Part 1: Listening Comprehension

Watch the video **Donald Trump's Way Of Speaking Is 'Oddly Adolescent'**: https://youtu.be/phsU1vVHOQI

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| **Difficult word/phrase** | **Easier replacement** | **Swedish translation** |
| era | time in history |  |
| questionable | (possibly not true, good, or honest) |  |
| linguist | language-studier |  |
| extensively | a lot |  |
| undoubtedly | definitely |  |
| emerged | came out/became visible |  |
| schooling | education |  |
| refine | make better/make more pure |  |
| proclivities | natural desires |  |
| circumstances | facts or conditions (that surround someone) |  |
| to consider | to think about |  |
| the traditional | the usual |  |
| was lacking in | didn't have enough |  |
| realm | world |  |
| indigenous | native (to) |  |
| societies | (communities of people) |  |
| chuckles | laughs |  |
| audio | sound |  |
| montage | group of pictures |  |
| ally | friend |  |
| campaign | (series of actions to reach a goal) |  |
| realize | (understand/make real/achieve) |  |
| particularly | especially |  |
| frankly | honestly |  |
| oddly | weirdly |  |
| adolescent | teen |  |
| senior citizen | older person |  |
| equivalent | equal |  |

Part 2: Reading and Speaking

**Turn to the person next to you. 1. Read the dialogue. 2. Swap characters and read again.**

**THE INTERVIEWER (Brian):** Welcome back to Friday Night Broadcast.

Let's agree for the sake of the

next conversation that Donald Trump uses the most colorful

language of any president, at least in the modern era, and says

some of the most questionable things.

And that is where our next guest comes in.

John is a linguist. He has a ph.D..

He teaches at Columbia. He too is colorful when talking

about Donald Trump and specifically how this president

talks. That's why we talked about it

with John McWhorter. >> Thank you for joining us!

**THE LINGUIST (John):** >> Thank you, Brian.

**THE INTERVIEWER:** >> I've been wanting to ask you:

What is your linguistic definition of this president?

**THE LINGUIST:** >> Donald Trump linguistically is unadorned. (unadorned = *osmyckad, enkel*)

This is the basics. This is what language was

undoubtedly like when it first emerged among people who didn't

have writing and were first getting their verbal sea legs.

This is where it started. And so in that way, as in so

many others, Donald trump is an original.

**THE INTERVIEWER:** >> That would mean that education and schooling has had

no effect on his use of language.

He's quick to remind us he went to the best schools.

**THE LINGUIST:** >> And learned nothing in them. He speaks like one who paid no

attention to one of the goals of education which is to refine our

inborn proclivities of speech which are great for casual circumstances but he

uses those same ways of speaking in what most of us used to consider formal

and important circumstances.

**THE INTERVIEWER:** >> I think in your line of work they call it a tag.

When something is added to the end of a traditional sentence.

So often he will tag a sentence with “believe me, believe me”, and

enforce something he thought was lacking

in the original sentence.

**THE LINGUIST:** >> Uh-huh. It's that he's reinforcing. Also he's using oral speech.

What we're always doing is we're checking to see that the other person

understands what we're saying. That they're in the same boat that we are. So

That's what "You know is, " things like lol in texting.

He does that, too, but once

again it's not in texting, he's doing it in formal circumstances

which means that he never leaves the realm of the casual when he

speaks.

Part 3: Speaking

What do you think of Donald Trump’s way of speaking?

Is it oddly adolescent? Yes/No **Why do you think so?**

Is it weird? Yes/No **Why do you think so?**

Is it good? Yes/No **Why do you think so?**

Is it bad? Yes/No **Why do you think so?**

Is it successful? Yes/No **Why do you think so?**