

# SPRINGBOARD ENGLISH TEXTUAL POWER SENIOR ANSWERS

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### Springboard English Textual Power Senior: Answers

#### Question 1: "The Lottery" by Shirley Jackson

- Explain the significance of the black box in the story.

**Answer:** The black box represents the unspoken and deeply ingrained tradition of violence and scapegoating that permeates the community. It is a symbol of the community's blind adherence to ritual, even when it results in the senseless death of an innocent person.

#### Question 2: "The Veldt" by Ray Bradbury

- Describe the relationship between George and Lydia Hadley and how it changes throughout the story.

**Answer:** Initially, George and Lydia appear to have a loving and happy marriage. However, as they become increasingly immersed in the virtual reality of their "Veldt," their bond deteriorates. George becomes distant and controlling, while Lydia becomes apathetic and detached.

#### Question 3: "All Summer in a Day" by Ray Bradbury

- How does the setting of the story reinforce its themes?

**Answer:** The setting, a planet where the sun only shines for two hours every seven years, emphasizes the importance of light and human connection. It highlights the

isolation and loneliness that can result from living in a world devoid of joy and hope.

**Question 4: "The Loneliness of the Long Distance Runner" by Alan Sillitoe**

- Analyze the protagonist's transformation throughout the story.

**Answer:** Colin Smith, the protagonist, initially starts out as a rebellious and isolated teenager. However, through his experiences in prison and his participation in long distance running, he undergoes a transformation. He learns the value of discipline and self-sacrifice, and he emerges as a more mature and compassionate individual.

**Question 5: "Sonny's Blues" by James Baldwin**

- Discuss the role of music in the story.

**Answer:** Music plays a central role in the story as a means of expression, catharsis, and connection. It allows Sonny, the protagonist, to process his experiences of racism, poverty, and loss. Through music, he is able to find solace and a sense of purpose in a world that can be cruel and unforgiving.

**The Procrastination Equation: How to Stop Putting Things Off and Start Getting Stuff Done**

In his book "The Procrastination Equation," Piers Steel delves deep into the psychology of procrastination and offers practical strategies to overcome it.

**Q: What is the "procrastination equation"?**

A: Steel's equation is  $U + E + V < H$ . It suggests that procrastination occurs when the perceived unpleasantness (U) and effort (E) of a task outweigh the subjective value (V) of the task and our expectation of success (H).

**Q: How do I determine the U, E, V, and H factors for a task?**

A: To calculate U, consider how aversive you find the task. For E, estimate the amount of work and difficulty involved. V represents the personal importance and potential benefits of the task. H measures your confidence in your ability to complete it successfully.

**Q: What can I do if the equation is not in my favor?**

A: If  $U + E + V < H$ , you may find yourself procrastinating. To shift the equation in your favor, you can:

- **Change your perspective:** Reframe the task to make it seem less unpleasant or effortful.
- **Break down the task:** Divide it into smaller, more manageable chunks.
- **Focus on the value:** Remind yourself of the benefits of completing the task.
- **Set realistic expectations:** Adjust your H factor to reflect your actual capabilities.

**Q: Are there any other strategies I can use?**

A: In addition to the equation approach, Steel recommends:

- **The "two-minute rule":** If a task takes two minutes or less to complete, do it immediately.
- **The "Pomodoro technique":** Alternate focused work sessions (25 minutes) with short breaks (5 minutes).
- **The "eat the frog":** Tackle the most daunting task first thing in the morning.

**Q: What are the benefits of overcoming procrastination?**

A: Breaking the procrastination cycle can lead to:

- Increased productivity and efficiency
- Reduced stress and anxiety
- Greater sense of accomplishment and satisfaction
- Improved relationships and self-esteem

**Transmission and Distribution of Electrical Power**

**By: Bakshi**

**Introduction** Transmission and distribution are the processes involved in delivering electrical power from generating stations to consumers. Transmission involves the movement of large amounts of electricity over long distances at high voltages, while distribution involves the delivery of electricity to homes, businesses, and other users at relatively low voltages.

## **Questions and Answers**

**1. What is transmission voltage?** Transmission voltage is typically in the range of 115 kV to 765 kV. Higher voltages allow for more efficient transmission of electricity over longer distances.

**2. What is a distribution transformer?** A distribution transformer is a transformer that reduces the transmission voltage to a level suitable for distribution to users. Common distribution voltages include 120 V, 240 V, and 480 V.

**3. What are the different types of transmission lines?** There are two main types of transmission lines: overhead lines and underground cables. Overhead lines are typically suspended between towers, while underground cables are buried in the ground.

**4. What is the purpose of a distribution substation?** A distribution substation is a location where the transmission voltage is reduced to a level suitable for distribution to users. It also contains equipment for protection and control of the electrical system.

**5. What are the main challenges in transmission and distribution?** Some of the main challenges include ensuring the reliability and efficiency of the system, minimizing losses, and addressing environmental concerns such as electromagnetic fields and visual impact.

**What is the difference between math HL Paper 1 and 2?** Paper 1 vs Paper 2  
Paper 1 is a 90 minute long NON-CALCULATOR paper, examining students on their algebraic manipulation, mental maths and conceptual understanding of concepts taught throughout the year. Paper 2 is another 90 minute long paper but with a calculator.

**What percentage is a 7 in IB math HL?** IB Math Analysis and Approaches HL May 2022 only requires students to get an overall of 65% for a 7 while May 2023 will need 75%. In general, the grade boundaries for May 2023 will be more difficult than that of May 2022. Paper 3 requires only a 68% to get a 7, meaning it will be the most difficult paper out of the 3.

**How long is paper 1 ib math aa hl?** Paper 1 is a two hour, non-calculator paper, with a focus on algebraic manipulation, inquiry, reasoning, and interpretation based on conceptual understanding. Paper 2 is also two hours long, but a calculator is required.

**What percentage is paper 1 IB math?**

**Is paper 1 or paper 2 harder maths?** There is virtually no difference between Papers 1 and 2 in the IGCSE Maths exam. Both of them evaluate the same skills and abilities, and neither of them is considered to be more difficult than the other.

**Is ib math paper 1 easier than paper 2?** Paper 2 is probably marginally harder for most people just because the questions allow u to use a calculator. It's still probs best to focus less on revising for each paper but rather just revise topics as the skills used are pretty similar in each paper.

**Is 75% a 7 in IB?** May 2022: 65% for a 7. May 2019: 75% for a 7. May 2023: 70% for a 7.

**Is 5 out of 7 good in IB?** IB grades are typically equivalent to certain numerical scores for academic purposes: A grade of 7 is equivalent to an A+ or 97-100% A grade of 6 is equivalent to an A or 93-96% A grade of 5 is equivalent to a B or 85-92%

**What is the hardest subject to get a 7 in IB?** Subjects generally considered hardest in IB – Math Analysis and Approaches (AA) HL, Sciences (HL), History HL, English Literature HL, and Computer Science HL.

**What is the hardest HL subject in IB?** Although the mean grade for this subject is not provided, it is important to note that Maths AA HL is considered the most difficult due to its advanced content and rigorous curriculum.

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**Which IB math is the hardest?** IB Mathematics HL AA deals with more complicated concepts of mathematics. It has the highest difficulty level. Students who want to enter engineering or any other mathematical course choose this level. IB Mathematics HL AI is also offered at a Higher level but focuses more on application-based learning.

**Is HL math difficult?** I can definitely say that HL math is quite tough. I have always been top of my class in every math course I've ever taken, and I'd be top of my class with little to no effort. Last year, I don't think I put in a full hour of studying throughout the 10 month course, yet I still finished with an A.

**What grade is 60% in IB?**

**How much is paper 1 worth in IB?** Paper 1 is worth 20% of your final grade.

**What is 70 percent in IB?**

**Is maths paper 3 harder?** This means that we can probably expect Algebra topics to be hit harder on Paper 3, especially in the Algebra Skills area where we still have quite a few gaps. We had 10 marks on linear equations and inequalities in the crossover content, so any further work on equations is likely to be more straightforward.

**Is paper 1 math with calculator?** The assessment structure in IB Mathematics is designed to comprehensively evaluate students' mathematical understanding, application, and problem-solving skills. The use of a calculator is not allowed in paper 1 for Math AA, and for paper 2 and 3, the use of a calculator is allowed.

**What is the hardest maths exam board?** In theory, no exam board should be easier or harder than another. However as we've seen, there are slight differences in how each exam board structures their exams. So if you struggle concentrating for long periods at a stretch, you'll find Eduqas (with the longest exams at two hours, fifteen minutes) tricky.

**Is ib math paper 3 hard?** While most students consider the coursework for paper 3 to be tough, it's actually the small amount of time given to complete it that makes the paper so hard – students are given only an hour to complete paper 3.

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**Is IB maths harder than A levels?** The IB is considerably harder than A-levels. In the IB, students must study six subjects plus extras whereas with A-levels students study three subjects. With so much workload, it is no surprise that many students taking the IB end up with relatively low grades (24-30 points).

**Is a 2 a fail in IB?** Conditions for achieving the diploma A grade has been awarded in all subjects, TOK and the EE. A grade of at least a 2 has been awarded in all subjects. There are no more than two grade 2s awarded (SL or HL). There are no more than three grade 3s or below awarded (SL or HL).

**What is paper 1 and paper 2 in ib?** Paper 1 is a 2 hour and 15 minute long essay-based examination that requires you to analyze unseen texts. Paper 2 is a 2 hour and 15 minute long examination that will require you to answer questions based on the required texts for the course, and questions can be picked based on which texts you chose to read.

**What is the difference between Lang paper 1 and 2?** AQA English Language Paper 1 features one 20th or 21st century literary prose text. Paper 2 features one non-fiction text and one literary non-fiction text (one 19th century text and one 20th or 21st century text).

**What is the difference between Mathematics 1 and 2?** Math 1 is designed for those who've taken two years of algebra and one year of geometry, while Math 2 targets those who've also taken precalculus/trigonometry. Although they cover many of the same topics, Math 1 involves more tricky applications of math concepts since the scope of the exam is narrower.

**What is the difference between standard 1 and 2 maths?** Standard 1 is a NON-ATAR Mathematics course designed to teach students basic Math concepts without disrupting other subjects' studies. Standard 2 is an ATAR Mathematics course designed to further your knowledge about real-world application Mathematics that can be used beyond the classroom.

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