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# A-level

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Paper 2 Language diversity and change

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Friday 8 June 2018

Afternoon

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, 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**

**0 1**

Evaluate the idea that British Standard English is superior to other varieties of English used around the world.

**[30 marks]**

**or**

**0 2**

Evaluate the idea that the English language has been decaying over time and continues to do so.

**[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 article about politically correct language from the website Waking Times, accessed in 2016.

**Text B** is an extract from the website Political Correctness – The Awful Truth, accessed in 2016.

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 Analyse how language is used in **Text A** and **Text B** to present views about politically correct language.

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 about politically correct language in which you assess the ideas and issues raised in **Text A** and **Text B**. You should refer to ideas from language study and 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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