form of the language.Both branches investigate the sounds from different perspectives: Phonetics is concerned with the physical manifestation of language in sound waves and how they are produced, transmitted, and perceived, and also "provides methods for their description, classification, and transcription" (Crystal 2008: 363). Phonology "studies the sound systems of languages" (ibid: 365) and how sounds function in relation to each other in a language.Often it is referred to as a prestige variety or, as Crystal (2008) calls it, an "institutionalized form" (2008: 450), the term which is used in the mass media, foreign language teaching, etc. Nonstandard varieties, consequently, are defined as dialects that "do not conform to this norm" (Crystal 2008: 450).2.

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