

Re: How close is Vietnamese to Mandarin or Cantonese?

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On Sat, 21 May 2005 10:58:17 GMT, John Atkinson <johnacko@xxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in <news:dvEje.10353\$E7.287@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> in sci.lang:

[...]

- > All fair enough, but Peter (at least as Ross reads him) is
- > saying that "names aren't words" in the sense that they
- > needn't obey the same phonological "rules" as ordinary
- > words. This quote certainly doesn't say this -- in fact,
- > its reference to "phonological attrition" suggests that
- > names are, phonologically, just like ordinary words.

The bit that I merely summarized, however, suggests otherwise. The actual suggestion is that the processes are the same, but that the special semantic status of names gives them freer play.

Brian

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