

General Certificate of Education
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Advanced Subsidiary Examination



ENGLISH LANGUAGE (SPECIFICATION A)
Unit 3 Interacting through Language

ENA3

Tuesday 11 January 2005 Afternoon Session

In addition to this paper you will require:
a 12-page answer book.

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

Instructions

- Use blue or black ink or ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The *Examining Body* for this paper is AQA. The *Paper Reference* is ENA3.
- There are **two** sections:
Section A: Spoken Language Analysis
Section B: Essay Topics
- You **must** answer Question 1 from Section A and **either** Question 2 **or** Question 3 from Section B.

Information

- The maximum mark for this paper is 70.
- Mark allocations are shown in brackets.
- You will be assessed on your ability to use an appropriate form and style of writing, to organise relevant information clearly and coherently, and to use specialist vocabulary, where appropriate. The degree of legibility of your handwriting and the level of accuracy of your spelling, punctuation and grammar will also be taken into account.

Advice

- It is recommended that you spend 20 minutes on the reading and preparation of the data to be analysed in answering Section A.

SECTION A – Spoken Language Analysis

Answer Question 1.

1 **Text A** is a transcript of part of a conversation in which Gareth is telling his wife Maggie, and his daughter Nerys, a story about catching a train.

- Comment linguistically on the significant features of this interaction.
- Explain how each speaker uses language to convey meanings and feelings.

In your answer you should consider:

features of linguistic interaction
vocabulary and grammar
the speakers' purposes and roles
the structure of the interaction.

(45 marks)

Text A

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SECTION B – Essay Topics

Answer **either** Question 2 **or** Question 3.

EITHER

- 2 A commonly held view of conversational roles is that women collaborate and men compete. From your knowledge of research and from your own study of language, what evidence would you use to support or challenge this claim?

(25 marks)

OR

- 3 How do one or more of the following help us understand the nature of spoken interaction?

- The Politeness Principle
- Face Theory
- Grice's Maxims.

(25 marks)

END OF QUESTIONS

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