

A2 English Language Summer Homework



Preparation for the Language Investigation coursework over the summer will be invaluable next year. Over these 4 weeks students were asked to:

1. Read the chapter in the Cambridge textbook on Investigations.
2. Research topics for your investigation and choose a topic and a type of approach.
3. Meet again with Lecturer to discuss these choices. Agree next target.
4. Fill in the worksheet. Write your hypothesis (a statement that you want to prove or disprove).
5. Find raw data on your topic. This should be a mixture of material not analysed by anyone before and could be recordings, transcribed versions of these, old texts – see British Library website, scanned/photocopied material ideally from primary sources (past family letters, school reports etc).
6. Create and conduct a questionnaire (if appropriate).
7. Begin analysing the data. Work out a list of linguistic features you will explore/ have identified. It is helpful to do this by colour coding features you annotate under the Frameworks of Language (Lexis, semantics, phonology, grammar, discourse, pragmatics).

Bring all work to class in September.

Resources:

Password will be re-assigned in September for the Cambridge elevate e- book version of the course textbook. However, you may find it very helpful to have your own hard copy of the Cambridge AQA approved student book *AS/A Level English Language* textbook. Look out for used copies online (ISBN 978-1-107-46558-9). Purchase a folder, dividers, highlighters, pens and paper and bring to the first lesson.