Sociolinguistics

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LING 101 SSII
Overview

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• Review
• The U.S. Regional Dialects
• NC Accents Quiz
• How the States got their Shapes
Homeworks

• Acquisition Homework
  – Exercise 1
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Review

• Synchronic approach to language
• Aspects of Sociolinguistics
  – Phonology, Morphology, Syntax, Semantics
• Sociolinguistic Factors
  – Place
  – Time
  – Social Factors
• Isogloss
U.S. Regional Dialects

• The different dialects arose along particular trade routes
  • North
    – New York, Boston
  • Midland
    – Philadelphia
  • South
    – Charleston
Contact Languages

• Lingua Franca
  – When speakers of two separate languages choose a third language as a means of communication

• Pidgin
  – When speakers of two separate languages create a combined second language that combines features of both of their first languages.

• Creole
  – When a pidgin is adopted by a new generation as a first language.
Homeworks

- Writing Assignment 8
- Find one person from NC and one person from outside of NC and conduct the following survey:
  - Record the Age, Gender, and City/State where they grew up, and how long they have lived in NC.
  - Answer the following three questions for your participants:
    - Have your speakers read the following sentences and transcribe the vowels that they produce for *pen, pin, cot*, and *caught*.
      - I couldn’t do my homework, because I lost my pen.
      - There aren’t enough beds, so I had to sleep on a cot.
      - Attach the poster to the bulletin board with this pin
      - They wanted to sneak out at night, but they were afraid of getting caught.
    - Ask your participants if the following sentence is something they would ever say if they were talking casually with their friends.
      - I’m fixin’ to take my car in for an oil change.
    - Ask your participants to answer this question:
      - What do you call an event where people use an outdoor grill or cooker to cook a meal, often for a group of friends?
Have a good day!