

# 1. the linguists

## FILM VIEWING AND DISCUSSION WITH DIRECTOR SETH KRAMER AND LINGUIST DAVID HARRISON

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The Linguists is a hilarious and poignant account of two scientists —David Harrison and Gregory Anderson —racing to document languages on the verge of extinction. Of the world's 7,000 languages, 40 percent are on their way to extinction, with the last fluent speaker of a language dying once every two weeks. In Siberia, India and Bolivia, the linguists confront head-on the very forces silencing languages: racism, humiliation, and violent economic unrest. David and Greg's journey takes them deep into the heart of the cultures, knowledge, and communities at risk when a language dies.



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