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'Slow as the rhythm of linguistic development appears to contemporary observers, hardly noticeable except to those who deliberately give their attention to it, actually it is very rapid. Since the use of writing began, a few thousand years ago, many languages have disappeared, many new ones have arisen. . . .'

JOSHUA WHATMOUGH, *Language* (1956)

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