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A twenty-one year old Caucasian Female discusses her family life in Mphumalanga before moving to Pretoria, where she is a student at present. Her dialect seems to reflect her generation, which has had broad exposure to English, American English specifically. As a result the final /R/ almost reflects the General American phoneme. This possibly also effects certain vowels as the /ɒ/ in "comma" became an /ɑ:/. Other final consonants display a favouring for voiceless consonants. For example: the /v/ in "expensive" becomes a /f/, the /d/ in "married" became a /t/ and the final /z/ in "disease" became a /s/.

Articulation typical of the Afrikaans dialect in English can also be noted in the way in which she uses in the /ɒ/ in "dog" and "territory". In these words she reverts to the shorter, tenser /ɔ/. Typical patterns are also noted in her use of the /ʊə/ as in "cold", which is shorter and less rounded than the RP counterpart.

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