

## Accent Paper

1. What are the distinctive phonological features of the accent/dialect?
2. Are there any variations from Standard English syntax in the dialect? If it is an accent, what is the standard syntactic pattern of the native language?
3. List at least five unique words in the dialect? If it is an accent, list five English words that would be especially difficult to pronounce in Standard English in that accent.
4. Approximately how many speakers of the accent/dialect are living in the United States? In California? In the Antelope Valley? In Bakersfield?
5. What are the cultural assumptions made about speakers of the accent/dialect? More or less educated than Standard American English? Friendly? Dangerous? (You should use a survey form and ask students to respond to these questions during your oral presentation).

Have each individual and/group design a survey form to be used during their presentations so that they can collect data for their papers.