Interlanguage

1. What is interlanguage?
“A person learning an L2 will produce sentences that are different from those produced by native speakers attempting to express the same idea. The existence of these two set of utterances makes it justifiable to hypothesize “the existence of a separate linguistic system based on the observable output which results from a learner’s attempted production of a TL norm. This linguistic system we will call ‘interlangauge’.” (Selinker, 1972)

2. Characteristics of Interlanguage
   a. Interlanguage has three components: L1, L2, and IL.
   b. Interlangauge is a natural.
   c. Interlanguage is constantly changing.
   d. Interlanguage may be fossilized.