

Grammar Features of Indian English

I. Tag Questions

1. Standard IE follows native varieties of English in the use of tag questions.
 - You will come, won't you?
 - You can come tomorrow, can't you?
 - They should do it, shouldn't they?
2. Look at the examples of tag questions for non-standard Indian English. What is the feature?
 - You will come, isn't it?
 - You can come tomorrow, isn't it?
 - They should do it, isn't it?

 - You will come, no?
 - They can come, no?
 - They should do it, no?

Feature: _____

II. Reduplication

1. Look at the following examples of reduplication. What are the two features?
 - We need little-little things to fill up this space.
 - There are many small-small holes in this dress.
 - It's all sticky-sticky.

Feature: _____

- I was eleven-twelve years old.
- Get some three-four books.
- Give me two-three minutes.

Feature: _____
