

- **McCrum - default position**: if one foreigner meets another foreigner and they can't communicate, they are very likely to default to English.
- **Globish (Nerriere)**: Globish is a simplified version of Anglo-American English used as a worldwide lingua franca - English without idioms, making it easier for non-Anglophones to understand and to communicate with one another
- **A global language**:
 - 1 The number of first language speakers must be high
 - 2 Speakers must be spread over a wide geographical area
 - 3 Political and economic affairs must be stable so that the language can spread without large-scale opposition.
- **Lingua franca** - the main means of communication between individuals whose languages are different
- **Criteria for a lingua franca**:
 - 1 Number of speakers (as both first and second language)
 - 2 Language must be spoken across a wide geographical area
 - 3 Agreed upon usage in official settings (scientific research, trade, international affairs)
- **David Graddol - The Future of English (1996)**:
 - predicted that the number of people who speak English as a second language would exceed the number of native speakers.
 - adoption of English as a second language, where it takes on local forms, is leading to fragmentation and diversity.
- **Edgar W. Schneider**, a German linguist - **a Dynamic Model** to explain the development of New Englishes from colonization - 5 stages
- **Braj Kachru's circles model (1985)** - Classification of the ways English is used in the world

- 1) **The Inner Circle** - English is the mother tongue; **norm-providing**
 - 2) **The Outer Circle** - Former colonies; English used as a second language; Code switching; **norm-developing**
 - 3) **The Expanding Circle** - No historical ties to English; The language is used for international communication; **norm-dependent**
- **Widdowson - spread and distribution**: Distribution implies adoption and conformity. Spread implies adaptation and non conformity
 - **McArthur's circle model** (1987): simply gives each geographical region its own section of the circle; this avoids the hierarchical nature of Kachru's inner vs outer presentation
 - **Modiano's centripetal circles model** (1999):
 - 1) The innermost circle includes proficient speakers of English as an International Language (EIL)
 - 2) The next circle includes speakers with native or foreign language proficiency
 - 3) The third circle is comprised of learners of English.
 - 4) The outermost circle includes people who do not know English
 - **Standard English** is a form of English which has been accepted as the norm and the variety with which other forms are compared - originated in the UK as the variety of English spoken in the politically and economically powerful triangle between Oxford, Cambridge and London.
 - **Koineization** is the process by which a new variety of a language emerges from the mixing, leveling, and simplifying of different dialects.
 - **Dialect levelling** refers to the reduction or elimination of marked differences between dialects over a period of time. It tends to

occur when speakers of different dialects come into contact with one another for extended periods.

- **John Honey: The Language Trap (1983)** - Standard English, both written and spoken, is superior to dialect in many respects.
- The accent most closely associated with Standard English is called **Received Pronunciation (RP)** - It emerged in British public schools(expensive fee-paying schools) during the 19th century
 - Also known as BBC English or Queen's English
- Case study: **Giles's work on attitudes**
 - carried out an experiment known as the 'capital punishment study'.
 - Students were asked their views on capital punishment before being given a presentation on it in one of five versions (RP. South Wales, Somerset Birmingham, printed text only).
 - They were asked how impressive they found the presentation and their views were sought again. Interestingly, those hearing RP and those reading the text found the presentation most impressive.
 - Those hearing regional voices were more likely to change their views based on what they heard.
 - **This demonstrated that language variety can affect people even when they think they are not impressed by it.**
- If people who do not speak each other's native language want to communicate, they must find a lingua franca. However, if their contact is extended beyond single transactions, they form a **pidgin**, which will be made up of words and structures from both of their native tongues. When children are born hearing people communicate in a pidgin, a **creole** is formed.
- Case study: **Singlish and the Speak Good English Movement**

- Singlish is a creole variety which draws from a wide range of local languages, including Malay, Hokkien, Cantonese and Tamil as well as English.
- This creates a complex hybrid, which is stigmatised in Singapore and generally viewed as a low variety, especially since the launch of the Speak Good English Movement in 2000 by then prime minister of Singapore.

<https://www.studocu.com/en-us/document/cambridge-college/coordinated-sciences/english-in-the-world-notes/22115308>

- **David Crystal** is an internationally acknowledged linguist, academic and broadcaster who has specialised in the field of language.

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- **British and American English**

- Spelling, pronunciation, grammar, vocabulary - differences
- Colonization of Americas:
 - 17th century - the British
 - Removal of unnecessary words, some new words from Native tribes (loanwords)
 - Loanwords from other colonizers' languages: French, Dutch, German
 - Present day - Spanish influence
- **Phillipson - Language imperialism** (1992): dominance of one language over others

- Phillipson argues that, starting in the 18th century, the introduction of English into a large number of non-English-speaking countries endangered the indigenous languages and ways of life.
- **Anne Pakir**, a linguist from Singapore, coined the term **„killer language”** in reference to English (1991)
- **Jared Diamond - language steamrollers**: the massive replacement of a region's languages by languages from the outside.
- UNESCO (The United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural organisation) and other international organisations, cooperate globally to monitor the decline of native languages - **‘Atlas of the World’s Languages in Danger’**
 - **vulnerable**: most children speak the language, but it may be restricted to certain domains (e.g. home)
 - **definitely endangered**: children no longer learn the language as mother tongue in the home
 - **severely endangered**: language is spoken by grandparents and older generations, and, while the parent generation may understand it, they do not speak it to children or among themselves
 - **critically endangered**: the youngest speakers are grandparents and older generations, and they speak the language only partially and infrequently
 - **extinct**: the language is no longer spoken
- **TESOL** - an important medium of transmitting English
- A language dies when people who speak it die out.
 - Language death can be sudden and violent
- Revitalisation of languages (e.g. Scottish Gaelic, Welsh)
- Language shift - Where one language is perceived to offer greater advantages for employment and general advancement, that language will be promoted and spoken