

A-level ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Paper 2 Language diversity and change

Friday 8 June 2018

Afternoon

Time allowed: 2 hours 30 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 12-page answer book
- the insert for Section B (enclosed).

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Paper Reference** is 7702/2.
- There are **two** sections:
 - Section A: Diversity and change
 - Section B: Language discourses.
- Answer **either** Question 1 **or** Question 2 from Section A.
- Answer **both** Question 3 **and** Question 4 from Section B.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The maximum mark for this paper is 100.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- There are 30 marks for **either** Question 1 **or** Question 2, 40 marks for Question 3 and 30 marks for Question 4.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Advice

- It is recommended that you use:
 - 45 minutes writing your Section A answer
 - 15 minutes preparing the material for Section B
 - 45 minutes writing your answer to Question 3
 - 45 minutes writing your answer to Question 4.

Section A**Diversity and change**

Answer **one** question from this section.

Either

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Evaluate the idea that British Standard English is superior to other varieties of English used around the world.

[30 marks]**or**

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Evaluate the idea that the English language has been decaying over time and continues to do so.

[30 marks]

Section B**Language discourses**

Answer **both** Question 3 **and** Question 4.

Text A and **Text B** are on the insert.

Text A is an extract from an article about politically correct language from the website Waking Times, accessed in 2016.

Text B is an extract from the website Political Correctness – The Awful Truth, accessed in 2016.

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Analyse how language is used in **Text A** and **Text B** to present views about politically correct language.

In your answer you should:

- examine any similarities and differences you find between the two texts
- explore how effectively the texts present their views.

[40 marks]

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Write an opinion article about politically correct language in which you assess the ideas and issues raised in **Text A** and **Text B**. You should refer to ideas from language study and argue your own views.

[30 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

There are no questions printed on this page

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