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**Unit 1: Categorising Texts**

**Final**

***Mark Scheme***

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## ENGB1 Principles of Marking

### Read and follow the instructions below during the marking period:

- read your examiner standardisation and marking information closely before the exam – it is in your library on the AQA extranet
- on the day of the exam, read and digest the exam paper and mark scheme
- always mark POSITIVELY – we are looking for what students know and can do - not searching for error
- be careful and objective when assessing scripts – your marking will be seen by Team Leaders, Principal Examiner, Chief Examiner, teachers, students and parents.

### Mark CONFIDENTIALLY:

- do not mark in public and do not discuss marking with anyone other than senior examiners or AQA staff
- we need to maintain public confidence in what we are doing so to be professional and rigorous is vitally important.

### Mark CLEARLY:

- annotate each answer using all the guidance given on the Model Marked Script (MMS) and the standardisation scripts
- use words/abbreviations rather than just assessment objectives (AOs) in your marginal annotations so we can see precisely why a student has earned credit – see MMS
- on the last page write a processed comment for each AO after flicking back to review your ticks and marginal annotations. Put a mark for each AO in the right hand margin and circle the total for each question – see MMS
- your summative comments must be processed for that particular script; do not just copy phrases from the mark scheme but identify particular features of positive achievement for that response – see standardising scripts/MMS
- don't be rude or sarcastic – remember your potential audiences!

### Mark CONSISTENTLY:

- read the standardising scripts regularly to ensure you are adhering to the same standard throughout the marking period
- refer to the standardising scripts in your comments – for example 'stronger than S2 on context' 'slightly less insightful than S5 when linking AO1 to AO3'
- the last script you mark must be given as much attention as the first.

Now some more specific guidance for this particular paper:

### Task 1

#### Assessment objectives

AO1 – use of language methods/clear communication – 16 marks

AO2 – range and discussion of grouping choices – 16 marks

AO3 – contextual awareness – 16 marks

- be open-minded to the range of approaches taken by students
- schools and colleges are guided by the specification to start by thinking about audience, purpose, genre and language features as potential areas for grouping – all are acceptable
- 'range' of groupings is more about variety than quantity
- quality of discussion will dictate where on the assessment grid you place an answer NOT the number of groupings discussed

- further guidance will be given in the commentaries for the standardising scripts and from your Team Leader.

### **Tasks 2, 3 and 4**

#### **Gender, Power and Technology**

##### **Assessment Objectives**

AO2 – concepts and issues related to the topic – 16 marks

AO3i – contextual awareness – 16 marks

AO3ii – use of language methods – 16 marks

- the different weightings for the AOs are important
- both AOs evaluate students' ability to use knowledge of linguistic approaches in their exploration of the data
- think of AO2 in terms of the learned ideas, theories and concepts that students are using to interpret the data
- think of AO3i in terms of links made to contextual factors such as purpose and audience
- think of AO3ii in terms of linguistic methods chosen to analyse the data
- as with Task 1, accept different approaches – some students use the data as a springboard from which to explore learned knowledge; others will complete a more systematic analysis of language features integrating theoretical ideas as they go
- students should choose one question from the three available – on the rare occasion that more than one is attempted, mark all and reward the strongest
- further guidance will be given in the commentaries for the standardising scripts and from your Team Leader.

**Section A – Text Varieties**

	<b>Skills descriptors</b>	<b>Exemplification</b>	<b>Content descriptors</b>
<b>AO1</b>	<b>Select and apply a range of linguistic methods, to communicate relevant knowledge using appropriate terminology and coherent, accurate written expression</b>		
15-16	<p><b>Systematic</b> and <b>evaluative</b> exploration of data using linguistic methods.</p> <p><b>Accurate</b> and <b>perceptive</b> linguistic knowledge.</p> <p>Appropriate, controlled and <b>accurate expression</b>.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• selects most relevant language methods to explore texts</li> <li>• evaluates systematically</li> <li>• identifies features precisely and consistently</li> <li>• communicates ideas fluently</li> </ul>	<p><b>A Chance encounter at a market</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• greetings</li> <li>• phatic talk</li> <li>• address terms</li> <li>• Q/A discourse structures and some more extended stretches</li> <li>• back-channelling on Mrs Wilson's part</li> <li>• interruptions and overlap</li> <li>• formal and informal lexical choices</li> </ul> <p><b>B BBC poster</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• textual design</li> <li>• typography almost all capitals</li> <li>• direct address</li> <li>• list of rhetorical questions</li> <li>• conditional tense</li> <li>• 1<sup>st</sup> person plural – identity of programme makers as team</li> <li>• modality</li> <li>• simple lexical choices</li> <li>• politeness strategies</li> </ul> <p><b>C Mushrooms make sense advertisement</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• textual design – hand drawn naïve images/ photos/informal typography</li> <li>• represented speech in bubbles</li> <li>• pragmatics of joke in adjacency pair</li> <li>• colloquial voice of narrator as commenting on interchange and subsequent support of the mushroom nutritionally in colloquial and intimate terms</li> <li>• direct address</li> <li>• minor sentences</li> <li>• informal lexical choices</li> <li>• use of dashes in verb phrases</li> <li>• discourse markers</li> <li>• running joke of chicken as a man at end</li> <li>• slogan linked to joke</li> </ul>
11-14	<p>Uses linguistic methods in a <b>systematic</b> way.</p> <p><b>Appropriate</b> and <b>accurate</b> linguistic knowledge.</p> <p>Controlled and <b>accurate expression</b>.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• chooses appropriate language methods to discuss texts</li> <li>• analyses systematically</li> <li>• identifies features accurately</li> <li>• communicates ideas clearly</li> </ul>	
7-10	<p><b>Applies</b> and <b>explores</b> some linguistic methods.</p> <p><b>Some appropriate</b> linguistic knowledge, <b>moves beyond surface</b>.</p> <p><b>Generally accurate</b> written communication.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• chooses some appropriate language methods</li> <li>• mixes analysis and description</li> <li>• identifies some features accurately</li> <li>• writes clearly with some lapses</li> </ul>	

<p>3-6</p>	<p><b>Some linguistic methods</b> applied, but <b>not convincing</b>.</p> <p><b>Limited</b> linguistic knowledge/understanding.</p> <p><b>Some clarity</b> and accuracy in communication.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• shows some evidence of language study</li> <li>• describes with limited discussion</li> <li>• labels features vaguely/with limited accuracy</li> <li>• shows limited clarity</li> </ul>	<p><b>D Conversation about songwriters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• complexity of discourse given the number of speakers</li> <li>• different roles of speakers - M and J as main interlocutors and others as listeners and occasional contributors</li> <li>• use of questions/imperatives to shed doubt on other speakers' opinions</li> <li>• assertion of opinion and expertise</li> <li>• use of proper nouns to assert knowledge/opinion</li> <li>• overlapping</li> <li>• non-fluency</li> </ul> <p><b>E Novel opening</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• role of opening to inform entertain and 'hook' audience</li> <li>• use of precise adverbials to add detail</li> <li>• use of pronoun 'he' and occupation 'the lawyer' rather than naming the character</li> <li>• use of minor sentences</li> <li>• mix of simple and compound sentence structures in opening paragraph</li> <li>• parallel syntax at end</li> <li>• use of past tense</li> <li>• third person narrative voice</li> <li>• omniscience of narrator – foreshadows an event</li> <li>• use of deictic pronouns to increase suspense</li> <li>• interesting use of 2<sup>nd</sup> person 'you'</li> <li>• American lexical choices</li> <li>• discourse – crime fiction genre convention</li> </ul>
<p>1-2</p>	<p>Linguistic methods <b>applied inaccurately</b> or not at all.</p> <p><b>Rudimentary</b> linguistic knowledge.</p> <p><b>Lapses</b> in written communication.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• shows very limited evidence of language study</li> <li>• describes inaccurately</li> <li>• lacks clarity</li> </ul>	<p><b>F American cyclist guide</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• textual design – labelled diagram/emboldening/bullet points</li> <li>• direct address</li> <li>• imperatives</li> <li>• modal verb 'should' to indicate certainty</li> <li>• semantic field cycling</li> <li>• American lexical choices/collocations</li> <li>• concrete nouns</li> <li>• discourse of heading including slogan</li> </ul> <p><b>G BT leaflet</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• text design – intertextuality – like a Lost poster for an animal – conventions continued with Reward at end</li> <li>• looks domestically produced</li> <li>• use of range of typographical strategies</li> <li>• first and second person</li> <li>• use of rhetorical question</li> <li>• imperatives at end</li> <li>• problem/solution discourse structure</li> <li>• positive pre-modification</li> </ul>
<p>0</p>	<p>Nothing written/Unintelligible.</p>		

Marks	Skills descriptors	Exemplification	Content descriptors
<b>AO2</b>	<b>Demonstrate critical understanding of a range of concepts and issues related to the construction and analysis of meanings in spoken and written language, using knowledge of linguistic approaches.</b>		
15-16	<p><b>Conceptualised, tentative</b> discussion of reasons for grouping texts.</p> <p><b>Explores complexities</b> of grouping choices.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• chooses data-led links between texts</li> <li>• makes discerning selection of texts</li> <li>• explores reasons for groupings in detail</li> <li>• explores the complexities of task by differentiating within groups</li> </ul>	<p><b>Purpose</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• persuade</li> <li>• entertain</li> <li>• inform</li> <li>• instruct</li> <li>• interactional</li> <li>• multi-purpose</li> <li>• etc.</li> </ul>
11-14	<p><b>Developed</b> discussion of reasons for grouping.</p> <p><b>Understanding of complexities</b> shown.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• chooses logical groups given the data</li> <li>• makes productive selection of texts</li> <li>• discusses reasons for groupings in detail</li> <li>• considers complexities of task by differentiating within groups</li> </ul>	<p><b>Audience</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• customers</li> <li>• young</li> <li>• public</li> <li>• adults</li> <li>• etc.</li> </ul>
7-10	<p><b>Mix of descriptive and analytical</b> discussion.</p> <p><b>Some awareness</b> of complex nature of grouping task.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• chooses sensible group ideas</li> <li>• makes appropriate selection of texts</li> <li>• discusses groups in straightforward way</li> <li>• may point out some obvious differences</li> </ul>	<p><b>Genre</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• transcript</li> <li>• flyer</li> <li>• advert</li> <li>• etc.</li> </ul>

3-6	<p>Often <b>descriptive</b> reasons given for choices.</p> <p><b>Limited</b> understanding of the task shown.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• uses inflexible group ideas</li> <li>• makes unreflective selection of texts</li> <li>• describes or paraphrases texts</li> <li>• shows limited awareness of nature of task in that links made are routine and basic</li> </ul>	<p><b>Formality</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• informal</li> <li>• formal</li> <li>• mixed formality</li> <li>• etc.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mode</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• rehearsed/planned</li> <li>• highly planned</li> <li>• spontaneous</li> <li>• multi-modal</li> <li>• etc.</li> </ul> <p><b>Representation</b></p> <p>A speaker identities</p> <p>B representation of BBC as friendly/ inviting</p> <p>C representation of product as tasty/healthy</p> <p>D speaker identities as experts</p> <p>E identity of main character and narrator</p> <p>F representation of writer as offering helpful advice/representation of safe cyclist as black/female</p> <p>G representation of writer as offering helpful advice</p> <p><b>Linguistic areas – see AO1 grid</b></p>
1-2	<p><b>Elementary</b> understanding of categorising language.</p> <p>Possibly <b>lists texts</b> under group headings.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• shows limited understanding of the task's requirement</li> <li>• makes unhelpful selection of texts</li> <li>• misunderstands texts</li> <li>• lists groups with limited discussion</li> </ul>	
0	<p>Nothing written.</p> <p>Unintelligible.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• very limited understanding of task</li> <li>• limited understanding of texts</li> </ul>	

Marks	Skills descriptors	Exemplification	Content descriptors
<b>AO3</b>	<b>Analyse and evaluate the influence of contextual factors on the production and reception of spoken and written language, showing knowledge of the key constituents of language.</b>		
15-16	<p><b>Perceptive</b> and <b>insightful exploration</b> of contextual factors.</p> <p><b>Analytical</b> and <b>systematic</b> interpretation of factors and influence of language features.</p> <p><b>Integrated</b> and <b>helpful</b> use of the data to support interpretation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• makes links to contextual factors that are developed and illuminating</li> <li>• makes links to context systematically</li> <li>• embeds exemplification into the body of the response</li> </ul>	<p><b>A Chance encounter at a market</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• interlocutors' roles in sustaining conversation</li> <li>• interactional/interpersonal functions</li> </ul> <p><b>B BBC poster</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• persuade</li> <li>• audience of 18-24 year olds</li> </ul>
11-14	<p><b>Clear understanding</b> of a range of contextual factors.</p> <p><b>Sound analysis</b> and engagement with factors in light of language features.</p> <p><b>Fully supported</b> interpretations.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• makes links regularly to specific contextual factors</li> <li>• makes clear links between language features and context</li> <li>• exemplifies consistently</li> </ul>	<p><b>C Mushrooms make sense advert</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• persuade/entertain</li> <li>• audience of magazine readers</li> </ul> <p><b>D Conversation about songwriters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• interlocutors roles in asserting their opinions/expertise</li> <li>• interactional</li> </ul>
7-10	<p><b>Some consideration</b> and understanding of contextual factors.</p> <p><b>Some awareness</b> of the link between language features and context.</p> <p><b>Generally supported</b> comment.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• considers the context of the data</li> <li>• makes some links between language features and context</li> <li>• exemplifies but may lack consistency</li> </ul>	<p><b>E Novel opening</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• entertain</li> <li>• adult audience</li> </ul>

<p>3-6</p>	<p><b>Awareness of one or two factors</b> influencing data – likely to be <b>broad</b> in focus.</p> <p>Some <b>limited attempt</b> to analyse audience/purpose/genre/context.</p> <p><b>Some illustrated points.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• makes broad and routine links to context</li> <li>• makes some attempt to mention audience and purpose</li> <li>• exemplifies inaccurately or rarely</li> </ul>	<p><b>F American cycle guide</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• instruct/advise</li> <li>• cyclists</li> </ul> <p><b>G BT leaflet</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• persuade</li> <li>• BT customer audience</li> </ul>
<p>1-2</p>	<p><b>Little or no attempt</b> to explore issues of audience/purpose/genre/context.</p> <p><b>Superficial/generalised</b> response to the data.</p> <p>Likely to <b>paraphrase/summarise</b>.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• shows limited awareness of context</li> <li>• takes a broad/descriptive approach</li> <li>• describes what the data is about</li> </ul>	
<p>0</p>	<p>Nothing written.</p> <p>Unintelligible.</p>		

**Section B – Language and Social Contexts**

**EITHER**

**2 Language and Gender**

<b>AO2 Demonstrate critical understanding of a range of concepts and issues related to the construction and analysis of meanings in spoken and written language, using knowledge of linguistic approaches</b>			
<b>Marks</b>	<b>Skills Descriptors</b>	<b>Exemplification</b>	<b>Content Descriptors</b>
<b>15-16</b>	<p><b>Sensitive</b> understanding of a range of issues.</p> <p><b>Conceptualised, tentative</b> discussion of ideas surrounding topic.</p> <p><b>Integrated examples</b> from study which <b>illuminate</b> discussion.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Critically evaluates relevant concepts</li> <li>• Recognises the relevance of other areas of language study</li> <li>• Recognises complexities of representation (e.g. transcripts, stories)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relevant studies linked to gender representation</li> <li>• Stereotypes linked to male concerns: health, fitness, power, strength – linked to the content of the advertisement and graphology</li> <li>• Face theory</li> <li>• Students may refer to relevant ideas from language study, including their own research and observations</li> </ul>
<b>11-14</b>	<p><b>Clear understanding</b> of a range of language concepts and issues.</p> <p><b>Developed</b> discussion of ideas relating to concepts/issues related to topic.</p> <p><b>Explores</b> a range of well-selected examples.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uses the data as a starting point</li> <li>• Selects the most relevant ideas and concepts from learned knowledge</li> <li>• Recognises that AO2 can be challenged</li> <li>• Begins to recognise the relevance of other areas of language study</li> </ul>	
<b>7-10</b>	<p><b>Some awareness</b> of language concepts and issues.</p> <p>A number of concepts/issues discussed – but <b>not fully explored</b>.</p> <p><b>Beginning to select</b> and use salient examples.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tries to fit learned knowledge to the data with partial success</li> <li>• Selects some relevant ideas and concepts but may show more knowledge than relevance</li> <li>• Links AO2 knowledge to features in the data, but may be tenuous or over-generalised</li> <li>• Tends to use the data to ‘prove’ learned knowledge</li> <li>• Considers the area of language study in isolation</li> </ul>	

<p><b>3-6</b></p>	<p><b>Limited</b> number of language concepts highlighted.</p> <p><b>Superficial</b> understanding shown.</p> <p>Often <b>descriptive</b> and/or anecdotal in reference.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Makes reference to learned knowledge but with limited relevance to the data</li> <li>• Cites research and theory with limited accuracy</li> <li>• Focuses on the data in a very limited way</li> </ul>	
<p><b>1-2</b></p>	<p><b>Elementary</b> understanding of language concepts and use.</p> <p><b>More knowledge than relevance</b> shown.</p> <p>Occasional reference to language concepts, but likely to be <b>misunderstood</b>.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Makes isolated reference to learned knowledge</li> <li>• Paraphrases the data</li> <li>• Misunderstands concepts and data</li> </ul>	
<p><b>0</b></p>	<p>Nothing written.</p> <p>Unintelligible.</p>		

<b>AO3i</b> Analyse and evaluate the influence of contextual factors on the production and reception of spoken and written language			
<b>Marks</b>	<b>Skills Descriptors</b>	<b>Exemplification</b>	<b>Content Descriptors</b>
<b>15-16</b>	<b>Perceptive and insightful exploration</b> of contextual factors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explores relevant contextual factors</li> <li>• Recognises the complexities of context</li> <li>• Explores the connections between different aspects of context</li> </ul>	<p><b>Genre:</b> internet advertisement. One of a range of products.</p> <p><b>Purposes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to inform about health and wellbeing</li> <li>• to persuade the audience to purchase the product, using typical persuasive strategies.</li> </ul>
<b>11-14</b>	<b>Clear understanding</b> of a range of contextual factors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identifies relevant contextual factors</li> <li>• Analyses context</li> <li>• Recognises some complexities of context</li> </ul>	<p><b>Audience:</b> male, likely to be interested in health and fitness.</p> <p><b>Representation of male identity</b> as healthy and with an interest in sports/fitness.</p>
<b>7-10</b>	<b>Some consideration</b> and understanding of contextual factors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identifies obvious contextual factors</li> <li>• Begins to analyse</li> </ul>	
<b>3-6</b>	<b>Awareness of one or two factors</b> influencing data – likely to be <b>broad</b> in focus.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Describes obvious context</li> <li>• Demonstrates limited understanding of the bigger picture</li> </ul>	
<b>1-2</b>	<b>Little or no attempt</b> to explore issues of audience/ purpose/genre/context.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paraphrases the given context</li> <li>• Demonstrates little understanding of context</li> </ul>	
<b>0</b>	Nothing written.  Unintelligible.		

<b>AO3ii</b> Knowledge of the key constituents of language			
<b>Marks</b>	<b>Skills Descriptors</b>	<b>Exemplification</b>	<b>Content Descriptors</b>
<b>15-16</b>	<p><b>Analytical</b> and <b>systematic</b> interpretation of factors and influence of language features.</p> <p><b>Integrated</b> and <b>helpful</b> use of the data to support interpretation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selects salient language methods demonstrating understanding of complexities of data</li> <li>• Clusters points to identify significant patterns of use</li> <li>• Embeds exemplification into the body of analysis</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discourse structure: subheadings and enumeration to shape content</li> <li>• Links/navigation tools as part of web based advertisement</li> <li>• Content based on health and fitness</li> <li>• Pseudo-scientific lexis to promote the benefits of the product</li> <li>• Graphology: colour linked to gender identity; sporting image linked to aspirational male roles</li> <li>• Use of positive modifiers</li> <li>• Lexis linked to ‘power’ and ‘strength’, reinforcing typical male stereotypes</li> <li>• Modality to suggest or emphasise health benefits</li> <li>• Complex sentences to explain benefits of the product</li> <li>• Repetition of ‘men’ throughout; absence of pronouns except in header</li> <li>• Repetition of brand name – for advertising purposes</li> </ul>
<b>11-14</b>	<p><b>Sound analysis</b> and engagement with factors in the light of language features.</p> <p><b>Fully supported</b> interpretations.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selects relevant language methods</li> <li>• Clusters points to identify patterns of use</li> <li>• Exemplifies consistently</li> <li>• Shows a consistent degree of accuracy</li> </ul>	
<b>7-10</b>	<p><b>Some awareness</b> of the link between language features and context.</p> <p><b>Generally supported</b> comment.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selects some relevant language methods</li> <li>• Begins to recognise some patterns of use</li> <li>• Exemplifies but may lack a consistent approach</li> <li>• Uses terminology with some accuracy</li> </ul>	

<p><b>3-6</b></p>	<p><b>Limited awareness</b> of the link between language features and context.</p> <p><b>Some illustrated points.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Labels language features with partial relevance</li> <li>• Takes a line-by-line or unsystematic approach</li> <li>• Exemplifies inaccurately or rarely</li> <li>• Uses generalised or imprecise terminology</li> </ul>	
<p><b>1-2</b></p>	<p><b>Superficial/generalised</b> response to the data.</p> <p>Likely to <b>paraphrase/ summarise.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Makes isolated language points</li> <li>• Takes a very descriptive approach</li> <li>• Rarely uses terminology</li> </ul>	
<p><b>0</b></p>	<p>Nothing written.</p> <p>Unintelligible.</p>		

OR

3 Language and Power

<b>AO2 Demonstrate critical understanding of a range of concepts and issues related to the construction and analysis of meanings in spoken and written language, using knowledge of linguistic approaches</b>			
<b>Marks</b>	<b>Skills Descriptors</b>	<b>Exemplification</b>	<b>Content Descriptors</b>
<b>15-16</b>	<p><b>Sensitive</b> understanding of a range of issues.</p> <p><b>Conceptualised, tentative</b> discussion of ideas surrounding topic.</p> <p><b>Integrated examples</b> from study which <b>illuminate</b> discussion.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Critically evaluates relevant concepts</li> <li>• Recognises the relevance of others areas of language study</li> <li>• Recognises complexities of representation (e.g. transcripts, stories)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relevant references to instrumental power</li> <li>• Relevant references to influential power</li> <li>• Awareness of positional power</li> <li>• Asymmetrical power</li> <li>• Power issues surrounding status</li> </ul>
<b>11-14</b>	<p><b>Clear understanding</b> of a <b>range</b> of language concepts and issues.</p> <p><b>Developed</b> discussion of ideas relating to concepts/issues related to topic.</p> <p><b>Explores</b> a range of well-selected examples.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uses the data as a starting point</li> <li>• Selects the most relevant ideas and concepts from learned knowledge</li> <li>• Recognises that AO2 can be challenged</li> <li>• Begins to recognise the relevance of other areas of language study</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Power issues surrounding roles</li> <li>• Power issues regarding hierarchy</li> <li>• Face theories</li> <li>• Politeness strategies</li> <li>• Reference to relevant ILS (e.g. Fairclough, Wareing)</li> </ul>
<b>7-10</b>	<p><b>Some awareness</b> of language concepts and issues.</p> <p>A number of concepts/issues discussed – but <b>not fully explored</b>.</p> <p><b>Beginning to select</b> and use salient examples.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tries to fit learned knowledge to the data with partial success</li> <li>• Selects some relevant ideas and concepts but may show more knowledge than relevance</li> <li>• Links AO2 knowledge to features in the data, but may be tenuous or over-generalised</li> <li>• Tends to use the data to ‘prove’ learned knowledge</li> <li>• Considers the area of language study in isolation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accommodation theory</li> <li>• Power within the discourse</li> <li>• Power behind the discourse</li> <li>• References to own discussion, observations and research</li> </ul>

<p><b>3-6</b></p>	<p><b>Limited</b> number of language concepts highlighted.</p> <p><b>Superficial</b> understanding shown.</p> <p>Often <b>descriptive</b> and/or anecdotal in reference.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Makes reference to learned knowledge but with limited relevance to the data</li> <li>• Cites research and theory with limited accuracy</li> <li>• Focuses on the data in a very limited way</li> </ul>	
<p><b>1-2</b></p>	<p><b>Elementary</b> understanding of language concepts and use.</p> <p><b>More knowledge than relevance</b> shown.</p> <p>Occasional reference to language concepts, but likely to be <b>misunderstood</b>.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Makes isolated reference to learned knowledge</li> <li>• Paraphrases the data</li> <li>• Misunderstands concepts and data</li> </ul>	
<p><b>0</b></p>	<p>Nothing written.</p> <p>Unintelligible.</p>		

<b>AO3i Analyse and evaluate the influence of contextual factors on the production and reception of spoken and written language</b>			
<b>Marks</b>	<b>Skills Descriptors</b>	<b>Exemplification</b>	<b>Content Descriptors</b>
<b>15-16</b>	<b>Perceptive and insightful exploration</b> of contextual factors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explores relevant contextual factors</li> <li>• Recognises the complexities of context</li> <li>• Explores the connections between different aspects of context</li> </ul>	<p><b>Genre:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Speech (spontaneous but probably pre-planned)</li> </ul> <p><b>Purpose of speech:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To inform parents of new students about the school and to support the transition from primary to secondary school</li> <li>• Possible dual purpose of persuasion</li> </ul>
<b>11-14</b>	<b>Clear understanding</b> of a range of contextual factors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identifies relevant contextual factors</li> <li>• Analyses context</li> <li>• Recognises some complexities of context</li> </ul>	<p><b>Audience:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• May have expectations and pre-conceived ideas about the speech, the Headteacher and their overall visit</li> <li>• Some may have previous knowledge about the school</li> <li>• Possible mixed audience (some new to school, others more familiar – may have older children at the school)</li> </ul>
<b>7-10</b>	<b>Some consideration</b> and understanding of contextual factors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identifies obvious contextual factors</li> <li>• Begins to analyse</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Audience have been invited and are there by choice</li> <li>• Parent and child audience but aimed at the adults</li> </ul>
<b>3-6</b>	<b>Awareness of one or two factors</b> influencing data – likely to be <b>broad</b> in focus.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Describes obvious context</li> <li>• Demonstrates limited understanding of the bigger picture</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relationship between speaker and audience</li> </ul>
<b>1-2</b>	<b>Little or no attempt</b> to explore issues of audience/ purpose/genre/context.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paraphrases the given context</li> <li>• Demonstrates little understanding of context</li> </ul>	<p><b>Formal context</b></p> <p><b>School environment in the evening</b></p>
<b>0</b>	Nothing written. Unintelligible.		<p><b>Role of speaker</b></p>

<b>AO3ii</b> Knowledge of the key constituents of language			
<b>Marks</b>	<b>Skills Descriptors</b>	<b>Exemplification</b>	<b>Content Descriptors</b>
<b>15-16</b>	<p><b>Analytical</b> and <b>systematic</b> interpretation of factors and influence of language features.</p> <p><b>Integrated</b> and <b>helpful</b> use of the data to support interpretation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selects salient language methods demonstrating understanding of complexities of data</li> <li>• Clusters points to identify significant patterns of use</li> <li>• Embeds exemplification into the body of analysis</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First person (and no self-introduction)</li> <li>• Second person direct address</li> <li>• Inclusive language involving parents (e.g. “you all”)</li> <li>• Inclusive language involving all school staff (e.g. pronouns “we” and “our”)</li> <li>• Pre-modifiers including some repetition (e.g. “really really”, “very very”)</li> <li>• Superlatives</li> <li>• Comparatives</li> <li>• Adverb choices</li> <li>• Facts/statistics</li> <li>• Positive lexical choices (e.g. “delighted”, “excited”)</li> <li>• Question/Answer structure in places</li> <li>• Limited non-fluency features</li> <li>• Repetitive syntax structures</li> <li>• Juxtaposing phrases (minimal... maximum...)</li> <li>• Modal verbs</li> </ul>
<b>11-14</b>	<p><b>Sound analysis</b> and engagement with factors in the light of language features.</p> <p><b>Fully supported</b> interpretations.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selects relevant language methods</li> <li>• Clusters points to identify patterns of use</li> <li>• Exemplifies consistently</li> <li>• Shows a consistent degree of accuracy</li> </ul>	
<b>7-10</b>	<p><b>Some awareness</b> of the link between language features and context.</p> <p><b>Generally supported</b> comment.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selects some relevant language methods</li> <li>• Begins to recognise some patterns of use</li> <li>• Exemplifies but may lack a consistent approach</li> <li>• Uses terminology with some accuracy</li> </ul>	
<b>3-6</b>	<p><b>Limited awareness</b> of the link between language features and context.</p> <p><b>Some illustrated points.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Labels language features with partial relevance</li> <li>• Takes a line-by-line or unsystematic approach</li> <li>• Exemplifies inaccurately or rarely</li> <li>• Uses generalised or imprecise terminology</li> </ul>	
<b>1-2</b>	<p><b>Superficial/generalised</b> response to the data.</p> <p>Likely to <b>paraphrase/ summarise.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Makes isolated language points</li> <li>• Takes a very descriptive approach</li> <li>• Rarely uses terminology</li> </ul>	

<b>0</b>	Nothing written.  Unintelligible.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Isolated switch in register including informal lexis choices (“kids”, “mummy”)</li><li>• Some lexis from field of education</li><li>• Politeness markers</li></ul>
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OR

4 Language and Technology

<b>AO2 Demonstrate critical understanding of a range of concepts and issues related to the construction and analysis of meanings in spoken and written language, using knowledge of linguistic approaches</b>			
<b>Marks</b>	<b>Skills Descriptors</b>	<b>Exemplification</b>	<b>Content Descriptors</b>
<b>15-16</b>	<p><b>Sensitive</b> understanding of a range of issues.</p> <p><b>Conceptualised, tentative</b> discussion of ideas surrounding topic.</p> <p><b>Integrated examples</b> from study which <b>illuminate</b> discussion.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Critically evaluates relevant concepts</li> <li>• Recognises the relevance of other areas of language study</li> <li>• Recognises complexities of representation (e.g. transcripts, stories)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• References to relevant areas of language study</li> <li>• References to own discussion, observations and research</li> <li>• Conventions of podcasts</li> <li>• Discussion of evolving and developing technology – the recent rise of podcasts</li> </ul>
<b>11-14</b>	<p><b>Clear understanding</b> of a <b>range</b> of language concepts and issues.</p> <p><b>Developed</b> discussion of ideas relating to concepts/issues related to topic.</p> <p><b>Explores</b> a range of well-selected examples.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uses the data as a starting point</li> <li>• Selects the most relevant ideas and concepts from learned knowledge</li> <li>• Recognises that AO2 can be challenged</li> <li>• Begins to recognise the relevance of other areas of language study</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Link to conventions of radio – possible similarities/differences to this media form</li> <li>• Interactive aspect of technology</li> </ul>
<b>7-10</b>	<p><b>Some awareness</b> of language concepts and issues.</p> <p>A number of concepts/issues discussed – but <b>not fully explored</b>.</p> <p><b>Beginning to select</b> and use salient examples.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tries to fit learned knowledge to the data with partial success</li> <li>• Selects some relevant ideas and concepts but may show more knowledge than relevance</li> <li>• Links AO2 knowledge to features in the data, but may be tenuous or over-generalised</li> <li>• Tends to use the data to ‘prove’ learned knowledge</li> <li>• Considers the area of language study in isolation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Affordances of this form of technology</li> <li>• Constraints of this form of technology</li> <li>• References to different roles with possible power link</li> </ul>

<p><b>3-6</b></p>	<p><b>Limited</b> number of language concepts highlighted.</p> <p><b>Superficial</b> understanding shown.</p> <p>Often <b>descriptive</b> and/or anecdotal in reference.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Makes reference to learned knowledge but with limited relevance to the data</li> <li>• Cites research and theory with limited accuracy</li> <li>• Focuses on the data in a very limited way</li> </ul>	
<p><b>1-2</b></p>	<p><b>Elementary</b> understanding of language concepts and use.</p> <p><b>More knowledge than relevance</b> shown.</p> <p>Occasional reference to language concepts, but likely to be <b>misunderstood</b>.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Makes isolated reference to learned knowledge</li> <li>• Paraphrases the data</li> <li>• Misunderstands concepts and data</li> </ul>	
<p><b>0</b></p>	<p>Nothing written.</p> <p>Unintelligible.</p>		

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<b>15-16</b>	<b>Perceptive and insightful exploration</b> of contextual factors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explores relevant contextual factors</li> <li>• Recognises the complexities of context</li> <li>• Explores the connections between different aspects of context</li> </ul>	<p><b>Genre:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Podcast</li> </ul> <p><b>Purpose:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dual purpose to inform and entertain</li> </ul> <p><b>Audience:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Although available to all possibly aimed at a more specialist audience</li> <li>• May have shared and assumed knowledge</li> <li>• Formal context – BBC</li> <li>• Linked to national radio station</li> <li>• Perceptions and expectations of BBC</li> <li>• Free download – available to all web users</li> <li>• Easy access through BBC website</li> <li>• May have been advertised on BBC radio directing listeners to the website</li> <li>• Scripted</li> <li>• Edited</li> <li>• Not a live broadcast</li> <li>• May only be available for a limited amount of time</li> <li>• Can be listened to via the website or downloaded and listened to at a later date on another device</li> </ul>
<b>11-14</b>	<b>Clear understanding</b> of a range of contextual factors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identifies relevant contextual factors</li> <li>• Analyses context</li> <li>• Recognises some complexities of context</li> </ul>	
<b>7-10</b>	<b>Some consideration</b> and understanding of contextual factors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identifies obvious contextual factors</li> <li>• Begins to analyse</li> </ul>	
<b>3-6</b>	<b>Awareness of one or two factors</b> influencing data – likely to be <b>broad</b> in focus.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Describes obvious context</li> <li>• Demonstrates limited understanding of the bigger picture</li> </ul>	
<b>1-2</b>	<b>Little or no attempt</b> to explore issues of audience/ purpose/genre/context.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paraphrases the given context</li> <li>• Demonstrates little understanding of context</li> </ul>	
<b>0</b>	Nothing written.  Unintelligible.		

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<b>Marks</b>	<b>Skills Descriptors</b>	<b>Exemplification</b>	<b>Content Descriptors</b>
<b>15-16</b>	<p><b>Analytical</b> and <b>systematic</b> interpretation of factors and influence of language features.</p> <p><b>Integrated</b> and <b>helpful</b> use of the data to support interpretation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selects salient language methods demonstrating understanding of complexities of data</li> <li>• Clusters points to identify significant patterns of use</li> <li>• Embeds exemplification into the body of analysis</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initially first person with self-introduction</li> <li>• Imperatives</li> <li>• Pronouns to involve (e.g. “your say”)</li> </ul>
<b>11-14</b>	<p><b>Sound analysis</b> and engagement with factors in the light of language features.</p> <p><b>Fully supported</b> interpretations.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selects relevant language methods</li> <li>• Clusters points to identify patterns of use</li> <li>• Exemplifies consistently</li> <li>• Shows a consistent degree of accuracy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discourse structure – introducing what is to follow; closing statement</li> <li>• Mixed register</li> </ul>
<b>7-10</b>	<p><b>Some awareness</b> of the link between language features and context.</p> <p><b>Generally supported</b> comment.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selects some relevant language methods</li> <li>• Begins to recognise some patterns of use</li> <li>• Exemplifies but may lack a consistent approach</li> <li>• Uses terminology with some accuracy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mix of formal and informal (e.g. “up for it”) lexis from presenter – however, mainly formal</li> <li>• Features of spontaneous speech such as non-fluency features in audio clips (e.g. voiced pauses and fillers)</li> </ul>
<b>3-6</b>	<p><b>Limited awareness</b> of the link between language features and context.</p> <p><b>Some illustrated points.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Labels language features with partial relevance</li> <li>• Takes a line-by-line or unsystematic approach</li> <li>• Exemplifies inaccurately or rarely</li> <li>• Uses generalised or imprecise terminology</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elision in audio clips</li> <li>• Informal lexis in audio clips</li> <li>• Discourse marker</li> </ul>

<p><b>1-2</b></p>	<p><b>Superficial/generalised</b> response to the data.  Likely to <b>paraphrase/ summarise</b>.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Makes isolated language points</li> <li>• Takes a very descriptive approach</li> <li>• Rarely uses terminology</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lexical field of music</li> <li>• Repetition (e.g. 'six music'; 'daily music news')</li> <li>• No non-fluency features in presenter talk</li> <li>• Use of jingles/music (and music continuing to play during spoken sections)</li> <li>• Pre-modifiers</li> <li>• Conditional</li> </ul>
<p><b>0</b></p>	<p>Nothing written.  Unintelligible.</p>		