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English assessment specifications

Scholarship Performance Standard (93001)	English
Mode of Assessment	Written Examination
For Year	2016

Specific Information

Candidates will answer three questions, each in the form of an essay.

Format of the assessment

There will be three sections:

Section A: Close Reading of Unfamiliar Texts will require a comparison of two written texts – one prose and one poetry – with an emphasis on aspects of content and crafting. There will be a single question for this section.

Section B: Literature and Language – Genre Based will require a response to literature and/or language studied. Candidates will be required to select one question from genre-based options including poetry, non-fiction, film, non-Shakespearean drama, Shakespearean drama, novel, short story, social media, and the Internet.

Section C: Exploring Issues in Literature and Language will require an exploration of issues in literature and/or language studied. Candidates will be required to select one question from issues-based options.

Notes:

- In Sections B and C, candidates should demonstrate wide knowledge and wide reading, and an appreciation of aspects of genre and intertextuality.
- Candidates should not include the same content or quotations for both Section B and Section C.

English resources

The links listed below are for resources to help teachers and students understand what is required for success in New Zealand Scholarship.

- [Performance standards](#)
- [Top Scholar 2014 \(PDF, 43MB\)](#)
- [Outstanding Scholarship Exemplar \(PDF, 963KB\)](#)

- [Scholarship Exemplar \(PDF, 925KB\)](#)
 - Exam materials (question books, resource books, reports, schedules, etc)
 - [2014 exam materials \(ZIP, 756KB\)](#)
 - [2013 exam materials \(ZIP, 12MB\)](#)
 - [2012 exam materials \(ZIP, 14MB\)](#)
 - [2011 exam materials \(ZIP, 4.3MB\)](#)
 - [2010 exam materials \(ZIP, 9.3MB\)](#)
 - [2009 exam materials \(ZIP, 4.7MB\)](#)
 - [2008 exam materials \(ZIP, 438KB\)](#)
 - [2007 exam materials \(ZIP, 803KB\)](#)
 - [2006 exam materials \(ZIP, 1014KB\)](#)
 - [2005 exam materials \(ZIP, 485KB\)](#)
 - [2004 exam materials \(ZIP, 431KB\)](#)
 - All years
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