Some Starting Points for Sociolinguistics

Please note, a sociolinguistics section will appear on the MA Linguistics, the PhD Linguistics, and the MA TESOL exams.

The following list of readings, many of which you have read before, is a set of recommended sources to help you prepare for the MA-Ling Comprehensive Examination/PhD-Ling Diagnostic Exam. You should not feel that you need to read all of the texts on the list, as many of the texts contain similar information from different perspectives. The questions on the exam will not necessarily be drawn from one specific text listed below. View this list as a starting point as you actively select which texts are most appropriate for you in increasing your background in sociolinguistics. (Certainly, other texts that you have read for your classes or for your research may be helpful in preparing as well.)


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