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QUESTION PAPER

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A Level English Language

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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.

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Section A
Language under the microscope

You should spend about **40 minutes** on this section.

Read **Text A** in the **Resource Booklet** and answer the 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 should spend about **45 minutes** on this section.

2 'Americanisms are taking over the English language.'

Write a speech for an English class arguing for or against the statement.
Aim for 500 words. **[24]**

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Section C
Comparing and contrasting texts

You should spend a **maximum** of **1 hour and 5 minutes** on this section.
Spend **15 minutes** reading and preparing your answer and about **50 minutes** writing your answer.

Read **Texts B** and **C** in the **Resource Booklet** and answer the 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]**

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