

# **CONTENTS**

Contents cross-referenced	x
Figures	xii
Tables	xiii
Acknowledgements	xiv
<b>A Introduction: key concepts in sociolinguistics</b>	1
1 A sociolinguistic toolkit	2
2 Accent and dialect	4
3 Register and style	8
4 Ethnicity and multilingualism	11
5 Variation and change	13
6 Standardisation	16
7 Gender	19
8 Pidgins and creoles	21
9 New, national and international Englishes	24
10 Politeness and accommodation	27
11 Conversation	30
12 Applying sociolinguistics	32
<b>B Development: studies in language and society</b>	37
1 Undertaking a sociolinguistic study	38
2 Attitudes to accent variation	41
3 Euphemism, register and code	43
4 Code-switching	47
5 Social networks	51
6 Shifts in prestige	54
7 Genderlects	59
8 Patwa and post-creolisation	61
9 Singlish and new Englishes	64
10 Politeness in mixed-sex conversation	66
11 Phatics in spoken discourse	70
12 Language and ideology	72
<b>C Exploration: data for investigation</b>	75
1 Collecting and exploring data	76
2 Dialectal variation	81
3 Register	86
4 Ethnology	92

5 Perceptions of variation	94
6 Prestige	99
7 Gender	103
8 Creole	107
9 New English	110
10 Politeness	112
11 E-discourse	119
12 Critical discourse analysis	122
<b>D Extension: sociolinguistic readings</b>	125
1 Sociolinguistics and language change (Hamer)	126
2 Foreign accents in America (Lippi-Green)	133
3 Style and ideology (Fairclough)	145
4 Language contact and code-switching (Edwards)	153
5 The sociolinguist's responsibility (Cameron)	159
6 The process of standardisation (Milroy)	163
7 Men's language (Coates)	176
8 The origins of pidgins and creoles (Sebba)	184
9 World Englishes and contact literature (Kachru)	191
10 The politics of talk (Mullany)	202
11 Closing turns (Schegloff and Sacks)	210
12 Linguistic detection (Coulthard)	219
<b>Further reading</b>	227
<b>References</b>	231
<b>Glossarial index</b>	249