

General Certificate of Education
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Advanced Level Examination



ENGLISH LANGUAGE (SPECIFICATION A)
Unit 5 Language Variation and Change

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Monday 28 June 2004 9.00 am to 10.30 am

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 ENA5.
- There are **two** Sections:
 - Section A:** Texts from Different Times
 - Section B:** Contemporary Language Variation and Change in the British Isles.
- 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 60.
- 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 15 minutes studying and preparing the questions and the source materials. It is further recommended that you spend approximately 35 minutes writing your answer to Section A, and 40 minutes writing your answer to Section B.

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SECTION A – Texts from Different Times

Answer Question 1.

- 1** **Texts A** and **B** are two diary accounts by Samuel Pepys and John Evelyn, who witnessed the aftermath of the Great Fire of London. The fire destroyed large parts of the city in 1666.

Analyse and evaluate how Pepys and Evelyn use language to convey their experiences.

(30 marks)

Text A: from the diary of Samuel Pepys, Friday September 7th 1666.

Up by 5 o'clock, and blessed by God! find all well, and by water to Paul's Wharf. Walked thence and saw all the town burned, and a miserable sight of Paul's church, with all the roofs fallen and the body of the quire fallen into St Faiths. St Paul's School also, Ludgate, Fleet Street, my Father's house, and the church and a good part of the Temple the like. So to Creed's lodging near the New Exchange . . . there borrowed a shirt of him, and washed . . . thence to the Swan and there drank; and so home and find all well.

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Text B: from the diary of John Evelyn, Friday September 7th 1666.

When in the midst of all this calamity and confusion there was (I know not how) an Alarm begun, that the French and the Dutch (with whom we were now in hostility) were not only landed, but even entering the City, there being in truth great suspicion some days before, of those two nations joining and even now, that they had been the occasion of firing the town.

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I went this morning on foot from Whitehall as far as London Bridge, through the late Fleet Street, Ludgate Hill by St Pauls, Cheapside, Exchange, Bishopsgate, Aldersgate and out to Moorfields, thence through Cornhill etc with extraordinary difficulty, clambering over mountains of yet smoking rubbish, and frequently mistaking where I was, the ground under my feet so hot, as made not only sweat, but even burnt the soles of my shoes, and put me all over in sweat.

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In the meantime his Majesty got to the Tower by water to demolish the houses . . . built entirely around it, had they taken fire and attacked the White Tower where the magazines of powder lay, would undoubtedly have not only beaten down and destroyed all the bridge, but sunk and torne all the vessels in the river. . . .

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Source: GUSTAV MILNE (ed), *The Great Fire of London* (Historical Publications Ltd) 1986

SECTION B – Contemporary Language Variation and Change in the British Isles

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

EITHER

- 2 Discuss how and why people vary their use of language in order to cope with different audiences and circumstances.

(30 marks)

OR

- 3 Examine how and why new words and meanings have entered British English over the last 50 years. In your answer you should give examples which may be drawn from the article below as well as from your own experience.

(30 marks)

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