

Sociolinguistics, lesson 19th and 26th March

Pages to study:

PAVLÍK, R.: Exercises in Sociolinguistics, Z-F Lingua, Bratislava 2010, Chapter III,

Language and Social Variables, pp. 29 – 51

Exercises

Answers:

29/1

Homeless, lower working class (unskilled labour), upper working class (skilled manual labour), lower middle class (simple mental work – secretary, clerks, etc), middle middle class (mental work, university educated people), upper middle class (top managers, government, officials

30/2: optional

30/3:

- a) nothing
- b) no
- c) nothing
- d) no
- e) nobody
- f) nowhere
- g) no more
- h) no

31/4:

Middle-class English

It doesn't matter

Julia likes me.

He works for a farm in the north.

It doesn't make sense.

He doesn't know me very well, does he?

She doesn't speak English.

Peter doesn't like ice-cream.

Crime doesn't pay.

He doesn't understand.

Sue takes after her mother.

She is nice.

Who runs this place?

Working-class English

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Sue take after her mother.

She is nice.

Who run this place?

31/5:

RP

- a) ear,
- b) light,
- c) boy,
- d) might,
- e) bite,
- f) die,
- g) air, heir,
- h) roy,
- i) play,

Cockney

- here / hear
- late
- bye, buy
- mate
- bait
- day
- hare, hair
- rye (a type of grain)
- ply (to travel regularly)

j) I'll,	ale
k) I'm,	aim
l) for, four,	thaw
m) VAT,	that
n) art,	heart
o) arm,	harm

32/6

- a) Don't cry over spilt milk.
- b) He hates me.
- c) Would you like a cup of tea?
- d) They shot him in the heart.
- e) he's bought a hot-water bottle.

34/1: optional

34/2

C – conservative, G – general, A – advanced

Go –	C,	A,	G
Lute –	C,	GA	
Here –	G,	A,	C,
Educate –	C,	GA	
Where –	A,	C,	G
Sure –	GA,	C	
Statue –	C,	GA	
City –	C,	GA	
Network –	C,	GA	

35/3

Obsolescent words

	Their modern counterparts
To ail	be ill, unhappy
Ale	beer
Alehouse	pub, inn
Arrant	utter, complete
Ashcan (AME)	garbage can (AME)
Aviator	pilot
Baker's dozen	13
Balderdash	nonsense
To bandy words with sb	to quarrel
Belle	a beautiful girl
To bath	to bathe
To bathe	to swim / to have a swim
Bird	woman
Chastise	punish
Dashed	utter, complete, damn
Desperado	a violent criminal
Doggone	damned
Dolly bird	pretty woman
A good egg	honest (kind person)
Gunshoe	detective

Eye wash	nonsense
Far-out	extremely good
Fiddle-faddle	nonsense
French letter	condom
Glad tidings	good news
Half-cut	drunk
High jinks	noisy unrestrained fun
Ice box	fridge
Idiot box	TV set
Juiced	drunk
Lickety-split	very quickly
Looking glass	mirror

36/4

- a) hoci
- b) právnik
- c) takmer, pomaly, možno
- d) automobile
- e) beznádejný, zúfalý
- f) bitkár
- g) celkom
- h) biedny, úbohý
- i) peňaženka
- j) neviazaný, bujarý
- k) hranica
- l) čiapka
- m) obet'

37/5: optional

38/6

Zadoček –	tushie
Ocko, tata –	daddy
Mačička, cicka –	kitty, pussy
Psiček, havko –	doggie
Maminka, mamička –	mummy, mommy
Vtáčik (letáčik) -	birdie, tweetie

39/1: optional

39/2

Women: adorable, lovely, charming, sweet, divine, precious, darling

40/3

NOUNS:	učiteľ / učiteľka, student / študentka
VERBS:	robil / robila, počul / počula, mať rád / rada
ADJECTIVES:	veľký / veľká

40/4

Slovak

Lev / levica	English
Cap / koza	lion / lioness
Gunár / hus	he-goat / she-goat
Káčer / kačka	gender / goose
Žrebec / kobyla	drake / duck
Tiger / tigrica	stallion / mare
Kocúr / mačka	tiger / tigress
	tom-cat / pussy-cat

40/5: optional

41/6: optional

41/7: optional

42/1

	WAmE	AAVE
car	/kɑ:r/	/kɑ:/
thing	/θɪŋ/	/tɪŋ/
sharp	/ʃɑ:rp/	/ʃɑ:p/
this	/ðɪs/	/dɪs/
cart	/kɑ:rt/	/kɑ:t/
thumb	/θʌm/	/tʌm/
bathroom	/'bæθ.ru:m/	/'bæt.ru:m/
father	/'fa:.ðər/	/'fa:.vər/

42/2

	WAmE	AAVE
cat	<i>animal</i>	friend
cool	<i>pleasantly cold</i>	calm controlled
dig	<i>to break up or remove earth, sand, tec.</i>	understand
bad	<i>not good, wicked, unpleasant</i>	really good
crib	<i>a child's bed</i>	place, home
kill	<i>to deprive of life, to slay</i>	to fascinate

44/3: optional

44/4: optional

45/1: optional

45/2: optional

45/3:

Ruka: (arm, hand)

Noha: (foot, leg)

Borrow, lend: (požičať)

Spill: (rozsypať, rozliat')

Morning: (ráno, dopoledne)

Eat: (jest', žrat')

46/4:

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|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| a) hapčí | achoo, atishoo |
| b) čl'up | plop |
| c) žblnk | babble |
| d) kikiriki | cock-a-doodle-doo |
| e) cŕn | ring-ring |
| f) bim-bam | ding-dong |
| g) hav-hav | bow-wow, woof-woof |
| h) mňau | miaow, meow |
| i) bum bum | boom-boom |
| j) ihaha, ihahá (hlas koňa) | neigh |
| k) kvík, kvík, kví | oink-oink |
| l) čvirik | chirrup |
| m) mú | moo |
| n) kukuk | cuckoo |
| o) krá-krá | caw-caw |

47/5: optional**47/6:**

- a) on the Declaration of Independence
- b) baliaci papier
- c) to refuse to speak to sb.
- d) broken or dead
- e) to be fired
- f) to surprise, to ask a difficult question
- g) enjoy your meal
- h) to wish sb a happy name day
- i) a document
- j) shredded dumplings with sheep cheese
- k) carry coal to Newcastle

49/1: optional**49/2:**

pubertiak
nákladiak
barak
hlúpost'
vrkoč
zízat', civiet'
veko, poklop
špina, sviniar
vtip, špás, žart
zmizni

50/3: optional

50/4

a)	/kto/ - standard	/gdo/
b)	/nikto/ - standard	/nigdo/
c)	/sme/	/zme/ - standard
d)	/bitsikel/ - standard	/bitsigel/
e)	/tieto/ - standard	/cieto/
f)	/hasičský/ - standard	/hasitský/
g)	/prázniny/	/prázdniny/ - standard
h)	/pot'sem/ - standard	/pocem/
i)	/rosčúlit/ - standard	/roščúlit'/
j)	/leto/ - standard	/l'eto/
k)	/vysvetšenie/	/vysvečenie/ - standard
l)	/pretsa/ - standard	/preca/

51/5

Australia – English

Belgium – Dutch (Flemish), French

Brazil – Portuguese

Canada – English, French

Finland – Finnish, Swedish

Spain – Spanish, Basque, Catalan, Galician, Gascon

Switzerland – French, German, Italian, Retho-Romance

USA – English, Hawaiian (in Hawaii), Spanish (in New Mexico)

Please, study also the corresponding chapters from:

PAVLÍK, R: Elements of Sociolinguistics, Univerzita Komenského, Bratislava 2006, chapter:

Language and Social Variables, pp. 100 - 165