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Course: Linguistics

Level: 3rd Year

Groups: All

Guiding Questions

Theme Three: Language Variation

1. What is meant by Language Variation?

2. What is a social factor/variable? Give examples.

3. What is a dialect?

4. What is the difference between a dialect and a language?

5. What is meant by Language Standardisation?

6. Define these language variation concepts:

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| ▪ Idiolect: _____ | ▪ Jargon: _____ |
| ▪ Sociolect: _____ | ▪ Slang: _____ |
| ▪ Ecolect: _____ | ▪ Taboo: _____ |
| ▪ Register/Style: _____ | ▪ Isogloss: _____ |

Where there is a will ... there is a way!