

## A-level ENGLISH LANGUAGE

### Paper 2 Language diversity and change

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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. There are 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.

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**Section A****Diversity and change**

Answer **one** question from this section.

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**Either**

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Evaluate the idea that women's talk is naturally cooperative whereas men's talk is naturally competitive.

**[30 marks]****or**

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Evaluate the idea that language change is a natural process that is neither good nor bad.

**[30 marks]**

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**Section B****Language discourses**

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

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

**Text A** is an extract from an online article about standard English. It was published by the American Bar Association in 2020. In the article lawyer Bryan Garner gives his views on standard English.

**Text B** is an extract from an online article about 'correct' English. It was published by *Prospect Magazine* in 2015. In the article two writers debate their opposing views on 'correct' English.

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Analyse how language is used in **Text A** and **Text B** to present views about using standard or 'correct' English.

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 on views about using standard or 'correct' English.

In your article you should:

- assess the ideas and issues raised in **Text A** and **Text B**
- refer to ideas from language study
- argue your own views.

**[30 marks]**

**END OF QUESTIONS**

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**There are no questions printed on this page**

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