



# Sociolinguistics

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# 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
  - Exercise 2
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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!

