General Certificate of Education June 2006 Advanced Subsidiary Examination

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE (SPECIFICATION B) ENB1 Introduction to the Study of Language

Tuesday 23 May 2006 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm

For this paper you must have: a 12-page answer book

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

#### Instructions

Unit 1

- 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 ENB1.
- Answer **both** questions.
- At the very start of the examination, tear along the perforations in order to detach the questions on page 2 from the texts.
- The texts are printed on pages 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 which can be unfolded.
- Do all rough work in the answer book. Cross through any work you do not want marked.

### Information

- The maximum mark for this paper is 70.
- There are 35 marks for each question.
- You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers. All questions should be answered in continuous prose. Quality of Written Communication will be assessed in all answers.

#### Advice

• You are advised to spend about 10 minutes reading the whole paper before you begin Question 1.





Answer **both** questions.

There are 35 marks for each question.

You may detach this page by tearing along the perforations.

1 Study the texts A–H on the next six pages. These extracts illustrate different varieties of language use.

Discuss various ways in which these texts can be grouped, giving reasons for your choices.

2 Taking either Text A or Text B and any two of the remaining texts, analyse some of the language features of these texts and explain how these are affected by context.

Use some of the following language frameworks where appropriate:

- lexis
- grammar
- phonology
- semantics
- discourse
- pragmatics
- graphology.

#### END OF QUESTIONS

#### Text A

This is a transcript of four boys playing on a computer game. Andrew is playing, the others are watching.

Key: (.) indicates a brief pause.

Numbers within brackets indicate length of pause in seconds. Words between vertical lines are spoken simultaneously. Other contextual information is in italics in square brackets.

Ben: no shoot through that (3.0) OK now throw a light sabre through Andrew: F12 (.) no this is what I do every time I kill him I just see how many different ways I can kill myself (.) observe (.) now (.) way number one [sound of shooting and groans] (4.0) oh god I got shot by an invisible enemy 5 and I'm floating David: [*laughs*] throw your light sabre through (4.0)Ben: Andrew: and now we've got (.) death number two throw your light sabre (.) throw your light sabre through the laser Ben: the machine gun (.) the machine gun David: 10 Andrew: death number two [sound of machine gun fire] (5.0) David: [[laughs]

Carl: | ha fatty |

Source: Private data

This text is taken from a Captain Pugwash comic story 'The Secret of the San Fiasco'.



Source: © JOHN RYAN, 'The Secret of the San Fiasco', from *The Captain Pugwash Collection*, The Bodley Head Children's Books, 1992

## Text C

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## Text D

This text was given to students in Year 7 (11–12 year olds) while they were working on a Geography assignment.

| Level | Checklist   |
|-------|---|
| 2     | Your work falls below the standard described for a level 3 below  |
| 3     | You have made some attempt at describing the jobs involved in making a tin of baked beans<br>You do not really explain which jobs are primary, secondary or tertiary<br>You have made a reasonable effort in terms of presentation<br>You have made a limited attempt to include humour or entertainment<br>Your work is informative, but is not really based around the Bobby the Baked Bean story   |
| 4     | You name and describe a range of jobs involved in making a tin of baked beans<br>You use a range of geographical words including primary, secondary and tertiary<br>You have made a very good attempt to present your work in an interesting and pleasant way<br>You have introduced different characters in the Bobby the Baked Bean story in an entertaining<br>and informative way<br>You have made a good attempt at presenting the work in a story format around the 'Bobby' idea              |
| 5     | You discuss in detail and with accuracy a wide range of jobs involved in making baked beans<br>You use an extensive range of geographical vocabulary including primary, secondary and tertiary<br>and you explain the meaning of such words<br>Your work is presented in an excellent way which is eye-catching and original<br>You have made a real effort to get into the story of Bobby the Baked Bean, including extra<br>characters, emotions and personification (making the story life-like) |
| 6     | Your work is of a higher standard than that described for a level 5 below   |

Source: Private data

This is from the back of a seed packet.



Source: Suttons Seeds

Text F

This is an advertisement for computer games from a rock festival programme.

Play hard. Play fast. Play to win. Play with your mates or play with yourself. **Play online** 

Play for fun. Play for real. Play it straight or play dirty. Play the fool. Play in your tux or play in your pants. Play poker. Play blackjack. Play the big spinning wheel thing. Play at home. Play away. Play instantly. Play to your strengths. Play on their weakness. Play a pair of twos like you're holding a straight. Play at night or play over lunch. Play today. Play like there's no tomorrow.

# When you play, play red

Play with a first deposit match bonus Play at **www.virgin.com/games** 



Text G

This text is taken from The Complete Nonsense Of Edward Lear published in 1846.



There was a Young Lady whose bonnet, Came untied when the birds sate upon it; But she said, 'I don't care! all the birds in the air Are welcome to sit on my bonnet!'



Text H

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