



Key Stage 3

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Paper 1 Explorations in creative reading and writing

Year 7 Pack 2

Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes

Materials

- **Source A** – provided as a loose insert.

Instructions

- Answer **all** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided.
- Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 80.
- There are 40 marks for **Section A** and 40 marks for **Section B**.

Advice

- Spend about 15 minutes reading through the Source and all five questions.
- Leave enough time to check your answers.

Forename:

Surname:

School:

Section A: Reading

Answer **all** questions in this section.

You are advised to spend about 45 minutes on this section.

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Read again the first part of the Source from **lines 1 to 4**.

List **four** things about McNulty from this part of the Source.

[4 marks]

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

4 _____

He took it in his hands, spread his legs, bent his knees and lifted it to his thighs and let it rest there. 'Could he?' he said through gritted teeth. There were tears of strain in his eyes. He groaned, lifted again, a sudden jerk that took the cartwheel high. We gasped. We backed away. He leaned his head back and rested the wheel on his brow so that it stood above him, with the sun and the bridge caught in its ring. He shuffled on the cobbles, balancing himself with his elbows wide and his hands gripping the rim of steel. He grunted and hissed. Then he lifted the cartwheel free and let it fall with a crash and the whole earth seemed to shake.

He glared at us. He blinked, wiped his tears away.

'See? See what a man can do?'

You could include the writer's choice of:

- [8 marks]**

This image shows a blank sheet of white paper with horizontal ruling lines. The lines are evenly spaced and extend across the width of the page. There are no margins, text, or other markings on the paper.

The text is from an early section of the novel.

How has the writer structured the text to interest you as a reader?

- what the writer focuses your attention on at the beginning
- how and why the writer changes this focus as the Source develops
- any other structural features that interest you.

[8 marks]

[illegible]

Section B: Writing

You are advised to spend about 45 minutes on this section.

Write in full sentences.

You are reminded of the need to plan your answer.

You should leave enough time to check your work at the end.

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Your school wants to display some creative writing.

Either:

Write a description of a street performance as suggested by this picture:



Or:

Write a story which begins: It was the most amazing thing I ever saw...

(24 marks for content and organisation

16 marks for technical accuracy)

[40 marks]

[illegible]

There are no questions printed on this page

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