Going over Assignment 1 and 2

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Questions!



Plan for today

- Go over common mistakes on Assignment 1
- Go over any questions on Assignment 1
- A few example cells from Assignment 2
- Leftover stuff we haven't got to

Assignment 1: General stuff

- Great work, everyone!
- These questions are really hard, so don't feel bad about mistakes! The point of the assignments is to practice and learn

- Please at least try every problem, since I can't assign any partial credit if there's no response
 - Remember you can turn in late 3 times, and there's no penalty for being late!

A lot of people struggled with these words:

?æn ?impijлəkʌl kleim. ?ə gлæmɨл dətɨлmind

If you're ever in doubt about what a vowel sounds like even with the class notes, you can check an audio IPA chart like this one: https://web.uvic.ca/ling/resources/ipa/charts/IPAlab/IPAlab.htm

• Sorry if I marked a load of I, ə, ɨ, Λ differences from the answer key on your paper

I stopped marking those because (a) it's not that important and can be hard to tell
in some contexts (b) marking it takes up too much space

I didn't grade hard on the vowels since you had only just learned them:
 compare to answer key and let me know of any questions

- I saw some common mix-ups, and you should learn to tell these apart:
 - o ou vs au
 - o æ vs ə
 - {ij or i} vs ɪ
 - Not sure I'm understanding some of these double vowels y'all put (that aren't diphthongs in our IPA chart)? eg "[sʒəɹtʃ]"

- Consonant stuff
 - o ju vs u
 - \circ y vs j
 - ∫ vs t∫
 - Voicing!
 - Lets listen: e.g. universals, mechanisms, use
 - I didn't mark it, but tʃı vs tı

Differences from the answer key that are very fair given Kyle's recording:

- [sεnts] vs [sεns]
- [ðij ɪnvɛstɪgeiʃʌn] vs [ðə ɪnvɛstɪgeiʃʌn]

Difference that may have come from transcribing your own speech instead of the recording (don't do this for these assignments! Imagine that you're a space alien studying human speech with the recording of Kyle as your data):

[læŋgwɪdʒ] vs [leɪŋgwɪdʒ]

 Make sure to check all of the features match - in most cases I marked the mismatch that led to the wrong symbol

Assignment 1

Questions from y'all!

Assignment Tentative Requests

- Please avoid graph paper for transcriptions if possible, makes it a bit harder to read
- Please write transcriptions big (my eyes!) and neatly (so I can tell what phone you mean)
- Typing is also an option, this is a nice IPA keyboard: https://web.uvic.ca/ling/resources/ipa/charts/IPAlab/IPAlab.htm
- Also link to another one on Canvas

 No worries if not, but if you could write your section time and Hasbrouck 107, it helps organize the papers

Assignment 2 Chart Example

Have a great weekend!

