Sapienza Università di Roma LCLT3 ENGLISH LETTORATO EXAM

| SURNAME: | | FIRST NAME: | | | | |
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| MATRIC.: | Laureanda/o | (Please state on your answer paper also) | | | | |

2 hours. No dictionaries allowed.

Part 1: Discourse

Match the segments in column A with those in B and then write the text in a logical order as a single cohesive text <u>on your answer paper</u>. The first and last items of the original text are in **bold.**

| A. | B. | DO NOT |
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| Country music is defined by some broad themes | the accent of the singer is the most essential component of country music. Accents | WRITE HERE |
| of accents and dialects in turn can help us to interpret musical | more specific musical elements, such as | |
| as a southern "drawl" or "twang". SAE, in which | Although she speaks with a more southern accent, Beyoncé delivers much of her | |
| where AAVE converges with the musical formula of country music, | of Southern American English (SAE). This is sometimes referred to | |
| becomes "all y'all", is also often synonymous with the "whiteness" of country music. | as a crucial part of her "performative persona" and it is here, | |
| chord structures, melodies and harmonies. But arguably, | performance. One of the unifying pillars | |
| In this song, Beyoncé playfully mixes aural identifiers of both "blackness" | plural "you" becomes "ya'll", and "all of you" | /20 |
| work in another dialect. African American Vernacular English (AAVE) has been described | our identity in everyday communication. Analysis | 0 |
| of style across the various subgenres of American country music is the sound | including instrumentation, the subjects of the songs and the venues | |
| in which it is usually performed. There are also | that the real genius of Cowboy Carter emerges on tracks such as Texas Hold 'Em. | |
| and dialect help us to express | and "whiteness" to create something new. | |

Part 2: Error correction

There are 10 errors in this text. Underline them and provide the correction, 1 word only, on the right in BLOCK CAPITAL LETTERS in chronological order. For error-free lines or an extra word put '0'. Examples are provided below.

| The state of Massachusetts has became the latest front in a long |
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| battle in the United States over whether ride-share drivers for Uber |
| and Lyft should be treated as independent contractors or employee |
| entitled to benefits and wage protections. The state's top court will |
| hears arguments on Monday over whether to let duelling ballot |
| measures in Novembor, at the latest, go before local voters. These |
| would measures redefine the relationship between app-based drivers |
| and companys such as Uber, Lyft, Instacart, and DoorDash, whose |
| businesses help fuel the gig worker economie. An industry-backed |
| proposal should treat app-based drivers for these companies such as |

Corrections: 1. ___BECOME____ 2. ___0__ 3. ____ 4. ____ 5. ____ 6. ____ 7. ____ 8. ____ 9. ____ 10. ____

| indipendent contractors entitled to some new benefits but would make clearly they are not employees. A labour-backed proposal would allow Uber and Lyft drivers to be unionise. | 11 12 13 | |
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Part 3: Essay

Choose one of the following titles and write 300-350 words indicating clearly which question, 1/2/3, you are answering below on your answer sheet.

- 1. Do you believe new media platforms have positively or negatively impacted the linguistic representation of marginalised communities?
- 2. In your opinion, is cultural appropriation an unavoidable consequence of globalization in the music and media industries, or should more stringent measures be taken to protect marginalized cultures?
- 3. Do you think the incorporation of dialects and slang is essential for effective language acquisition, or does it merely present unnecessary challenges for learners?

| PLEASE DO NOT WRITE IN THIS GRID | | | | | | | | |
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| Lexical Range | | 4 | 6 | 8 | 10 | | | |
| Grammatical range | | 4 | 6 | 8 | 10 | | | |
| Complexity of language at word and sentence levels | | 4 | 6 | 8 | 10 | | | |
| Accuracy of grammar and vocabulary | | 4 | 6 | 8 | 10 | | | |
| Accuracy of register, punctuation and spelling | | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | | | |
| Discourse: linking, transitions, paragraph development | | 4 | 6 | 8 | 10 | | | |
| Task achievement | | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | | | |
| NOTES: | | | | | | | | |
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