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world Englishes

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an accent

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a dialect

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A common language used between people who do not share a mother tongue. "English is the lingua franca of science."

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2

The local varieties of English that developed in countries such as India, Nigeria and Singapore.

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The way words are pronounced, depending on where a person comes from. "She speaks with a strong Irish accent."

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A variety of a language with its own vocabulary, pronunciation and sometimes grammar. "The Scots dialect is hard to follow."

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standard English

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a borrowing

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register

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EFL vs ESL

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The variety used in formal writing, education and the media, treated as the reference model of the language.

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A word adopted from another language. "The word «alchemy» is an Arabic borrowing in English."

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7

The level of formality suited to a situation. "Use a formal register in a job application."

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EFL = learning English where it is not spoken (Portugal). ESL = learning it in a country where it is widely used (India).

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intelligibility

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globalization

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to code-switch

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mutual respect between varieties

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Whether a listener can understand a speaker, whatever their origin — researchers call it a shared responsibility.

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10

The growing connection of economies, cultures and people worldwide — the force that made English global.

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11

To move between two or more languages while speaking. "Bilingual friends often code-switch at home."

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12

No variety of English is «broken»: a confident Indian English is as valid as a rural Irish one.

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