

# Review of: "Are non-native speakers' English pronunciation similar?: Evidence through PRAAT recording software"

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The author selected an interesting topic to investigate, which may provide implications for the acquisition of English pronunciations by non-native speakers from Bangladesh and China. However, both the research and the paper need to go through substantial revisions before they are qualified for publication. Please consider the following questions before any further revisions:

1. What were the academic reasons for investigating the English pronunciations of non-native speakers from Bangladesh and China, in addition to the issues rooted in the history of English education in these countries? More literature review of "empirical" research on similar research topics are needed here. Currently there are too many technical explanations of Praat and the background information of English education in the Literature Review section.
2. What is the theoretical/conceptual framework this study was built on? The author did not explicitly mention that in the paper.
3. Why did the author use mixed methods instead of large-scale quantitative sampling (which is the usual inquiry method for this kind of research topic) to examine just two non-native speakers' English pronunciations? How representative were the English pronunciations of these two speakers from each country?
4. How did the author choose the word and the sentence stimuli? In other words, why were the word "think" and the sentence "I thought that thing" chosen rather than any other word or sentence? Why did the author select one word and one sentence instead of a list of words and sentences?
5. The Result section has more technical analysis of Praat spectrogram than descriptions of findings relevant to research questions.
6. The Discussion section was less developed with respect to how the results inform the literature and how the findings corroborated or rebutted against the research hypotheses under certain theoretic framework.
7. The writing of the whole paper needs to go through professional English editing service. There are quite a few typos and issues of sentence construction, especially in the Introduction, Literature Review, Discussion, and Conclusion sections.