



ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Examination Board

- OCR

Unit 1: H470/01 Exploring Language

Content Overview:

- Analysis of how linguistic choices are affected by context.
- Comparing/analysing the linguistic similarities and differences of texts.
- Exploring linguistic features of written and spoken texts.
- Original writing for a real-world purpose on a topical language issue.

Unit 2: H470/02 Dimensions of Linguistic Variations

Content Overview:

- Analysis of how children acquire language.
- Language in the media.
- How language changes over time.

Unit 3: H470/03 Independent language research

- A 2000-2500 word essay investigating language, theory and context.
- The topic choices for investigation is very broad and should be made based on students own linguistic interests.

End of Course Components

80% exam

1) 2 hours 30 minutes (80 marks)

2) 2 hours and 30 minutes (80 marks)

20% coursework

Useful Websites / Reading Materials

- David Crystal
- Universal teacher.org.uk
- Any broadsheet articles/scholarly research on language and power, gender, technology

Recommended study

- Use silent study sessions to research as much theory about language and how its changes according to gender, power, technology. Also, articles about how language has changed over the last 400 years.
- At home, students should spend at least 3 hours a week researching, observing real life language (written and spoken) and keeping on top of the vast amount of new terminology they will need to succeed on this course.