

Restricted Language and Sub-Cultures

A common characteristic of a sub-culture is restricted language. Restricted language is a “severely reduced linguistic system” that is used by a particular group or for a particular activity. Restricted language expressions are understood by the members of the sub-culture/group but may or may not be understood by other members of the dominant culture.

Assignment:

Create a Restricted Language Dictionary of 10 words and/or phrases that are particular to a sub-culture to which you belong. If you choose an ethnic sub-culture, you must use English words or phrases that are used by your ethnic group in a unique way.

Requirements:

- Word Processed document formatted according to Class Policy guidelines.
- Title at the top (14 pt. font) = Restricted Language Dictionary for (insert name of your sub-culture)
- Alphabetized, numbered list of words and/or phrases
 - a. word or phrase
 - b. definition
 - c. sentence which uses the word in such a way that its meaning is evident
- Your name and date at the bottom of the page—right aligned.