
INTERNATIONAL A-LEVEL ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Unit 3 Language Variation

Time allowed: 2 hours

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- an Oxford International AQA Examinations 12-page answer book.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book.
- There are **two** sections:
 - Section A: Learning language
 - Section B: International English.
- Answer **either** Question 1 **or** Question 2 from Section A **and either** Question 3 **or** 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 50.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- There are 25 marks for Section A and 25 marks for Section B.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Section A: Learning language

Answer **one** question from this section.

Either

0 1 To what extent do children develop their spoken language by copying what they hear?

In your answer, you should refer to **Data Set 1** and **Data Set 2** and to relevant ideas from language study.

[25 marks]

Transcription key:

- (.) pause of less than a second
? indicates a question
(1.0) longer pause (number of seconds indicated)
[italics] contextual information

Data Set 1

Data Set 1 consists of three different interactions between a boy and his father. The boy is aged 4.

Boy: it's even gooder than anything (.) it's gooder isn't it?

Father: yes (.) it's better

Boy: better (.) yeah

Father: what did he do?

Boy: he wiped him

Father: he wiped himself

Boy: yes (.) he wiped himself

Boy: that's what happens to Tarzan Dog (1.0) he gets falled over by Tarzan Man

Father: I make him fall over (.) do I?

Boy: what?

Father: I make him fall over (.) do I?

Boy: yes (.) you make Tarzan Dog fall over with your sword

Data Set 2

Data Set 2 is taken from a girl's interactions with her mother. The girl is aged 4.

Mother: what did you do today?

Girl: daddy taked us to the park (.) and we goed on the swings

Mother: he took you to the park and you went on the swings?

Girl: yes (.) we goed on the swings

Mother: did daddy go on the swings?

Girl: no [*laughs*] daddies not go on swings (1.0) swings are for childrens only

Turn over for the next question

Turn over ►

or

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'Learning to persuade is one of the most important skills that children develop as they learn to write.'

To what extent do you agree with this view?

In your answer, you should refer to **Data Set 3** and to relevant ideas from language study.

[25 marks]

Data Set 3

Data Set 3, on page 5, was written by Lily, aged 9. Her teacher asked her to write persuasively about environmental problems caused by plastic.

Transliteration

Humans inhabit most of the available land on Planet Earth. Unfortunately, we have had a negative effect on the environment because we often don't think about the consequences of our actions. Although we don't realise, we are taking animals' lives away from them.

One huge problem that faces humans and all animals on Earth is plastic. Deep in the ocean, people are extracting oil from the sea bed as part of the process of creating plastic. The factories which make plastic release venomous gases into the air while they are making plastic products. When lorries are delivering the plastic products to shops, they pollute the roads and the air, which is harmful to the environment.

So what can be done to help stop killing animals? Firstly, you can recycle more by using something plastic then putting it in the blue bin. Secondly, if you don't already have one, buy a reusable water bottle, one that lasts for a life-time. Also, buy loose fruit and vegetables when you go to the shops. Last of all, you can reuse the shops' plastic bags and you can use less amount of plastic packaging.

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Section B: International English

Answer **one** question from this section.

Either

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'It is important that English is used correctly because it is used all over the world.'

How far do you agree with this view?

In your answer, you should refer to relevant ideas from language study.

[25 marks]

or

0 4

How far do you agree with the view that technology is the main reason for English spreading around the world?

In your answer, you should refer to relevant ideas from language study.

[25 marks]

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