## **TEACHERS' ATTITUDES TOWARDS** 'NON-NATIVE' VARIETIES OF ENGLISH

'To me it is the RP (Received Pronunciation)'

- 'Doesn't allow for someone to be 'native' in more than one language
- Does not represent those who become more proficient in another language
- Promotes 'native' ideologies: 'native is best' and 'standard language ideology'

## **Traditional Definition:**

'[S]omeone who has spoken a particular language since they were a baby'. (Cambridge Dictionary, 2019)

'Native' Countries & Kachru's Circles (Kachru, 1985 and 1992) UK, US, Canada, Australia and New Zealand

'I would say it is spoken by a native speaker of an **English-speaking** country'

- 'Outdated model – more representative of 70s & 90s societies
- Assumption these countries are monolingual
- Disregards other countries that use English
- 'Model Providers' (Xiaoqing & Xianxing, 2011)

"Native Speaker" 'Proficient User'

(Paikeday, 1985 cited in Galloway & Rose, 2015) Similar to Kirkpatrick (2007)

**First Language** & Second Language

(Kirkpatrick, 2007) 'the level of proficiency someone has and not age of acquisition'

- 'Shifts the meaning of the labels
- · Now based on skill level rather than nationalities
- · Dispel the ideologies such as 'near-native' user that often cause confidence issues in 'non-native' English speakers

'Native speakers have a range of dialects. From country to is varied'

"Language Expertise"

(Rampton, 1990) You are not 'native' in a language; you are an 'expert' in a language

country the language

- · 'Allows for different ability levels in different areas e.g. you may be better at speaking and listening than reading and writing
- · Implies you have passed examinations
- · and gained qualifications
- · More accepting in relation to 'non-native' teachers

'This is for me is a level C2 or above which permits the speaker to speak English without hesitant'

English native to the 'Standard' country **Englishes 0%** of respondents 100% of respondents British & American English For example Hindi Singaporean English English

**Models for** 

Language

**Teaching** 

**English** 

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