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Instructions

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- Answer the question in **Section A** and the question in **Section B**.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
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- The total mark for this paper is 60.
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- Try to answer both questions.
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SECTION A: Individual Variation

Read Texts A and B on pages 4–5 of the source booklet before answering Question 1 in the space provided.

- 1** Analyse and compare how the writer in Text A and the speaker in Text B use language to convey personal and social identity.

You should refer to any relevant language frameworks and levels, as well as social, cultural and other contextual factors.

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SECTION B: Variation over Time

Read Texts C and D on pages 6–7 of the source booklet before answering Question 2 in the space provided.

- 2** Texts C and D concern aspects of pregnancy and childbirth. Analyse and compare the ways that both texts demonstrate how this type of language has changed over time.

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English Phonemic Reference Sheet

Vowels					
kit	dress	trap	lot	strut	foot
ɪ	e	æ	ɒ	ʌ	ʊ
letter	fleece	cart	thought	goose	nurse
ə	i:	a:	ɔ:	u:	ɜ:

Diacritics /:/ = length mark. These vowels may be shorter in some accents and will be transcribed without the length mark /:/ in this case.

Diphthongs							
face	goat	price	mouth	choice	near	square	cure
eɪ	əʊ	aɪ	aʊ	ɔɪ	ɪə	eə	ʊə

Consonants					
pip	bid	tack	door	cake	good
p	b	t	d	k	g
chain	jam	fly	vase	thing	this
tʃ	dʒ	f	v	θ	ð
say	zoo	shoe	treasure	house	mark
s	z	ʃ	ʒ	h	m
not	sing	lot	rose	yet	witch
n	ŋ	l	r	j	w
Glottal stop		Syllabic /l/ bottle		Syllabic /n/ fatten	
ʔ		ɫ		ŋ	

SECTION A: Individual Variation

Text A

Text A is an extract from a written interview with mental health author Kevin Braddock, who is promoting his book entitled Everything Begins with Asking for Help. The interview was published on a website called Working Dads. The interviewer's questions are shown in bold.

What made you want to write the book?

I had a breakdown while living in Berlin in 2014 and had suffered from depression and anxiety for a long time before that. My background is working as a journalist in print media for titles including *The Face*, *GQ*, *Esquire* and *The Guardian*, and I started to write about my experiences of mental illness and recovery and these eventually got turned into my book *Everything Begins With Asking For Help: An Honest Guide from Rock Bottom To Recovery*. The most important message is what it says on the cover: if you're struggling, ask for help.

How did you find the process of reaching into some unpleasant parts of your life?

Self-reflection, especially working with a counsellor or therapist, is a very valuable experience, even if it is often hard work and demanding. But the better you know yourself, the better you are able to cope with what comes your way. Life can be tough for anyone, regardless of whether they have mental illness or not, but the more time one takes to know and develop yourself, the better equipped one is to deal with the things, both good and bad, that inevitably come our way.

What do you think your book tells us about how men deal with mental health?

I can only speak for myself as a man, but I'd say that men find it hard to open up about emotions and feelings that are difficult to deal with, especially shame, which is very wrapped up in the experience of mental illness – the feeling that I am not good (or strong, successful, rich, sexy, or clever) enough. On the other hand the stigma attached to mental illness has been declining for some time now, which is good. We still have a big problem concerning men, depression and suicide (which is the biggest cause of death for men under 49) and the pandemic has brought a whole range of new problems to light, including isolation, loneliness and the question of purpose. The more we, as men, confront and address the problem, the more we can begin to deal with them, collectively and individually.

Tell us about one of your most difficult life moments

Having a breakdown and being taken to hospital was very hard, but the recovery process was even harder – the daily grind of dealing with depression and anxiety and trying to rebuild my life. I decided I wanted to get better and put myself to it and kept asking for help – seeking advice from other people who'd been through similar things, reading a lot, going back to university, finding some discipline and above all, allowing others to help me.

Text B

Text B is a transcript of a YouTube video presentation by Asha Phillip, a British sprinter and former gymnast from London. The video was entitled Mental toughness is the secret to success, and was broadcast as part of a series called BBC Ideas.

KEY

(.) micro pause	/ _ / phonemic transcription	(1) timed pause
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my name is Asha Philip (2) and I run (1) athletics for me was just a bit of fun (.) it was something /sʌmɪŋk/ different and something new (1) trampolining was my main sport and I loved it (.) and then I fell into double mini-trampolining and then I became a world junior champion at /æʔ/ it /ɪʔ/ (.) I was at the world championships in Quebec (.) I bounced up (.) but when I came down (.) I didn't land right (1) I could just hear the **crunch** (.) I could just see my leg pointing in a different direction (.) then I just remember grabbing /græbɪn/ my leg and then just screaming /skri:mɪn/ and screaming (.) there was nothing holding my legs together /təgevæ/ (.) in a heartbeat (1) everything was just gone (3) everything I had worked hard for (1) had vanished (1) everyone told me I was a write-off (.) so how does a child of age of seventeen (.) get back up (1) it felt like I had lost something (.) I had lost a part of me (.) I wanted to give up (.) and when you're at the point of just giving up (.) that's when you're meant to really turn your life around and change (.) it was my mum who believed in me and for **that** I believed in her (.) I really do question how I made it out (.) it was little /lɪʔ/ by little (.) coming in to do the rehab (.) step-by-step you started to see improvement (.) the crutches went away then I could walk (.) I was able to jog and then run (.) but then I had loads of injuries along the way (3) the only thing standing between success and failure is mental toughness (.) it's about being **resilient** (2) being an athlete isn't like a normal job (.) the gym **strengthening** the **mind** work the **fitness** (.) for one shot (.) for eleven seconds (2) there are a lot of knockbacks (.) a lot (.) it's how you handle it (.) but it's also the most amazing release (.) I let out all my stresses (.) all my bad energy (2) every time I show up to train I have the opportunity to learn more about myself (.) and how to run correctly (2) some people train **brilliantly** but in a race (.) they don't win you need **focus** (.) you're in an arena of thousands or people and you're on the start line of seven other women and you have a man holding a gun and you have to learn to channel all this and not panic (.) but there's so much going on you've got your family in the crowd everyone screaming wanting you to do well and obviously they're screaming for the girl alongside you how do you put that all aside and say okay I have to focus on myself (1) focus on **my** lane (2) focus on **me** (4) there are sacrifices (.) there are lots of ways to have fun (.) go after your goals and balance it out the right way (.) in the **end** it's about knowing what's important to you and what makes you **thrive** (.) that's not just athletics (.) that's life

SECTION B: Variation over Time

Text C

Text C is an extract from Maidenhood and Motherhood or Ten Phases of a Woman's Life written by American physician Dr John D. West in 1887. The aim of the book was to give medical advice to women about improving women's and children's health.

THE INFANT.

What It Is, and What It May Become.

THE helpless little being, ushered into the world in a burst of pain, is a bundle of possibilities. At present it has life and the instinct of perpetual life. Beyond this it is entirely helpless. Not infrequently the machinery of life must be started by others. For days and weeks and months, the working of the delicate mechanism by which life is maintained and developed must be watched unceasingly. Obstructions must be removed, developing activities must be aided, and functional operations must be stimulated. At maturity the most beautiful and the most perfect of all the animal creation, at birth the most helpless, its helplessness is its strong defense.

This little wailing creature is the romping girl, the amiable maiden, the affectionate mother, the noble woman, in embryo. There is in the little babe all that is to be found in the mature woman. Growth and development add no original organs. Nothing is created by growth. Nothing is added to what was possessed at birth. The little limbs grow stronger, larger, and more shapely. The delicate organs will perform their various functions with greater certainty and with better results, the different parts of the physical organism will develop into a more perfect harmony of operation and adaptation to designed ends, but they are all present in the new-born babe. Because the babe is possessed of the organs of the mature man or woman, and because the future harmonious activity of the organs depends upon the care and culture bestowed upon them – because of these things the infant is an object of importance and solicitude. Even where physical humanity is developed to its full, robust, hardy completeness, many of the parts of the machinery are still delicate and sensitive. They are easily obstructed, easily destroyed. This is true of the organs of sight, of hearing, of circulation, and true of many others. Much more delicate are these organs in the immaturity of infancy. Consequently, much more vigilance and care are necessary.

The infant is, then, the embryo man or woman. It is more; it is its own parents' child. To a certain extent the child is what the parents, and especially the mother, have made. It is a reproduction of themselves. It will possess their physical and intellectual traits and their moral bent. It has often been true, perhaps will often be again, that the health and destiny of a man or woman was determined in the mother's womb. It came into independent existence handicapped with a physical or mental deformity for which the mother was responsible during gestation.

Suffice it to say now, that when the child is born a complete human being, it will possess largely the same physical characteristics which marked one or both parents.

Glossary

gestation – the process or period of developing inside the womb between conception and birth

solicitude – care or concern for someone or something

Text D

Text D is a 2023 extract from a blog entitled You the Daddy – Insights from a Dad of Three on Pregnancy, Babies and Parenthood written by a UK blogger called Giles. This extract focuses on advice for fathers. Underlining indicates hyperlinks.

Weeks 16 to 18 of pregnancy – what to expect

Now well into the second trimester of our first pregnancy, in weeks 16 to 18 the changes are coming in thick and fast, not only for my pregnant wife, but as it turns out, for me too!

First and foremost, the biggest change (in every sense of the word) is her ever expanding bump, which is now standing out and proud for the whole world to see...regardless of how much she may try to hide it under baggy shirts and loose fitting tops.

According to my man's guide to baby growth during pregnancy, the baby has had yet another serious growth spurt, and as we cross over into week 19 it is now more than 15cm long from head to rump. Undeniably our little bean has come a long way during weeks 15 to 18, growing from the size of a light bulb, through to a softball, then an iPhone, to now being roughly the size of a mini rugby ball today. No wonder my wife's showing so much!

As she's grown, I've been taken aback at how our bedroom has slowly been overrun by a large selection of new lotions and potions aimed at reducing the risk of the dreaded stretch marks (review of her favourites coming soon), which she dutifully rubs all over her upper body at any and every given opportunity. And there I was thinking that her bedtime cream application routine was complicated enough *before* she got pregnant?!

Perhaps most exciting of all though is that the baby is now trying its best to make contact with the outside world! Starting in week 17 as a light bubbling feeling in her stomach, akin to the feel of a hunger-induced tummy rumble, this week the baby's wriggling has become much more pronounced, albeit still not quite strong enough for me to feel from the outside (the thing I'm personally most excited about, as it will be my first real interaction with our baby).

In terms of the classic pregnancy symptoms, I'm pleased to report that during weeks 16 to 18 of pregnancy the morning sickness has largely subsided, while my other half's chronic fatigue has also levelled off a bit (helping to significantly reduce the unpredictable pregnancy mood swings, you'll be pleased to know).

Unfortunately though, a wave of new symptoms have taken their place instead, including the onset of pregnancy brain (read all about it here), fear inducing abdominal pains, constant headaches, random outbursts of light headedness and excruciatingly painful night time cramps.

She's even started having trouble sleeping, as her growing bump makes her usual slumbering position unfeasible, so I suspect we will soon be introducing a third party into our bed; the famous pregnancy pillow. Watch this space...

I've been sleeping fine though, in case you were wondering.

Glossary

trimester – stage in pregnancy

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