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: ______________________________________________________

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

   Feature: ______________________________________________________

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