

Language and Society (CL2.203)
Monsoon 2021

Quiz-2
(Take Home)

Time : 1 Day

Max. Marks: 20

Roll No: _____

Day, Date: *Thursday, October 28, 2021*

List the languages you are proficient in _____

Note : *You are free to refer to books and other reference material. Copying of any sort or consultation with anyone will be penalized severely.*

Q1. Read Labov's study on Martha's Vineyard (LabovVineyard.pdf provided with this quiz) carefully and answer the following questions.

- a) Why is this study concerned a seminal work on linguistic change?
- b) What are the key findings of the study?
- c) What approach did Labov follow for his study?

[3+4+3 marks]

Q2. Whorfian hypothesis is much debated in linguistic literature. What is the hypothesis and why is this so debated? Do you agree with the hypothesis? Argue your case.

[5+5 marks]