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A Level English Language

H470/01 Exploring language

Time allowed: 2 hours 30 minutes



You must have:

- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet
- the Resource Booklet

INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Write your answer to each question in the Answer Booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- Fill in the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Use the Resource Booklet to answer the questions in Sections A and C.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **80**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- This document has **4** pages.

ADVICE

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

Answer **all** the questions in this paper.

SECTION A – Language under the microscope

You are advised to spend about 40 minutes on this section.

Read **Text A** in your **Resource Booklet** and answer the following questions.

- 1 Giving careful consideration to the context of the text:
- (a) Identify and analyse patterns of lexical and semantic use. [10]
 - (b) Identify and analyse the way sentences are constructed. [10]

SECTION B – Writing about a topical language issue

You are advised to spend about 45 minutes on this section.

- 2 'The developments in technology from the late twentieth century onwards have made our language more dynamic, versatile and creative.'

Write the script for a talk on this topic as the opening of a podcast called 'The Way we Talk Now'. You should aim to engage a reasonably well-educated, non-specialist audience. It should be no more than 500 words. [24]

SECTION C – Comparing and contrasting texts

You are advised to spend about 1 hour and 5 minutes on this section. Approximately 15 minutes should be spent reading and preparing your answer and approximately 50 minutes writing your response.

Read **Texts B** and **C** in your **Resource Booklet** and answer the following question.

3 Using appropriate linguistic concepts and methods, analyse the ways in which language is used in these two texts. In your answer you should:

- explore connections and variations between the texts
- consider how contextual factors contribute to the construction of meaning.

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END OF QUESTION PAPER

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