

## AS ENGLISH LANGUAGE

### Paper 2 Language varieties

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Monday 22 May 2023

Morning

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

#### Materials

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 12-page answer book.

#### Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Paper Reference** is 7701/2.
- There are **two** sections:
  - Section A: Language diversity
  - Section B: Language discourses.
- Answer **either** Question 1 **or** Question 2 from Section A. Answer Question 3 from Section B.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

#### Information

- The maximum mark for this paper is 70.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- There are 30 marks for **either** Question 1 **or** Question 2. There are 40 marks for Question 3.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
  - use good English
  - organise information clearly
  - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

#### Advice

- It is recommended that you use:
  - about 40 minutes writing your Section A answer
  - about 50 minutes writing your Section B answer.

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**Section A****Language diversity**

Answer **one** question from this section.

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**Either**

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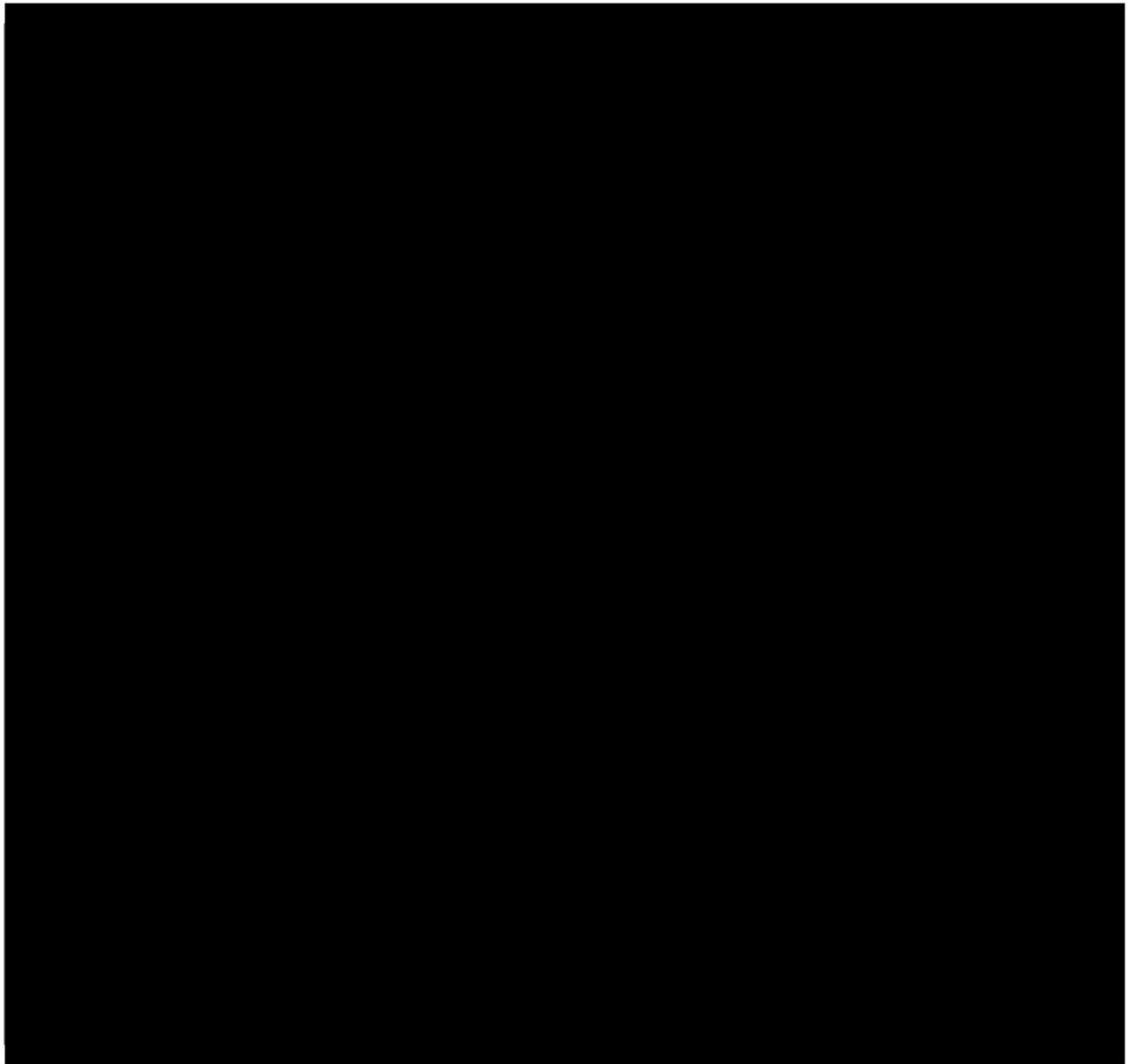
Discuss the idea that workplace jargon is a big problem.

In your answer you should discuss concepts and issues from language study.  
You should use your own supporting examples and the data in **Text A**, below.

**Text A** is a shortened version of an article published on *Huffpost*.

**[30 marks]**

**Text A**



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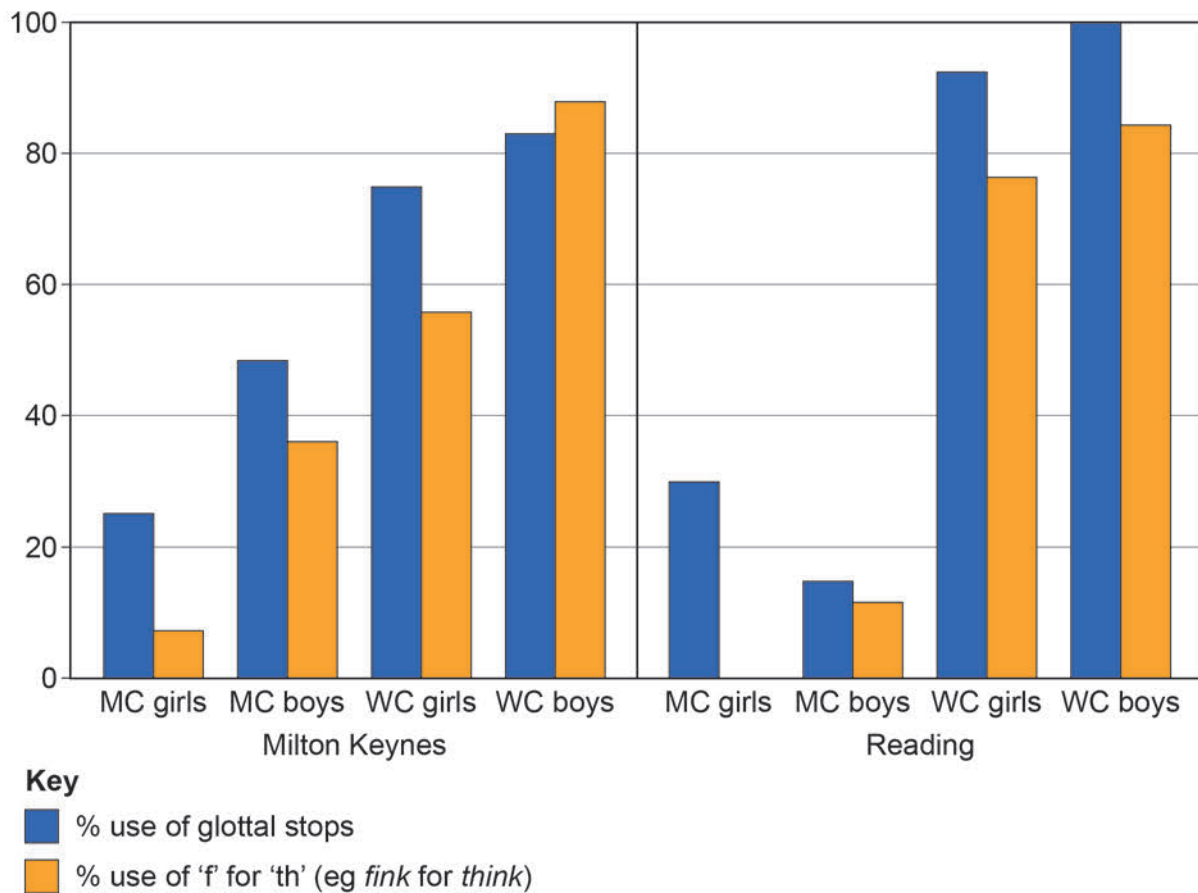
Discuss the idea that accents are influenced by social factors as well as regional factors.

In your answer you should discuss concepts and issues from language study. You should use your own supporting examples and the data in **Figure 1**, below.

**Figure 1** is a graph showing how often middle-class (MC) and working-class (WC) girls and boys in Milton Keynes and Reading used two non-standard consonant pronunciations.

[30 marks]

Figure 1



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**Section B**  
**Language discourses**  
Answer Question 3.

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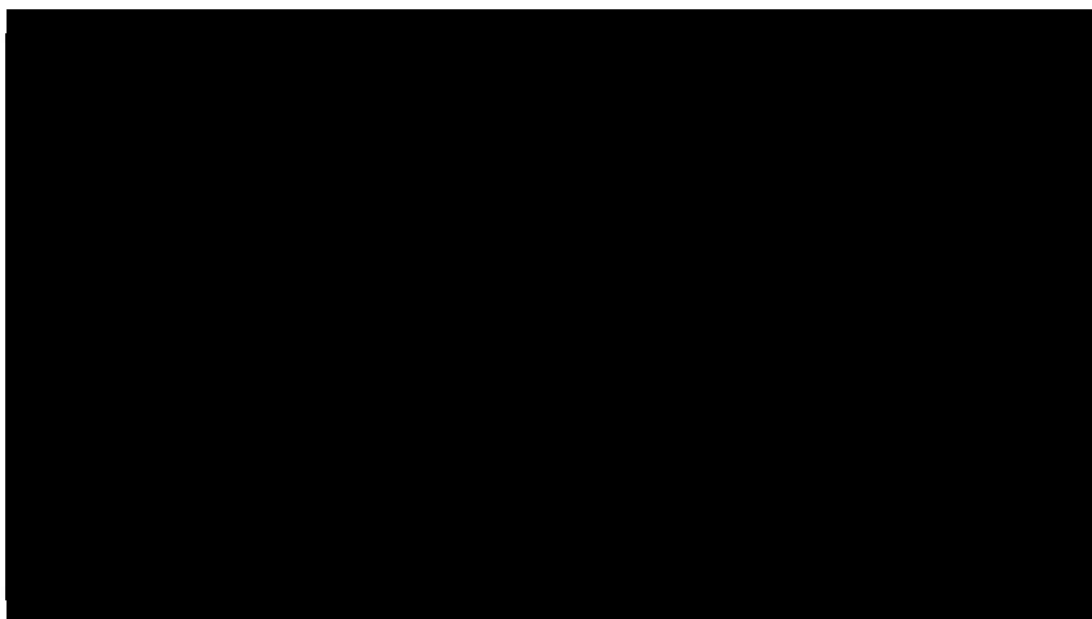
**Text B** is the beginning of an article published on *Medium*, an online platform where you can read and share good ideas.

Write a newspaper article in which you discuss the idea that gender-specific words matter.

Before writing your article you should state your intended audience.

**[40 marks]**

**Text B**



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**END OF QUESTIONS**

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