**Project 4: Photo-Based Interview**

- **Goal:** To learn how to conduct an interview and transcribe an audio recording.
- **Due February 11, 2010**

**Instructions**

- For this project you will need an audio tape recorder or some other means of recording an audio event.
- Contact a participant in the activity who is willing to talk to you about the activity.
- Set up a time and a quiet place to talk to your informant.
- Obtain informed consent for audio tape recording from your informant using the Interview consent form.
- Turn on the tape recorder and interview your informant about the activity you took photos of. Start with the photos you used in project 3, but feel free to use other photos as prompts in the interview. Ask your informant to explain what is going on in the activity. You should consult our list of interviewing tips and potential interview questions before you schedule the interview.
- Record at least 30 minutes, but no more than one hour of interview.

**More instructions**

- Listen through your interview and make an index of what it contains. This should be a list of topics discussed or events in the conversation with some indication of where they appear on the tape. Then choose one or two passages to transcribe.
- Transcribe about 1500 words using relaxed transcription techniques. For this, you should just try to get all of the words that are said, including false starts and other disfluencies.
- Then choose a small but interesting section of your interview for detailed transcription. Transcribe a passage of about 100 words using the notation for doing detailed transcription. Professor Emmanuel Schegloff at UCLA provides a transcription tutorial that will allow you to listen to some talk and see the detailed transcription of it. I recommend you visit this site.

**Instructions (continued)**

- Write up the index for your interview. Be sure to indicate on the index which sections of the interview were transcribed in relaxed and which in detailed form. Type up the relaxed and the detailed transcription in clean form.
- Turn in
  - your index,
  - your two transcripts (relaxed and detailed), and
  - your signed informed consent forms.
- **Note:** NO INFORMED CONSENT = NO GRADE.
- Basis of grade: 75 points total. 25 for appropriate use of the detailed transcription notation system; 50 for quality of the interview and relaxed transcription.

**Goodwin Transcript**

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9 (2.0)
10 Ann: See so if it’s fairly flat
11 Sue: It needs one where it stops being fairly flat.
13 Ann: Like right there.
14 Sue: Then I’ll need one there. (points to dirt)
15 Then I’ll need one there.
16 Sue: (0.3) All right.
17 Ann: And then one at the-
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