

2021 HSC English Advanced — Paper 2 Marking Guidelines

Section I — Module A: Textual Conversations

Question 1 (a)-1 (g)

Criteria	Marks
Skilfully explains how the two extracts provided contribute to a broader textual conversation between the pair of prescribed texts	
Demonstrates a well-informed understanding of context, language, form and ideas using well-selected and detailed textual references	17–20
Composes a thoughtful response using language appropriate to audience, purpose and form	
Effectively explains how the two extracts provided contribute to a broader textual conversation between the pair of prescribed texts	
Demonstrates an informed understanding of context, language, form and ideas using detailed textual references	13–16
Composes an effective response using language appropriate to audience, purpose and form	
Explains how the two extracts provided contribute to a broader textual conversation between the pair of prescribed texts	
Demonstrates an understanding of context, language, form and ideas using some textual references	9–12
Composes a sound response using language appropriate to audience, purpose and form	
Describes some aspects of the prescribed text(s) and/or the extracts	
Demonstrates some understanding of context, language, form and ideas with limited textual references	5–8
Composes a limited response to the question	
Attempts to describe aspects of the prescribed text(s)	1–4
Attempts to compose a response to the question	I 4

Section II — Module B: Critical Study of Literature

Question 2

Criteria	Marks
Skilfully evaluates the extent to which the statement is true of their prescribed text	
Demonstrates a well-informed understanding of context, language, form and ideas using well-selected and detailed textual references	17–20
Composes a thoughtful response using language appropriate to audience, purpose and form	
Effectively evaluates the extent to which the statement is true of their prescribed text	
Demonstrates an informed understanding of context, language, form and ideas using detailed textual references	13–16
 Composes an effective response using language appropriate to audience, purpose and form 	
Evaluates the extent to which the statement is true of their prescribed text	
Demonstrates an understanding of context, language, form and ideas using some textual references	9–12
Composes a sound response using language appropriate to audience, purpose and form	
Responds to some aspects of the statement	
Demonstrates some understanding of the prescribed text with limited textual references	5–8
Composes a limited response	
Attempts to describe aspects of the prescribed text	1–4
Attempts to compose a response to the question	1—4

Section III — Module C: The Craft of Writing

Question 3 (a)

Cı	Marks	
•	Composes a highly engaging piece of writing that effectively uses the stimulus as a central metaphor	
•	Crafts language skilfully to compose a piece of writing with a central metaphor	9–10
•	Demonstrates highly effective control of language and structure appropriate to audience, purpose, context and selected form	
•	Composes an engaging piece of writing that uses the stimulus as a central metaphor	
•	Crafts language effectively to compose a piece of writing with a central metaphor	7–8
•	Demonstrates effective control of language and structure appropriate to audience, purpose, context and selected form	
•	Composes a piece of writing that adequately uses the stimulus	
•	Uses language competently to compose a piece of writing	5–6
•	Demonstrates sound control of language and structure appropriate to audience, purpose, context and selected form	3
•	Composes a limited piece of writing that attempts to respond to the question	3–4
•	Demonstrates variable control of language and structure	
•	Attempts to compose a piece of writing with some relevance to the question	1–2

Question 3 (b)

Criteria		
•	Provides a considered evaluation of the creative decisions made in their piece of writing in part (a), with relevant textual references	
•	Provides a considered evaluation of how the study of figurative language in The Craft of Writing influenced their writing in part (a), making well-selected references to one or more prescribed texts	9–10
•	Demonstrates skilful control of language	
•	Provides an evaluation of the creative decisions made in their piece of writing in part (a), with appropriate textual references	
•	Provides an evaluation of how the study of figurative language in The Craft of Writing influenced their writing in part (a), making appropriate references to one or more prescribed texts	7–8
•	Demonstrates effective control of language	
•	Provides an explanation of the creative decisions made in their piece of writing in part (a)	
•	Provides an explanation of their study of figurative language in The Craft of Writing, making reference to one or more prescribed texts	5–6
•	Demonstrates sound control of language	
•	Describes some language features in their piece of writing in part (a)	
•	Attempts to explain some aspects of their study of The Craft of Writing, with limited reference to a prescribed text	3–4
•	Demonstrates limited control of language	
•	Provides some relevant information about their writing in part (a) and/or The Craft of Writing	1–2

2021 HSC English Advanced — Paper 2 Mapping Grid

Section I — Module A: Textual Conversations

Question	Marks	Content	Syllabus outcomes
1 (a)	20	Textual Conversations — Shakespearean Drama and Film	EA12-1, EA12-3, EA12-5, EA12-6, EA12-7, EA12-8
1 (b)	20	Textual Conversations — Prose Fiction and Film	EA12-1, EA12-3, EA12-5, EA12-6, EA12-7, EA12-8
1 (c)	20	Textual Conversations — Prose Fiction and Prose Fiction	EA12-1, EA12-3, EA12-5, EA12-6, EA12-7, EA12-8
1 (d)	20	Textual Conversations — Poetry and Drama	EA12-1, EA12-3, EA12-5, EA12-6, EA12-7, EA12-8
1 (e)	20	Textual Conversations — Poetry and Film	EA12-1, EA12-3, EA12-5, EA12-6, EA12-7, EA12-8
1 (f)	20	Textual Conversations — Poetry and Poetry	EA12-1, EA12-3, EA12-5, EA12-6, EA12-7, EA12-8
1 (g)	20	Textual Conversations — Shakespearean Drama and Prose Fiction	EA12-1, EA12-3, EA12-5, EA12-6, EA12-7, EA12-8

Section II — Module B: Critical Study of Literature

Question	Marks	Content	Syllabus outcomes
2	20	Critical Study of Literature	EA12-1, EA12-3, EA12-5, EA12-7, EA12-8

Section III — Module C: The Craft of Writing

Question	Marks	Content	Syllabus outcomes
3 (a)	10	The Craft of Writing	EA12-1, EA12-3, EA12-4, EA12-5
3 (b)	10	The Craft of Writing	EA12-1, EA12-3, EA12-4, EA12-5, EA12-9

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