

SOCIOLINGUISTIC ANALYSIS OF BORROWINGS IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE

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Abstract:

The article is focused on the sociolinguistic analysis of borrowings in English language. Borrowings or loanwords help us understand the social, cultural, and historical contexts in which these linguistic exchanges occur. It sheds light on the complex interplay between languages and societies, highlighting the dynamic nature of language and its ability to adapt and evolve through interactions with other languages.

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In the world where globalization and cultural exchange are becoming increasingly common, language plays a key role in the interaction between different cultures. Especially in English language, which is one of the most widespread and influential languages in the world, we can observe numerous borrowings from other languages.

Sociolinguistic analysis of borrowings in English language allows us to understand not only the process of borrowed words and expressions, but also the sociocultural and psychological factors that influence on it. Borrowings can come from various sources, such as other languages, dialects, jargon, or even new technologies [3,56]. Borrowings, also known as loanwords, are words or expressions that are adopted from one language and integrated into another language. Borrowings can occur for various reasons, such as cultural exchange, trade, colonization, technological advancements, or simply because a certain concept or object does not have an equivalent term in the borrowing language [1,20]. There are different types of borrowings, including:

1. Direct Borrowings: In direct borrowings, the word or expression is taken directly from the source language without significant changes in pronunciation or spelling. For example, the English word "piano" was borrowed directly from Italian.

2. Indirect Borrowings: Indirect borrowings involve the adoption of a word or expression through an intermediary language. For instance, the English word "chocolate" was borrowed from Spanish, which originally borrowed it from Nahuatl (an indigenous language of Mexico).

3. Semantic Borrowings: Semantic borrowings occur when a word is borrowed from another language, but its meaning is adapted or changed in the borrowing language. For example, the English word "agenda" was borrowed from Latin, where it means "things to be done," but in English, it refers to a list of items to be discussed in a meeting.

4. Phonetic Borrowings: Phonetic borrowings involve adopting a word or expression from another language while adjusting its pronunciation to fit the phonetic rules of the borrowing language. For example, the English word "croissant" was borrowed from French but pronounced differently in English. One of the most prominent examples of borrowings

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in English language is the use of words from Spanish or French. For example, words like "siesta" or "rendezvous" have become widely used in English [2,4], retaining their original meaning and adding a new nuance to the text. Borrowings play a crucial role in enriching and expanding the vocabulary of a language. They allow speakers to express new concepts, ideas, and cultural nuances that may not have existed in their native language [4, 29]. However, borrowings can also lead to linguistic change, dialectal variation, and the evolution of language over time. Furthermore, with the development of the internet and social networks, new terms and expressions from various online platforms are actively penetrating English language. For instance, words like "hashtag" or "selfie" have become an integral part of everyday speech for millions of people around the world [5,211].

Thus, sociolinguistic analysis of borrowings in English language allows us to see how language reflects sociocultural changes and social dynamics. It helps us understand which words and expressions become popular due to the influence of different cultures and technologies, and how they change in the context of usage. Sociolinguistic analysis of borrowings in English language represents an engaging exploration of the influence of various factors on the formation and development of language [6,30]. It enables us to better comprehend the processes of cultural exchange and communication that shape our ability to communicate and interact with the world around us.

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