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Hjelpemiddel/Study aids:	English Dictionary
Merknader/Please note:	Svar på ett spørsmål. Answer one question.
Vedlegg/Appendix:	Ingen/None

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Answer ONE of the following questions (Suggested length 1500 words):

1. 'Throughout the history of the Norwegian-American community, the relation of English and Norwegian has involved an element of controversy.' (Einar Haugen). This struggle affected the development of schools, churches, newspapers and other institutions and created tensions in families. Describe how the language controversy was portrayed in the novel *Peder Victorious.* Discuss the arguments for and against preserving the mother tongue as reflected by main characters in the novel. Finally, give several examples of how the struggle affected institutions in the historical Norwegian-American community.

2. Write a character analysis of Astrid Holm, the protagonist in *The Saloonkeeper's Daughter.* Your essay should include a discussion of the novel's main themes. Explain also how these themes differ from other works from the syllabus.