Paper2: Language Discourses Section B -

## Paper 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

| Expectations   | Paper and Questions   | Topics & Advice   | Consider:  |
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| Understand and be able to analyse texts from a variety of contexts, as exemplified above   | Paper and Questions Component 2: Language   | Question types P2 Sec B   | Explore how texts:   |
| Understand and apply broad lexical, grammatical, phonological and graphological  | diversity and change<br>Written Paper<br>2 hours 30 mins  | Language discourses:<br>Question 3  | 1.represent language<br>2.construct an identity for<br>the producer 3.position |
| <ul> <li>Understand and use correct and relevant terminology for the context. For example, in semantics student could discuss metaphor</li> </ul>  |   | Analyse how language is used in Text A and Text B to present views about the nature of language change. In your answer you should:                              | the reader and seek to<br>influence them<br>4.are connected to                 |
| Use coherent and fluent written expression   | Two texts on a topic linked to the study of diversity and change.   | examine any similarities and differences you find between the two texts<br>explore how effectively the texts present their views.                               | discourses about<br>language.  |
| <ul> <li>Demonstrate critical understanding of relevant concepts, e.g. language change etc.</li> <li>Demonstrate critical understanding of issues relevant to language use by challenging particular</li> </ul>  | Analysis of how the texts use<br>language to present ideas,<br>attitudes and opinions (40 marks)  | A-level Question 4<br>Write an opinion article about language change in which you assess<br>the ideas and issues raised in Text A and Text B and argue your own | Question 3 could be<br>focused on either<br>language change or                 |
| stances  |   | views   | language diversity, as   |
| Be able to write about language issues in a variety of different forms   | Directed writing task linked to the topic and   |   | the focus is on language<br>discourses and<br>attitudes to both change         |
| <ul> <li>Demonstrate expertise and creativity by making innovative use of form and using an appropriate register</li> </ul>  | ideas in the texts (30 marks)   |   | and diversity.   |
| <ul> <li>Demonstrate expertise and creativity by making innovative use of form and using an appropriate register</li> </ul>  | Q4 - The form specified won't<br>always be an opinion article, but it<br>will always be an <b>opinion-based</b>   |   |  |
| A0's -   | piece   |   |  |
| (10 marks) AO1: Apply appropriate methods of language analysis, using associated terminology and coherent written expression   | parallel clauses • clause types • clause order • clause linking • cohesion and guiding the reader • visual design, structure and webpage navigation   |   |  |
| <ul> <li>apply linguistic methods and terminology, identifying patterns and complexities</li> <li>apply different levels of language analysis in an integrated way, recognising how they are connected</li> </ul>  | • tenses: past • aspect: progressive • superlative adjectives • ellipsis • noun phrases • noun types • adverb types: manner, time, degree • sentence types: simple, compound-complex • semantic fields • euphemism • discourse markers  |   |  |
| apply levels of language analysis with rare errors • guide the reader  |   |   |  |
| (15 marks)<br>AO3: Analyse and evaluate how contextual factors and language features are associated with the<br>construction of meaning in Text A  | evaluate the use of metaphors to describe language (eg language change) • evaluate metaphors as part of discourses of language change: infectious disease, decay, laziness • evaluate examples of modality and persuasiveness use of copular verbs ('is') and modal verbs 'We'll get' • evaluate positioning of audience by sentence structure and clause orders • evaluate use of playfulness and humour, provocation • evaluate how links and email/comments and their language help to promote and disseminate the discourse   |   |  |
| <ul> <li>evaluate use of language and representations according to context • explore analysis<br/>within wider social and cultural contexts</li> </ul>   | analyse language used to represent the nature of English: eg traditional, as beautiful cultural artefact '• analyse language used to represent language change, eg verbs, adverbs, adjectives and nouns • analyse language of journalism to create significance and anxiety • analyse how the reader is positioned by pronoun use, • analyse how speakers/writers are (self-) represented   |   |  |
| (15 marks) Explore the similarities and differences in the ways that Text A and Text B use language AO4: Explore connections across texts, informed by linguistic concepts and methods   | evaluate discourse and representations of language change as decay • evaluate discourse and representations of correctness and communication/clarity<br>• evaluate effects of journalistic contexts on representations of language explore journalistic contexts and classifications: blogs, culture, dramatisation and<br>newsworthiness, online environment, hyperlinks and interactiveness compare use of first- and second-person<br>pronouns use of metaphor and simile • contrast use of sentence functions • compare and contrast any other uses of language   |   |  |
| (20 marks)<br>AO2: Demonstrate critical understanding of concepts and issues relevant to language use<br>demonstrate a synthesised, conceptualised and individual overview of issues • evaluate and challenge<br>views, approaches, interpretations of linguistic issues | develop an overview of the nature of language change • evaluate ideas of progress/decay • challenge prescriptivist stances • challenge descriptivist<br>stances • evaluate specific changes as good, bad, neutral analyse and explain degeneration/evolutionary views of language • illustrate<br>degeneration/evolutionary views of language • identify evolutionary views of language: eg functional theory, waves/tides images, progress metaphors •<br>identify degeneration views of language - eg Text A: breaking up, mishandling, lack of care, ugliness, destruction/trashing/<br>annihilation; Text B: erosion • place views in Text A and B in wide contexts – eg citing other writers |   |  |
| (10 marks) AO5: Demonstrate expertise and creativity in the use of English to communicate in different ways use form creatively and innovatively • use register creatively for context • write accurately  | use a range of cohesion strategies to guide the reader • transform and explore ideas relevantly and interestingly for audience, showing their significance to the reader • show close control of sentence effects produce an effective opening and conclusion • argue well-documented viewpoints, that provide information accessibly • use engaging and entertaining style   |   |  |