

Dialect and Oral History: The East Midlands

AUDIO RECORD*

Recording:

Reference DWWNO2
Dialect Location Clipstone, Nottinghamshire
Date of interview June 2012

Interviewee:

Gender Male
Date of birth / age 17 years
Occupation Student

Summary/Transcript:

Extract taken from:
2:39- 3:58

A lot of people will li/ will like do English degrees and stuff and just go and do (...) like a lot of people are finding it hard to find a job with their degree using the degree they don't even need it

And all working in Co-Op

((unintelligible)) exactly so I think a lot of time it can be a bit stupid because like there is people say that you could either go and get a job for three years and by end of that three years you'll be much higher like if you go to certain company where you can go in you can progress you can get a lot higher and a lot better paid job then someone that's just coming out of uni and what have you so I don't really see point in it that's

So what do you want to do what would your/ if education or everything wasn't there what would your dream job be?

[laughs] probably be in a band or playing football [laughs] but (...) not like/ that I'm not that good at any of it so

You have to believe

[laughs] (...) yeah probably end/ probably want to take over mum and dad's business when older

What's that sorry?

that's working/ educate/ like educating people that aren't (...) don't really like being being in normal education system like school and stuff so they still get an education but it isn't like them being at school it's in different things in/ instead of sitting in classroom

Linguistic description:

Phonology

Feature	Example(s)	Comments
FOOT/STRUT → [ʊ]	stuff – [stʊf] someone – [sʊmwʌn] come – [kʊm]	Consistent
BATH/TRAP → [æ]	classroom – [klæsɹu:m]	Occurs once

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happyY vowel	probably – [pɹɒbəbɪɹ] exactly – [ɛgzækɪɹ] company – [kʌmpəniɹ] uni – [juɹniɹ] really – [ɹiəlɪɹ]	Consistent
Vowel variation: /i/ → [ɪ]	we – [wɪɹ] be – [bɪɹ]	Consistent for these words
/ʌ/ → [ɒ]	someone – [sʌmwʌn]	Occurs once
Monophthongisation: /əʊ/ → [ʊ] /eɪ/ → [ɛ] /eə/ → [ə] /eə/ → [ɪ] /aɪ/ → [aː]	go – [gʊɹ] take – [tɛk] their – [ðə] there's – [ðɪz] like – [laːʔ] time – [taːm] find – [faːnd]	Occurs once Occurs once Occurs once Consistent
T-glottalisation	lot – [lɒʔ] it – [ɪʔ] certain – [sɛːʔn] better – [bɛʔə]	Frequent but not consistent; word-medially and finally
K-glottalisation	like – [laːʔ]	Frequent but not consistent
L-vocalisation	you'll – [juʷ] older – [əʊʷdə]	Frequent but not consistent
Th-fronting	either – [iːvə]	Occurs once
<-ng> → [n]	sitting – [sɪtɪn] finding – [faɪndɪn] using – [juːzɪn]	Consistent
Non-release of plosives	that – [ðətˀ] hard – [ɑːdˀ]	Occurs twice
Yod-dropping	stupid – [stupid]	Occurs once
H-dropping	hard – [ɑːd] have – [æv]	Frequent but not consistent
Elision	just – [dʒʊs] there is – [ðɪz]	

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		because – [kʌs] end - [əŋ] of – [ə]	
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Lexis	Item	Meaning	Comments

Morphology and Grammar	Feature	Example(s)	Comments
	Zero pronoun	'when Ø older' 'but Ø isn't like'	'I'm' 'it'
	Singular vs. Plural 'to be'	"there's people that say"	'are', Occurs once
	Zero article	"a lot of Ø time" "in Ø normal education system" 'sitting in Ø classroom'	'the' 'the' 'a'

Further comments: