Lecture 4 [The 'ownership' of English]

## **Pre-lecture activity**

Welcome to Lecture 4. In this lecture, you will study the debate regarding the ownership of English. Before proceeding to watch the lecture video, please familiarise yourself with the technical and UK-specific terms that will be referred to in the lecture.

- 'Standard' English: a variety of English that is widely accepted as, and believed to be, 'correct'
- Communicative competence: a learner's communication ability that is based on her / his grammatical knowledge (syntax, morphology and phonology) and social knowledge (e.g. how and when to say something appropriately)
- 'Native' English: a problematic term used to describe the type of English spoken by the British, Americans and others who speak it as a first language
- The 'native' speaker norm: the prestige associate with the 'native' speakers and the perception that their accent should be a target of competence
- Translanguaging: the use of more than two languages together
- Monolingualism: the condition of being able to speak a single language
- Multilingualism: the condition of being able to speak multiple languages
- Linguistic imperialism: the intention to impose one nation's language on another nation, usually causing the loss of local languages