The users of English more or less consciously choose which model of English to follow and develop

Choice of variety

Many successful writers do not follow Inner-Circle models

Choice of variety

Depending on the cultural and social context, varieties differ in:

- Formal characteristics
- Thought patterns
- Discoursal features

Choice of variety

- Most creative writers from Africa and Asia show a preference for a local variety of English to be able to present the true spirit, traditions and values of their own cultures
- English should be decolonized to be made in other images
- Rushdie cited in Kachru & Nelson, 2006

### **Topic-081: Concerns about Contact Literature**

Concerns about contact literature

Credibility of contact literature

Literature in any language consists of two dimensions:

- Linguistic (conventions of language including syntax, lexicon, and so forth)

- Cultural (the personal or cultural content of a text including philosophies, attitudes aesthetics)

Concerns about contact literature

Credibility of contact literature

- The challenge of depicting a life, culture, values etc. through language conventions that are alien to that culture

- Contact literature might be ineffective since so much of the non-English culture will be inexpressible in English

Concerns about contact literature

Credibility of contact literature

- To express the experiences of an alien culture, English language has to be altered to suit its new surroundings

Concerns about contact literature

Doubts about varieties of English

- Mistrust shown toward language variation
- Standard English is above the reach of variation

Concerns about contact literature

Doubts about varieties of English

- The standard dialect has changed markedly over time
- loan words from other languages enter the lexicon regularly

Concerns about contact literature

Doubts about varieties of English

- Variations in usage, lexicon and accent among American, Canadian, Australian and Irish English
- A wide range of variation is tolerable among native "inner circle" speakers of English

Doubts about varieties of English

“We cannot write like the English.... We cannot write only as Indians.... Our method of expression therefore has to be a dialect which will some day prove to be as distinctive and colorful as the Irish and the American”.

- Raja Rao cited in Kachru & Nelson, 2006

Doubts about varieties of English

This perspective reveals two major points:

1. American written English is also a product of language contact
2. The newer varieties of written English can be studied with the same interest and respect as the established varieties, such as Irish and American English

## **Topic-082: Features of Contact Literature**

Foreign influences on English

- Foreign influences on English before its spread into Asia and Africa
- Most of these influences were European

Foreign influences on English

- Contact with African and Asian languages and cultures through colonization exhibit features of local languages and cultures

Foreign influences on English

- A number of varieties of English emerged in postcolonial scenario

- These varieties undergo a process of localization
- The impact of local languages and culture has been the main cause of the language variation

Creativity in contact literature

In contact literature, English offers a network of connections with the:

- new cultural features
- types of discourse
- linguistic features

Creativity in contact literature

- In literary creativity, English language is adapted to represent the reality of new situations
- English should represent the fervor and zeal of the life of the region

Features of contact literature

- A blend of two linguistic features
- Literary traditions
- Extension of linguistic categories

Features of contact literature

- Contact literatures exhibit national identity and a linguistic distinctiveness
- Contact with African and Asian languages and cultures exhibit features of local languages and cultures

Examples

Your behavior tantamounts to insubordination.

It doesn't worth the price.

They insisted to go in spite of my advice.

Examples

He was looking very smart in his specially made kurta.

The sehan would have been spacious and may be even pleasant

Examples

These examples show that when a language reaches a new social and cultural contexts, the change is inevitable

### **Topic-083: Language Use by Multilinguals**

Multilingual's repertoire

- Multilinguals possess a range of languages with distinct grammars and functions in their linguistic repertoire
- They can choose resources from this repertoire of languages to present the complexity of the local situational contexts

Mixing of discorsal and stylistic strategies

- Texts are nativised by using multiple styles and strategies

Limiting nature of nativization of texts

- The readers from a different cultural context must actively participate to understand the text
- If they cannot do this, the text becomes limiting

Extending nature of nativization of texts

- Attention to the reading is rewarded with improved understanding of:
- context

- characterizations
  - innovations
  - The acceptance of such a use of English strengthens the concept of world Englishes
- “...Coomar took Raman in and seated him on the carpet and offered him five hundred rupees tucked amidst green betel leaves, two coconuts and a bunch of bananas on a tray.”

“... Goddess Lakshmi has been kind,’ was all that Coomar was to say.”

Discourse markers

- Items that have no independent meaning but that signal solidarity with interlocutors and are considered polite

Examples

- eh particle in Australian and New Zealand English
- la(h) particle Malaysian-Singapore English
- ji particle in Pakistani English

### **Topic-084: Strategies for Text Nativization**

Rhetorical strategies

- Ways used by writers to effectively, efficiently and coherently present their points of view on a topic.
- Methods that allow writers to convey their thoughts most convincingly

Rhetorical strategies

Figures of speech

- A rhetorical device that achieves a special effect by using words in a distinctive way.
- A word or phrase that has a meaning other than the literal meaning.

Rhetorical strategies

Figures of speech

- Evoke the local concepts traditions

Examples:

‘Pythons as big as coconut trunks’

Authentication by cultural history and tradition

Supporting the text by cultural history and tradition through such phrases:

‘our people have a saying’

‘the elders have said’

Transcreating proverbs and idioms

Transcreation: The process of adapting a message from one language to another, while maintaining its intent, style, tone and context

Transcreating proverbs and idioms

Indigenization of English proverbs:

English: to spread like wild fire

African: Okonkwo’s fame “had grown like a bush-fire in the harmattan.”

‘the palm oil with which words are eaten.’

Culturally dependent speech style

These include:

- Sentence initial conjunctions
- Asking direct questions
- Asking rhetorical questions

## Lesson-15

### Variations in World Englishes: Linguistic Features

#### Topic-085: Phonology-I

Topic 85: What is an accent?

- The way you sound when you speak
- Results from how, where, and when a person learned the language he/she speaks
- Is determined by where they live and what social groups they belong to

What is an accent?

- People who live in close contact share a way of speaking (accent) different from the way other groups in other places speak
- The differences are in stress and rhythm and in segmental features

Stress and rhythm

- Stress assignment in nativised varieties does not follow the same rules as the inner circle varieties
- It is distinctive and may appear peculiar to native speakers

Stress and rhythm

Examples

- 'success for suc'cess
- recog'nize for 'recognize
- photo'graphy for pho'tography

Stress and rhythm

Syllable-timed

- The stress assignment is based on the values attached to the morae (weight of syllables in terms of duration)
- The primary stress goes with the weightier syllable

Stress and rhythm

Syllable-timed languages

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- The primary stress goes with the weightier syllable

Stress and rhythm

Stress-timed languages

- stresses occur at regular intervals
- The unstressed syllables are squeezed in between the stresses to accommodate the regular rhythm of the stress

#### Topic-086: Phonology-II

Distinctive stress and rhythm



Conventions of L1

Nativized varieties of English follow the conventions of their first languages in stress assignment

Examples

biology : ba-yo-lo-ji

'bi-o-lo-gy and bi-o-'lo-gy are possible for

bi'ology

Distinctive stress and rhythm

Examples

Development

de-ve-lop-ment

de'velopment

Distinctive stress and rhythm

No distinction between noun and verb

Do not use stress to make a distinction between nouns and verbs

Examples:

Verb: im'port      con'tent

Noun: 'import      'content

Distinctive stress and rhythm

No use of contrastive stress

Do not use stress to focussing

Examples:

Jamil only did it

for

JAMIL did it

Distinctive stress and rhythm

Spelling pronunciation

There's a practice of spelling pronunciation

Examples:

plumber for 'plʌmə(r)

bomb for bɒm

ghost for gəʊst

### **Topic-087: Phonology-III**

Sound

Simplification of final consonant clusters

It may lead to the loss of past tense endings of plural markers on nouns

Examples

lef for left

Pick for picked

Climb for climbed

bag for bags

Sound

### Consequences

- Some of these differences may not be noticeable e.g. lef
- Loss of inflections may affect comprehension

### Voiced and unvoiced sounds in English

- All vowels are voiced
- Consonants can be voiced or unvoiced
- Voiced consonants are caused by vocal chords moving

### Voiced and unvoiced sounds in English

- Unvoiced consonants are made just with air  
p t s k f th
- Voiced consonants are caused by vocal chords moving  
b d g z v th

### Clear and dark l sound

- The light l comes at the beginning, near the beginning or before a consonant sound in a word.  
like love please English

### Clear and dark l sound

- The dark l comes at the end of the word or before a vowel sound  
feel peel pull full sail

### No distinction between r and l sound

rate = late

feeling = fearing

Cutter = cuddle

### No distinction between r and l sound

rate = late

feeling = fearing

Cutter = cuddle

### Insertion of vowel in s clusters

- Simplified by inserting a neutral vowel between the two consonants
- Pronounced with an initial vowel so that the cluster is no longer initial

Sport = səport

School = ischool

Slow = silow

### **Topic-088: Lexis-I**

#### Locally coined words and expressions

- Considered the creativity of New English speakers by many world Englishes scholars
- Coinage
- Addition of a prefix or suffix to an existing English word
- Compounding local concepts with English items

Adding a prefix or suffix

Examples:

Stingko: Smelly (Singaporian English) Spacy: Spacious (Indian English)

Heaty: Foods which make the body hot (Singaporian, Malaysian English)

Adding a prefix or suffix

Examples:

Teacheress: A female teacher (Indian English)

Jeepay: A small bus (Phillipines English)

Enstool: To install a chief (Ghanian English)

Destool: to depose a chief (Ghanian English)

Adding a prefix or suffix

Examples from Pakistani English:

Affectee: the one who is affected

Museumize: To preserve in a museum

Botheration: Inconvenience

Upliftment: Improving the plight of the downtrodden

Compounding

Examples:

Peelhead : A bald headed person (Jmaican English)n

Key-bunch: A bunch of keys (Indina English)

High hat: A snob (Philippine English)

Compounding

Examples from Pakistani English:

Gunman : An armed guard

Flying coach: A fast bus

Mouse-hearted: Coward

Lathi charge: Baton charge

## **Topic-089: Lexis-II**

Borrowing from indigenous languages

Examples:

Chai: tea (East African, Pakistani, Indian English)

Crore: Ten million

Goondaism: Behaving in a noisy violent way

Idioms

- Unsuccessful attempts to use idioms from the native English
- Stabilise New English idioms

Idioms

Unsuccessful attempts (variations caused by pronunciation differences)

- Gift of the gap

Gift of the gab

- By lips and bounds  
By leaps and bounds

Idioms

Direct translations from indigenous idioms

- To shake legs

To be idle (Malaysian English, goyang kaki)

- To eat someone's salt

To be loyal to someone (Indian English)

Idioms

Combining elements from English with indigenous forms

To put sand in someone's gari

To threaten someone's livelihood (Nigerian English)

Idioms

Variations on native English idioms

- To eat your cake and have  
it (Singapore English)

To have your cake and eat  
it

- To be in hot soup

To be in hot water + To be  
in the soup

### **Topic-090: Lexis-III**

Lexical repetition and redundancy

- An extra element in a sentence or phrase
- Regarded as a universal feature of spoken varieties

Repetition

- A repeated occurrence of a linguistic item that may or may not be justified.

'There were – some very  
good houses – rather old  
fashioned but good  
houses.'

Repetition

- He sells different different things
- She cut it into small small pieces
- She drove slowly slowly
- I don't like this type of dress – all frill frill, gather gather

Reduplication

The use of double words for one:

- Flower bouquet
- Young kid
- Cost price

- Proceed to go on

#### Reduplication

The use of two words for expressing one idea:

‘...for repairing or laying some sort of underground cables or lines’

‘...ever-growing and ever-increasing speeding traffic’

‘...without any obstruction and difficulty’

#### Reduplication

##### Phatic reduplication

- No semantic value
- Only adds rhyme
- music viewsic
- rhythm whythm
- mod squad (lady)

##### South Asian lexis in native English

Examples:

Chit: A note

Tiffin: Snack or small box

Buggy: A carriage

Chutney: A cold thick sauce made from fruit, sugar, spices and vinegar

## Lesson-16

### Variations in World Englishes: Linguistic Features

#### Topic-091: Grammar-I

##### Nouns

- Specific or non-specific
- Countable or uncountable
- Singular or plural

##### Nouns

##### Specific and non-specific

- Use of articles (a, an, the) and determiners (this, that, any, some) to show whether a noun is specific or non-specific.

##### Nouns

##### Functions and rules for the use of articles

- A singular countable noun must be preceded by an article
- a/an: with a singular countable noun indicates the generic nature of the noun
- A horse runs very fast.

##### Nouns

##### Functions and rules for the use of articles

- The: with both singular and plural countable nouns indicate the specific nature of the noun
- The boys are naughty.

- They boys is tall.
- With mass nouns to indicate the specific nature of the noun

Nouns

Specific and non-specific

- Many languages do not have a grammatical element comparable with the English article
- A singular countable noun never occurs without an article or determiner preceding it

Nouns

Specific and non-specific

- The choice of articles may vary depending on the context
- He owns a car.
- He owns the car.
- The: with a singular word indicates generic nature of an item when the word refers to a whole group
- We must be kind to the poor.

Nouns

Specific and non-specific

variation examples

- Everyone owns car.
- Girls look very pretty today.
- I'm staying in one house with black gate.

## **Topic-092: Grammar-II**

Nouns

Quantifiers

- We use quantifiers (much, little, few, a lot, little etc.) to talk about quantities, amounts and degrees.
- It generally comes before a noun or noun phrase

Nouns

Countability and quantifiers

- The conventions of marking countability differ across languages.
- In English, countability has to do with a noun's potential for combining with various types of determiners

Nouns

Countability and quantifiers

- Knowledge (uncountable)  
A knowledge of
- People (collective noun) also has a plural form  
The native peoples of Siberia

Nouns

Countability and quantifiers

- In English, the combining of different types of nouns with various determiners causes confusion to language learners

Nouns

### Countability and quantifiers

- In English, uncountable nouns (equipment, sugar) are singular
- In the native languages of the outer circle countries, they are treated as plural.

### Nouns

#### Countable or uncountable

- Use of uncountable nouns as countables
- Perceptually countable items such as furniture, equipment, luggage are regularly used with a plural marker to denote more than one piece

### Nouns

#### Countable or uncountable

- Advices
- Informations
- Moneys

### Nouns

#### Quantifiers and countability in outer circle varieties

- Uncountable quantifiers are used with countable nouns  
Do not eat so much burgers.
- Use of some as a determiner  
After some few days.

### Nouns

#### Conflation of pronoun gender

- When I first met my husband, she was a student.
- My mother, he lives in Kampog

## **Topic-093: Grammar-III**

### Verbs

#### Stative verbs

- Verbs that express a state rather than an action
- Relate to thoughts, opinions, feelings and emotions
- These verbs are usually not used in the progressive tenses

### Verbs

#### Stative verbs

#### Examples

- Understand
- Doubt
- Like
- Want
- Hate

### Verbs

#### Stative verbs

The Outer and Expanding Circle varieties of English most often do not make a distinction between stative and dynamic verbs

Verbs

Stative verbs

- He is having two cars.
- I was not knowing him then.
- She is not recognizing you.
- What are you wanting now?

Verbs

Inflections

- In many Asian languages, verbs are not inflected for tense.
- The distinction in time reference is expressed by adverbs or some other linguistic element
- The multilingual users of English base their systems on their first language

Verbs

Limited past tense marking

- Mandarin, I learn it privately.
- My wife, she pass her Cambridge.
- I talk to her yesterday.

Verbs

Inflections

There is a great deal of variation in the use of the tense-aspect markers of English across its varieties.

Verbs

Use of aspect instead of tense

I eat = I'm eating

I've worked there in 1960.

Limited marking for the third person singular

She drink milk.

He read a book at bed time.

Verbs

Formation of prepositional verb construction

- I can't cope up with this situation
- His name cropped in the conversation
- I'm going to voice out my opinion

**Topic-094: Grammar-IV**



Question-answering system

Types of questioning-answering systems:

- Positive-negative system
- Agreement-disagreement system

Question-answering system

Examples:

- Positive-negative system

Q: Isn't he coming?

A: No, he isn't.

- Agreement-disagreement system

Q: Isn't he coming?

A: Yes, he is.

Question-answering system

- Outer and expanding circle Englishes follows the agreement-disagreement system.
- Causes difficulty in interpreting the answer

Q: Didn't you complete your work?

A: Yes, that's right.

Use of general question tags

Question tag:

Tags are used

with question intonation following statements

He is coming to the party,  
isn't he?

Sara has arrived, hasn't she?

Use of general question tags

In the Outer- and Expanding-Circle varieties, a general tag, isn't, is it, no is used universally:

Hira will come next month, isn't it?

He didn't pass the test, isn't it?

He likes music, isn't it?

You are not going home, is it?

### **Topic-095: Discourse Style-I**

Topic 95:

Variations in aspects of discourse

- More formal character than the Inner Circle English
- More complex vocabulary and grammar
- Lengthy constructions

Variations in aspects of discourse

Redundancy of expression

- Expressions of thanks
- Lengthy constructions
- Deferential vocabulary
- Use of blessings

Redundancy of expressions

Examples

- I'm bubbling with zeal and enthusiasm to serve as a research assistant
- I offer myself as a candidate for the post of Research Assistant
- With due respect I beg to state
- Your obedient servant

Greetings and leave taking

Direct translations from indigenous languages:

- So how? (Sri Lankan English)
- You're enjoying? (Nigerian English)
- Have you eaten already? (Malaysian/Singaporean English)

Greetings and leave taking

Direct translations from indigenous languages:

- How? How now? (West African English)
- Are you alright? (East African English)

## **Topic-096: Discourse Style-II**

textual organization

structure of information

grammatical structure

Thematic information

- Difference in the organization of information
- Different devices used for expressing focus and theme

Focus and theme in Inner Circle English

- The initial element in the sentence usually signals the theme
- The element that follows the main verb is in focus

Example

Where did Sara go?

She went to the beach

Focus and theme in Outer Circle English

- i. Certain medicine we don't stock in our dispensary

- ii. One subject they pay for seven dollars
- iii. And weekend you can spend with your brother.
- iv. My daughter she is attending the University of Nairobi.

## Lesson-17

### World Englishes and Intelligibility

#### Topic-097: Intelligibility

A frequently discussed topic today is whether various English varieties will be intelligible outside their locality or not.

What is intelligibility?

- Understanding
- Making sense

Variation and intelligibility

- Differences across varieties may lead to difficulties in intelligibility
- Variations may be caused by these factors:
- Geography
- Ethnicity
- Age (differences between old and younger generation)

Variation and intelligibility

Varieties may differ from each other in:

- Grammar
- Lexis/vocab is different- eg in Pak English gunman for armed guard
- Sentence structure / Paki or Ind speaker wants to say why are you late? He would say why you are late?
- Accent

Intelligibility is not an abstract idea. It can be considered only in a particular context that may include:

- The speaker
- The listener
- Situation
- Time
- Purpose

For example, if a person is speaking English and you understand it but you do not understand the intention of the speaker.

Listener may not understand speaker, due to rate or volume, voice difference or speaker is telling how some computer equipment works and listener does not know jargon of computer they do not understand each other.

### Intelligibility

- Lack of intelligibility is a natural phenomenon when a language becomes widespread
- Intelligibility is considered in both productive and receptive skills-you show concern abt intell in spg lg rg wg etc.

- Mostly causes concerns in listening speaking

### Intelligibility

- Variations may cause issues of intelligibility and frustration to speakers of different varieties
- Two reactions:
- Change the situation
- Accept the situation and learn to deal with it-world englishes supporters say that variations in English will be there . It should not be changed rather we should devise ways to deal with this situation.

### **Topic-098: Components of Intelligibility**

#### Components of intelligibility

The holistic notion of intelligibility is divided into three components:

- Intelligibility
- Comprehensibility
- Interpretability

(Smith as cited in Kachru & Nelson, 2006)

### Intelligibility

Intelligibility refers to:

- Level of sound- when you hear an utterance you are able to distinguish between different sounds- recognize sounds according to different categories assigned to them-you hear a sound and you're able to identify them as different words.

### Intelligibility

If you don't understand somebody and you try to assign different categories to different sounds that you hear you can always ask the speaker to clarify their words. Difficulties can be overcome by:

- A clarification request e.g. could you repeat yourself?
- Repair device
- Stored in memory for checking later
- Ignored because of the redundancy in the message

### Evidence of intelligibility

Being able to:

- Recognize a spoken word/words
- Reproduce it in writing

### **Topic-099: Comprehensibility**

#### Comprehensibility

- The next level in Smith's complexity continuum of intelligibility
- Involves:

- assigning meaning to utterances
- Recognizing an utterance's referents

### Comprehensibility

Example:

Table

- Please put the package on the table.
- Invite guests of the committee to the table.
- Table a motion.
- Insert data into cells in a table.

### Difficulty in comprehensibility

- Unfamiliar vocabulary
- Unfamiliar expressions
- Borrowed lexical items
- Nativized vocabulary

### Difficulty in comprehensibility

Example:

'Correspondence invited, preferably for mutual alliance ... .'

- Kachru cited in Kachru & Nelson, 2006
- 'Mutual alliance' is a culturally significant collocation with respect to marriage arrangements

### **Topic-100: Interpretability**

- To understand the purpose and intent of an utterance
- Most complex and most important

### Interpretability

Example:

Masterji must have heard.... He biked all the way ... his white beard rolled spiffily tight and his long hair tucked under a crisp chartreuse turban.... He was even carrying a kirpan.... Masterji was a Sikh... but very few went around with their ceremonial daggers strapped to their chests all day long.

### Interpretability

Example:

'Matrimonial correspondence invited from respected Punjabi families for my son ... clean shaven.'

### Interpretability

### Research findings on intelligibility

- Need to remove the native accent as the target
- Need for students of English to have greater exposure to nonnative varieties of English

### Research findings on intelligibility

- Exposure ensures less inhibition and bias and more tolerance toward different varieties of English

- Wider exposure to more varieties increases users' ability to comprehend international educated English

### **Topic-101: Intercultural competence**

- Focusing on only one culture leads students (or some teachers) to see only a unified and monolithic culture

Differences caused by cultural contexts

People use different strategies for interaction depending on their:

Gender

Age

Ethnicity

Intercultural competence

Research on different varieties of English show that there are differences in the following aspects:

- Use of standard and non-standard English with respect to age and gender
- Performance of different speech acts

Use of 'yes' in different cultures

- In Burundi: the addressee may say: 'Yes, I definitely agree', and then proceed to state their opinion which is contradictory to what the first speaker had said.

Use of 'yes' in different cultures

Example:

In American English (women): 'yeah' to mean they are following what the speaker is saying

In American English (men): 'yeah' to mean they agree with the speaker

In Japanese: 'I am paying attention to what you are saying'.

Findings of research

Language teaching needs to take into account:

- Properties of extended discourse in context
- Teacher education to consider the conventions of culture that determine context-dependent language use

Findings of research

Language teaching needs to take into account:

- awareness raising about shared and non-shared features of world Englishes
- Teacher awareness about their own attitudes
- Recognition of the status and depth of world Englishes

Findings of research

Language teaching needs to take into account:

- Projection of ethnic, gender, national and other identities through world Englishes

### **Topic-102: Sociocultural Context in World Englishes**

**Lesson-18**

**Standard Language Ideology**

### **Topic-103: What is Standard language I?**

What is Standard Language?

- The term 'standard' began to be applied to language and literature in the 18th century.
- Historically was used for the battle/war flag of England in a battle in the 12th century
- Used in the armies to refer to the flag of a unit or regiment

Standard language

- The variety of a language which is considered the norm
- Used for educational purposes
- A yard stick for measuring the other varieties

Standard language

- Is a prestige variety
- Spoken by a minority of people with power and position in a society

Standardization of a language

Language standardization is the process by which conventional forms of a language are established and maintained

Codification

- The methods used to complete the process of standardization

Standard English

Codification

- These methods include the creation and use of:
- dictionaries
- style and usage guides
- traditional grammar textbooks

Standard English

Codification

- The term was popularized in the early 1970s by linguist Einar Haugen
- He defined it as a process that leads to "minimal variation in form"

Standard language

- Language varieties do not have prestige in themselves
- They acquire prestige when their speakers have high prestige
- This explains the prestige and power attached to standard English.

### **Topic-104: What is Standard language II?**

Bases of standard English

Grammar

- Grammar more than pronunciation
- Grammar is fixed and uniform

Bases of standard English

Grammar

Educated speakers may differ in:

- Pronunciation
- Vocabulary

- Idiom

Bases of standard English

First, ...it really ought to be called ‘the grammar and core vocabulary of educated usage in English’.... it is not the whole of English, and above all it is not pronunciation that can be in any way labeled ‘Standard’, but only ... its grammar and vocabulary.

(Strevens cited in Kachru & Nelson, 2006)

Bases of standard English

Writing

- Associated more closely with writing than spoken forms
- Easily recognizable in written forms

Bases of standard English

Writing

Associated more closely with writing because:

- A blend of vocabulary and grammar
- Established more clearly through spelling than pronunciation

Bases of standard English

Writing

- Written English is more rule-governed than spoken English
- Role of publishers
- More uniformity and fewer divergences in writing

Bases of standard English

Language ideology

- Social, cultural and economic factors
- Undue importance given to the variety selected as the standard

### **Topic-105: Standard language**

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### **Topic-106: Language Standards**

Language standards

- Prescriptive language rules which together constitute the standard
- Formally taught and conformed to
- These rules may change over time

Criticism of language standards

- Create discrimination
- Work against the poor, women and minorities
- Need to be broadened

Process of standardization

Comprises four stages

- Selection
- Codification
- Elaboration of functions
- Acceptance

Selection

- The most critical stage
- Involves selection of one variety as the standard
- Led by the politically and socially powerful
- Protects and promotes the interests of the same

Selection

Involves the selection of:

- An existing variety with a high degree of political and social acceptance
- Different features from several varieties

Codification

- Involves the writing and development of:

- grammar textbooks
- style and use guides
- Dictionaries
- Allows people access to the standard forms

Elaboration of functions

- Capability of performing a wide range of functions in government and education domains
- New vocabulary and conventions are added

Acceptance

- The selected variety has to be accepted by the relevant population

Paradox of standardization

- A symbol of a state's independence
- A strong unifying force
- A symbol of inferior status of the poor who use a regional, social or ethnic dialect

Paradox of standardization

- Standardization of a language may be challenged or questioned e.g. the standard English

### **Topic-107: Non-Standard Englishes**

Non-British variety controversy

- Recognition of American English as a variety different from British English
- Reservations in recognizing institutionalized varieties in the outer circle

Varieties considered non-standard

- All the regional native speaker dialects of English
- All the 'New English' varieties
- Until 1970s educated Australian English

Non-Standard Englishes

Lack of acceptance of non-standard varieties may be due to:

- Attitude towards race in the US
- Attitude towards class in the UK

Non-Standard Englishes

Standardization and codification of outer circle Englishes:

- Singaporean Standard English
- Indian Standard English

Attitudes within the outer circle

- Often considered second-best compared to the standard English of the inner circle

Attitudes in the inner circle

- Unlikely to attract the same degree of prestige as native standard Englishes in UK, North America and Australia

- Considered a result of fossilization

Attitudes in the inner circle

- Learners of a second language stop short of target-like attainment (the native speaker's competence) in some or all linguistic domains

## **Standard English and World Englishes**

Topic 108: Language Standardization and Codification

Standardization

- The process by which conventional forms of a language are established and maintained.
- It may occur as an effort by members of a community to impose one dialect or variety as a standard.

Codification

- The methods by which a language is standardized
- 18th century was the most important period of codification for English
- The term codification was popularized in the early 1970s by the linguist Einar Haugen

Codification

Codification involves the following:

- Developing a writing system
- Setting up official rules for grammar, orthography, pronunciation
- Publishing grammar books, dictionaries and usage guidelines

Selection of the standard variety

- English and financial opportunities
- Market share of different varieties:
  - American
  - British
  - Australian

Standardization vs codification

Standardization

Concerns raised by standardization:

- Language status
- Language variability
- Language ideology

Standardization vs codification

Codification

Codification involves concrete and limited concerns:

- Recognition of creativity and innovation
- Purpose and domain of use
- Perceived superiority of the native speaker

Topic 109: Codification and Teacher Education

Topic 110: Issues in Codification

Issues in codification

- Outer circle Englishes exist in multicultural and multilingual environments
- Generally governments have maintained traditionally accepted British or American English standards

Issues of codification

- The attitude is inappropriate in the current context of the existence of English

- Codification in the outer circle involves five challenges

1. Prescription or description?

Prescriptivism is the belief that one variety of a language is superior to others and should be promoted as such.

Descriptivism is a nonjudgmental approach to language that focuses on how it is actually spoken and written.

Prescription or description?

Codification in the outer circle involves two kinds of decision:

- i. Selecting models and pedagogical norms
- ii. Focusing on the cultural context of uses and users

2. Selection

- Outer-Circle English users communicate within their region and with speakers from other circles
- Selection of an exclusively internal or external model as the standard is difficult

3. Functions

Participatory function codification for purposes of mutual collaboration

Separatist function

Marking boundaries of distinct identity

4. Content of standards

Two possibilities:

- Stay with the British or American model: easy and economical
- Select an internal model: involves a large amount of work

Content of standards (contd...)

Advantages of an internal model

- Awareness of identity
- More opportunities for creativity
- Acceptance and recognition of creativity

5. Acceptance

Locally defined standards need the approval and support of:

- Experts and professionals
- General population
- Institutions

Topic 111: Constructs of Standards and Codification-I

Randolph Quirk's approach

- Three models of spread of English:

1. Demographic model
2. Econocultural model
3. Imperial model

Quirk's view

Spread of English nowadays

- Can be compared with the econocultural model
- English being spread nowadays as the medium of science, technology and business

- Issues of standards
- General
- Restricted

Quirk's view

- General issues of standards: educational concerns
- Restricted issues of standards: special uses of English

Quirk's view

General issues of standards

- Unwillingness to adopt American or British English as models
- False assumptions about the varieties of English by linguists

Quirk's view

Restricted issues of standards

- International standards for global use of English:
- English for transnational corporation
- Maritime English

Quirk's view

Restricted issues of standards

- Varieties are deficient in this context
- Standard English is required to ensure better communication by using the same language

Quirk's view

Restricted issues of standards

- Varieties exemplify an incomplete command of English
- Standard English is required to ensure better communication by using the same language

Quirk's view

Need for a local standard

- Required only in the imperial model
- The local norms should be based on acrolectal variety which is as close as possible to the externally established norm of Standard English

Topic 112: Two Constructs of Standards and Codification-II

Kachru's view

Sociolinguistic reality of English in global context

- Multicultural varieties of English at various societal levels (penetration)
- Extraordinary wide domains of functions (range)

Kachru's view

Sociolinguistic reality of English in global context

- Emphasizes the user
- Users make adjustments in their use of English that reflect the realities of their own sociolinguistic contexts

Kachru's view

- Rejects the traditional view of native speakers being the norm providers for all varieties of English

- Acknowledges the influence of native languages on the English of multilingual users

Kachru's view

- Rejects the view that varieties are deficient or incompletely learned

- The differences reflect the diverse cultural contexts of the use of English

Kachru's view

New norm-providers

- Various norm-providing and modelling centres have resulted in new linguistic and literary rules and principles

- Learning English along with retaining one's own identity

Kachru's view

Adaptation of English to multilingual contexts

- Norm-providing
- Indigenized-variety use
- Asserting regional national or local identity as distinct from inner circle variety users

Kachru's view

Diversification in inner circle and outer circle varieties

- Diversification in outer circle varieties is comparable to inner circle varieties
- considerable diversification at the base (colloquial level)
- and less diversity at the apex or educated level

Kachru's view

Dealing with diversity

- Creativity and innovation reflect the diversity of cultural circumstances in which English is used
- Concerns raised by diversification need to be managed by exposure of teachers and researchers to varieties of English

Topic 113: External Models in Expanding and Outer Circles

External models

- British
- American

Arguments for external models

Need for a uniform standard world-wide

- Uniform standard needed for global English
- Multiple norms can cause the language to break up in mutually unintelligible varieties
- Political leadership favours external models

Arguments for external models

Sufficiency of external models

- Existence of research based codified varieties
- Availability of abundant instructional and reference material in British and American English

Arguments for external models

Sufficiency of external models

- Similarity between educated varieties in outer and expanding circle and standard British or American English

- Adequacy of available models for restricted purposes

Arguments for external models

Inseparability of English and American/British culture

- Creativity of the inner circle speakers is considered more valid
- Outer and expanding circle literature is considered secondary to inner circle
- British and American literatures determine the literary standards

Topic 114: Internal Models in Expanding and Outer Circles

Arguments for internal models

Unavoidability of acculturation of English

- Sociocultural context of outer and expanding circle countries

Arguments for internal models

Research on internal models

- Features of different varieties have been recorded by researchers
- Dictionaries and grammar reference books are being compiled
- International Corpus of English (ICE) is being developed

Arguments for internal models

Breaking away from British and American culture

- Increase in range and depth of English
- Acculturation and emergence of new varieties
- Need to contextualize English

Arguments for internal models

Language standard and ideology

- Social identity
- Sociolinguistic reality

## Lesson-20

### Acculturation

Topic 115: Standard VS. Global Language

Standard language

- A language which has changed from a regional into a national language
- Used as a second language by the speakers of other dialects, retaining some features of their regional languages.

Standard language

- Discovers new functions
- Develops new registers
- Expands its meaning potential

Global language

- A language which has changed from a national into an 'international' language
- Used as a second language by the speakers of other languages, retaining some features of their national languages
- Called global as its range covers the whole world

Global language

- A language takes on new meanings when it is used to describe settings originally construed in a different language
- It does so by:
  - Borrowing
  - Reconstructing old words

Global language

- Creates new functions

- Produces new meanings
- Increases its meaning potential.

Topic 116: Speaking and Writing in World Englishes

Conventions of language use across cultures

The need to understand the following:

- Interactions
- Sociocultural values
- Conventions of language use
- Linguistic structure

Speech Act

An act that a speaker performs making an utterance, such as:

- Requesting
- Promising
- Asking
- Demanding
- Apologizing

Conventions of politeness

- People oriented to negative politeness may be perceived as aloof or cold
- People oriented to positive politeness may be perceived as unsophisticated

Conventions of politeness

Negative politeness

The strategies that avoid offence by showing deference.

Examples

- Use of honorific terms: "Dr.", "Mr."
- Indirect requests: Would not you mind if we shut the door?

Conventions of politeness

Positive politeness

The strategies that avoid offence by highlighting friendliness.

Examples:

Use of nicknames

Exaggerated approvals: You look terrific

Request: You look cold, Sam. Should we shut the window?'

Conventions of politeness

Show of negative politeness: where interactions between strangers are conventionally oriented more to deference

Show of positive politeness: where interactions between strangers are expected to be more personable and friendly

Topic 117: Speaking and Writing in World Englishes

Sociocultural conventions of language use across cultures

Politeness

Asian languages

- Grammatical devices at the phonological, morphological, lexical and syntactic levels
- Discourse strategies, to signal respectful and polite verbal behavior

Politeness



Asian languages

Indicating respect for specific addressees or referents:

- honorific pronouns
- verbal endings
- lexical sets

Politeness

Asian languages

Indicating respect for specific addressees or referents:

- Sets of honorific pronouns
- Verbal endings
- lexical sets

Choice from one set is constrained by the choice from another set

Politeness

Asian languages

Grammatical choices: Hindi

Lexical choices: Korean (Hwang, 1990)

Honorific	Plain	Gloss
Cinci	pap	'meal'
Sengham	ilum	'name'

Expression of politeness in English

English language does not

have systemic choices but only strategies based on politeness considerations

Assimilation and change of conventions

- Assimilation of cultural conventions of language use in new varieties of English
- Under the influence of English in some section of societies these systems are undergoing change

Conventions of use in world Englishes

Expression of partial agreement-disagreement

Yes, but...

In Hindi: No . . . but yeah

Example

A: Do you think it [wife abuse] is common?

B: In India? In rural families this is common.

C: No, it's common. Very much common even in very literate families

Topic 118: Speaking and Writing in World Englishes

Rhetorical strategies

Strategies used to produce appropriate and effective language in any situation

Rhetorical strategies

- Different varieties of English show a considerable difference in the use of rhetorical strategies in writing

- Selection of a rhetorical strategy is motivated by considerations of sociocultural appropriateness

Features of outer and expanding circle writing

- High sounding style

- Indirectness
- Presenting all sides of an argument
- Extensive quotation from previous work

Features of outer and expanding circle English

Politeness strategies

- Prefacing the request by some general observations

Now coming to the crux of the matter . . . I request you

Features of outer and expanding circle writing

Politeness strategies

- Use of affective elements
- I request you very humbly to enlighten me of the following points.  
 - So, with folded hands I request you to

Literature

Creative literature from Africa and Asia successfully uses a synthesis of:

- Oral and literate traditions
- Strategies of drawing in the audience

Features of inner circle Writing

- Direct imperatives
- Heavy emphasis on explicit, decontextualized, impersonal language

Features of inner circle English

- Need to acknowledge the literary value of outer circle writings
- Publishers need to shed off their prejudices

Topic 119: Genre and Style in World Englishes

Genre

A genre is a type or category of literature or other form of artistic composition (as in painting, music or film), marked by a distinctive style, form, or content.

Genre

- Language use in a conventionalized social setting
- Responds to specific communicative needs of a discipline or in a social setting
- Practices constraints on use of grammar vocabulary and discourse features

Genre

Is identified on factors external to the text:

- Rhetorical context
- Communicative purpose
- Sociocultural and other institutional constraints

Genre

Factors internal to the text:

- Lexicon
- Grammar
- Text organization patterns

Genre

Contradictory features of genre:

- Conventions: rhetorically stable textual activity

- Tendency for innovation: exploited by experienced writers to create new forms in order to respond to novel rhetorical contexts

#### Genre

Creativity in the use of linguistic resources represents subtle changes in style to convey private, organizational or/and personal identities, attitudes, intentions and perceptions.

#### Style

- Generally defined in terms of text-internal factors.
- Style can demonstrate:
  - a typically individual use of language
  - a typically functional use of language

#### Difference between Style and Genre

- Genre focuses more on the communicative values
- Style pays more attention to linguistic form

#### Topic 120: Genre and Style in World Englishes

##### Genre in the context of world Englishes

- Variations in world Englishes are comparable to variations in styles
- Both reflect individual uses of language

##### Genre in the context of world Englishes

- Individual variations can be seen in the use of language in different contexts
- These variations are caused by differences in the experiences, goals, attitudes, and values of speakers of world Englishes

##### Genre in the context of world Englishes

- Change in the use of vocabulary and grammar will change the construction and interpretation of genre
- Variations due to world Englishes can create noticeable differences in genres and styles

##### Genre in the context of world Englishes

##### Conservative genres

##### Little room for variations in the use of:

- text-internal features of language use (lexico-grammar, discourse structuring)
- text-external features

##### Genre in the context of world Englishes

##### Conservative genres

- Generic integrity is maintained in professional and academic discourse
- Editor control by publishing houses

##### Genre in the context of world Englishes

##### Conservative genres

- These constraints can be compared with conformity to largely Western and native English norms
- Limit variation, creativity, and innovation in language motivated by variations in world Englishes.

##### Genre in the context of world Englishes

##### Liberal genres

Creativity and innovation in the use of linguistic form is considered a great quality (literary genres)

In a dramatic day's play, India, after taking charge of the match, let the advantage slip a bit. First, after the Indian bowlers had reduced Pakistan to 137 for 8, a gutsy 49 by Mohammad Sami helped them to a

respectable 224. Then, Virender Sehwag was out off the first ball of the Indian innings, though the Indians avoided further loss, ending the day on 23 for 1. (The Wisden Bulletin by Amit Varma cited in Kachru, B., Kachru Y & Nelson, 2006)

After being roasted in the Caribbean sun for two-and-a-half days, England's batsmen suffered a prolonged dizzy spell on the third evening in Antigua, slumping to 98 for 5 before Andrew Flintoff and the debutant Geraint Jones applied the cold towels with a soothing 73-run partnership (The Wisden Bulletin by Andrew Miller cited in Kachru, B., Kachru, Y. & Nelson, 2006)

## Lesson-21

### World Englishes and Language Acquisition

Topic 121: Second Language Acquisition and World Englishes

Second Language Acquisition

The study of individuals and groups who are learning a language subsequent to learning their first one as young children, and to the process of learning that language.

Distinctions in second language in SLA

- Second language
- Foreign language
- Auxiliary language
- Additional language

SLA and world Englishes

- Growing recognition of the plurality of English underlying the World Englishes (WE) paradigm
- Problematizing of the conventional SLA views of second language learning

World Englishes claims

According to Kachru, WE makes three basic claims:

- There is a repertoire of models for English, not just the native English
- Localized innovations in English deserve recognition
- The ownership of English lies with all those who use it.

Challenge to traditional SLA paradigm

- Rejects the attainment of native-like competence as the English learning goal for all learners
- Native speakers not responsible for the standardization of English

SLA and World Englishes

- Global spread of English
- Socio-cultural and pragmatic needs of new speech communities of English
- Generation of multiple norms at the local, national and regional levels

SLA and World Englishes

View of deviations from the standard English:

- In SLA: errors
- In WE: variations

SLA and World Englishes

- Non-native speaker (NNS) norms treated as equal to native speaker norms
- Use of NNS norms for evaluating the appropriateness of English use in outer circle contexts

Topic 122: Second Language Acquisition (SLA) in Multilingual Context

SLA and multilingualism

The world Englishes orientation recognizes that additional languages are learned/acquired in multilingual contexts

Functions of an additional language

- The uses and functions of the additional language are determined by the role and status the additional language enjoys in a community

- WE performs various functions in different settings

Benefits of world Englishes to the study of SLA

- Provides fertile ground for SLA research

- Offers research potential in Applied Linguistics and Sociolinguistics

World Englishes and SLA concepts

Lack of relevance between world Englishes and SLA concepts of:

- Fossilization

- Interlanguage

- Input

- Monitor

Focus of world Englishes research

- The impact of uses and functions of a language on its acquisition

Topic 123: SLA and Formal Instructions

Orthodox view of SLA

- Native-like competence as L2 learning goal

- Deviations from NS norms are believed to result from limited linguistic competence

World Englishes view of SLA

- L2 learning goal may not necessarily correspond to NS norms

- Deviations from standard English norms may not necessarily be errors in WE particularly when an idiosyncratic form appears systematic and is shared by a speech community

Language instruction in World Englishes context

- English language instruction is carried out by non-native English speaking teachers

- No exposure to native speakers

- No or limited exposure to materials from the inner circle

Topic 124: Issues of Proficiency and Communicative Competence-I

Foreign language instruction in NNS countries

- Native language as the model for a foreign language learning

- Native speaker not a requirement as teacher or instructor

English language instruction in NNS countries

- Preference for native English speaking teachers

- NNS teachers not being proficient enough, spoil the language

English language instruction in NNS countries

- Which pedagogical model

- Which English – US, UK or native?

English language use in NNS countries

There are ‘millions of L2 users who learn and use second languages in their own countries, from their own (nonnative) teachers, for use primarily with other nonnative speakers, and who may never come across a native speaker face to face’

Sridhar cited in B. Kachru, Y. Kachru & Nelson, 2006)

Ideal definition of a native speaker

- Someone who acquired a given language as her/his home language at mother's knee, without benefit of formal instruction.
- She/he has useful intuitions about grammatical correctness, and does not have to think about how to say what she/he wants to say

Proficiency of non-native speakers

- Non-native speakers as proficient speakers
- Show better proficiency than the native speakers in some cases
- Do we need a native speaker or a proficient speaker?

SLA and native speaker

- Primary criteria: monolingual notion
- Secondary criteria: social factors

SLA and native speaker

- Need to acknowledge outer and expanding circle varieties of English in SLA

Topic 125: Issues of Proficiency and Communicative Competence

Genetic and functional nativeness

Genetic nativeness

Refers to the historical relationships of contact and convergence between languages

Genetic and functional nativeness

Functional nativeness

- Sociolinguistic status in range and depth of use in a society
- Users recognize standard English
- Users' exhibit proficiency comparable to native speakers' proficiency

Communicative competence

The ability to use a community's language in appropriate ways to achieve goals and to operate in the society in an intended manner

Communicative competence

- Refers to both the tacit knowledge of a language and the ability to use it effectively
- The socially appropriate use of language

Communicative competence

- Knowing and acting in accordance with the sociocultural knowledge
- Conventions of language use

Communicative competence and native speaker

A native speaker does not make for a more competent communicator in different contexts

Communicative competence and world Englishes

- Wide exposure to varieties of English allows for being flexible in one's use of the language
- Inclusion of the notion of world Englishes in teacher education programmes

Topic 126: Nativization and Englishization

Nativization

Effective communication in world Englishes context depends on:

- An awareness of nativization of English
- Englishization of the local languages in contact with English

Nativization

- Adaptation of English to local socio-cultural environments

- Leads to qualifying descriptors such as:
- US English
- Indian English
- Singaporean English

#### Englishization

The transformation which takes place in non-English cultures and languages as a result of exposure to the English language

#### Englishization

- Obvious influences of English on other languages
- Levels of languages from pronunciation to literary genres are affected

#### Code mixing and code switching

##### Code mixing

Changing from one language to another within sentences

##### Code switching

Changing from one language to another across sentences and larger language domains

#### Code mixing and code switching

- Amajor characteristic of the users of world Englishes
- Readily observable
- Not fully approved by monolingual researchers
- Need to understand what prompts code mixing and switching

## Lesson-22

### World Englishes and Language Acquisition

#### Topic 127: World Englishes and Interlanguage

##### Interlanguage

Refers to the intermediate states of a learner's language as it moves from L1 toward the target L2

##### Interlanguage

L1 \_\_\_ | ..... | \_\_\_L2

##### Interlanguage

Interlanguage is metaphorically a halfway house between the first language (L1) and second language (L2)

##### Interlanguage

L1 \_\_\_ | ..... | \_\_\_L2

##### Interlanguage

Learning L2 is a gradual process from L1 towards L2. At every stage of learning learners have rules of grammar which are not perfect yet

##### Interlanguage

- Reflects the learner's evolving system of rules
- Is influenced both by L1 and by input from the target language

##### Interlanguage

The monolingual SLA stance considers all non-native varieties of language as failed attempts at learning

#### Topic 128: World Englishes and Interlanguage

## Interlanguage

Interlanguage as a concept has no relevance to stable bilingual and multilingual contexts across the world

## Interlanguage hypotheses

The concept of Interlanguage is based on following hypotheses:

1. Varieties of English are fossilized forms of standard English
2. Results of imperfect learning

## Fossilization and world Englishes

- Fossilization is inapt to the context of world Englishes
- In multilingual contexts different languages have definite roles
- English has definite roles in many societies
- The roles and contexts of use are constantly evolving

## Fossilization and world Englishes

- In a multilingual context, each language has its use
- One language may not be appropriate for use in all domains

## SLA in outer and expanding circles

- SLA models are the teachers and materials
- English has various uses outside the classroom
- Receives reinforcement and expansion opportunities of classroom learning

## Topic 129: Second Language Acquisition (SLA) Theories and World Englishes

### SLA Theory Construction

- Immigrants or foreign students in universities are used as sources of data
- Learners of English in the outer and expanding circles are overlooked

### SLA Theory Construction

- Little awareness of the factors relevant to English language learning in these contexts
- Lack of relevance between SLA theories and world Englishes

## Assumptions of SLA

1. Learning goal is to attain native-like competence to communicate with native speakers
2. Input comprises the entire range and depth of British and American English
3. Learners ought to have integrative motivation for language learning

## Assumptions of SLA

4. Primary languages considered sources of negative and positive transfer
5. Difference from standard British or American English amount to failure – fossilization or pragmatic failure

## Success in SLA

- Five percent of learners are expected to achieve native competence in L2
- The others are consigned to the category of interlanguage users

## Topic 130: Realities of Second Language Learning in World Englishes Context

### Realities of outer and expanding circle context

- Non-native interlocutors
- Native English norms may be viewed unfavourably

### Realities of outer and circle context

- Input available in indigenized variety of English:



- Teachers
- Peers
- Materials

Realities of outer and circle context

- Several languages in the linguistic repertoire
- Each language with a distinct function
- Irrelevance of ideal bilingualism

Realities of outer and circle context

- Functions of English unique to the context
- Serves as a high variety in a diglossic situation
- Used in administration, higher courts of law, tertiary education
- Overlaps with other languages in informal situations

Topic 131: Acquisition of English in Outer and Expanding Circles

Inapplicability of SLA to world Englishes

- Gap between classical SLA paradigm and learning of English in outer and expanding circle
- Inapplicability of SLA concepts and methods to the world Englishes context

Outer and expanding circle contexts

Multilingual users

- Include different domains of use and require different levels of proficiency
- Multilinguals are not deficient but proficient users of English and other languages
- Employ code mixing

Outer and expanding circle contexts

Local input

- Bilingual teaching methods
- Teachers proficient in local variety of English
- Indigenized versions of American popular culture

Outer and expanding circle contexts

Local input

- Creativity in the use of internet
- Indigenized varieties rather than an international or universal English

Outer and expanding circle contexts

Irrelevance of SLA concepts

- The target is not acquisition of native-like competence
- Inappropriacy of fossilization and interlanguage for researching world Englishes

Outer and expanding circle contexts

Irrelevance of SLA concepts

- Indigenized varieties rather than an international or universal English
- Cannot be compared to creolization

Outer and expanding circle contexts

Role of first or primary languages

- Positive role of the first language
- Innovations help in two ways:
- Increase communicative competence in the target language
- Help in acculturation of the target language to local context

## Topic 132: Acquisition of English in Outer and Expanding Circles

Integrating world Englishes into SLA paradigm

Theory construction to consider:

- Multilingualism
- Functions of language(s)
- Creative potential of human linguistic behaviour

Changing SLA scenario

Some scholars and linguists suggest the following:

- Inclusion of 'indigenized language' as a type of acquisition in SLA typology
- New perspectives on SLA
- Acceptability of stable variations rather than treating them as errors

Changing SLA scenario

- Native speakers to be more tolerant and accepting
- Need to increase familiarity with international English

Changing SLA scenario

- SLA theories to consider research on the acquisition and use of IVEs
- SLA's limitations with regards to offering explanations with regard to learning English in outer and expanding circles

## Bilingualism, Code Mixing and Code Switching

Topic 133:

Code switching

Code switching is a well-recognized phenomenon in the speech of bilingual or multilingual people.

Multilingualism

The use of two or more languages by a single individual or a community of speakers

Multilingualism

- More than half of world's population is multilingual
- Engages in code switching

Code switching

- The alternation between languages or varieties in the utterances of individuals
- The practice of moving back and forth between two languages or between two dialects

Code switching

- Alternation between varieties or codes, across sentences or clause boundaries

Code mixing

- Alternations between languages or varieties within a clause or phrase

Code mixing

Examples

- Kio ke six seven hours te school de vich spend karde ne, they are speaking English all the time. (Punjabi/English)
- Have aqua please (Have water please). (Spanish/English)

Code switching

Examples

- Why don't we all go together to New Delhi? N1 ki shaddi ki shopping bhi ho jaye gi
- Very soon, I will be a big star in Bollywood; main naumeed nahin hougni.

Topic 134: Phenomenon of Code Mixing

Code Mixing

Code mixing may be intentional or unintentional

What prompts code mixing

Speakers may engage in code-mixing as a natural and unconscious language act

- No apparent reason

Example:

They are planning to go to Hardwar on Monday. I will tell you pucca tomorrow.

What necessitates code mixing

- Representation of cultural elements of a situation

She was absolutely free of any obligation from anyone — no one had the time to do sewa for her

What prompts code mixing

- Participant relationships
- Situational factors
- Language attitudes

- Message intrinsic factors
- Interjections
- quotations

Code mixing and borrowing

- Borrowing functions to provide necessary elements that do not exist in the primary language being used
- A bilingual speaker lacks the exact word for the concept he or she wants to express

Code mixing and borrowing

Phonological and morphological assimilation of borrowed items

Examples:

Frappé = frapp

Time = tam

Code Mixing

Examples:

- Meray paas time nahin hai
- Can I have some chutney please?
- I ate a samosa with tea.

Topic 135: Pragmatics of Code Switching

Constraints on code switching

Free morpheme constraint

Equivalence constraint

Constraints on code switching

Free morpheme

A morpheme (or word element) that can stand alone as a word. Also called an unbound morpheme or a free-standing morpheme

Free morpheme

Examples:

I need to go now.

- Are
- This
- Eat
- Let
- Want

Bound morpheme

A word element that cannot stand alone as a word, including both prefixes and suffixes.

Bound morpheme

Attaching a bound morpheme to a free morpheme creates a new word or new form of a word.

Example:

re + start = restart

re + join = rejoin

dis + content = discontent

Constraints on code switching

Free morpheme constraint

An intra-sentential switch may be made by any bilingual speaker only if a constituent is not a bound

morpheme

Constraints on code switching

Free morpheme constraint

Example:

- Idher hum shop (free morpheme) main jaty  
hain tou ...
- Dil o dimagh nature ki  
khamosh dil awezyon say  
halky halky lutf andoz hon  
gey

Constraints on code switching

Free morpheme constraint

Counter example:

- Hamaray ball- roomoon aur clubon ka kya ho ga?
- (oon-Urdu bound morpheme e.g kitaboon-room-English free morpheme)
- Boxon ki ziyadti bta rahe thi keh safr ki aadat nahin
- Singaporean kuning  
Hokkein: kun + ing  
kunning

Topic 136: Pragmatics of Code Switching

Constraints on code switching

Free morpheme constraint (switching is possible only if we have a free morpheme)

Equivalence constraint (if grammars coincide)

Constraints on code switching

Equivalence constraint

Code switching occurs at a point where the surface structures or grammars of two languages coincide because they have the same word order or constituents.

Constraints on code switching

Equivalence constraint

Code switches are allowed within constituents as long as the word order requirements of both languages are met in the sentence structure.

Constraints on code switching

Equivalence constraint

Switches occur only:

- At points where the surface structures of the languages coincide, or
- Between sentence elements that are normally ordered in the same way by each individual grammar

Equivalence constraint

Example:

Casa blanca = Spanish

N A

White house = English

A N

Blanca house X

Casa white X

Equivalence constraint

Example:

I like you porque eres simpático

I like you because you are nice

Constraints on code switching

Counter Example:

Jamil gave a pen ek larakii ko

John gave a book to a girl

Topic 137: Code Switching as a Communicative Strategy-I

Communicative functions

Quotations tend to occur in the language that the original speaker used

Addressee specification directs the message to one of several possible addressees

Communicative functions

Interjections the numerous and frequently used particles which occur no matter which language is dominant

Communicative functions

- Reiteration clarifies amplifies or emphasizes a part of a message
- Personalization versus Objectivization indicates the degree of speaker involvement or distance from a message

Communicative functions

- Textualization cue gives hints to the listeners about the interpretation of the upcoming discourse

Topic 138: Code Switching as a Communicative Strategy

Pragmatic functions

Speakers make choices from different codes that will serve the following needs:

- Politeness
- Face-saving
- Increasing or decreasing distance from interlocutors

Considerations in code selection

- Colourfulness
- Expressiveness
- Economy

Considerations in code selection

Expressiveness

Two languages exploited in popular media such as newspapers, songs and films

Considerations in code selection

Expressiveness

- Pepsi: 'Yeh dil mange more'
- doctors kee number one choice
- Shampoo: Three months mein long, no waiting saal a saal

Considerations in code selection

Colourfulness

- What is mobile number,  
Kerunkya dial number

- Lovely ho gaiyan naam  
tera

- Pretty woman dekho dkho  
na pretty woman

Considerations in code selection

Economy

Replacing a longer English phrase with its equivalent in the local language

## Lesson-24

### Colonial Language Policy

Topic 139: Language Planning and Policy and Spread of English

Language Planning

“Deliberate efforts to influence the behavior of others with respect to the acquisition, structure, or functional allocation of their language codes”

Cooper cited in Brutt-Griffler, 2002

Top down language policy

- Formulated by authorities (governments, commissions etc.) and imposed on speech communities

Top down language policy

- Language policy is conceived as a unidirectional process
- Instruments of social control
- Tools for the achievement of ideological objectives

Theory of linguistic imperialism

Takes for granted that the colonizing nation possesses the power to impose its will on the subjugated population.

Bottom up language policy

- Speech communities as active contributors to the shaping of the language policy
- Codetermine the context
- Seize the initiative from the institutional planners

Bottom up language policy

- Not a unilateral process
- Policy is an outcome of interplay between conflicting aims

Global spread of English and language policy

- Conventional notions of language policy and planning lack any critical perspective
- Global spread of English is attributed to the West and its imperialistic policies

Topic 140: Colonial Language Policy-I

Lasting effects of colonization

- Subjugation of the colonized people to the ideological control of the colonizers even after freedom
- Power rests with those exercising imperial power

Colonial language policy

- Role of speech communities in language planning during the height of modern colonialism
- Exclusion of the aspect of indigenous self determination by top down models of language policy

### Colonial language policy

- Role of the indigenous population in the development of world Englishes

### English and anticolonialism

- Imperial language policy was not unidirectional
- Was a response to the actions of the local populations who made demands on the colonial administration

### English and anticolonialism

- English as part of the anticolonial struggle
- Spread of English as a result of struggle against imperialism

### English and anticolonialism

- Containment policy - a response to the inclusion of English to the anticolonial struggle

### Topic 141: Colonial Language Policy-II

#### Aim of colonial language policy

- To maintain British rule
- Fulfill the economic purpose of the colonies
- Avoidance of disruption to the empire

#### Anticolonial movements

- Emergence of large-scale anticolonial movements
- Well organized, popular and aggressive

#### Anticolonial movements

- Educational language policy as a means of stopping the anticolonial movement
- Language policy and the maintenance of empire became linked

#### English: a language of anticolonial movements

- English from a means of exploitation to a means of resistance
- Empowerment of indigenous populations by learning English to oppose the empire

#### English: a language of anticolonial movements

- English as an instrument of liberation
- Societal acquisition of English

#### Imperial language policy

- A language policy to safeguard the British political and economic agenda
- A safety measure to prevent liberation movements from using the language as a weapon in the anticolonial struggle

#### Imperial language policy

- Not initiative but reactive
- Result of the appropriation of English by the indigenous populations

### Topic 142: Colonial Language Policy in Africa

#### Language policy and economic structure

The history of British colonization in Africa and Asian colonies demonstrates how language policy served the economic ends of empire

#### Language policy and economic structure

- The connection between language policy and economic and class structure of the British empire
- Promotion of the socioeconomic stratification of the population

#### Language policy and economic concerns

- South African mines provided the economic mainstay of British Southern Africa



- It determined colonial policy throughout Africa

Language policy and economic concerns

- Economic concerns controlled the educational philosophy of the colonial administrators of Southern Africa

- The goal of the imperial functionaries was to ensure secure labor for the mines

- Education was kept highly restricted

Aim of colonial language policy

- Aim of the education policy was to confine the subjects to their current environments
- Keeping the rural population on the land in Asian colonies and in 'local reserves' in Africa

Aim of colonial language policy

Colonial administrators have been quoted as saying:

- "book learning . . . Lowered [Africans'] usefulness for work," and made them "uppish" and "conceited."

- The education of all Africans in South Africa "would mean ruin to South Africa"

Aim of colonial language policy

Two fold purpose of education:

1. To make them more useful to their white masters
2. To limit their chances of leaving their environment

Aim of colonial language policy

elementary industrial education served the purpose:

To limit their chances of leaving their environment

Topic 143: Colonial Language Policy in Asia

Imperial language policy

- Agriculture constituted the dominant factor in the economy in Asian colonies
- The principal goal of the education policy of British Asia was the maintenance of the agricultural basis of production.

Imperial language policy in Asia

- Primary education included the instruction of the masses through the vernacular in
- Instruction not to include any opportunities of leading up to the university level

Imperial language policy

"Nothing is taught which will tend to drive Malays from their agricultural pursuits"

- CO, Brunei cited in Brutt-Griffler, 2002

Imperial language policy

In India, Sanskrit, Persian and Arabic were taught to Indians as well as the British civil servants who were supposed to rule them.

In 1835, English was given the status of the language of higher administration, judiciary and education.

This was the new Anglicist policy.

Language policy in India

- In 1835, English was given the status of the language of higher administration, judiciary and education.

- English, being a vehicle of Western ideas, would Anglicise the Indian elite which would be loyal to the British

Imperial language policy

The socioeconomic purposes assigned to education dictated educational language policy:

- The colonial service and commercial enterprise required officials and clerks well-versed in English

- The plantation in British Asia had no need for English-speaking workers

Imperial language policy

- English education served entirely different ends and entailed a vastly different cost to the colonial administration.

- Education in English constituted so much money and effort wasted on a class that would never be allowed to make use of it

Imperial language policy

- English education served as a means to better-paying government employment

- A strong demand for English

Imperial language policy

- Asians and Africans knew the economic value of learning the language

- Made efforts to learn it despite the restrictions

Topic 144: Learning of English and Anticolonial Struggle

Learning of English and Anticolonial Struggle

Language policy and exploitation of the natives

- Role of language policy in the creation of exploitative socioeconomic structure

- Attempts to resist colonial rule through obtaining access to education and language of the colonizers

Language policy and resistance to colonial power

- Learning English as a conscious strategy to resist colonial rule rather than Western ideological hegemony

- Resistance to the colonial rule shaping the language policy environment

Language policy and resistance to colonial power

- Emergence of English as the language of the anticolonial struggle

- English education resulted in African and Asian's refusal to manual labour serving purely imperial economic interests

Language policy and resistance to colonial power

- Resistance to prescribed socioeconomic roles threatened the foundations of colonial rule

- Connection between the demand for and spread of English and the emergent liberation movements in Africa and Asia

Language policy and resistance to colonial power

- Active role played by the English educated segment of the population in the anticolonial movement

- Availability of English education considered a big threat to colonial powers

Language policy and resistance to colonial power

- The English educated unemployed natives became discontented and turned to opposition movements

## English in Language Policy and Planning

Topic 145: English in Language Policy Discourse

Language policy

The place of a language in language policy is determined by:

- Population
- Prestige
- Status
- Functionality
- nationalism

Language policy in inner circle countries

- English is the language of the majority
- The issues is the role to be given to minority languages
- Status planning involves different dialects of English

Language policy in outer circle countries

- Only a minority of population is proficient in English
- Despite being a minority language, English is powerful

Language policy in outer circle countries

- Used by the elite
- Language policy revolves around the role of English
- The functionality of English is recognized and accepted

Language policy in expanding-circle countries

- English lacks a strong population base
- No official status
- Enjoys a great deal of prestige
- Has instrumental value

Language policy in expanding-circle countries

- Used and learned as a foreign language
- Acceleration in use due to globalization
- Features prominently in language policy discourse

Topic 146: Choice and Hegemony of English

Dominance of English in language policy

Reasons for the dominance of English in the language policy:

- Useful and functional
- Access to knowledge and technological advancement
- The language of globalization

Question of Choice of English

Factors that make English inevitable:

- A long history of contact with English

- Being the only link language in a multilingual country
- Being the language of trade, industry, and higher education

Individual's choice of English

A want or a need?

- For several jobs English is a requirement not an advantage
- Better job prospects
- Upward social mobility

Constraints on choice of English

Struggle between change and continuity

- Several post-colonial countries perpetuate the colonial language policy
- In many countries colonized by Britain, English remains an official or co-official language

Constraints on choice of English

Struggle between change and continuity

- Attempts to promote other languages have ended in failure
- In many countries colonized by Britain, English remains an official or co-official language

Constraints on choice of English

Economic power of language

- Prospect of a good job or social advancement
- Usefulness for international business relations and communication
- The hope of expected economic prospects and rewards

Role of bureaucracy in language policy

- Policy decisions are taken by government bodies
- Implementation regulations are framed by bureaucrats
- Decision-makers are from the elite with vested interest in maintaining the role and status of English

English

Role of bureaucracy in language policy

- The elite make policies oriented toward English
- These policies further the hegemony of English

Topic 147: Effects of Hegemony of English

Effects of hegemony of English

Beneficial

- Communicative and instrumental function
- Role as lingua franca
- Global reach

Effects of hegemony of English

Detrimental

- Social stratification
- Exclusion
- Problems associated with education and literacy
- Status of languages other than English

English causing exclusion

- Effect on the viability and stability of other languages
- Inability to use the official language
- Lack of proficiency in English

English causing exclusion

- Lack of opportunity for formal education
- Lack of opportunity for attending an English medium school
- Inability to use the official language
- Lack of proficiency in English

English causing exclusion

- In multilingual contexts, students lagging behind due to English as medium of instruction

Topic 148: Hegemony of English: Implications for Language Policy and Planning

Extending the Scope of English

Need for a policy to make English:

- Inclusive
- equitable
- Vehicle for the promotion of cultural and economic development of a country

A policy without English's negative effects

Following measures can eliminate the negative effects of language policy:

1. Take into consideration social, economic and political factors while designing the policy

A policy without English's negative effects

2. Cater to the whole population and not just the elite by designing a multilingual policy
3. Minimize exclusion

A policy without English's negative effects

4. Ensure that it contributes to the overall cultural, human, and socio-economic development of a country

Topic 149 : Language Policy and Planning in Pakistan

Pre-partition language policies

- Colonial language policies were imperialistic
- Colonists imposed their languages on the nations they ruled
- This created a native elite to serve their needs for low level functionaries

Pre-partition language policies

- The British displayed some tolerance to the indigenous languages
- The tolerance was a part of political policies

Pre-partition language policies

Appeasement policy

- Warren Hastings, Governor of India from 1774 to 1785, used indigenization as a means of governance
- Supported the cultivation of Indian classical languages as a strategy to appease the established indigenous elites

Political motives

- Encouraged the learning of Indian vernaculars by the British to control the 'natives' more efficiently
- Madrassas and colleges were established all over India

Introduction of English

- The suggestion to teach English was made in 1792 by one of the directors of the East India Company

Reservations about English

- Fear that Indians learning English will lead to the learning of British political values
- Desire for 'English liberty and the English form of government'
- Hope to make them anglicized as English literature undermined their beliefs

#### Introduction of English

- Demand for instilling 'the ideas and feelings of civilized Europe' increased

#### Learning of English by Indians

- Realization among Indians that traditional ways of exercising power and obtaining wealth would change
- Power could be obtained by becoming junior partners of the British and for this English was a great advantage.
- Rahman, 1993

#### Learning of English by Indians

- In 1832 recommendations were made about employing Indians in the civil service and teaching them English.
- Initially confined only to the Bengali Hindus
- Introduction of modernity and the new forms of power distribution

#### Learning of English by Indians

- The Indian middle class considered English to be directly related to social and economic prestige
- They demanded an English language education
- English became the language of the elite, press, and administration

#### Learning of English by Indians

- Common people received education in their own language
- The elite preferred an English education

#### Topic 150: Language Policy and Planning in Pakistan

##### Post-partition language policy

The 1973 constitution includes the following two clauses:

1. The English language may be used for official purposes until arrangements are made for its replacement by Urdu.

##### Post partition language policy

2. A Provincial Assembly may by law prescribe measures for the teaching, promotion and use of a provincial language in addition to the national language

- Rahman, 2003

##### Language policy for Urdu

- Urdu, the national language is the mother tongue of only 7.57 per cent of the population
- English is Pakistan's official language
- Urdu was made the language of instruction for the primary level

##### Rationale for privileging of Urdu

- Widely spread and is almost like the first language of all Pakistanis
- Most jobs available through Urdu
- A symbol of unity
- Serves the political purpose of resisting ethnicity

##### The policy for English

- Civil Service of Pakistan (CSP) and Army were two Anglicized bodies
- Continuation of English favoured this elite

- English medium of instruction was also maintained in elite and cadet schools and college

Privileging of the elite

- The armed forces created cadet colleges on the lines of British elitist schools
- The schools were subsidized by the state
- These schools were believed to produce suitable candidates for filling elitist positions in the military and civil services

Consequences of the privileging policy

Promotes the hegemony of English as it:

- Weakens the local languages and lowers their status
- Eliminates linguistic and cultural diversity
- Increases poverty by favouring English-using elite

Consequences of the privileging policy

- Continuation of two parallel systems in education was a reflection of the British policies before partition

- Created two media of instruction resulting in two classes: common and the elite
- Discrimination in job opportunities

General Zia's Urduization policy

- Implementation of Urdu as the medium of instruction in all government schools from class one.
- Political influence led to the continuation of the elite English medium schools

General Musharraf's policy

- English language was made compulsory from class one onwards
- Introduction of English as medium of instruction for science, Mathematics, Computer sciences and other selected subjects
- The policy faced a deadlock due to the unavailability of English teachers

Dichotomies

- The choice of language- in- education in our country is a result of political expediency rather than of educational effectiveness
- Ambivalence towards English

## Lesson-26

### New Englishes

Topic 151: American English

American English and world Englishes

- Inner circle English
- A reference accent
- First colonial variety of British English

American English and world Englishes

- Has undergone a process of linguistic and cultural appropriation
- A result of colonial expansion of the British Empire

American English and world Englishes

- Stable and influential because of longer association with sociopolitical developments
- A history of in-migration
- Shows effects of language contact

#### Topic 152: American English: Settlement History

##### Settlement history

- Unique mixtures of settlers
- First English-speaking permanent settlers came from the South of England

##### Settlement history

- Maintained strong ties with their mother country
- The accents of New England and the South share prominent linguistic features with southern

##### British English

##### Settlement history

##### Examples

- Dropping of a postvocalic /r/, which is not pronounced in words like car, card, four, and fourth
- The retention of /j/ in tune or new

##### Settlement history

- Aristocratic plantation culture in the coastal South and Georgia
- Immigrants in the seventeenth century from northern and western England, Scotland and Ireland
- Less affluent origins
- A mixture of the working-class speech constituted a type of American English

##### Settlement history

- Eighteenth-century immigrants selected Appalachian mountains
- Rooted their culture and linguistic features
- In the nineteenth century immigrants from Europe and Britain spread to the west

##### Settlement history

- Transcontinental movement advanced by the building of transcontinental railway
- The immigration and movement led to a process of mixing and blending of accents/people

##### Koineization

- Dialect contact resulted in koinéization
- Koineization: the emergence of a new variety or dialect of a language from the mixing, leveling, and simplifying of different dialects of mutually intelligible languages
- American English perceived to be fairly homogeneous

##### Koineization

- Involves continuity
- Speakers do not need to abandon their own linguistic varieties
- American English perceived to be fairly homogeneous

#### Topic 153: Varieties of American English-I

##### Regional dialects

- Regional dialect differences are based on different pronunciation patterns and lexical choices
- The inland northern region comes closest to an “unmarked” accent globally perceived as “typically American”

##### Regional dialects

- The Midlands are a transition region
- A small number of features of their own and an increasing number of northern or southern



features

Regional dialects

- Regional differences include differences in pronunciation and lexis

Regional dialects

Examples:

- Some dialects are characterized by the lack of a postvocalic /r/
- Lengthening and breaking of vowels:

[Iə] in bit

Regional dialects

Examples:

Lexis

mosquito hawk = dragonfly

granny woman = midwife

jackleg = unprofessional, dishonest

Topic 154: Varieties of American English-II

Social dialects

- Variations based on location
- Variations based on social status
- Acceptability of the use of regional words and regional accents
- Unacceptability of non-standard grammatical use (like multiple negation, the use of ain't)

Ethnic varieties

- A result of immigration
- Produced by language contact
- Involves language shift on by a minority group from an ethnic language to English

Ethnic varieties

- Involve modification of the dominant language
- Example: African American English (AAE),

Ethnic varieties

- Perceived as homogeneous
- A strong degree of mixing, mutual accommodation, and koinéization
- Dialect studies show a great deal of phonetic, lexical, and grammatical variability

Ethnic varieties

- No nationally uniform standard accent of American English
- Diversity has replaced homogeneity

Topic 155: Canadian English-I

Colonization and immigration

- Large scale colonization started in the second half of the twentieth century
- An influx of British immigrants during and after the American revolution
- Has retained strong cultural and political ties with Britain

Colonization and immigration

- A large proportion of Canada's settlers has come from the USA
- Canadian English is traditionally described as a mix of British and American features

Influences on Canadian English

- The influence of British or American English varies by:

- Region
- Generation (an ongoing Americanization of the youth)
- Language level

Influences on Canadian English

- Pronunciation shows American base
- Vocabulary items and some spellings show a tendency towards British English

Influences on Canadian English

- The growth of a distinct Canadian identity after WWII reflected in uniquely Canadian features
- These include:
  - the word chesterfield ‘couch’
  - the particle eh (inviting approval)

Influences on Canadian English

- The most noticeable feature of Canadian English: Canadian Raising i.e., the pronunciation of / eɪ / and / aʊ / with a raised, central onset before voiceless consonants, so that:
  - out sounds like cold [əʊ]
  - bite sound like bait [eɪ]

Topic 156: Canadian English-II

## Lesson-27

### English in Australia and New Zealand

Topic 157: English in Australia and New Zealand: Origin and Development-I

Similarities

- Geographical proximity
- Frequent migration and travel between Australia and New Zealand
- Similar stages of development

Origin and development

- Colonial varieties
- Related to different varieties of English used by settlers from all over England
- Influence of Australian English on New Zealand English

Periods of development

Australian settlement and development (1788-1820)

- Colonized as a penal colony in 1788
- Demonstrated powerful “founder effect”

Periods of development

Australian settlement and development (1788-1820)

- Influence of southeast England variety
- Settlers from the southeast of England in majority
- Relative prestige of southeast variety

Topic 158: English in Australia and New Zealand: Origin and Development

Expansion and establishment of new colonies

- 1820: stabilization of the Sydney colony
- In 1831: founding of the Port Philip (Melbourne) colony
- Movement of settlers from Sydney to Port Philip

- 1840: Establishment of New Zealand colony

Expansion and establishment of new colonies (1820 -1850)

- 1840: Establishment of New Zealand colony
- Influence of southeast variety
- Comprised several multiple settlements including a mix of varieties
- Influence of the Australian English on early NZE

Gold rushes and new migration (1850 -1900)

- Increase in migration caused by:
- Gold rushes
- British policies resulting in increased migration

De facto independence (1900 -1960)

- Establishment of de facto nations
- Development of further changes
- Considering (RP) standard of England as the norm to compare the local Englishes
- Rising of national and linguistic identity

Awareness about national standards (1960-present)

- Awareness about the two Englishes being national varieties
- Need for having their own standards
- Serious scholarly work conducted

Awareness about national standards (1960-present)

- The development of dictionaries (the Macquarie Dictionary in Australia)
- Codification of the local varieties as standards
- Expansion of the linguistic diversity due to migration from all over the world

Topic 159: English in Australia and New Zealand: Linguistic Features

Distinguishing features: pronunciation

The pronunciation of vowels:

The vowel /ɪ/ as in bit

In Australia, /ɪ/ has been raised and fronted

It now appears to the front of /i/

sit = seat

Distinguishing features: Pronunciation

The New Zealand /ɪ/ has gone in the opposite direction, centralizing to /ʌ/

sit = sut

The merger of the vowels

/eə/ and /ɪə/ in NZE

ear = air

Distinguishing features

Use of Hypocoristics in AusE:

- Tendency to use a diminutive form of a name
- Tendency to generally modify names and other terms

Barry = Bazza or Bazz

afternoon = arvo

Distinguishing features: Lexicon in NZE

Thank you = no worries

bach = a holiday home

Egg = mild insult (fool)

Waka = any means of transport

Barbie = shortened version  
of barbecue

Distinguishing features: Discourse

- In Australia, the service provider will name the total due followed by thanks:

That'll be two dollars, thanks

- In most other Englishes thanks is postponed until the customer offers the money and/or change is given.

Topic 160: English in Australia and New Zealand: Sociolinguistic Variations

Sociolinguistic variations in NZE and AusE

Social class

- Lower classes tend to use the distinguishing features
- Upper classes tend to use the RP standard
- Younger speakers demonstrate more distinguishing features than older speakers

Sociolinguistic variations in NZE and AusE

Age

- Younger speakers demonstrate more distinguishing features than older speakers

Sociolinguistic variations in NZE and AusE

Gender

- Women use more new variants in changes from below
- Women will use more of the distinguishing properties than men of similar ages and classes

Sociolinguistic variations in NZE and AusE

Variation in AusE

- Broad
- General
- Cultivated

Sociolinguistic variations in NZE and AusE

Variation in AusE

General

- The most common type of English spoken in Australia.

Broad

- Associated with more working-class speech
- Cultivated

Sociolinguistic variations in NZE and AusE

Variation in AusE

Cultivated

- Prestige variety s
- Closer to the British Received Pronunciation

Topic 161: Varieties of Australian English

Varieties based on users' ethnicity

1. Aboriginal inhabitants of Australia

## 2. Non-Anglo-Celtic background Australians such as Greeks and Italians

### Aboriginal Australian English

- The early contact between the colonists and aborigines resulted in the development of several pidgins

- Pidgins developed into creoles

### Characteristics of aboriginal Australian English (AAusE)

#### Differences between AusE and AAusE:

- Linguistic structure
- Norms of use

### Characteristics of aboriginal Australian English (AAusE)

- In phonology many vowel sounds are reduced
- Stress shift to the initial syllabus
- Fricatives are replaced by stops at the same place of articulation e.g.

Father = pata

### Characteristics of aboriginal Australian English (AAusE)

- Reduction of vowel sounds in phonology
- Stress shift to the initial syllabus
- Replacement of fricatives with stops at the same place of articulation e.g.  
father = pata

### Characteristics of aboriginal Australian English (AAusE)

- Simplified syntax
- deletion of inflections, possessive 's' and copulas
- Difference in discourse conventions
- Lack of eye gaze
- Long inter turn pauses
- A strong preference for agreement

### Wogspeak (New AusE)

- The term 'wog' was originally a derogatory term for all non-Anglo-Celtic migrants to Australia
- The term has now been adopted by these groups as a mark of solidarity for them and their common experiences of migration

### Wogspeak (New AusE)

- Arose out of the learning of English by these migrant groups
- Shows an intensification of the features of variations in different varieties

### Geographical variations

- Fewer compared to North America and Britain
- Researchers have shown dialectal differences in lexis and pronunciation

## Topic 162: Varieties of New Zealand English

### Varieties of New Zealand English

1. Maori English
2. Southland Dialect

### Maori English

Use new or vernacular features studied more frequently

#### Examples:

- Use of HRT

- Merging of ear-air sound
- Use of New Zealand tag eh

Reasons for variations

- Contact with Maori language
- Social factors: gender

The Southland dialect

- Based on the early settlement patterns of settlers of Scottish background
- Has a rhotic /r/
- Variable use of rhoticizing
- Strongly retained in sounds like:  
nurse, curse

The Southland dialect

- Non-rhotic pronunciation was not the norm in the past
- The difference may represent a change taking place in Southland dialect

## Lesson-28

### Southeast Asian Englishes

Topic 163: Southeast Asian English: History and Development

Southeast Asia and 'new' Englishes

- Outer Circle: Malaysia, Singapore, Phillipines
- Expanding Circle: Vietnam, Indonesia, Thailand

History and Development

- Result of colonization
- Collectively called 'post-imperial' Englishes

History and Development

- Strait settlements: Penang, Malacca and Singapore
- Provided the trading centre to the British Empire's East India Company

History and development

- Singapore fell completely under the British Empire
- Malay kingdoms maintained royal families
- Straits Settlements became independent in 1957 and formed the Federation of Malaya
- Singapore seceded from federation

Language policy after independence

- Primary education in the ethnic language
- State supported ethnic schools for Chinese, Tamils and Malays
- English taught as a second language
- Secondary and higher education in English medium

Topic 164: Southeast Asian English: Singapore and Malaysia

Language teaching and use in Singapore

- English is the dominant language in education and business

- Use of Mandarin, Malay, and Tamil limited to the elementary level
- Use of English as the dominant language in education and business

Language teaching and use in Singapore

- Singapore's efforts to become a centre of academic excellence in research and a knowledge society.

- English is now acquired as a first language by many Singaporeans

Language policy in Malaysia

Malay declared the national language for national unity and language of instruction at all levels

National Language Act of 1976 declared Malay the official and only language of government

Malaysianization

- Malay made mandatory to qualify for civil servants and university students
- Scholarly works translated and original works and textbooks produced in Malay
- Process completed by 1983 after reaching university level
- English as a subject from Grade 1 to 12

Reintroduction of English

- The need to bring back English for the modernization of Malaysia
- Education Act of 1996 reintroduced English as a medium of instruction for science and technology subjects
- Continuation of the development of Malay as a language of intellectual work

Status and use of English in Malaysia

- The younger generation is not competent in English
- The remnant of the earlier generation still competent in English
- The Malay elite has continued to study abroad and learn English
- Partnerships with British, American, and Australian universities

Topic 165: Southeast Asian English: Philippines

Status and use of English in Philippines

- The Philippines became a colony of the United States in 1898
- Became independent in 1946
- Under the colonial government, the medium of instruction was English from grade 1 on

Status and use of English in Philippines

- The monolingual English policy was modified in 1937 with the proclamation of Tagalog-based national language
- In 1939, it was taught for the first time in schools in Fourth Year high school
- Made a required subject for future teachers.

Status and use of English in Philippines

- It became an official language in 1941
- It is taught as a subject both in schools and colleges
- Introduction of bilingual education scheme in 1974

Status and use of English in Philippines

- Ambivalence towards English as a result of nationalistic sentiments
- 1974-1986 stress on the use of Filipino as a medium of instruction
- Return to English as a language of globalization
- Need for an international language

### Status and use of English in Philippines

- Return to English as a language of globalization
- Need for an international language
- English used even for the social sciences - the domain of the national language

### Topic 166: Southeast Asian English: Thailand, Vietnam and Indonesia

#### English in Thailand

- About 99 percent of Thai students study English at school
- Not many succeed in acquiring much English proficiency

#### English language policy in Thailand

- Has the longest record of English language teaching
- Began the teaching of English from Grade 1 in private schools and Grade 5 in government schools

#### English language policy in Thailand

- The policy was changed due to unavailability of teachers
- English was introduced in higher grades
- In 1996, English was reintroduced as a subject
- Taught from Grade 1 to 12

#### English in Indonesia

- Being a Dutch colony, teaching of Dutch was emphasized
- English became popular after the independence
- Now taught as the main foreign language
- Is taught for eight or nine years from primary school (from Grade 4 or 5) through high school

#### English in Vietnam

- First French and then Russian taught as foreign languages
- Switched to English under the policy of economic renovation

#### English in Vietnam

- Most favoured foreign language because of its economic value
- All schools must offer English in grade 10 – 12
- In cities and towns in lower secondary school as well

### Topic 167: Future of English in Southeast Asia

#### Lasting influence of a language

- Link between the influence of a language and the political hegemony of a conquering or dominant nation
- Language can continue to be influential and in use even if after an empire has declined
- 

#### Current status

- Popularity and competence of English is increasing across wider sections of society
- The rich has access to better teaching learning opportunities than the masses

#### Current status

- Seems to be a privilege of the rich
- Degree and quality of attainment depends on:
  - The quality of schooling
  - The availability of teaching and learning resources
  - Exposure to international community through tourism, foreign investment, schooling and



employment abroad

Current status

- Increase in status and prestige
- Increase in use as a language of education
- Increase in spread as an international language of commerce, trade, and international relations

Topic 168: Future of English in Southeast Asia

Status of English in Singapore

- Has a secure place in Singapore
- Pro-English official language policy
- Functions as an equalizing and unifying agent

Status of English in Philippines

- Continued demand for English in the Philippines
- Efforts at improving teacher training and testing

Status of English in Malaysia and rest of Southeast Asia

- In a state of revival in Malaysia
- Dominant foreign language even in Southeast Asian socialist countries (Burma, Cambodia)

Future developments

- Demand for standardization for international communication and intelligibility
- Factors facilitating teaching and learning of English:
- Mass media
- Internet
- Mobile phones
- Educational system

Future developments

- Diglossic situation will result in changes in the language
- High variety may show mutually intelligible with other Asian varieties
- Mesolect and basilect may show more distinctive features of local Englishes

## **Lesson-29**

### **African Englishes**

Topic 169: African English: Origin and Development

Background

- The term refers to English as used only by Black Africans in ex-British colonies and in Liberia
- The linguistic profile of Africa is an outcome of its colonial history

African English

Countries in Africa where English enjoys a prominent place include:

- Ghana, Nigeria, and Liberia (West Africa)
- Kenya, Tanzania (East Africa)
- Botswana, Namibia, and Zambia (Southern Africa)
- South Africa

Status and use

- The range and depth differs from context to context

- Used by a small number of people despite being the official language (e.g. Namibia) in some cases

- In others used by a large number of population (Liberia, Zimbabwe, South Africa)

Status and use

- Has made a mark on the language use in Africa, despite relatively shorter period of colonization

- Enjoys a lot of power and prestige

- Used in the domains of government, education and commerce of several African countries (Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa and Tanzania)

Topic 170: African English: Innovations-I

Syntactic characteristics

Omission of articles

- African languages lack a comparable syntactic category

- Is observed in the language users from all educational levels

- An African feature and not an educational failure

Omission of articles

Examples

- Let strong ... team be organized.

- He gave me tough time.

- I am going to cinema.

Generic use of nouns and pronouns

- He is a real/whole person (i.e. an adult).

- You are a sociable somebody (i.e. a sociable person).

Pluralization of uncountable nouns

- all my furnitures and ... properties'

- noises of laughter and chats'

- the respects they deserve

Redundant Insertion of pronouns

Also found in informal registers in Inner-Circle varieties:

- My daughter she is attending ...

- Robert he is currently employed by ...

- Me I am going to sleep

Generic use of nouns and pronouns

In African English, the resumptive pronouns occurs in non-subject positions:

- ... in a country where you have never been there before.

- The guests whom I invited

them have arrived.

- Thank you for the letter  
which you wrote it.

Comparative construction Inner circle English:

- It is the youths who are  
more skillful than adults
- I am more hard working -  
than my siblings

African English:

- It is the youths who are ----skillful ... than the adults.
- I am ----- hard working than my siblings

Topic 171: African English: Innovations-II

Semantic characteristics

Semantic extension

Adds meanings to English lexical items:

- Some 'amount' means 'money' or 'cash'
- 'an arrangement man' is someone who usually gets his way'.
- someone who bluffs may be dressed 'ornately or fashionably'.

Semantic shifts

Change meanings and functions of the existing words:

- machine may mean specifically sewing machine
- minerals — soft drinks
- serviceable — 'willing to serve'
- gusted 'to have a guest'

Coinage

Shows the rich derivational morphology that is characteristic of African languages

- facing a lot of hardcap  
(‘hardship’).
- ... he has given nothing  
coinable (‘no money’).

Compounding

- ‘These been-to boys’  
(those who have travelled  
abroad, specifically to  
Britain or America)
- ‘a me and- my-darling’ (a  
small sofa )
- chicken-parlour  
‘commercial place where  
chicken, fish and drinks are  
sold’.

Reverse compounding

- knife bread for “bread knife”
- sheet bed for “bed sheet”

Innovations used by African English writers

- Transmit the various cultures in English
- Render in English the speech of monolingual characters

Topic 172: Black South African English

Use of English

- knowledge of English as a second language has increased twice as rapidly as knowledge of Afrikaans
- According to 1991 census, approximately 45% of the South African population have a speaking knowledge of English
- English is one option in a wide-ranging repertoire of languages

Education context

- One of the most important criteria related to knowledge of English
- Learned in school for virtually all black users

Education context

- First four years of elementary education are carried on in a first language
- Inappropriate texts and materials
- Instruction is carried on by non-native teachers

Media

- Code switching black urban slang occur in writing that is meant for local readers and has local identity
- Standard English is the medium for more serious topics

Hola Magents! I know that all along the male species had to have a lot of njori (money) and a flashy s'lahla (car)

Ideological issues

- Seen as the language of an oppressor
- Also, the language of liberation and resistance
- Instrument of black unity
- Ambivalence towards English
- Solution: adopt more open-minded attitudes towards accepting nativized varieties of English

Topic 173: African American Vernacular English

AAVE

- Associated with the Americans of African descent
- Not used by all African Americans
- The most noticeable variety of English in the US
- A lot of research work is devoted to it

Brief History of African Americans

- Between 1500 and 1860, at least 12 million Africans were forcibly taken to the Americas
- Originally captured in African wars or raids and transported in the Atlantic slave trade
- They were sent to North America, South America and Caribbean

Brief History of African Americans

- The earliest slaves worked on plantations along the southern coast

- They cultivated cash crops like rice and tobacco
- Invention of cotton gin in 1793 increased the demand for the slaves

#### Brief History of African Americans

- In 1790 approximately 650,000 slaves worked with rice, tobacco, and indigo.
- By 1850 the country had 3.2 million slaves, 1.8 million of whom worked in cotton.

#### Theories of origin

##### Substratist hypothesis

- Evolved from an unusual forced and multilingual contact situation
- A derivative of West African languages
- Only superficially similar to English

##### Creolist hypothesis

- Based on similarities of features and processes of development between AAVE and creoles (e.g. Jamaican Creole and Gullah)
- Slaves from Africa and from the Caribbean brought creoles which they already spoke into America

##### Anglicist

- Holds that more usual adaptive processes of dialect formation were involved in Black slaves' acquisition of English
- The characteristic patterns similar to other varieties of English

#### Topic 174: Features of African American Vernacular English

##### Phonological features

##### Consonant cluster simplification

- Several varieties of AAVE
- No one variety constitutes the specific each variety of all AAVE users

##### Phonological features

##### Consonant cluster simplification

- The third person singular verb morpheme is absent from 80–95 percent of its possible occurrences

##### Phonological features

Frequently cited features include those that are:

1. part of GE, but are more frequent in AAVE
2. part of old fashioned Southern White speech
3. unique to AAVE

##### Phonological features

part of GE but are more frequent in AAVE

- Deletion of the last of a word-final sequence of consonants:  
hand → han

- Deletion of an unstressed syllable  
about → bout

government → gov'ment

##### Phonological features

Found GE but more frequent in AAVE

- Deletion of one of two identical syllables Mississippi → Missi'ppi

##### Phonological features

Found in South White speech and AAVE

- Reversal of word-final s + a stop consonant:  
desk → deks
- Glide reduction:  
tied → [ta:d]

Phonological features

Features unique to AAVE

Reduction of final nasal to vowel nasality

man → mǎ/ ~ loss of final consonants, principally affecting nasals

five → [fa:]

fine → [fa:]

Topic 175: Features of African American Vernacular English

Morphosyntactic features

Non finite 'be'

- Non-finite be is a social marker for AAVE
- Indicator of habitual state  
or activity
- When June come, I be  
outta school . . . .
- When my son was young,  
the women be givin' him  
money

Morphosyntactic features

Perfect 'done'

- Used with content verbs to indicate completion (perfectivity)
- You don't have it 'cause you  
done used it.
- They done used all the  
good ones by now.

Morphosyntactic features

Perfect 'done'

- With punctual verbs corresponding to 'already'
- I done told you already.
- With 'iterative adverbs like twice'
- I done got wet twice goin'  
to the store.

Morphosyntactic features

Sequential 'be done'

Used in a sense corresponding to GE 'will have done'

- My ice cream's gonna be  
done melted by the time  
we get there.
- So they can be done ate  
their lunch by the time

they get there.

Morphosyntactic features

Sequential 'be done'

- Future resultative
- You be done slapped me by now ('you would have usually walked away from me by now')
- I'll be done killed [him] if he tries to lay a hand on my kid again.

Morphosyntactic features

Non-recent perfective 'been'

- Precedes a past-tense verb
- Refers to a condition that 'was true in the past ... has been true for a comparatively long time
- They been called the cops, and they're still not here.
- I been been knowing Russell ... .

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AAVE – a variety of American English

- Developments in the syntax, semantics and pragmatics of AAVE to be recognized as positive and creative and not as imperfect learning of (Standard) English
- Social factors impede cross-varietal influences
- An unconscious barrier against the ... recognition of the AA component

## Lesson-30

### Emerging Englishes

Topic 176: East Asian Englishes

English in expanding circle

- Comprises countries where English is not an official language of government or a medium of education
- Is required or strongly encouraged at a certain level of schooling
- Used in restricted social domains

English in the expanding circle

- Social, cultural, economic and political factors determine the degree and kind of English to be used
- Wide spread and frequent use
- Has had noticeable impacts on the languages and even the writing systems with which it has come into contact.

Current English language situation in EA

- Increase in the number of students learning English
- 300 million people toiling at English lessons in China
- English-speaking Japanese development project

- Strengthening of primary school ELT programmes in Korea and Taiwan

Current English language situation in EA

- National varieties likely to emerge in regions where English serves as an intranational language
- Indicators of a national variety emerging in each country
- Increased exposure to English-using environments

Topic 177: Emerging Englishes: Chinese

History of English in China

- English reached China in 1637 with British traders
- The term Chinese Pidgin English appeared in 1859
- Canton was the centre of world trade

History of English in China

- Opium wars and spread of English
- The role of treaty ports in the spread of English
- Opening up of the country to missionaries, merchants and colonial officials

Development

- Access to an educated variety of English through missionary schools
- Anglo-Chinese culture developed in Shanghai and other centres of English education

Development of English

- Not an institutionalized language
- Not used as an internal link language

Development of English

- Growth in range and depth
- Replaced Russian as the primary foreign language
- One of the test subjects on the National College Entrance Examination

Political and ideological factors

- Access to English was limited to a university-educated elite
- Impact on written Chinese
- Impact on lexical borrowing and on syntax

Functions of English

- Christian proselytization, politicization, modernization, and internationalization
- used intra-nationally in such domains as medical, engineering and media

Topic 178: Characteristics of Chinese English

Sound system

No distinction is made between tense and lax vowels

heat      hit

mood      hood

The fricatives θ and ð are replaced by s and z

thin      sin

the      ze

Vocabulary

Semantic shifts in single and compound lexical items:

intellectual      a class      rather than

an academic

big pot      egalitarianism



running dog      a lackey

Colocations with political significance

- Growth of productive forces, strength of the socialist state and rise in living standards together are the three favourables.

- A situation where there is no capital, no plant and no administrative structure is indicated by the three-no-enterprises

Grammar

- Deletion of articles, especially the definite article.
- No distinction is made between adjectives and adverbs
- Lack of the third-singular ending with verbs

Discourse

- Greeting:
  - Have you eaten already?
- Goodbye:
  - Walk slowly slowly ho.
  - Slow slow walk aunty.
- Use of uncle and aunt for people of an older generation:
  - I fell off my bike and two kind aunts [ladies] helped me to the hospital

Discourse

Distinct Chinese idiomatic expressions:

- When you have free time, come to play (visit)
- Welcome Back to Zhuhai (sign at the airport meaning 'Goodbye and you are welcome to visit again')

Topic 179: Emerging Englishes: Japanese

History of English in Japan

- Demand from the President of the USA for initiation of trade relations between the two countries
- Commodore Perry's entrance into Tokyo Bay in 1853
- The arrival of American missionaries in 1868

History of English in Japan

- Attempts to banish English due to nationalistic sentiments before and during WWII
- Replacing of usual words as anaunsâ 'announcer' with 'the esoteric hôsô-in
- Comeback of English

Status of English in Japan

- No internal reason for its promotion and use
- Japanese is the medium of instruction in all public institutions and
- Language of all government business is Japanese

Status of English in Japan

- A cline of proficiency in English in Japan from people who 'know a few words' to a relatively

small segment who are fluent in the language

- The new government policy of ‘cultivating “Japanese with English Abilities” ’

Nativization

- Elements of English have been made an integral part of the Japanese language
- A large number of borrowings from English
- English has become nativized in various respects

Characteristics: Sounds

- Insertion of a vowel to simplify consonant clusters
- Addition of –u as a final syllabic in all other cases;

Stool            sutuuru

- Addition of –o and –i as a final

gray zone        gureezoon

Characteristics: Sounds

The realization of:

θ as s, z, t or ts,

ð as z or

l as r

Final r as a: and v as b

thought        sooto

this            zisu

colour        karaa

Characteristics: Vocabulary

Compounding

Involves loans and elements from both languages:

- meriken ko        American  
                                 powder

- denki sutando     electric  
                                 stand

Characteristics: Semantic shift

furonto        hotel reception

desk

-Baikingu        Vikig (buffet)

- ek-o (cho)        acoustics

- Manshon        upscale

(mansion)        apartment

Topic 180: Role of English in Europe

Emerging role of English in Europe

- Three dominant languages of EU: French, German and English
- English: the biggest de facto European lingua franca by the end of the 20th century
- Linked with material success

English as a lingua franca in Europe

- All EU members should learn each others’ languages (Phillipson and Cheshire)
- EU should opt officially for English as its language for communication (House)

English and social identity

- Can English express the social identities of its European speakers?
- Code switching and code mixing indication of widening scope of English

Examples:

telefon junkie, Metallfan, drogenfreak

Brexit and status of English

- Possible effects of the Brexit process on the status and functions of English in the Europe
- Role of English in the EU apparatus and in formal education
- Functions of the language among the population at large

Brexit & development of English

- Will clear the sociolinguistic space for the emergence of an authentic European English
- Used by members of the EU as a second language
- Serve the needs of the European Union as the common link language between member state

Nativization of English

- Three roles of English in Europe: native, foreign and international language
- Adaptations and innovations that show the European influence

European English

- European English:
- Intra-European communication
- Distinctly European uses of English
- Distinguish European English speakers from speakers of other varieties
- Influence on the spread of English

## **Lesson-31**

### **English of the Sub Continent**

Topic 181: English of the Sub-Continent: Historical Background

The Sub-Continent

Refers to South Asian countries including:

- Pakistan
- India
- Sri Lanka
- Bangla Desh
- Bhutan
- Maldives
- Nepal

The Sub-Continent

Does not suggest homogeneity in:

- Use of linguistic elements
- Linguistic competence

#### Historical background

- 1600: Britain's official expansion policy to India began
- 1689: Establishment of the three administrative districts in Bengal, Mombay and Chennai
- 1715: Establishing of missionary schools began with a school in Chennai

#### Historical background

- 1773: Establishment of the Governor Generalship in India
- 1784: Establishment of a department to manage Indian Affairs by the India Act of 1784
- 1858: Assuming of responsibility by British government of governing India by "the Act for the Better Government of India"

#### Historical background

- Attention to English in missionary schools in India and Sri Lanka
- Influential Indians considered English the way out of backwardness
- English and English culture considered superior by the policy makers
- Resistance to the teaching of local languages

#### Historical background

##### Lord Macaulay's minutes

- Lord Macaulay's minutes declared English better worth knowing than Sanskrit or Arabic  
"....form a class who may be interpreters between us and the millions whom we govern; a class of persons, Indian in blood and colour, but English in taste, in opinions, in morals, and in intellect".

#### Historical background

##### Lord Macaulay's minutes

- The local languages to be refined and enriched with the terms from Western nomenclature
- Made fit to by degrees conveying knowledge to the masses

#### Historical background

##### Consequences of Lord Macaulay's minutes

- Absolute primacy given to teaching English
- English-medium universities established in Chennai, Kolkata and Mumbai, Allahabad and Lahore

- A majority of Indian primary schools were English medium

#### Topic 182: English of the Sub-Continent: Status

##### Modern South Asian English

- Educated variety with varieties within
- Comparable to educated British or American variety

#### Status

- Treated as a foreign language for the next several decades
- Use became more prevalent in the post-independence social and political climate

#### Status

- Has attained a noticeable place in the languages of the Sub-Continent
- English has the following uses:
- Lingua franca
- Government
- Education

- Literature
- Influence
- Development

Agent of religious neutralization

- Not used in religious domains
- Sanskrit is the language of religion for Hinduism and Arabic for Islam
- Lack of religious identification is a regional advantage
- Neutral affective associations adds to the value of English

Status of English in India

A government Act in 1967 made English co-equal with Hindi for:

- All official purposes of the union
- Parliament
- Communications between the union and the states

Topic 183: English of the Sub-Continent: Status in Pakistan

Language policy

- Pakistan is a multilingual country with six major and 58 minor languages
- At independence, Urdu was declared the national and English the official language
- English to continue as the official language till such time that Urdu replaced it

Dual system of education

- Pakistan inherited a dual system of education from the British
- The British introduced two systems of education in India: English medium and vernacular medium

Dual system of education

- English was for the rich only to Anglicize the youth
- Produced what people call 'brown Englishmen' (Vittachi as quoted in Rahman 2005, p. 26)

Dual system of education

- Continuation of the dual system of education after independence by bureaucracy and military
- It provided the military and civilian administrative elite
- Urdu-medium institutions only provide the élite with 'an underclass of clerks... and literate servants'

English as a neutral language

- Despite political pressure periodic efforts to replace English with Urdu have been unsuccessful
- Conflict between government policy and public opinion
- Language riots
- English emerged as a neutral language of unification and administration

Topic 184: English of the Sub-Continent: Status in Pakistan II

English as the official language

- Continuation of English as the official language is to the advantage of the elite
- It gives them a competitive edge over those with Urdu-medium education
- Is a cultural capital which has a snob value
- Constitutes a class-identity marker

### Uses of English

- Language of higher education in Pakistan
- Language of communication for all office work in the armed forces
- Language of broadcast media along with Urdu and regional languages
- Used together with Urdu in trade and commerce

### Status of English

- A prestige language required for:
- A decent job
- Better education
- Any academic or serious discourse

### Status of English

- The underprivileged also desire to learn English for upward social mobility
- Means for entering the elite
- Diehard supporters of the national language educate their own children in English-medium schools,

### Status of English

There is no escape for any country in the world from learning English well and thoroughly and it would be very unwise, in fact, almost suicidal for Pakistan to destroy by neglect all the advantages we already possess in respect of past knowledge of English

### Consequences

- Has marginalized majority of Pakistanis
- No serious efforts to teach quality English to all
- Resulted in an underclass with no role in public policy making
- Limited social, educational and economical development

Topic 185: Characteristics of Sub-continent English

Topic 186: Attitudes Towards English Sub-continent

## **Lesson-32**

### **New Standard Englishes**

Topic 187: On the Way to New Standard Englishes

#### Codification

- Codification and the acceptance of outer and expanding circle varieties
- Need for codification for prestige in inner and outer circles
- Local models as alternatives to British and American models
- The characteristics of local models need to be presented in dictionaries and grammar reference books

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#### Codification

- De jure and de facto systems
- Distinction to be made between items of local informal use and of international standard

#### Topic 188: Codification of Indigenized Variety of Englishes I

##### SLA and IVE

IVEs are rejected because of the following SLA assumptions:

- Goal of SLA is native like competence
- Availability of native speaker input leads to full competence
- SLA processes can be learned independent of the functions of L2 in society

##### SLA and IVE

IVEs are rejected because of following SLA assumptions:

- L1 interferes rather than facilitates L2 learning
- Motivation for L2 learning is integrative

##### Contexts of SLA research and IVE

- IVEs have different settings than SLA research setting
- Irrelevance of native speaker norm
- Available input is IVE
- Use of English in a diglossic situation
- Motivation for SLA is instrumental

##### IVEs and fossilization

- Interlanguage passes through many intermediate systems before stabilization
- Stabilization is reached without native like competence and is called fossilization
- Fossilization implies deficit rather than difference

##### IVEs and fossilization

- Are all of IVEs fossilized?
- Is competence in whole groups of communities of learners fossilized?
- Emergence of new dialects with “fossilized IL competence”

##### IVEs and fossilization

- Unsatisfactory view
- Does not take into account the bi or multi lingual context of the use of English in the outer circle
- Does not consider similar circumstance of development of American English
- IVEs are comparable to American English

##### IVEs and fossilization

- Comparable attitudes of speakers of American English and outer circle Englishes
- Should the legitimacy of American English be questioned?
- Increasing recognition of IVEs as varieties

#### Topic 189: Codification of Indigenized Variety of Englishes II

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### Topic 190 Codification of Indigenized Variety of Englishes III

#### Issues of selection

- What to include in the standard version of a variety
- Difference in the codification of outer circle and inner circle
- Develop a set of criteria for selection of standardized version of IVEs

#### Issues of selection

- Focus on local educated varieties
- Existence of several educated varieties likely to cause controversies
- Continued preference for native speaker norms
- Need for realization of irrelevance of the native speaker interlocutor

#### Issues of selection

- Conflict between local needs and international intelligibility and acceptability
- Need to combine local features performing functions needed by intranational community with modifications for acceptance for international communication

#### Conflict between local and international needs

A codified English will need to combine the following:

- Local features performing functions required by intranational community
- Modifications introduced for intelligibility and acceptance for international communication

#### Conflict between local and international needs



- Need for the acceptance of local innovations
- Standardizing in the English lexicon of non-English words
- Inclusion of code-mixing and code-switching in grammars and dictionaries of Asian Englishes

#### Attempts at codifying IVEs

- Macquarie Regional Asian English Dictionary co-published as the Grolier International Dictionary: World English in an Asian Context
- Documents the English of South Asia and Southeast Asia

#### Attempts at codifying IVEs

- Aims to meet the needs of the English speakers in the region
- Includes items of international currency along with local words which have never appeared in a dictionary before
- Recognizes inter and intra national needs of IVE speakers

#### Topic 191 External vs. Internal Models

##### Primacy of internal models

- Non-inner circle Englishes considered deficient
- Historical primacy and precedence of native speaker norms

##### World-wide standard English

- The assumption that US or UK English will be selected as the one world-wide standard English
- Faulty belief that learning and using any English in any context involves users from inner-circle

##### Case for selecting internal models

- Pragmatic
- Not enough native English teachers

##### Case for selecting internal models

- Regional variations in grammar, pronunciation and lexis within inner-circle varieties
- All are considered speakers of the standard inner-circle variety

##### Case for selecting internal models

- Englishes from regions in the outer circle should be considered as using a form of the standard English with regional variations
- Acceptance of IVE justifies selecting an internal model for codification

#### Topic 192 Future Scenarios

##### English Language Complex

- The term introduced by Mc Arthur
- Comprises all sub-types based on their history, status form and function

##### Sub-types in English Language Complex

- Metropolitan standards: formal models provided by radio and TV networks
- Colonial standards: exterritorial Englishes developed in Australia, New Zealand, Canada, South Africa Zimbabwe

- Regional dialects: based on regional variations within the previous types

##### Sub-types in English Language Complex

- Social dialects: based on social class and ethnicity
- Pidgin and creole English
- English as a Second Language: varieties that arose in countries colonised by British
- English as a Foreign Language: varieties used in expanding-circle countries

##### Sub-types in English Language Complex

- Immigrant Englishes: varieties used in the context of migration to a native English speaking country
  - Hybrid Englishes: emerge as a result of code mixing
- Convergence or divergence?
- Inevitability of increased diversifications
  - Immigrant diversity
  - 300 languages spoken in London alone
  - New varieties likely to emerge as a result of interaction between English and other languages
- Convergence or divergence?
- Global expansion
  - Increasing variation leading to unintelligibility

## Lesson-33

### Power, Ideology and Attitudes

Topic 193 Linguistic Imperialism

Robert Phillipson's proposition: Spread of English is a kind of imperialism-

Implications of Linguistic Imperialism for the World

- English as a Language of power
- Global spread of English with varying degrees of range and penetration privileges its users
- In outer circle countries e.g. Pakistan, India etc. those who know English well are at an advantage
- Language of political and economic power

Effects of English

- Cause of marginalization or exclusion for a large number of people
- Major cause of the 'deaths' of hundreds of minority languages because of privileging of English by users of other languages

Linguistic imperialism

- Spread of English is equated with linguistic imperialism
- The imposition of one language on speakers of other languages
- Assumes the active promotion of the language by the dominant class as an active expression of power of the powerful over the powerless (Phillipson, 1992)

Linguistic imperialism

"The dominance asserted and maintained by the establishment and continuous reconstitution of structural and cultural inequalities between English and other languages."

Phillipson cited in Kachru and Nelson, 2006

Linguistic imperialism

dominance of English is considered as letting or facilitating cultural, economic, and sociopolitical hegemony of Anglo- and Eurocentric views over the rest of the world

Paradox of linguistic imperialism

- Linguistic imperialism as an outdated concept
- English as a tool empowerment and emancipation
- Widespread demand for more access to English

## Topic 194 Awareness of Linguistic Imperialism

### Resistance to the dominance of English

- Spread of English at the expense of other languages
- Resistance to the dominance of English e.g. in Canada bilingualism with French is mandatory

### Phillipson's division of English speakers

#### Divides English into two groups:

- Core
- Periphery

### Phillipson's division of English speakers

#### Core

- Comprises the same countries as the inner circle

### Phillipson's division of English speakers

#### Periphery

#### Subdivided into:

- Countries that use English as an international link language, such as Japan and Korea
- Countries that use English for various intranational purposes in several domains, such as India,

#### Pakistan

### Phillipson's division of English speakers

#### Periphery

- English considered a desirable commodity
- Linked with social advantage

### Phillipson's division of English speakers

- English replaces and 'displaces' other languages, in both core and periphery countries by taking over serious domains as education or government

### Factors responsible for suppressing other languages

- Education forces foreign languages and cultural values onto people
- Replacing of vernacular languages alters the structure of social and cultural life
- Role of media in privileging English

### Support for multilingualism

- Support from United Nations Resolutions on linguistic human rights and preservation of cultural and linguistic diversity
- Threat to minority languages equated with disturbing the bio-diversity of the planet

## Topic 195 Colonial Education Policy and Colonial Economy

### Colonial education policy

- Power and prestige of EIL a result of codifying by colonizers
- They defined what true knowledge was and who could impart it
- Controlled the access to English

### Anglicism and orientalism

#### Orientalism

- Scholarly knowledge of the language and culture of the east
- Recognition and deep respect for ancient cultures both of east and west
- A policy or policies to encourage indigenous languages in India

### Anglicism and orientalism

#### Anglicism

- Recognition of the developments in western science and technology
- Recognition of knowledge which is useful and practical
- A policy to substitute English as the medium of acquiring knowledge at the cost of other languages.

#### Anglicism and orientalism

- Anglicism displaced Orientalism is a misconception
- The two co-existed
- Manipulated by the colonial powers
- Produced an English-educated elite and vernacular-educated masses to serve a colonial economy'

#### Use of English to promote policy

- Ethical imperative to teach English
- Limited resources
- English made available to a small minority
- Served as interpreters and clerks

#### Use of English to promote policy

- Difficulties inherent in teaching English widely
- Unavailability of people to do manual labour
- Creation of a discontented class
- Source of anxiety

#### Topic 196 Consequence of Imperialist Language Policy

##### Language as a dividing force

- The language was treated as a commodity
- Wide availability would reduce its value
- Division of the local peoples into English haves and have-nots
- Further deepened the existing social divisions

##### Language as a dividing force

- Cultural and economic disconnection of the English educated elite from their own background

##### Expansion of English

- The expansion of the discourse of English as an international language
- English was regulated by its colonial owners by using linguistics for description and standardization of the language

##### Linguistics and language politics

- Dichotomy between finer language and common language
- Standardization served to make it easy identify one's place in social hierarchies

##### Linguistics and language politics

- National language and the notion of a homogeneous speech community
- Meaning has a relationship with an objective world
- An assumed connection between language and the best representation of the world

##### Linguistics and language politics

- Meaning is dependent on internal structural relationships in language
- An assumed linguistic system from within which meanings are defined

##### Linguistics and language politics

- Linguistics distances itself from questions concerning society, culture and politics
- Prescribes a particular view and form of language

### Linguistics and language politics

- The spread of English as natural, neutral and beneficial
- Concentration only on a notion of abstract system at the expense of social, cultural or political understandings of language

### Linguistics and language politics

‘...language is a simple

representation of reality, that the world as described by English is the world as it really is and thus to learn English is essential if anyone wants to understand the modern world’.

- Pennycook as cited in Kachru and Nelson, 2006, p. 310

### Topic 197: Linguistic Imperialism Revisited I

#### Linguistic imperialism

- Link between World English and imperialist domination of the world by the US and UK
- Emergence of a linguistic form of imperialism or political, economical and cultural subjugation of some people

#### Linguistic imperialism

- A separate type of imperialism that includes a conscious language policy by the imperial power to impose its language
- The spread of English represents a culturally imperialistic policy of enforcing English language culture on its second language learners

"The fact that... no uniform British empire-wide language policy developed tends to disconfirm the hypothesis of linguistic imperialism as responsible for the spread of English..."

(Brutt-Griffler, 2002, p. 7)

#### Linguistic imperialism

- No evidence of a distinctive ideology concerned with spreading English in the colonial dependencies for cultural or linguistic reasons
- There is evidence of the existence of advocacy of a linguistic imperialist policy

#### Linguistic imperialism

A linguistic imperialist policy should display to at least some extent the following features:

- i. Universal and exclusive education in English
- ii. Replacement of the indigenous languages with English

### Topic 198: Linguistic Imperialism Revisited II

#### ELT as a source of linguistic imperialism

- The teaching of English is not sufficient grounds to identify the policy of the British empire with linguistic imperialism
- Linguistic imperialism implies that the mother language is replaced and not supplemented by the imperial language

#### ELT as a source of linguistic imperialism

- Considered a post-World War II phenomenon
- This phenomenon began in the eighteenth century
- Effect cannot postdate cause
- Cannot be attributed to the conscious ELT policies made World War II

#### An anachronistic concept

- The power asymmetry between the former colonial nations and the nations of the 'third world,' is

inadequate as an explanation of linguistic realities

- First world' countries with strong languages show willingness to adopt English

An anachronistic concept

- Some of the harshest attacks on English have come from countries which have no such colonial legacy

An anachronistic concept

- It gives learners access to a very important linguistic tool that helps individuals and economies to develop and compete globally

## Lesson-34

### World Englishes and Gender

Topic 199: World Englishes, Gender and Power I

Manifestations of power

- Ideology
- Politics
- Imperial
- Language
- Economy
- Knowledge
- Nature

Power of English

- Ideological
- Cultural
- Elitist

Power and globalization of English

A result of:

- The political, economic, and cultural power of people associated with English
- Use of English in a number of important domains
- Roles and functions English performs

Power of English and linguistic imperialism

- The promotion of English through covert means
- Responsible for unequal distribution of power and resources

Exercising control through language

- Displacing native languages
- Planting the language of empire in a new place
- Rejecting other varieties of English as impurities
- Installing the language of the imperial powers as the standard

Exercising control through language

- Gendering language as a way of:
- Perpetuating power hierarchies
- Contributing to certain types of inequality

Topic 200: World Englishes, Gender and Power II

Role of language in social life

“Language provides the terms by which reality is constituted”

- Ashcroft cited in Kachru, ---

Gender and language

- Language shapes the understanding of the world
- Language raises awareness about women’s place in the world

Developments in gender studies

1970s

- Efforts made to expose gender bias
- Male domination in the form and function of language

Gender and language

1980s-1990s

- The notion of gender inequity replaced by the power based view
- Women’s language was a result of the existing power relationship between women and men

Gender and language

1980s-1990s

- Power as a commodity shared between genders
- Women’s language was a result of the existing power relationship between women and men

Gender and language

Contemporary developments

The scope of gender studies broadened to include:

- Multilingual communities
- Postcolonial contexts
- Diglossic linguistic situations

Gender and language

- Femaleness and maleness as social constructions
- Language helping to constitute gender in global and local multilinguistic contexts

Topic 201: World Englishes, Gender and Power III

Gender and world Englishes

The equal exercise of power is explored by examining bilingual women’s relationships to English in the world contexts

Gender and world Englishes

Women’s access to the dominant languages is affected by various pressures:

- economic
- gender
- familial

Gender and world Englishes

- Women’s role in the marginalization and displacement of the mother tongue
- Women, in their social roles reshape the linguistic face of various communities
- Act more favorably toward prestigious languages and varieties

Gender and world Englishes

- Women understand the importance and advantages of being multilingual in English and local

languages

- Increase the economic opportunities for their children
- Enhance their self image

Gender and world Englishes

- Gain social status through linguistic means
- Increase power
- Construct a new more powerful identity through use of the language
- Influence the choice of language by increasing the formal and functional ranges of English for wider communication

Topic 202 Bilingual Women's Creativity

Bilingual's creativity

“those creative linguistic processes which are the result of competence in two or more languages”.

Kachru cited in Kachru, B. , Kachru, Y. & Nelson, 2006, p. 572

Sociolinguistic dimension

- Views the process of creativity as acculturation and nativization of the use of English in the Outer Circle
- Recognizes different types of discourse strategies, stylistic innovations, speech acts, code mixing and code switching

Sociolinguistic dimension

- Multilingual English users manipulating their linguistic resources in language use
- Generate new meanings to capture the bilingual and bicultural competences
- Develop new linguistic forms and functions in both spoken and written discourse

Politeness and gender identities

- Politeness plays a role in constructing gender identities
- English is viewed as being more polite and respectful
- Females use English more than males do
- Women seek to be more polite by using English

Women and English

- Bilingual women make language choices to:
- meet the needs of their speech community
- Ensure better future for themselves and their families
- Strengthen the status of English in world communities

Women and English

- English-speaking bilingual women are considered as innovators of language change
- Advancing the progress of English
- Help it to gain acceptance and importance along with regional dialects

Women and English

- Play a key role in the transmission of English in world contexts and in constructing new identities

Topic 203 Gender and Bilingual's Writing

Gender differences in world Englishes

- Gender functioning as a means of shaping linguistic pluralism and diversity
- Gender specific discourse studies illustrate the expanding sociocultural dimensions of English use
- Gender emerges as a factor impacting the spread of English

Gender differences in world Englishes



- Differences in the use of speech acts by women and men are observable among varieties of world Englishes

- Bilinguals' creativity includes gender as an essential exponent of world Englishes

Nativization of gender in bilingual's writing

Aspects of English language use most demonstrating nativizing of gender:

- Forms of address and reference
- Abuses and insults
- Indirectness
- Politeness patterns

Nativization of gender in bilingual's writing

- The authors of outer circle varieties of English transfer the social context of gender
- The local sociocultural patterns, notions, and ideas are reflected in an indigenized variety of English

Nativization of gender in bilingual's writing

- The outer circle writers adapt the English language to local needs
- Language variation produces culturally distinctive writing in multilingual societies

Marginalization of bilingual female writers

- Women writers are marginalized by gender and by their choice of writing in English
- Choice of English and cultural oppressiveness

Topic 204 Gender and Language Use

Difference in language use across genders

- Women are believed to be more sensitive to prestige forms of speech.
- Women show more stylistic variation than men in more formal speech situations

Difference in language use across genders

- An increase in the use of non-standard forms among the adolescent boys and a decrease among adolescent girls

Difference in language use across genders

- Difference in the perception of prestige forms
- Men and women live in quite different social spaces
- They are treated differently even in those social slots that are identical

Difference in language use across genders

- Men and women are accustomed to different sets of contextually defined norms of interaction
- These norms form the basis of their own speech and their judgement of others' speech

Difference in language use across genders

Girls, as they grow older show:

- A realization of the responsibilities of adulthood
- An awareness of the need to fit in and conform to social norms

Difference in language use across genders

Boys, as they grow older show:

- A desire for self assertion
- A need to express their toughness
- An unwillingness to be dictated

Gender and use of English

- Decline in the use of non-standard forms with age among female adolescents

- Among male adolescents, either the decline is slight or there is an increase in the use of non-standard forms of English

## Lesson-35

### The Pedagogy of World Englishes

Topic 205 Teaching World Englishes

Gender and world Englishes

Many native and non-native speakers of English regard the language used by educated class as examples of standard English

Concerns about teaching world Englishes

- Conflict between prescriptivism and creativity
- Issues of intelligibility

Misconceptions about the realities of ELT

- English is a means of becoming involved in the cultures of Inner-Circle
- Inner circle users have a large amount of contribution in ELT in the Outer and Expanding Circles
- Global users of English desire to speak or write like native speakers

Misconceptions about the realities of ELT

- Knowledge of World Englishes allows for accommodation with the speakers of different varieties
- ELT professionals to accept and encourage the use of different varieties of English
- have a

responsibility not to limit their students' creativity, but to help to shape it, through increased awareness of others and ever less complacency about 'my English

Misconceptions about the realities of ELT

- Encourage students to use English creatively according to their own context
- ELT professionals to accept and encourage the use of different varieties of English
- Need to be aware of others' varieties of English

Misconceptions about the realities of ELT

- Not to consider their variety satisfactory

Topic 206 Implications of English language varieties for language pedagogy

Varieties of English in bilingual contexts

- British English (other than the standard British English) along with Celtic languages
- American English
- Outer circle Englishes in multilingual contexts

Varieties of English in bilingual contexts

- Influence of a substrate language or languages on the new varieties of English
- The influence is observed at the indigenously functional level

Dilemma faced by outer circle varieties

- Exonormative model of English vs. Endonormative model of English

Selection of a standard variety for teaching

- Classroom – a testing ground for the selection of a variety as standard
- Teachers provide an endonormative model by default
- Shift of standard from exonormative to endonormative

## Topic 207 Implications of English language varieties for language pedagogy

### Monomodel vs. polymodel

- Distinct local, national and international uses of English
- Link between the model of a language and its functions
- Need for a dynamic approach
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### World Englishes in the Classroom

#### Inner circle:

- Making students aware and tolerant of different varieties
- Local dialects to be part of English language classrooms

### World Englishes in the Classroom

#### Outer and expanding circle classrooms:

- Textbooks focus on inner circle varieties
- Research studies to raise awareness of students about the differences in local and international standards
- Local dialects to be part of English language classrooms

### Outcomes of awareness of world Englishes

- Promotion of world Englishes approach
- Viewing the varieties as legitimate expressions and varieties
- Removal of confusions when confronted with different types of English language users

## Topic 208 Native Vs. Non-Native Teachers

### Native speakers as teachers

- Confusion between ENL and the teaching of English as a second language
- A native speaker assumed to have the expertise to teach English

### Native speakers as teachers

- Lack the experience of having learned a language
- Lack pedagogical training

### Non-native teachers

- Non-native speakers share the language learning experience with their students
- Awareness about appropriating and adapting a foreign language

### Non-native teachers

- The learning experience is a useful resource for non-native teacher
- Having learned the English language is considered a weakness of non-native teachers

### Misconceptions about native speakers as teachers

#### The perpetuating image of native speaker as:

- The authority in language ability
- Expertise in teaching

### Misconceptions about native speakers as teachers

The native speaker status assumes credibility and authenticity of an individual as a:

- Teacher
- Language expert
- Teacher education

Misconceptions about native speakers as teachers

Nativeness assumes:

- Primacy over pedagogic expertise
- Competence in the language

Topic 209 World Englishes implications for Teacher Education

Case for including WE in TE

1. Exposure to WE models and theories

- Irrationality of teaching an alien variety of English
- TE students should be exposed to theories and models of world Englishes

Case for including WE in TE

2. Awareness of ELT practices and practitioners around the world

- The misconception about the West demonstrating the true ELT situation
- Emphasis on the need from input in TE from outer and expanding circles

Case for including WE in TE

3. The need to adopt a pragmatic view of ELT

- Considering the needs of the learners in planning research and curriculum
- Irrelevance of teaching standards without their application in real situations

Case for including WE in TE

4. Resisting imposition of inner circle model

- Countering linguistic imperialism
- Removing the notion of inner circle variety being superior to other varieties

Topic 210 World Englishes Implications for Teacher Education

Native English language teacher education

- Need for an understanding of the global perspective
- Need for an exposure to different varieties of English
- Availability of resources for TE

Native English language teacher education

- Need for training in methodologies and grammatical descriptions
- Need for an awareness of issues related to WE

The current state of TE

- In-depth research in different areas of WE began in the late 1970s
- The field of ELT still undergoing a period of 'absorption'

The current state of TE

- Few MA TESL programs include theoretical material on WE
- Advantages of maintaining a hierarchal view of English
- Limited time to cover the curriculum

Effects of world Englishes paradigm

- Increase in the acceptance of local and regional norms and models
- Standardized tests using regional norms in selecting correct answers

Effects of world Englishes paradigm

Use of classroom teaching materials representing speakers from different cultures

## Teaching World Englishes Courses

### Topic 211 Culture in the Classroom

#### Disconnect between the learners and textbooks

- Detachment of textbooks from the learners' world
- Textbooks containing unknown settings and unfamiliar characters

#### Disconnect between the learners and textbooks

- Need for a 'glocal' textbook
- Need for an awareness of issues related to WE

#### Current status and role of English

- A lingua franca
- Used in diverse settings
- Used between non-native speakers
- Multicultural identities

#### Multicultural identities of English

- Have caused sociolinguistic shifts
- Instrumentally motivated learners
- Need to infuse local culture in English language classrooms

#### Appropriating English for different cultures

- Cultural gaps cause difficulties for learners
- Selection of local cultural content by textbook and material writers
- Difficult for teachers to present an alien culture

### Topic 212

#### Culture in the Classroom

##### Differences in rhetorical conventions

- Goal oriented vs. indirect
- Utilitarian vs. digressive

##### Differences in rhetorical conventions

- Likely to create misunderstandings and misinterpretations
- Sensitivity to different conventions to be created through teaching materials and practices

##### Discourse strategies

- WE show traces of the cultural influence of the communities that use them
- Use of local discourse strategies while using English

##### Classroom: A site for cultural suppression or supremacy?

- English language classrooms imparting knowledge of Anglo-American culture
- Submerging of local cultures and conventions

##### Classroom: A site for cultural suppression or supremacy?

- Classrooms to embrace innovations based on different cultural conventions
- Recognition of world Englishes likely to sensitivize people to different cultures

### Topic 213 Use of World Englishes in the Classroom

#### Representation of world Englishes in classroom

- Lack of awareness about different varieties of English among expanding circle learners

- Only inner circle English finds representation in textbooks

#### Contrastive analysis

- Awareness of differences between local or national varieties of English and international English
- Contrastive analysis of indigenized varieties and inner circle varieties of English

#### Contrastive analysis

- Baumgardner's (1987) study of Pakistani English
- Differences in complementation
- He went to China for learning Chinese vs. He went to China to learn
- Friedrich (2002) and Matsuda (2002)
- Learners in expanding circle are only aware of British or American English

#### Need for world Englishes approach

- WE approach facilitates learning
- Different varieties of English to be viewed as "legitimate expressions of a language in constant change and spread"

#### Topic 214 Use of World Englishes in the Classroom

##### World Englishes approach

- Presentation of English is incomplete without an awareness of different varieties
- Confusion or resistance when students are confronted with different types of English users or uses

##### Lack of awareness of World Englishes

- Students likely to be shocked and confused when facing different varieties of English
- Students may find them deficient

##### Lack of awareness of World Englishes

- Students may show disrespect to different varieties and their users
- Rejection of deviations from inner circle English

##### Lack of awareness of World Englishes

- Likely to be counter-productive to efforts being made for international understanding of English
- Sensitizing students to the presence of different varieties of English should be the goal of all

##### English language teachers around the world

#### Topic 215 L2 in the Classroom and Non-Native Educators I

##### Use of L2 in classroom

- Earlier language teaching methods discouraged the use of mother tongue in classroom
- Audiolingual method, Direct method, Communicative Language Teaching
- English to be taught best through English

##### Use of L2 in classroom

- Second language acquisition considered similar to first language acquisition in SLA

##### Use of L2 in classroom

- Second language acquisition is similar as well as different from first language acquisition
- A second-language learner is already equipped with the knowledge of his/her mother tongue
- Monolingual fallacy

##### Use of L2 in classroom

- Several language teaching methods favour the use of mother tongue for second language learning
- Mother tongue considered a useful tool in the English language classroom

#### Topic 216 L2 in the Classroom and Non-Native Educators II

##### Bilingualism as the goal

- Usefulness of a bilingual approach for learning English as a second language in outer and expanding circles

- Bilingualism as the goal

Use of mother tongue in classroom

- Appeals from the inner circle English language teaching establishment for more use of the mother tongue in the classroom

- The use of the mother tongue in the classroom considered one dimension of linguistic human rights

Native vs. non-native educators

- Native speaker fallacy

- Native speakers of English inevitably considered the best teachers of English.

- Non-native teachers are only second-best for teaching English

Advantages of a non-native English language teacher

- Knowledge of the mother tongue advantageous for teachers

- Experience of having learned a second language

- More effective English language teachers

Doubts about the effectiveness of native teacher

- Need to realize the goal of second language acquisition in world Englishes classrooms

- Need to re-define the concept of the native speaker

## **Lesson-37**

### **Models, Methods and Curriculum for Teaching World Englishes**

Topic 217 Historical Context of English Language Teaching

Spread of English

- Transformation of English

- Multiplicity of varieties

- Resistance to the acceptance of varieties

Spread of English

- Ideological dominance of native English speakers

- Influence of native speakers on ELT

- Linguistic imperialism caused by teaching of English or teaching of a particular variety of English?

ELT Methodology and Colonialism

- Link between ELT methodology and British colonialism

- ELT a product of spread and macro-acquisition of English

Macro-acquisition

- Acquisition of a common second language by speakers of different mother tongues

- ELT a product of spread and macro-acquisition of English

- Primary input doesn't come from native speakers

- Defined by its own lexicon, idioms and transformed meanings

Development of ELT

Not a result of:

- Migration of English speaking population to North America and Australia
- Immigration into the UK or USA

Development of ELT

- Theories and practices not developed in the UK or USA
- Colonies were the central testing ground for the development of ELT

Topic 218 Historical Context of English Language Teaching

ELT development during colonialism

- Acquisition of English language was controlled by the political and economical needs of the empire
- ELT methodology was subservient to imperial purposes

ELT development during colonialism

Curriculum based on language examinations used as qualification standards for civil service

Development of varieties

- Emphasis on mother tongue literacy
- English taught through bilingual education
- The empire lacking the capacity to hire native English speaking teachers

Development of varieties

- The process of language spread dependent on non-native English speaking teachers
- Played a significant role in the creation of different varieties

Topic 219 Historical Context of English Language Teaching

ELT methodology and linguistic imperialism

- Non-native context of ELT development contradicts with linguistic imperialism
- Linguistic imperialism neglects the contribution and agency of the nonnative speaking teachers

ELT methodology and linguistic imperialism

- Need to reclaim the contributions of the nonnative teacher of English within the international history of English

Misconceptions about non-native teachers

- Non-native teachers readily accept the methodology produced in the UK and US
- Critical attitude found among students studying ELT in the USA
- Misconception based on the ideological notions of intellectual dependence

Misconceptions about non-native teachers

- The western methods dated from the post World War II period
- They had not come into existence at the time when English began to spread to Africa, Asia and elsewhere
- ELT methodology relied on the creativity and resources of local teachers

Influence of native speakers on ELT

- Constructs of “authenticity,” “native” and “near native” proficiency
- Determining the proper goals of SLA
- Development of the notion of native speaker as the ideal teacher

Influence of native speakers on ELT

- Challenges the authority of the non-mother tongue English-speaking teacher
- Undermines the role of non-native teachers in the spread of English

Topic 220 Centrality of Inner Circle in ELT



### Centrality of inner circle and SLA

- Inner circle centrality based on certain SLA assumptions:
- The target language is learnt in a mother tongue environment
- Proficiency of the mother-tongue English speaker as the target
- The necessity of native English speaking teachers

### Centrality of inner circle and SLA

- This model of SLA needs a corresponding ELT methodology
- Developed and transported to the outer circle contexts
- In most of the contexts, the assumptions are inappropriate

### Assumed vs. real conditions of SLA

- Non-native context
- The target language is not a native but a new variety of English
- No need for the learners to assimilate with the native context

### The myth of a native speaker as the ideal teacher

- Research findings do not support the necessity of a native teacher
- The assumption has been questioned by many scholars
- A policy to grant native English speaking teacher and the mother tongue English speaker with authority in ELT

### The myth of a native speaker as the ideal teacher

- Grants authority to native English speaking teacher and the mother tongue English speaker in ELT
- Gives native speakers control over the spread of English spread in the twenty-first century

### Topic 221 World Englishes and ELT Methods

#### Approach, method and technique

- Models and methods of language teaching imply the existence of “one best method”

#### Approach, method and technique

- Approaches
- The broadest level
- Theoretical view of what language is and of how it can be learnt
- Methods
- Consistent with approaches
- Plans for linking theory with practice
- Choices about skills, contents and sequencing

#### Approach, method and technique

- Techniques
- Most concrete level
- Comprise the activities used to implement methods

### Traditional ELT practices

- Native speaker as the provider of the model
- Native speaker as the ideal speaker-hearer

### Traditional ELT practices

- Defined by Kachru as a “monomodel”
- Implies a universally agreed-upon definition of the best way to teach
- Do not use context as a variable

Methods vs. post-methods

- Kumaravadivelu (2003) suggests the existence of a post-method era
- Ineffectiveness of 'one size fits' all approach
- Importance given to the context and local needs

Topic 222 World Englishes and ELT Methods

World Englishes theoretic perspective

- Existence of a range of models for English rather than one best model
- The local innovations in English are based on the needs of the users
- English belongs to all those who use it

World Englishes theoretic perspective

- Lack of awareness of this perspective among practitioners and teacher educators
- Rarely given prominence in English language teacher training programmes

English as an international language

- Need for intelligibility
- Focus on the domains for which the language is needed
- Need for cross-cultural pragmatic competence to ensure friendly relations among users

English as an international language

- Need for respect for local culture
- Need for teacher flexibility in choice of methods
- Need for attention to local cultures of learning

## Lesson-38

### Testing and Assessment in World Englishes Context

Topic 223 The Issue of Language Testing and World Englishes

World Englishes and language tests

- Disconnect between language tests and insights into English in the world context
- Language tests do not represent English varieties spoken and used in contact situations

World Englishes and language tests

- Inappropriacy of target norms in local contexts
- Language tests do not represent English varieties spoken and used in contact situations
- Tests developed in one setting may be invalid for another setting

World Englishes and language tests

- The 'correctness' of language test items may vary from context to context
- What is wrong in one setting may be considered right in another

World Englishes and language tests

Example:

Choose the correct sentence from the following list:

1. Our company is buying some new equipment.
2. Our company is buying a new equipment.
3. Our company is buying some new equipments.
4. Our company is buying three new equipments

Topic 224 English Language Testing and Non-Native Speaker Variation

### Testing and local context

- Contextualized teaching and testing
- Use of native speaker norms in testing
- Washback effect of testing is likely to impact the teaching of English

### Native speaker as the norm in language testing

- English language testing does not include non-native speaker norms and innovations yet
- The set of norms accepted and used by educated native speakers assumed to be the universal target for proficiency

### Differences between norms (examples)

- Prepositional collocations: I live in an apartment at Mall Road
- Use of uncountable nouns as countables:  
It is a hard work
- Redundant prepositions:  
We're discussing about  
out new plan

### World Englishes and language tests

- Differences in native and non-native speaker norms
- Language testing reflects the 'deficit linguistics' view

### World Englishes and language tests

#### Deficit Linguistics

- Variations are caused by errors
- Evidence of the substandard nature of outer and expanding circle varieties
- Considered 'Interlanguage' or 'Fossilized' language

### Topic 225 English Language Testing and Non-Native Speaker Variation

#### Norms for language testing

- Testing is based on how close the language use is to the native speaker norms
- Difficulty of differentiating between errors and developing varietal norms

#### Validity of language tests

- Language tests do not reflect the differences between native and non-native speaker norms
- Doubts about the validity of tests based on native speaker norms

#### Validity of language tests

##### Validity

- validity refers to how well a test measures what it claims to measure.

#### Solution to testing world Englishes

- Paradigm shift
- Distinctions made between the use of English in monolingual and multilingual contexts
- Mutual exposure to the major native and non-native varieties
- Re-thinking of English language teaching goals

#### Solution to testing world Englishes

- Re-thinking of English language teaching goals
- Overhauling of English language testing
- Reluctance to accept curricular changes not reflected in the targets of examination boards

### Topic 126 Critique of Existing English Language Tests

#### Issues in testing world Englishes

- A broadly applied test has little use in world Englishes context
- Any English language test must use a set of norms to evaluate the test takers' performance in the test

#### Biases in ELT testing

- Biases in favour of inner circle variety of English in standardized testing
- Test-takers have no or little contact with the native varieties of English

#### Biases in ELT testing

- Test of English for International Communication (TOEIC) – a supposedly neutral test shows bias towards standard English

#### Adaptations of English

- Inevitability of adaptations of English
- Unavailability of native-speaker models
- Other uses of English (media, literature, education) reflect local contexts

#### Divergence between regional and native norms

- Conflation of count/mass noun
- code switchings
- threats and intimidations

#### Divergence between regional and native norms

- Fixed collocations of verbs with particles and prepositions
- fill up a printed form
- cope up with the situation

#### Innovation or mistake?

- Individual uses are difficult to classify as mistake or innovations
- Broad observation can identify items that are well established in some varieties

#### Topic 227 Critique of Existing English Language Tests

##### ELT professionals' dilemma

- Language tests adhere to some set of norms
- Certain language test items consider a linguistic form because of its misfit to a given norm

##### ELT professionals' dilemma

##### Which norm to teach?

##### What is the norm?

##### Who decides what the norm is?

##### Teaching vs. testing norms

- Unwise to use tests which adhere linguistic norms different from those of the test takers
- The need to teach learners the norm to which they are tested

##### Adaptations of English and testing

- Test designers need to have awareness about the:
- Variety of legitimate standards developing in English across the world
- Norms of the countries and regions they aim to serve

##### Situated use of a test

- The use of tests to be considered carefully
- A well designed test may not be applicable to a given situation

#### Topic 228 English Language Tests and Linguistic Imperialism

##### Need for a global view of assessment

- Increasing numbers of English language users
- Inevitability of varieties of English
- Need for a global view of assessment

Need for a global view of assessment

- An international language to promote inter and intra cultural communication in linguistically diverse situations
- Irrelevance of native speaker criterion in measuring second/foreign language

Testing and hegemony of the inner circle

- Majority of the English language users come from the expanding circle
- Hegemony of inner circle over English language educational management

Testing and hegemony of the inner circle

Hegemony

“Power and control exerted by a dominant class in society is sustainable if it gains support through ‘consent’ of the masses.”

Gramsci cited in Khan, 2008, p. 191)

Linguistic imperialism and testing

- Expanding and outer circle countries seeking the professional expertise of countries located in the inner circle
- Prevalent imperialism of major international tests of English (TOEFL, IELTS)

Linguistic imperialism and testing

- International tests support and serve the variety of English prevalent in their source countries

Linguistic imperialism and testing

- Use of international language tests in making high-stakes decisions
- Increasing demand for TOEFL preparation material and courses
- High profits yielded to publishers of test preparation material

Linguistic imperialism and testing

- The purpose of EIL is to facilitate communication amongst native and non-native English speaking countries
- Irrelevance of tests based on one or two varieties of English
- International tests should be based on evidence from EIL interaction

## **Lesson-39**

### **Role of English in Higher Education**

Lecture 39

Topic 229 English Language in Higher Education (HE)

Mutual effect of globalization of English and HE

- The role of English language in the globalization of education:
- High rating of universities in English speaking countries
- English facilitating international students and faculty

Mutual effect of globalization of English and of HE

- Role of higher education in globalization of English
- Traditional universities

- Contemporary universities

Mutual effect of globalization of English and of HE

- Domination of universities by native English speaking countries
- High ranking universities located in English speaking countries
- Increasing use of English as medium of instruction in HE

Mutual effect of globalization of English and of HE

Universities' need to:

- attract teachers and researchers from around the world
- encourage international students to enrol on their courses enriching

Topic 230 The Globalization of Universities

Globalization of universities and use of English

- Need of English to operate in an international market place
- English facilitates the international mobility of researchers, faculty and students

Bologna Process

- Signed in 1999
- Aimed at standardizing higher education by:
- harmonizing university education in Europe along the lines of the British model
- using a common approach to levels and length of courses

Bologna Process

The standardisation of higher education is likely to:

- Facilitate greater movement of students within Europe
- Make European higher education more attractive to students from other

Bologna Process

- The use of English not a requirement
- Use of English is encouraged to facilitate the students and faculty from other countries

Globalization of HE in Asian countries

- Students attracted to the higher education in Asian countries

Graduates with English language proficiency

- Suitability of graduates for employment
- Weak spoken-English skills considered the biggest barrier to good jobs

Topic 231 English in International Higher Education

International student mobility

- Millions of students each year travel to another country to study
- English speaking countries among the top preferences

HE in English speaking countries

- Universities in English speaking countries rank the highest on league tables
- Commercial universities in English speaking countries
- Marketing of programmes to overseas students to generate income

English as a medium of instruction

- English seen as a key educational investment
- Medium of instruction for over half of the world's international students is English

New competitors in international HE

- Improved quality of education in source countries
- Rapid expansion of universities

- Education reforms

New competitors in international HE

- Countries with improved education systems attracting international students e.g. China
- Countries in Europe and Asia offering courses taught through English
- China
- Malaysia
- Singapore
- Germany

Topic 232 Transnational Education

Education scenario in 1990s

- Expectations from technology
- Globalization of higher education
- Domination of English-speaking universities

Education scenario in 1990s

- Popularity of virtual universities
- Online degree programmes

Failure of

e-learning

- High expectations of the learners
- Skepticism about e-learning programmes
- Huge investment requirements
- High expenses of online distance education

Adaptation of

e-learning ventures

- Improvement in broadband infrastructure
- Blending of e-learning with face to face learning
- E-learning as a significant strand in world education

Adaptation of

e-learning ventures

- ELearning and the management of human interaction
- Adaptation of traditional pedagogical values

Topic 233 Transnational Education

Joint ventures and overseas campuses

- International joint ventures and overseas branch campuses to attract students
- Student's home countries as the target market for universities in English speaking countries

Joint ventures and overseas campuses

US universities with offshore campuses:

- New York University (Shanghai, Abu Dhabi)
- University of Northern Virginia (Cyprus)
- Webster University (Thailand)

Joint ventures and overseas campuses

Universities from non-English speaking countries with offshore campuses:

- Shaheed Zulfikar Ali Bhutto Institute of Science and Technology(Dubai)
- Manipal University of India (Dubai)

- Islamic Azad University of Iran (Dubai)

Joint ventures and overseas campuses

Australian universities with offshore campuses:

- University of Southern Queensland (Dubai)
- University of Wollongong (Dubai)

Joint ventures and overseas campuses

UK universities with offshore campuses:

- University of Nottingham (Malaysia and Ningbo in China)
- Middlesex university (Dubai)
- University College, London (Qatar)

Joint ventures and overseas campuses

Joint ventures with US universities

- University of Michigan – Shanghai Jiao Tong University Joint Institute
- New York Institute of Technology-Nanjing Campus

Joint ventures and overseas campuses

- Likely to attract students from countries other than the host country in the region
- Promoting the globalization of HE
- Building an international intellectual environment

Topic 234 Higher Education Trends

Consequences of globalization of HE

- Creation of a divide between global elite institutions and those serving local students
- Slowing down of international student mobility
- Declining market share of international students in English speaking countries

Consequences of globalization of HE

- Availability of more economical local and regional options
- Cultural appropriateness of locally available programmes

Consequences of globalization of HE

- Use of English medium courses to attract international students by global institutions located in non-English-speaking countries

Consequences of globalization of HE

- Major sources of international students sending fewer student to the UK universities (e.g. Malaysia and China)
- Receivers of international HE now becoming providers of international education

## **Lesson-40**

### **World Englishes and Lexicography**

Topic 235 Lexicography and World Englishes

Lexicography

- The process of writing, editing and compiling a dictionary
- An author or editor of a dictionary is called a lexicographer

Lexicography vs. linguists



- The subject field of linguistics is language, whereas the subject field of lexicography is dictionaries

Dictionaries of world Englishes: Issues

- Ideological underpinnings
- Hierarchies of English varieties
- Linguistic, literary, cultural, and even political considerations

Role of a dictionary in legitimizing a variety

- Standardization of Englishes depends on the presence or absence of dictionaries in that variety

Role of a dictionary in legitimizing a variety

Traditional role of dictionaries in standardizing varieties of English:

- British English by Samuel Johnson
- American English by Noah Webster, and more recently
- the Macquarie Dictionary of Australian English

topic 236 Language Legitimacy and the Dictionary

Legitimacy

“Legitimacy can be understood as a shorthand for identifying and establishing the varieties of Englishes that are used in various locations around the world”

- Kachru, Kahru & Nelson, 2006, p. 695

Acceptability of a variety

- Role of dictionaries in granting acceptability to a language variety

Functions of a dictionary

- A reference book/source
- Authority on almost all aspects of a language
- Source of confidence for the users of the language

Functions of a dictionary

- Source of reassurance about the legitimacy of a variety
- Does not provide recognition to the people as users of English
- Acknowledges the variety of English used by these people

Topic 237 Dictionary and the Notion of Standard

Standards and the dictionary

- Multilingual situations involve choice of languages and standards
- The influence of contact languages on the emerging variety of English

Standards and the dictionary

- Competing standards and dictionary entries:
- A well-documented, prestigious, outside standard
- A poorly documented internal standard

Criterion for a dictionary entry

- Dictionary as a recording of the language usage of a community
- The dictionary a recorder and not a controller of the common usage
- Range and depth of the use of a word as a criterion

Dictionary and the acceptability of a variety

- The users of standard varieties allowed more leeway
- A ready acknowledgement by the publishers and editors
- Affects the public perception of the validity of a variety than many words spent

### Power of the dictionary

- Publishing of a language's dictionary allows the users to develop the notion of a standard
- The idea of correctness linked with the dictionary
- Affects the public perception of the validity of a variety than many words spent

### Topic 238 The Concept of Englishes

#### Challenges of compiling a world Englishes dictionary

- Some questions to be answered to systematically undertake the task:
- Standard
- Variety
- Regional

#### Challenges of compiling a world Englishes dictionary

The sources of data for a lexicographer include the following aspects of language users:

- Linguistic
- Cultural
- Political

#### Varieties and linguistic change

- Varieties and linguistic change
- Linguists' view of change
- Linguistic change and speaker identities

#### Two kinds of responses to linguistic change

- A cool scientific calm
- A cause for alarm

### Topic 239 The Concept of Englishes

#### Influence of dictionaries on language use

- The case of newly codified Englishes
- The dictionary compiler determines the amount of "guidance" a user requires

#### Methods used by lexicographers

- Notes and labels for usage
- Decisions depend on:
- Acceptable usages
- Needs of the user

#### Methods used by lexicographers

- Selection of the number and type of usage labels
- Need to balance the linguist's purity with the sociolinguistic reality of the dictionary user

#### Methods used by lexicographers

- Guidance on usage
- Users' identity
- Need to communicate depends on mutual intelligibility and codification

### Topic 240 Compiling a Regional Dictionary

#### Aims

- To serve the average educated speaker of English
- To present all the material (both old and new entries) from a regional point of view

#### Pronunciation

Phonemic pronunciation system may be used to enable users to read entry words as their varieties lead

them to

Vowel keywords and their symbols in The New Zealand Oxford Dictionary (NZOD)

Sources of items to be included

Published materials including:

- Fiction
- Non-fiction
- Newspaper writing

Criterion for selection of entries

- Must be genuinely representative of the varieties from which they are drawn
- Should not be modifications made for broader international use

Criterion for selection of entries

- Frequency of occurrence of an item
- Use of published material
- Confirmation of familiarity by native speakers

Criterion for selection of entries

Occurrence of a word in a specific text is not evidence enough for inclusion in the dictionary

Validity of the dictionary

- The authority of the English language communities in the region
- Users should acknowledge and have confidence in their language
- Users should accept the dictionary as representative of their region's English

Validity of the dictionary

The dictionary has the power to reveal to people something that they already know but do not acknowledge that they have an English of their own

- Butler cited in Kacru & Nelson, 2006, p. 245

## **Lesson-41**

### **World Englishes and the Media**

Topic 241 English and the Press

The press – early developments

- English being used in the press for the last 400 years
- Simple newspapers brought out by many European countries
- Little growth due to censorship, taxation and wars

The press – early developments

- Britain showed progress
- Simple newspapers brought out by many European countries
- Little growth due to censorship, taxation and wars

The press – early developments

Seventeenth century

Some early newspapers provided general news and information about shipping:

- The Weekley Newes (1622)
- The London Gazette (1666)
- Lloyd's News (1696)

The press – early developments

Eighteenth century

American developments:

- the Boston News-Letter (1704)
- The New-York Gazette (1725)
- the New York City Daily Advertiser (1785)

The press – early developments

Eighteenth century

British developments:

- the Boston News-Letter (1704)
- The New-York Gazette (1725)
- the New York City Daily Advertiser (1785)

The press – early developments

Nineteenth century

Some widely circulated newspapers included:

- The New York Herald (1833)
- The New York Tribune (1841)
- The Times in Britain continued to grow
- The Daily Mail (1896)

High profile of English press

- Enhancement of the profile of English press
- Growth of major news agencies as a result of the invention of telegraph
- Emergence of Reuters and New York Associated Press (Associated Press)

Popularity of English in the press

- Role of English in the identity of a community
- About 57 per cent of the world's newspapers in 2002 were being published in the countries where

English language has special status

Popularity of English newspapers

- Top five newspapers in English
- Many English newspapers intended for an international audience

Popularity of English in other genres

- Fashion magazines
- Periodicals
- Literary reviews
- Scholarly journals
- Many English newspapers intended for an international audience

Topic 242 English in Advertising

Increase in advertising

- Competition due to mass production of goods
- Increase in consumer purchasing power
- Better display possibilities

Effect of advertising on circulation

- Income from advertising allows publishers to lower the selling price of their magazines and increase circulation

#### Effect of advertising on circulation

- Many magazines have trebled their sale using this strategy
- Two-thirds of a modern newspaper are devoted to advertising

#### English in advertising

- English in advertising began very early on
- Weekly newspapers began to publish advertisement for books, medicines, tea, and other domestic products.
- Advertising supplement began to appear in newspapers

#### Outdoor media

- The brevity and ease of conveying the message to the audience
- Posters, billboards, electric displays, shop signs and other techniques

#### Outdoor media

- Global spread of the outdoor media
- One of the most noticeable global manifestations of English language use
- The English advertisements are more numerous and most noticeable

#### Topic 243 English in Broadcasting

##### Beginning of broadcasting

- English was the first language to be transmitted by radio
- Public broadcasting began in 1920
- The first commercial radio station was established in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
- By 1922 over 500 broadcasting stations had been established in the USA

##### Beginning of broadcasting

- British Broadcasting Company (later, Corporation) was established in 1922
- Broadcasting began in Canada, Australia and New Zealand in 1920s
- Radio services began in other parts of the world including India and Europe in 1927

##### Creation of broadcasting organizations

- International Telecommunication Union
- Commonwealth Broadcasting Association
- European Broadcasting Union
- International Broadcast Institute
- The Asia–Pacific Broadcasting Union

##### Public television

- BBC began the world's first high-definition television service in 1936
- The National Broadcasting Company began its service in 1939 in the USA
- The number rose to over twenty within a year
- Other countries started television services much later

#### Topic 244 English in Broadcasting

##### International broadcasting

- International broadcasting was introduced in the 1920s
- BBC introduced international service in 1930s
- The international standing of BBC news increased during the Second World War

##### International broadcasting

- In 2001, BBC world service had a worldwide audience of 153 million
- The number has increased to 279 m

- An overall global audience of 376 m

International broadcasting

- Voice of America was formed in 1942
- Radio New York World Wide provides an English-language service to Europe, Africa and the Caribbean

International broadcasting

- Increases in external broadcasting during the post-War years
- Many countries launched English language radio programmes, such as the Soviet Union, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Germany and Sweden

International broadcasting

- The way people access their news has changed with the easy availability of the internet
- Audiences switching to digital platforms for news and entertainment

International broadcasting

- A total of 27 m people listen directly to World Service English via the internet
- And World Service English podcasts now reach one million people every week

Topic 245 Role of the Cinema in the spread of English

The beginning of cinema

- Made its beginning in Europe and America during the nineteenth century
- Key role played by Britain and France during the early development

USA's dominance over the film industry

- Slow growth of the European cinema during WWI
- America emerging as a dominating force in the film industry
- Hollywood evolving as the centre of the modern cinema

English as the dominant language of film

- The introduction of sound to films
- English language dominated the film world

English as the dominant language of film

- Out of 44 studios listed, 32 were American or British
- Out of 2,466 artistes listed, only 85(3 per cent) made movies in languages other than English
- Of the 340 directors, 318 (94 per cent) made films only in English language

English as the dominant language of film

English as the dominant language of film

- Hollywood aiming at large number of international audience through such films as:
- Titanic
- Star Wars
- Lord of the Ring
- Unusual to find a blockbuster in other languages

English as the dominant language of film

- English dominates most film festivals and awards
- The USA controls about 85per cent of the world film market
- Eighty per cent of all feature films are in English

Influence of films on people

‘People increasingly believe in what they see and they buy what they believe in . . . People use, drive, wear, eat and buy what they see in the movies.’

- (Wim Wenders cited in Crystal, 2003)

#### Topic 246 Role of Music in the Spread of English

##### Recording industry and music

- Recording industry was another new addition to the entertainment world through technology
- The availability of mass-produced first gramophone records and then CDs and DVDs allow music to travel around the world

##### Spread of English through pop music

- Dominance of English in the popular music scene
- Many people make their first contact with English through music

##### English in popular music

- The pop groups of two chief English-speaking countries dominated the recording world:
- Bill Haley and the Comets and Elvis Presley in the USA
- The Beatles and the Rolling Stones in the UK

##### Varieties of English in popular music

- Large number of varieties of English given exposure through music on:
- the radio
- television
- internet
- CDs
- DVDs
- music videos

##### Non-native English pop music

- A Spanish punk rock group, Asfalto (Asphalt), released a disc about learning English, which became a hit
- The Swedish group Abba recorded all its songs in English
- Michael Luszynski, a Polish singer performs almost entirely in English

##### Non-native English pop music

- To enter into the international arena and to succeed the singers need to be singing in English

##### Impact of English through music

- English language making a profound and positive impact on modern popular culture through music
- Social, political and spiritual messages conveyed through music
- English for the younger generation became a symbol of freedom, rebellion and modernism

##### Impact of English through music

There comes a time

When we heed a certain call

When the world must come together as one

There are people dying

Oh, and it's time to lend a hand to life

The greatest gift of all

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M9BNoNFKCBI>

##### Spread of English through pop music

- No other single source has spread the English language around the youth of the world so rapidly

and so pervasively

- Crystal, 2003, p. 102

## Lesson-42

### Globalisation: Various Trends

Topic 247 Demographic Trends

Global population

- Increased population and social, political and economic changes
- Effects of population increase on developing and developed countries

Global population

- Increase in population in the 18th century
- Expansion of cities in Europe

Global population

Global population

- Demographic challenges of the developing and developed countries
- Possible stabilization of the world population

Global population

- Overall world population
- The existing situation of the world: a state of transition

Topic 248 Demographic Trends II

Future of languages

The linguistic trends depend on the following aspects of people's lives:

- Where they live
- What their basic needs are
- What kind of work they do

Change in the age structure

- Difference in the median age
- Challenges of a higher younger population
- Challenges of a higher older population

Change in the age structure

- Decreasing young population leads to a need for migrant workers to support the population
- Change in the ethnic and linguistic profile of the country

Demographic changes and people's movement

- Migrant workers
- Refugees and asylum seekers
- Immigrants
- Tourists
- Business workers
- International students



- Troop movements
- Emergency aid workers

#### Demographic changes and people's movement

- Total number of international migrants reported to be 258 million in 2017 (3.4% of global population)

Source: <http://www.un.org/en/>

development/desa/population/publications/pdf/popfacts/PopFacts\_2017-5.pdf

#### Demographic changes and immigration

- Migrants seek a better life in more developed countries
- Immigration of skilled workers to counterbalance the ageing workforce of the destination countries

#### Consequences of immigration

- Change in the social and linguistic profile of the destination countries
- London the most multilingual city in the world with over 300 languages

#### Linguistic consequences of immigration

- Freedom of labour movement within EU
- An influx of workers from eastern Europe to the UK before Brexit
- Emergence of new linguistic communities
- Migrant workers and demand for English

#### Tourism and global English

- Travelling between non-English speaking countries
- Growing role for global English

#### Topic 249 Technology Trends

##### Language and the internet

- English needed to use the internet and the computer
- Decrease in the number of English L1 internet users

##### Language and the internet

##### Decline in web content in English:

- Nunberg and Schulze (1998): 85% of web pages were in English
- ExciteHome (1999) 72%
- Catalan ISP VilaWeb (2000) 68%

##### Declining use of English on the internet

- More non-English speakers use the internet
- Computer software supporting different languages
- Used for local information
- Some major uses are mainly national
- Used for informal communication

##### From Anglophone to multilingual

- Popularity of English or a time-lag
- Internet sites in local languages appear when users in the local languages begin using the internet
- Preference for L1 by the users

##### From Anglophone to multilingual

- Software supporting different kinds of script
- Many corporate websites using multilingual strategies

- Easy availability of machine translation
- The internet serving more local interests

#### News Media

- Domination of international news by English in the past
- Recent trends:
- Opening of channels in local languages
- Diversification of viewpoint available in international news in English
- Increase in the number of languages in which the news is available

#### English for global reach

- Al Jazeera went global by establishing an English news channel
- Russia's government-funded, English-language 24-hour TV channel 'Russia Today'
- German international channel Deutsche Welle

#### Blog

- An online informational website where a writer or even a group of writers share their views on an individual subject
- More than 440 million blogs worldwide

#### Topic 250 Economic Trends

##### Relationship between developed and developing countries

- Growth of Indian and Chinese economies
- China becoming the second largest economy after the USA

#### BRICS

the BRICs economies together may overtake the G6 in US dollar terms

##### Changing economic trends

- The economic rise of Asian countries likely to end European economic domination
- Chinese initiatives acquiring controlling interest in key global resources
- China's huge investment in English a need of global economic context

##### Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)

- A new economic development paradigm to maintain China's economic dynamism
- Developing new markets and delivering to them by using land routes

##### Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)

- Based on two proposals of Chinese government:
- Creation of an economic land belt that includes countries on the original Silk Road through Central Asia, West Asia, the Middle East and Europe
- A maritime road that links China's port facilities with the African coast, pushing up through the Suez Canal into the Mediterranean

#### CPEC

- A collection of infrastructure projects that are currently under construction
- Modernize Pakistani infrastructure
- Strengthen economy by the construction of modern transportation networks, numerous energy projects, and special economic zones

##### CPEC and language policy

- The kind of language policy needed for CPEC
- English or Mandarin or both?

- An exclusive 'elitist' policy that is exclusive
- An inclusive policy enabling speakers of all language communities to participate in developmental projects

#### Topic 251 Economic Trends

##### Globalization and global English

- A process of interaction and integration among the people, companies, and governments of different nations
- Allows companies to conduct their activities anywhere in the world to obtain maximum cost advantage

##### Global business plan

- A plan in which products can be manufactured in countries where labour is cheap and sold into markets where people are rich

##### BPO and ITO

- Business process outsourcing and Information technology outsourcing

##### Examples:

- Call centres
- Fast food service
- Home work tutors

##### BPO and ITO

- Demand for English in the outsourcing business
- Most of the offshore contracts come from English speaking corporations

##### English as elitist social process

- English remains a privilege of the rich
- Access to English limited to the elite in the past
- A wider distribution of English in a globalised world

##### Dangers of English language

- Role of English in economic processes and providing access to the global knowledge
- Availability of jobs that require knowledge of English
- English as an instrument of structuring inequality in

##### Dangers of English language

- English as an instrument of structuring inequality in some developing countries
- Lack of English in some countries now threatens to exclude a minority rather than the majority of a population

##### Dangers of English language

- Exodus of talent from developing to developed countries
- English is a necessary skill for many of these workers

#### Topic 252 Societal Trends

##### An urbanised world

- A high percentage of world population is city dwellers
- A developing economy makes urbanisation inevitable
- English becoming popular in an increasingly urbanised world

##### An urbanised world

The middle class not a consequence but also a contributory factor in a developing economy

##### Urbanization in developing countries

Pakistan: 39.7%

China: 56.1%

India: 33.5%

Urbanization in developing countries

- Not all urban population is middle class
- Mass migration to the cities gives rise to slums and slows growth

Linguistic diversity and social values

- Different opinions about controversial social issues
- Urbanisation and immigration likely to create conflicts
- Differences in life styles and values accentuated by linguistic diversity

Development and language shift

- Linguistic attrition
- Language shift within families
- English as a language of socialization for the young
- English providing an escape from traditional values

## Lesson-43

### Dangers of English as a Global Language

Topic 253 English as a Killer Language

A pertinent question

Will the emergence of English as a global language accelerate the disappearance of minority languages and cause widespread language death?

Language loss

- A long and historic process
- Exists independently of the emergence of a global language
- Often caused by an ethnic group coming to be assimilated within a more dominant society

Some facts about languages

- The total number of languages in the world: 7097
- The number of endangered languages (spoken by fewer than 1000 people): One third
- Death rate of languages: Two languages per month (Over the next 100 years)

Possible causes of language loss

English

- Globalization and spread of English
- Spread of English benefitting politically and economically powerful English speaking nations

Possible causes of language loss

European 'ideology of contempt' for other languages

- European practice of standardizing and promoting one language/dialect
- Mistaking technological development for cultural development

Possible causes of language loss

European 'ideology of contempt' for other languages

- Looked down upon the indigenous languages of their colonies

## Topic 254 English as a Killer Language

Possible causes of language loss

Correlation between capacity and survival of a language

- Linguistic survival of the fittest
- A self-serving belief

Possible causes of language loss

Discouraging bilingualism

- Europeans considered bilingualism burdensome
- Discouraging refugees and immigrants to maintain their own languages
- Subtractive spread of big languages

Possible causes of language loss

Linguistic capital

- Advantages of knowing a language
- Lack of knowledge of English linked with loss of benefits of global economy

Possible causes of language loss

Continued use of English by former colonies

- Local languages likely to cause disunity
- Unsuitable for educational and technological development
- Use of western curricula devalues traditional culture and knowledge

## Topic 255 Creation of a Monolingual Elite

Creation of a gap between rich and poor

- Competence in English advantaging its users
- Manipulating the knowledge of English to their advantage

Rendering other languages unnecessary

- Reducing the motivation for learning languages
- Limited opportunities for learning other languages

Creation of an elite

- Complacent about their linguistic knowledge
- Disdain for other languages

Beliefs of mother-tongue English speakers

- Belief in an evolutionary view of language
- Favouring the idea of a monolingual world

## Topic 256 Linguistic Power

Advantages of owning a global language

Will those who speak a global language as a mother tongue automatically be in a position of power compared with those who have to learn it as an official or foreign language?

Advantages of owning a global language

- Mother tongues users of English versus learners of English
- Scientific and academic community
- Multinational companies

Dealing with disadvantages of not owning English

Proper learning

- Early exposure to English
- Continued maintenance

- Availability of good resources

Difficulties

Proper learning

- Difficult to achieve a high degree of competence
- Availability of good resources
- Financial implications

Limited success

Proper learning

- Native-like competence achieved by only a minority of non-native learners of English
- Difficult but achievable (as evidenced repeatedly by English speakers from all around the world)
- The disadvantaged scenario can be altered

Topic 257 Linguistic Complacency

Presence of English as a global language

- Assumptions of native speakers about the use and knowledge of English
- Lack of motivation and interest in learning other languages

Some statistics about language learning

- Ninety per cent of businesses in Belgium, The Netherlands, Luxembourg and Greece had an executive able to negotiate in another language
- (European Business Survey by Grant Thornton reported in 1996)

Some statistics about language learning

- Only 38 per cent of British companies had someone who could negotiate in more than one language.
- (European Business Survey by Grant Thornton reported in 1996)

Some statistics about language learning

- A third of British exporters miss opportunities because of poor language skills.
- (Centre for Information on Language Teaching and Research)

Addressing the issue

- Growing awareness of the need to give up the traditional monolingual bias
- Role of a foreign language in business and attracting foreign investment

Addressing the issue

- Signs of a growing respect for other cultures and more readiness for language learning
- Influence of important personalities in promoting foreign language learning

It is all too easy to make your way in the world linguistically with English as your mother tongue . . . We become lazy about learning other languages . . . English may be the world language; but it is not the world's only language and if we are to be good global neighbours we shall have to be less condescending to the languages of the world..."

Sir Sridath Ramphal

Topic 258 Bilingualism to Prevent Language Death

## Lesson-44

### Future of World Englishes

## Topic 259 Linguistic Shift

### Shift in the centre of English language

- A higher number of non-native English speakers than native English speakers
- Centre likely to shift in the direction of the higher number of speakers

### International ownership of English

- Claim for English language rights by the outer circle countries
- Outer and expanding circle refusal to defer to British or American English norms

### Paradigm shift

- Difference between language spread and distribution
- Distribution = adoption  
conformity
- Spread = adaptation and non-conformity

### Paradigm shift

- The adaptation of English matches the preferences of its users
- Claims for rights by non-native English speakers
- An international language is meant for all and not only a select few

## Topic 260 Linguistic Shift

### Loss of power by English

- Loss of an international role
- Sharing of power with a number of languages

### Reasons for English's loss of power

- Abandoning of English by non-native English speakers:
- Difficulties inherent to English language
- Emergence of some other language as the world language

### Inherent difficulties of English language

Research findings prove that English is the hardest language for the children to learn

### Types of difficulties

- Orthographic
- Phonological
- Grammatical

### Inherent difficulties of English language

Can you pronounce this word?

Ghoti

Fish

Gh = f (tough)

O = I (women)

Ti = sh (initiate)

### Inherent difficulties of English language

#### Orthography

- Different ways of pronouncing the sequence 'ea'  
bead, head, bear, fear, pearl
- Different ways of pronouncing the sequence 'ough'  
cough, bough, dough, through, thorough

### Inherent difficulties of English language

- Silent letters at the beginning of words

psychology, pneumonia, knife, know

- Silent letters at the end of words:

thumb, limb, climb, bomb

- Silent medial letters

Muscle, fasten, castle, whistle

Inherent difficulties of English language

Pronunciation

- A large number of vowel phonemes: (Twenty)

Extensive use of the central vowel schwa regardless of the spelling in prepositions, auxiliaries and pronouns:

- To, of, from, her, them, was, are, has

Inherent difficulties of English language

Grammar

- Verb forms and functions

- Link with time reference

- Modal verbs: may, might, can, could, will, would

Topic 261 Linguistic Shift

Spanish as an emerging global language

- Total number of Spanish speakers: 470-500 million

- Increasing importance in America and Europe

Spanish as an emerging global language

- Increase in demand in Europe with increasing number of travellers

- Spanish speaking countries becoming popular tourist destination: Mexico, Cuba, Dominican Republic

Republic

Spanish as an emerging global language

- Increase in teaching/learning of Spanish as a foreign language

- Spanish government trying to promote a pan-Hispanic community across the world

Spanish as an emerging global language

- 41 million native and 11 million second language users

- Second largest L1 group in the US

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Spanish as an emerging global language

- Resurgence of cultural pride and confidence

- Popularity of Latino stars

Chinese as an emerging global language

- China's economic rise attracting attention to Mandarin Chinese

- One of the fastest-growing economies in the world in the last two decades

Chinese as an emerging global language

- The largest exporter and second largest importer of goods in the world



- One of the world's top manufacturer

Chinese as an emerging global language

- An increasing number of upper-class British parents are investing in their children's Chinese language ability

- Likely to become the majority language of internet users

Chinese as an emerging global language

- The first bilingual English-Chinese primary school in Europe was opened in the UK in 2017
- Mark Zuckerberg, Malia Obama and Arabella Kushner are also learning Chinese
- Showing potential for becoming the new lingua franca

Topic 262 Future of English I

Topic 263 Future of English II

Topic 264 Future of English III

## Lesson-45

### Future Directions: Research in World Englishes

Topic 265 Research in World Englishes: Corpus Analysis I

Corpus

- A body of written or spoken material usually stored as an electronic database.
- A collection of linguistic data, either compiled as written texts or as a transcription of recorded speech.

Purpose of a corpus

Corpus analysis provides:

- Lexical information
- Morphosyntactic information
- Semantic information
- Pragmatic information

Collins (1991) study of modals

- Collins (1991) study uses a subset of modals to study their behaviour in AusE, AmE and BrE
- Modals of obligation and necessity were selected: must, should, ought, need and have (got) to
- The database comprised 250, 000 words

Collins (1991) study of modals

- The words were drawn from the following genres:
- Press reportage from the AusE corpus
- Formal writing from a textbook on linguistics
- Transcripts of luncheon and dinner party conversations by Horvath (1985)
- Relatively formal speech from senate

Collins (1991) study of modals

The study of modals in AmE by Hermerén (1978) and BrE by Coates (1983) were used for a comparison with AusE

Collins (1991) study of modals

Frequency distribution of the selected modals

The study made the following findings:

- Have to and the variant have got to are the most frequent items
- The frequency of should in parliamentary speech is quite high

Collins (1991) study of modals

Frequency distribution of the selected modals

- Frequency of ought and need is extremely small
- Press reports make the least use of modals

Collins (1991) study of modals

Comparison of varieties

- Higher figures for must, should and ought in BrE and AmE
- No occurrence of need, have to and have got to in the AmE corpus
- Low frequency of ought in all the three corpora
- Need is not found in the AmE corpus

Research findings

- All the varieties of English are subject to variation
- The effect of the finding on the description and codification of world Englishes
- ELT profession's difficulty when considering norms, standards, models, and canonicity of English literatures

Advantages of using corpora in research

- Real data forces researchers to deal with the entire range of use of the modals
- It makes comparison across varieties and within varieties among genres possible

Topic 266 Research in World Englishes: Corpus Analysis II

Topic 267 Research in World Englishes: Changes in Grammar

Subject-Verb agreement: rule

Proximity agreement

- When a verb agrees with the nearest noun rather than with the sentence's more distant subject.
- The practice of relying on the noun that is closest to the verb to determine whether the verb should be singular or plural

Subject-Verb agreement: rule

Proximity agreement

Examples:

- A majority of the voters support the amendments
- A flock of goats were seen grazing in the planes

Subject-Verb agreement: rule

Compounding of noun

Examples:

- Leftover macaroni and cheese is in the refrigerator
- Haider and Taha are coming to the party tonight

Subject-Verb agreement: research

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Examples from Taylor's data

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Subject-Verb agreement: research

Questions raised by the research findings:

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Taylor cited in Kachru & Nelson, 2006

Topic 268 Research in World Englishes: Changes in Grammar

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Topic 269 Variation Study

Variation study

- Range of use of linguistic items in different varieties
- The extension in the range of use of linguistic items to comparable items in substratum language(s)
- Result of nativization under the influence of substratum languages

Variation study

- Bao and Wee's study (1998) focuses on the differences in the use of until between Singaporean and British varieties of English

Variation study

British English

Until in English grammar has two functions:

- a conjunction
- a preposition

Variation study

British English

As a conjunction until has

two meanings:

- A point in time

Example:

- We will guard the building until the statue is safely shipped back.

- Signal a result
- Dad will be busy until the book is out.

Variation study

British English

Until also functions as a preposition:

We will stay in New York until next week.

Variation study

British English

The action signalled by the main clause ceases when the action signalled by the until-clause or phrase occurs.

Variation study

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- Dad will be busy until the book is out.

Variation study

Singapore English

The action of the main verb does not end at the point where the action in the until-phrase occurs:

- I waited until I (was) angry; luckily my turn came ten minutes later.
- I ate until I (was) sick, but I didn't want to stop because I already paid for the food.

Variation study

Semantic extension in Singapore English

Until has a 'result' or 'to the extent' meaning in Singaporean English

- Don't talk until (your) saliva flies all over.
- Look at you, laugh until (your) face (is) red.

Variation study

Nativization of the linguistic item

Singapore English combine two features of dao – a comparable linguistic item from Chinese:

- Its semantics (degree/result meaning)
- The subtle difference in indicating non-terminal temporality

Topic 270 Variation Study

Variation study

Morphology and syntax

There is substantial research on the morphology and syntax of different varieties:

- Indian English
- Pakistani English
- Malaysian English

Variation study

The use of progressive with completed actions

BSE: I do it often.

IE: I am doing it often (with habitual action).

BSE: Where have you come from?

IE: Where are you coming from? (with completed action).

Variation study

Use of the progressive aspect with stative verbs

- Stative verbs are those which 'refer to relatively permanent physical or psychological states or

mental perceptions

- Verbs relating to actions, such as run, eat, walk, are non-stative

Variation study

Use of the progressive aspect with stative verbs

Verbs considered stative in standard English but used in the progressive in outer circle varieties:

- see, hear, think, feel, believe, know, understand, remember, forget, doubt, want, wish, cost, weigh, belong and have

Variation study

Use of the progressive aspect with stative verbs

Examples:

- I am seeing the sky from here.
- They were having a horse.

Variation study

Use of the progressive aspect with stative verbs

According to Kachru the Hindi-Urdu verbs sunna (to hear) dekhna (to see) are used in the progressive

Variation study

Use of the progressive aspect with stative verbs

- I am hearing you. You are loud and clear'
- It's costing a lot these days.

Variation study

Addition of preposition

I need to fill up the form for my admission.

I can't cope up with this situation.

We need to combat against poverty.