

A Level English Language – Year 12 induction lesson.

Language in the 21st century.

Read the corpus below:

When my youngest brother was little, he was being bullied and went to my parents for help. They told him, “Sticks and stone may break my bones...”. They then told him to finish the phrase. He said, “...but chains and whips excite me.” He srsly thought that was the second part.

My organs: ...water... pls

Me, pouring a glass of wine: come get y'all juice!!

Told my boyfriend I was going to start my period and he said, “AGAIN?!”

It's like, you know what, you're right, I'm cancelling my subscription.

Why do aeroplane tickets have to be so expensive!! Having separate continent is so stupid retweet if you miss Pangea.

I told this dude my name was Veronika 'with a K' but when I looked at his phone he'd put me in as Keronica...

First thoughts:

Use your Standard and Non-standard English Need to Know to make some initial observations about the data in the corpus. Using precise AO1 terminology is essential for success in A Level English Language so it is good to practise this skill now.

The language of 'Love Island'.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D6gLxMrfaVk>

As we watch the video clip, notes down examples of slang that appear within the contestants' sociolect:

Thinking about the tweets and the examples of slang that you have taken from 'Love Island', how would you summarise what is being revealed about language use in the 21st century?

Your summer work:

- *Revise the glossary of 'Spoken Language' terminology.
- *Revise the Standard and Non-standard English Knowledge Organiser.

Remember to choose the revision strategy that is right for you. You can do some or all of the following:

- Use dual coding.
- Create flashcards on paper or using an app like Quizlet.
- Look, cover, write down what you can and then check what you missed. Highlight what you missed in a new colour so that you know what your weaker areas are.
- Practise explaining the key terms to a friend or family member. Articulating something verbally can really help it to sink in.

