

Paper 4 question 1

INTRODUCTION

- Depending on the topic of the article (most often the spread of English,

E.g. The English language has been bearing the informal title of a global language for a long time. It is the world's lingua franca thus it is widely spoken. Due to being used daily by multiple nationalities and people around the globe, the status of English is constantly changing. The given extract from ... displays numerous issues related to the mentioned status of English while referring to ... Such issues will be discussed in the following points.

ISSUE 1

- The spread of English through colonisation / globalisation and the consequences of it - linguistic imperialism (Phillipson) / language steamroller (Diamond) / killer language (Pakir) / language death + UNESCO (five stages of language endangerment)

ISSUE 2

- The creation of New Varieties of English + Kachru's circles model (briefly explain what it is: the model which explains how English is used across the globe) - if the words from the languages from the countries in the outer and expanding circles are being accepted into OED (codification of words) this might mean that these countries are moving towards the inner circle (Kachru's model might no longer be applicable)

ISSUE 3

- Whatever you get in the article (examples of words introduced in the article)

CONCLUSION

- How will the use of English change in the future - will it keep its dominant position in the world, will all the new varieties become regarded as equal, will all the new varieties be mutually intelligible