

Re: How did Pidgin English develop?

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"Marc Adler" <marc@adlerpacific.com> wrote in message
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> *John Swindleek idatzi du 3/16/2005 11:01 PM:*

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>> *Right, people arriving in Hawaii learn English or Hawaii Creole*

>> *English or sometimes neither. I haven't heard of a new pidgin. People*

>> *might still exist who speak the old one. They'd be very old. Spanish*

>> *and Hawaiian are both clearly increasing, by the way, although I can't*

>> *imagine that either is among the top ten languages spoken.*

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> *Da actual maoli Hawaiian?*

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> *Filipino (dunno which one) and Korean are definitely in the top ten,*

> *although it's a class thing. Go some high-class kine grinds, all you*

> *here is da kepani, brah.*

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Of course tourism increases the presence of the Japanese language in Hawaii. I don't really know what the top ten are. Does the US Census keep track? I figure Spanish is growing because I hear it more, and I figure Hawaiian is growing because at least I hear it sometimes now,