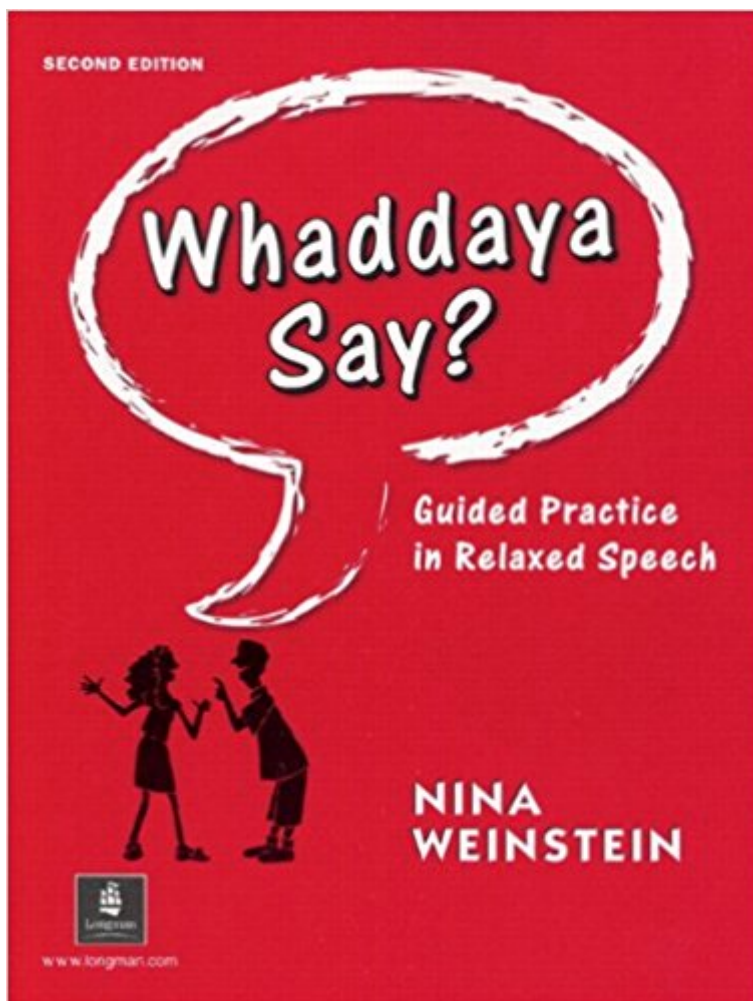


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# Whaddaya Say? Guided Practice In Relaxed Speech, Second Edition



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