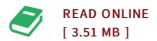




Discovering English Dialects (4th Revised edition)

By Martyn F. Wakelin, J. D. A. Widdowson

Shire Publications Ltd. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Discovering English Dialects (4th Revised edition), Martyn F. Wakelin, J. D. A. Widdowson, As long ago as the 1720's Daniel Defoe was pondering on the eccentricities of English dialects, and three hundred or so years before him John Trevisa had censured 'all the language of the Northumbrians' as harsh and incomprehensible. Variety in English speech is thus of some antiquirty, and the old dialects used in areas like the Yorkshire Dales and rural East Anglia are as substantial a part of the Englishman's living heritage as are his ancient buildings. This book describes the most significant features of English regional dialects, including in its scope the ancient vocabulary of the North, enriched by borrowings from medieval Norsemen, the important north/north midland dialect boundary, old forms of nouns like housen and childer and the remaining traces of extinct Cornish. The complex problems of the 'mixed dialects' of towns also receive attention. A chapter on occupational and specialised vocabularies gives examples of regional terminology associated with such traditional industries as fishing and mining and also bird and plant names and children's language.



Reviews

This ebook is very gripping and intriguing. I have got read through and i also am confident that i will gonna read through yet again again down the road. Its been written in an extremely straightforward way and it is merely right after i finished reading this book through which actually altered me, alter the way i really believe.

-- Noble Hagenes

It is not difficult in read through easier to comprehend. It is packed with knowledge and wisdom You may like just how the article writer write this pdf.

-- Kristy Hermann