



# Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An Introduction

By Susan Tamasi, Lamont Antieau

[Download now](#)

[Read Online](#) 

## **Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An Introduction** By Susan Tamasi, Lamont Antieau

This highly engaging textbook presents a linguistic view of the history, society, and culture of the United States. It discusses the many languages and forms of language that have been used in the US – including standard and nonstandard forms of English, creoles, Native American languages, and immigrant languages from across the globe – and shows how this distribution and diversity of languages has helped shape and define America as well as an American identity. The volume introduces the basic concepts of sociolinguistics and the politics of language through cohesive, up-to-date and accessible coverage of such key topics as dialectal development and the role of English as the majority language, controversies concerning language use in society, languages other than English used in the US, and the policies that have directly or indirectly influenced language use.

These topics are presented in such a way that students can examine the inherent diversity of the communicative systems used in the United States as both a form of cultural enrichment and as the basis for socio-political conflict. The author team outlines the different viewpoints on contemporary issues surrounding language in the US and contextualizes these issues within linguistic facts, to help students think critically and formulate logical discussions. To provide opportunities for further examination and debate, chapters are organized around key misconceptions or questions ("I don't have an accent" or "Immigrants don't want to learn English"), bringing them to the forefront for readers to address directly.

*Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US* is a fresh and unique take on a widely taught topic. It is ideal for students from a variety of disciplines or with no prior knowledge of the field, and a useful text for introductory courses on language in the US, American English, language variation, language ideology, and sociolinguistics.

 [Download Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An In ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An ...pdf](#)

# Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An Introduction

By Susan Tamasi, Lamont Antieau

## Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An Introduction By Susan Tamasi, Lamont Antieau

This highly engaging textbook presents a linguistic view of the history, society, and culture of the United States. It discusses the many languages and forms of language that have been used in the US – including standard and nonstandard forms of English, creoles, Native American languages, and immigrant languages from across the globe – and shows how this distribution and diversity of languages has helped shape and define America as well as an American identity. The volume introduces the basic concepts of sociolinguistics and the politics of language through cohesive, up-to-date and accessible coverage of such key topics as dialectal development and the role of English as the majority language, controversies concerning language use in society, languages other than English used in the US, and the policies that have directly or indirectly influenced language use.

These topics are presented in such a way that students can examine the inherent diversity of the communicative systems used in the United States as both a form of cultural enrichment and as the basis for socio-political conflict. The author team outlines the different viewpoints on contemporary issues surrounding language in the US and contextualizes these issues within linguistic facts, to help students think critically and formulate logical discussions. To provide opportunities for further examination and debate, chapters are organized around key misconceptions or questions ("I don't have an accent" or "Immigrants don't want to learn English"), bringing them to the forefront for readers to address directly.

*Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US* is a fresh and unique take on a widely taught topic. It is ideal for students from a variety of disciplines or with no prior knowledge of the field, and a useful text for introductory courses on language in the US, American English, language variation, language ideology, and sociolinguistics.

## Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An Introduction By Susan Tamasi, Lamont Antieau Bibliography

- Sales Rank: #236093 in Books
- Brand: imusti
- Published on: 2014-12-04
- Original language: English
- Number of items: 1
- Dimensions: 9.00" h x 7.25" w x .75" l,
- Binding: Paperback
- 400 pages



[Download Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An In ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An ...pdf](#)

## Download and Read Free Online Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An Introduction By Susan Tamasi, Lamont Antieau

---

### Editorial Review

#### Review

"Developing a textbook for the diverse group of students?usually with no background in linguistics?who typically enroll in a course on language in the U.S. presents special challenges. In an engaging and accessible way, this book strikes an excellent balance between presentation of key linguistics concepts alongside important aspects of U.S. history and society. It will be useful as a primary book in its own right or as a foundation for exploration of more specialized topics."

?Jeff Good, *University at Buffalo*

*"Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US* is an engaging text that equips students to explore and explain the linguistic world around them. Tamasi and Antieau have created a text that is modern, informative, and entertaining while introducing students to the study of language variation. In this text, the authors lay an excellent foundation for students beginning study in sociolinguistics and provide the scaffolding for students to take their study further."

?Becky Childs, *Coastal Carolina University*

"Tamasi and Antieau's thorough text provides a fresh perspective on foundations in language variation, identity, and ideology. By centering the value of linguistic diversity and the rich histories of languages and dialects in the U.S., the authors give beginning students an accessible path through key ideas in sociolinguistics, and encourage further exploration through the numerous examples, discussion questions, and suggested activities that accompany each chapter."

?Anastasia Nylund, *Georgetown University*

#### About the Author

Susan Tamasi is Senior Lecturer and Director of Undergraduate Studies in the Program in Linguistics, Emory University. She has presented at NNAV, AAAL, Sociolinguistics Symposium, and American Dialect Society. Her areas of research include sociolinguistics, language variation, language attitudes, American English, and health communication.

Lamont Antieau is an independent language consultant who has held positions as Research Associate (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee), Visiting Instructor (Western Carolina University), and Lecturer (Mississippi State University). He has presented at NNAV, American Dialect Society, Southeastern Conference on Linguistics, and International Association of Forensic Linguists. His areas of research include language variation, dialectology, American English, corpus linguistics, and biomedical informatics.

### Users Review

#### From reader reviews:

##### Edward Rideout:

Information is provisions for those to get better life, information these days can get by anyone with

everywhere. The information can be a know-how or any news even an issue. What people must be consider while those information which is in the former life are hard to be find than now is taking seriously which one is suitable to believe or which one often the resource are convinced. If you find the unstable resource then you buy it as your main information there will be huge disadvantage for you. All of those possibilities will not happen in you if you take Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An Introduction as the daily resource information.

### **Dorothy Tran:**

A lot of people always spent all their free time to vacation or maybe go to the outside with them family or their friend. Are you aware? Many a lot of people spent they free time just watching TV, or even playing video games all day long. If you would like try to find a new activity that is look different you can read the book. It is really fun for yourself. If you enjoy the book that you just read you can spent all day every day to reading a publication. The book Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An Introduction it is very good to read. There are a lot of people that recommended this book. These people were enjoying reading this book. In the event you did not have enough space to develop this book you can buy the particular e-book. You can m0ore simply to read this book out of your smart phone. The price is not too costly but this book provides high quality.

### **Linda Howard:**

Are you kind of active person, only have 10 as well as 15 minute in your morning to upgrading your mind talent or thinking skill perhaps analytical thinking? Then you have problem with the book when compared with can satisfy your short space of time to read it because this all time you only find publication that need more time to be go through. Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An Introduction can be your answer given it can be read by a person who have those short free time problems.

### **John Hayes:**

This Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An Introduction is completely new way for you who has fascination to look for some information because it relief your hunger of information. Getting deeper you into it getting knowledge more you know or perhaps you who still having little bit of digest in reading this Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An Introduction can be the light food for yourself because the information inside this particular book is easy to get by simply anyone. These books produce itself in the form that is certainly reachable by anyone, yes I mean in the e-book type. People who think that in guide form make them feel drowsy even dizzy this e-book is the answer. So there is absolutely no in reading a publication especially this one. You can find what you are looking for. It should be here for a person. So , don't miss this! Just read this e-book kind for your better life in addition to knowledge.

## **Download and Read Online Language and Linguistic Diversity in**

**the US: An Introduction By Susan Tamasi, Lamont Antieau  
#36VXRM0EW4K**

# **Read Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An Introduction By Susan Tamasi, Lamont Antieau for online ebook**

Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An Introduction By Susan Tamasi, Lamont Antieau Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An Introduction By Susan Tamasi, Lamont Antieau books to read online.

## **Online Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An Introduction By Susan Tamasi, Lamont Antieau ebook PDF download**

**Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An Introduction By Susan Tamasi, Lamont Antieau Doc**

**Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An Introduction By Susan Tamasi, Lamont Antieau MobiPocket**

**Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An Introduction By Susan Tamasi, Lamont Antieau EPub**

**36VXRM0EW4K: Language and Linguistic Diversity in the US: An Introduction By Susan Tamasi, Lamont Antieau**