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Q.1 In this exercise, we will study code-switching using data from social media. Go to the public Facebook account of any Indian celebrity (e.g. Amitabh Bachchan or Kareena Kapoor). Facebook posts by this celebrity will usually be followed by comments by members of the public. Your tasks are the following:

- a. Collect any 5 comments that use more than one language in the same sentence e.g. English and Hindi. Comments should not be extremely long, and should consist of 2-3 sentences.
- b. Analyze these sentences by first pointing out which is the matrix language of the comment, and which is the embedded one
- c. Label the parts of speech of the words, and note whether they belong to Lang1 or Lang2
- d. How many from Lang1 are open/closed class items ? What about Lang2 ?
- e. Do these seem to be examples of code-switching or borrowing?
- f. Hypothesize about the reasons why the commenter may have switched between the two languages.