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Master Entry Test - Example Paper

Essay (1 hour)

Write approximately 1.5 - 2 pages on one of the following topics.

You may use a monolingual English dictionary.

1. Linguistics:

Describe some differences between your native language and the English language (e.g. lexis, grammar, word-formation, script).

2. Literature:

Describe the work of a 20th century novelist and evaluate its importance.

3. North American Cultural Studies:

How does the American system of presidential elections ensure the democratic rights of the people?

4. British Cultural Studies:

According to the Mail Online, Great Britain is still a class-ridden society. Explain this phenomenon, tracing its development and its manifestations in modern society. (www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-400130/Britain-class-ridden-society.html)

5. Teaching methodology:

What role does formal grammar teaching have in the English classroom of today?

6. Sprachpraxis

Language competence can only be gained from living in the country. To what extent do you agree with this thesis?