

Understanding a Variant:

- What is a variant?
 - It is not a _____ or _____
 - It is a _____

- Largest types of variants
 - _____ differences

 - _____ differences

 - Movable _____

 - Word _____

 - Variants due to _____

 - _____ mistakes

- There are two items that both must be checked off to be important
 - Is it meaningful? (It changes the meaning of the text)
 - Is it viable? (It could be in the original)
 - Examples

 - Only about _____% of all textual variants are both meaningful and viable

The Telephone Game

- No _____ to get it right
- Not dealing with _____ tradition but _____ tradition
- Person trying to reconstruct what the original was – does not have to rely on the _____ person in the _____. He/She can _____ different sources closer to the original.

