ℹ **Information sheet**

This is a 4-hour written examination.

You must submit your answer in English.

Answer two of the questions. Write at least 300 words in answer to each question. Note: You will lose points if you answer more than two of the questions.

You may represent special characters by spelling them out; e.g. 'thorn' for the Runic character by that name, or 'long-i' for the phoneme by that name.

What you write will be stored automatically every 15 seconds.

You are not allowed to use any aids, such as a monolingual English dictionary or a thesaurus.

1   # Exam questions

1. Describe the influence of French on Middle English in relation to lexis (vocabulary), derivational morphology (word-formation), **or** inflectional morphology.

2. Give examples of dialectal distributions relevant to a characterisation of Middle English.

3. Nikolaus Ritt discusses the Romance and Germanic Stress Rules. Give an account of what the two rules are and give examples of how they affected the native and borrowed lexicon (vocabulary).

4. A standard language is often characterised as possessing 'maximal variation in function, minimal variation in form'. Discuss **either** the extent to which Middle English showed 'maximal variation in function' **or** the extent to which Middle English showed 'minimal variation in form'.

5. What happened to the subjunctive mood during the Middle English period?

Answer **two** of the questions using the boxes provided below. Write **at least 300 words** in answer to each question.

Fill in your answer here...

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