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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** ‘Changes in popular culture (one example is music) produce too much fresh terminology too quickly; it is impossible to keep up.’

Write a speech to make to your English class, arguing either for or against the statement. You could focus on the example mentioned or on others. Your speech should contain a strong opening and clear argument. It should consider a range of views. 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.
- [36]**

**END OF QUESTION PAPER**

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