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ABSTRACT

English is considered the most widespread language in the world today and there are Countries where it is used as a native or first language, a second language or a foreign language. However the objective of this research is to make to the readers aware how the borrowed words of other languages affect the aspects of English language. I mainly focus my attraction to the phonological, grammatical, lexican and semantic changes of English as a result of language borrowing from period to period. Modern English is of course full of borrowed words and it is clearly distinguished from English used by the Angles and Saxons which was free from borrowing. This research not only deals with how language underwent changes when time passed but how this change affected the design of English language as well.