

Listen to William Labov and answer the following questions:

1. Why did William Labov go to Philadelphia? What did he want to study?
2. Is the rate of linguistic change in Philadelphia slow?
3. What happens to /l/ between two vowels in Philadelphia?
4. Do the changes described by William Labov affect communication?
5. Why is Philadelphia a strategic site?
6. What is the more profound enquiry in William Labov's opinion?