

General Certificate of Education
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Advanced Subsidiary Examination



ENGLISH LANGUAGE (SPECIFICATION A)
Unit 3 Interacting through Language

ENA3

Tuesday 24 May 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 AnalysisAnswer Question 1.

1 **Text A** is an extract from the transcript of a classroom discussion about Chinese mythology. Tim is the teacher. Matt, Sylvia, Clare and Jenny are year 9 students.

- Comment linguistically on the significant features of this interaction.
- Explain how the speakers use language to convey meanings and explore issues.

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)

Transcription Key:

- (.) pause of less than a second
(2) longer pause (number of seconds indicated)
bold emphatic stress
[] simultaneous speech
[*italics*] selected non-verbal features

Text A

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SECTION B – Essay Topics

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

EITHER

- 2 To what extent do gender and status affect the ways in which people interact verbally?
(25 marks)

OR

- 3 There are many situations in which you might find yourself having to make a complaint. You might, for instance, complain to friends, parents, teachers, employers, shop staff or people who are behaving anti-socially.

How would your knowledge of spoken interactive strategies help you to complain effectively?
(25 marks)

END OF QUESTIONS

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