

Unit 1: Section B
Contemporary English (corpus of data)

Using your knowledge of contemporary English, analyse and evaluate the ways in which writers use language in the YouTube comments. [25]

TEXT 1 (conspiracy theorist)
astrobollox

"You can see how hard the acceleration is...." yeah that hard that the guy on the right can scribble away on a notepad

TEXT 2 (conspiracy theorist)
GeoShifter

they are deceiving the masses with these fake space missions. ESA¹ is a fraud

TEXT 3 (a Russian observer)
михаил смальков²

I am pleased that the achievement of our engineers and scientists has brought so much joy to these children³. From Russia

TEXT 4 (student)
lct7192000

Wooooohooooooo! We're so busy fighting and hating on this earth and THIS is what we should be focusing on!

TEXT 5 (parent)
christi simpson

Moments like this i love to see, moments like this wee should be working harder to see more often and its moments like this wee should be leaving for our children, thats our childrens future out there, i'd say it was time to knuckle down an help them grab it

TEXT 6 (U.S. citizen)
Power Howard

Yes Tim.. Get in there!! You the Man.. Thumbs up!!

TEXT 7 (political activist)

Lord Fwah Fnah Singeon Smythe Dash Foretescue

Nice rocket bro, now how about feeding the children down on earth?

TEXT 8 (academic)
Ruben Martin

Seeing things like this makes me realise how insignificant we all are, and how our lives are meaningless