

Spoken language study

In this essay I will be talking about digital communication is closer to spoken language than written language. Also I will be talking about the features of language, analysing a transcript and looking about people reactions to the different types of languages. At the end I will input my opinion of spoken language and how and when I use it. In this essay I will include a number of examples.

There are many different features to language such as slang. Slang is an informal way of speaking to each other either on a social networking site or in person. Slang can reflect on how well someone is educated, their age and their relationship. Slang contains a variety of features such as, logograms, initialism, merged words, e.g. "kl wuu2" (logogram) "seeya" (merged words) "l8ter" (initialism) "OMG" (abbreviation) "☺" emoticon's.

Digital communication is closer the text language rather than written language because of the social networking sites. They can change the meaning of your sentences by adding the animated faces e.g. "I will hurt you ☺" and "I will hurt you - ____ -". When writing you're most likely to write in a formal way because of the way you was taught and depending on the age of the person receiving it and weather the would understand slang or not. Depending on the person you are talking to can determine whether you use slang or not. But both spoken and text language contain some features but text contains more.

The transcript I am going to be analysing is called the "Three Boys Discuss Football (And Tennis.) This is about 3 boys and their opinion of football players, (Messi and Ronaldo.) The features of spoken language in this transcript are the accent and tone of voice, your background can determine how you say certain words and letters e.g. Ronaldo. Some from Spain or Portugal and countries like that would put emphasis on the R so it would sound like RRRRRRRonaldo, but someone from England would say Ronaldo but putting more emphasis on the ALD. This transcript is specifically made for spoken language because there are very few features used. Stuttering is a common factor in spoken language, this occurs because they have the thought stuck in their head and can't get it out their mouth. Another feature of spoken language is sarcasm e.g. Naa, not really Ronaldo is not good anyway. Suree, the emphasis on one letter can reflect sarcasm depending on the situation.

In my second transcript I'm going to be analysing the conversation between two boys on BBM. This transcript contains much more features of language than the 1st one e.g. "kl" which is a logogram. "Wuu2" which is initialism. This transcript is made for text language and speaking language because of the use of some of the text features. You can tell this by reading both transcripts and comparing the amount of features used.

Some people that the types of spoken language can reflect on their education, relationship and age. E.g. slang, "Fam" "kl" "wuu2" and many more. Some people think slang is stupid and a waste of time because they feel that it is informal, silly and hard to understand. The majority of people think it's smart and creative because they feel it's their time to create new words and communicate with each other quicker. I think that slang is smart and useful, as it saves lots of time and gives you the freedom of speech. Also because social networking sites have given slang a boost be adding emoticons (☺☺ etc.)