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In this interview a seventy-two year old retired teacher talks about her childhood in Vredendal in the western cape, her family and life in Gauteng where she has been living for the past thirty years. Although she has lived in Gauteng for a long time the "bray" which is characteristic of her West Coast roots is still significant. This occurs mostly in pre-vocalic positions. She also tends to de-voice voiced consonants. Example: "friends" became "frients".

Another observation is the upward inflection pattern that she uses at sentence ends. This too could be a by-product of her West Coast dialect.

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