

# Language Choice

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## Assignment:

Our class readings and video presentation this week focused on language choice. While not many people experience the need to change or choose their primary language, quite a few people choose a dialect or style of a particular language they want to use. This choice may be associated with a temporary shift (code-switching) or a permanent one (language shift).

Reflect on your language use.

- Have you felt the need to change the style of your language, your language dialect, or your primary language?
- What circumstances affected your choice?
- Have you indeed made the switch or decided to keep your original language/dialect/style? If yes, was it temporary or permanent?

If you are uncomfortable talking about your own experiences, you may choose to talk about another person you know. Please specify whether you are writing about yourself or someone else (but please respect the privacy of this person by choosing a pseudonym).

Make sure to include at least one reference to our course readings with proper APA citations.

## Formatting and Length:

Your reflection should be approximately 2/3 - 1 page long, double-spaced; please include the standard header.

## Grading Scale:

4 - Above Competent - understands and articulates the influence of social identities, statuses, place, and power relationships onto the human experience.

3 - Competent - shows basic understanding of the concepts and the ability to contextualize the material

0-2 - Below Competent - shows lack of understanding of the concept, lacks depth in responses, and/or does not respond fully to the assignment prompt