Language and Gender Differences in Jordanian Spoken Arabic: A sociolinguistics perspective

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Abstract
Studying the differences between men and women’s language has been the obsession of many sociolinguists recently. This study aims to investigate the gender differences between men's and women's language in Jordanian Spoken Arabic. Six dyadic conversations (mixed and same-sex) were conducted for 30 minutes each. The methodological framework for this study draws on sociolinguistics, discourse analysis and politeness theory. The findings of the study indicate that Jordanian women and men have different linguistics styles that distinguish their gender in conversations.

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