

**Modified Enlarged 24pt**

**OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS**

**Monday 20 May 2019 – Morning**

**A Level English Language**

**H470/01 Exploring language**

**Time allowed: 2 hours 30 minutes  
plus your additional time allowance**

**YOU MUST HAVE:**

**the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet  
(OCR12 sent with general stationery)  
the Resource Booklet**

**READ INSTRUCTIONS OVERLEAF**



## **INSTRUCTIONS**

**Find the Resource Booklet for use when answering questions in Section A and Section C.**

**Use black ink.**

**Answer ALL the questions.**

**Write your answers in the Answer Booklet. The question number(s) must be clearly shown.**

**Additional paper may be used if required but you must clearly show your candidate number, centre number and question number(s).**

## **INFORMATION**

**The total mark for this paper is 80.**

**The marks for each question are shown in brackets [ ].**

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**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 in this text. [10]**

## **SECTION B – Writing about a topical language issue**

**You are advised to spend about 45 minutes on this section.**

**2 ‘The era of prescriptivism is dying.’**

**Write a blog article for a website belonging to a recognised language expert which critically responds to this statement. You need to engage a reasonably well-educated audience with an interest in language change. [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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