

Ebonics:
Language,
Dialect
Or Bad English

Linguistic Theories

1. Linguistic Deficit

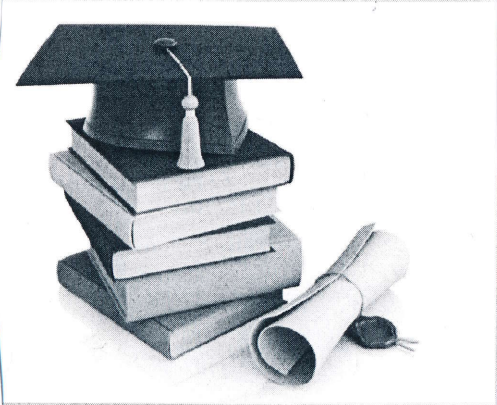
- The theory in which many black adults and their children were diagnosed as having no language as a result of cultural disadvantage

2. Linguistic difference

- That black children's speech and language and that of their parents was not deficient but different, and not inferior to mainstream American English.

These are characters from the T.V. show the Boondocks. I have used them because they are so very different characters voiced by the same person. Similar to code switching Regina King changes her voice depending on who she is in what situation.





Education plays a huge role in life. More importantly your teachers and their views can easily affect your own especially at a young age.

Bringing awareness about Black English to teachers!

Definitions: Language vs Dialect

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Language:

The words, their pronunciation, and the methods of combining them used and understood by a community

Dialect:

A regional variety of language distinguished by features of vocabulary, grammar, and pronunciation from other regional varieties and constituting together with them a single language

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We as a society need to
move away from judging
people on how they look &
speak to judging what
is being said.



What do
you think?