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Sociolinguistics & Global Englishes

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Quiz Questions, Student Answers, and Correct Answers

Question 1 of 10

Multiple Choice Question

What is sociolinguistics?

Available Options:

(A) The study of language and society ← STUDENT SELECTED ← CORRECT ANSWER

(B) The study of language sounds

(C) The study of language change

(D) The study of language acquisition

Student's Answer: Option A: The study of language and society

Correct Answer: Option A: The study of language and society

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Multiple Choice Question

What is the main focus of sociolinguistics?

Available Options:

(A) The grammatical structure of language

(B) The meaning of words

(C) The relationship between language and society ← STUDENT SELECTED ← CORRECT ANSWER

(D) The history of language

Student's Answer: Option C: The relationship between language and society

Correct Answer: Option C: The relationship between language and society

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Text Answer Question

How does sociolinguistics differ from traditional linguistics?

Student's Answer:

The differences seen between traditional linguistics and socio-linguistics are that one focuses on the internal structure of language itself while the later focuses on how language functions within real-world and its social contexts.

Correct Answer:

Sociolinguistics focuses on the social aspects of language, while traditional linguistics focuses on the structure and rules of language.

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Multiple Choice Question

What is global English?

Available Options:

(A) A form of English spoken worldwide ← STUDENT SELECTED ← CORRECT ANSWER

(B) A specific dialect of English

(C) A standardized version of English

(D) A slang version of English

Student's Answer: Option A: A form of English spoken worldwide

Correct Answer: Option A: A form of English spoken worldwide

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Multiple Choice Question

Which of the following is NOT a characteristic of global Englishes?

Available Options:

(A) Standardization

(B) Variation

(C) Flexibility

(D) Homogeneity ← STUDENT SELECTED ← CORRECT ANSWER

Student's Answer: Option D: Homogeneity

Correct Answer: Option D: Homogeneity

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Multiple Choice Question

What is the main goal of studying global Englishes?

Available Options:

(A) To promote one standard form of English

(B) To understand the diversity of English usage ← STUDENT SELECTED ← CORRECT ANSWER

(C) To eliminate non-native English accents

(D) To learn the history of English

Student's Answer: Option B: To understand the diversity of English usage

Correct Answer: Option B: To understand the diversity of English usage

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Text Answer Question

What is the relationship between language and culture?

Student's Answer:

Language is associated with vocabulary, structure, ideology etc, hence, cultural socialization aids in the acquisition of language. Language by itself cannot be initiated in a vacuum. It's the consistent interaction or routine on a day to day basis within a social setting that enables the acquisition of both.

Correct Answer:

Language is a reflection of culture and is influenced by cultural norms and values.

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Multiple Choice Question

What is language variation?

Available Options:

(A) The study of language change over time

(B) The differences in how language is used by different groups ← STUDENT SELECTED ← CORRECT ANSWER

(C) The ways in which language is acquired

(D) The rules and structure of language

Student's Answer: Option B: The differences in how language is used by different groups

Correct Answer: Option B: The differences in how language is used by different groups

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Multiple Choice Question

What is a pidgin language?

Available Options:

(A) A language spoken by indigenous peoples

(B) A simplified form of communication between speakers of different languages ← STUDENT SELECTED ← CORRECT ANSWER

(C) A form of slang used by young people

(D) A dialect of English

Student's Answer: Option B: A simplified form of communication between speakers of different languages

Correct Answer: Option B: A simplified form of communication between speakers of different languages

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Text Answer Question

In what ways can language be a source of inequality?

Student's Answer:

Language can initiate some amount of inequality when certain linguistic varieties, accents, or registers are institutionalized as "standard" while others are marginalized, stigmatized, or excluded. For Example, in Jamaica, there are levels at which Patois is spoken. The Basilect - deep Patois, farthest from English; the Mesolect - a mix of Patois and English words; and the Acrolect- Jamaican English closest to British. Within these levels, there is an inequality of societal classes wherewith in parliament and the upper echelon of society the Acrolect seems perfect, yet the other two levels are looked down on although all levels are classified as Patois.

Correct Answer:

Language can be used to discriminate against certain groups or reinforce social hierarchies.

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