DESCRIPTION

The *Handbook of Dialectology* provides an authoritative, up-to-date and unusually broad account of the study of dialect, in one volume. Each chapter reviews essential research, and offers a critical discussion of the past, present and future development of the area.

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- Provides a practical guide to the many methodological and statistical issues surrounding the collection and analysis of dialect data
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