SINGLISH AS A DIALECT IN SINGAPORE

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ABSTRACT

As a dialect in Singapore, Singlish have its uniqueness and special position in Singapore society. Based on Peter Druggill’s Theory, this article aims to investigate the differences between Singlish and standard English in terms of vocabulary, consonant, vowels, diphthongs, stress and intonation, morphology, particles, questions, others grammatical features, Examples of the Term, its Origin and Its Definition, English words with different meanings in Singlish, expressions, examples of the term, it’s origin and it’s definition. Interview on two interviewee were carried out to find out their usage of Singlish in daily life. Singlish however is still primarily a second language, in a period of fluidity of vocabulary and especially syntax because the creolisation process is not yet complete.

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