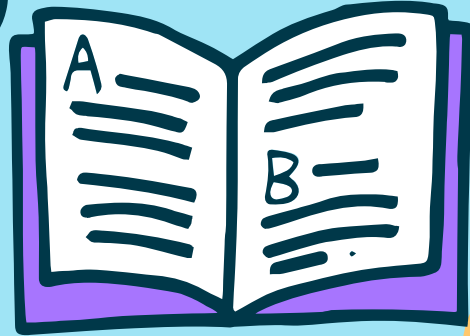


Differences between American and Australian dialects of English

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INTRODUCTION

We have got interested in this topic because of different aspects. The main one is that though Australia and the United States are close allies, enjoying a strong relationship based on shared interests and cultural affinity, they have visible differences in how they speak.





The project goal

The goal of our project is to explore and present the main differences between American and Australian dialects of English in order to improve the linguistic and cultural literacy of project participants.

The relevance of the project



**Communication
improvement**

Understanding dialect differences can increase the effectiveness of communication between speakers

**Travelling
Working
abroad**

Knowledge of the specifics is useful for working in these countries

**Cultural
literacy**

Understanding the cultural differences and features of American and Australian societies

Education

We can dive deeper into learning English



Project realisation steps



Exploring
the
topic



Planning
and
preparing
materials



Collecting
the
needed
information



Preparing
the
presentation



Pronunciation



01

Losing "g"

The sound /ŋ/ at the end of a word is pronounced like a regular /n/.



02

"EI" to "AI"

Approximation of the diphthong /ei/ to /ai/. For instance, a mate sounds like [mite].

03

No "æ"

Australia foreigners can breathe a sigh of relief, as they don't like pronouncing "æ" here either.



Also the American speaker can speak louder or quieter, raise and lower the timbre, pause and emphasize individual words. Australians do this much less.

Lexis

American

Elevator
Grocery store
Cookie

Color
Neighbor
Humor

an Australian
Breakfast
a university

Australian

Lift
Supermarket
Biscuit

Colour
Neighbour
Humour

an Aussie
Brekkie
a uni



Grammar



Irregular Verbs

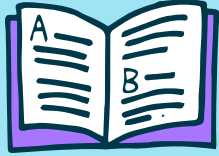
Like the British, Australians tend to use irregular forms, while Americans prefer the -ed form.



Collective Nouns

The second aspect is the use of verbs with collective nouns. For example, The group was organised five years ago.
The group were drinking coffee during the break.





Comic

The comic is about an Australian student Jake who goes to the USA for a student exchange program to learn American English. Through interactions with locals, the student learns new words and forms a friendship with the student Ray from the USA.



Hooray! I'm off to the USA for a student exchange program! I can't wait to learn American English!

(Character packs his bags and gets ready to depart)

Wow, I've got a book here about American English. It's going to be so helpful to learn all the differences!

Finally, I've arrived! Time to immerse myself in American English!

Oh, you used a word I'm not familiar with... What's that?

Hi there! I'm trying to find the university. Can you point me in the right direction?

Sure, just go straight down this block then make a left.

Okay, let's get started. Please read this passage out loud.

(reads the passage "in Australian English")

I'm sorry, I didn't catch that. Can you repeat using American English?

Oh, I see. It's fascinating to uncover these differences in everyday language.

Character explores the variations between Australian and American English.

guidebook about American English

You're using words and phrases that are more common in British English. In America, we use different terminology. For example, we say "elevator" instead of "lift".

These distinctions between Australian and American English are so intriguing! I've expanded my vocabulary in such a short time. It's an amazing experience! Well, I think I can practice more talking to natives. Maybe I should find some friends here.

Hey, sorry for asking so many questions about the language difference. I'm just so fascinated by all of this!

No problem, mate! If you need help with English, I can help you out.

I'm Jake. And you?

And by the way, what's your name?

Mia. Friendship starts with sharing knowledge! Welcome to the USA, mate!

Thanks, Mia! I have so many questions about the culture and English language in America. It would be great if we could become friends!

Of course, Jake! A friendship with Australian sounds great. Let's start with me teaching you how we use the word "awesome" here!

The character and Mia smile joyfully, beginning a new friendship based on the exchange of language and cultural nuances.



Conclusion

To conclude, we explored and presented you the differences of vocabulary, pronunciation options, common phrases and expressions between Americans and Australians and their cultural Interaction.

RESOURCES

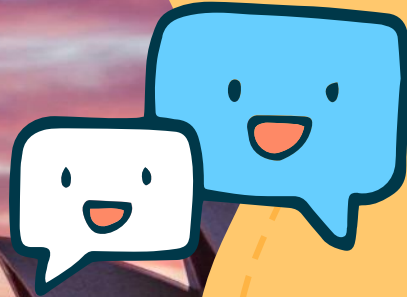
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THANKS FOR ATTENTION!

Do you have any questions?

