

GCSE English Literature

Unit 4 Approaching Shakespeare and the English Literary Heritage

Mark Scheme

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Mark schemes are prepared by the Principal Examiner and considered, together with the relevant questions, by a panel of subject teachers. This mark scheme includes any amendments made at the standardisation meeting attended by all examiners and is the scheme which was used by them in this examination. The standardisation meeting ensures that the mark scheme covers the candidates' responses to questions and that every examiner understands and applies it in the same correct way. As preparation for the standardisation meeting each examiner analyses a number of candidates' scripts: alternative answers not already covered by the mark scheme are discussed at the meeting and legislated for. If, after this meeting, examiners encounter unusual answers which have not been discussed at the meeting, they are required to refer these to the Principal Examiner.

It must be stressed that a mark scheme is a working document, in many cases further developed and expanded on the basis of candidates' reactions to a particular paper. Assumptions about future mark schemes on the basis of one year's document should be avoided; whilst the guiding principles of assessment remain constant, details will change, depending on the content of a particular examination paper.

INTRODUCTION

How to use the mark schemes

Each section of the mark scheme begins with a template, which is the basis for assessment for every question in the section. It is divided into skills, and then into levels of achievement within each skill. The skills relate directly to the assessment objectives being tested in the section.

A mark is reached by deciding the highest level of achievement in each skill, and then adding up the numbers achieved in the skills being tested, on the basis of what is seen as the response is read.

Where questions are divided into two parts, (a) and (b), the mark schemes are holistic – i.e. the responses are assessed as a whole, and achievement can be found in either of the parts. There is no requirement for balance between the two parts, but guidance about the amount in each is given in the indicative content for each question.

Examiners are required to annotate responses to show how they have arrived at a mark. When you see that a descriptor has been met, simply annotate the number in the margin, which will be quicker than writing it. 'W3', for example, would show that you had seen something about writer's effects at the third level. You would only need to write any notation about 'W' again if a higher level was achieved. At the end the summative comment will indicate why the mark is what it is, based on adding up the highest mark for each of the skills tested, and anything else the examiner may wish to add. This process is exemplified in the Standardising scripts.

Each individual question has a list of indicative content, divided into the sort of material candidates might use to respond to each assessment objective tested by the question. It is important to recognise that these are merely examples, however. The candidates may use any material from the texts to exemplify the skills tested. Where literary items appear in the content boxes, they do so generally for the sake of brevity. The candidates do not need to use the terms to gain marks, and the terms attract no marks in themselves.

Assessment Objectives (AOs)

All specifications in English Literature must require students to demonstrate their ability to:

AO1

 respond to texts critically and imaginatively; select and evaluate relevant textual detail to illustrate and support interpretations

AO2

 explain how language, structure and form contribute to writers' presentation of ideas, themes

and settings

AO3

• make comparisons and explain links between texts, evaluating writers' different ways of expressing meaning and achieving effects

AO4

• relate texts to their social, cultural and historical contexts; explain how texts have been influential and significant to self and other readers in different contexts and at different times

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AO1	15%					
	Section A: 10%					
	Section B: 5%					
AO2	15%					
	Section A: 10%					
	Section B: 5%					
AO3	This Unit does not test					
	AO3					
AO4	5%					
	Section A: This section					
	does not test AO4					
	Section B: 5%					

Question response (AO1, AO2)	1 simple	2 some clear	3 supported	4 explained	5 sustained	6 considered/ qualified
Response (AO1)	1 simple	2 some clear	3 supported	4 explained	5 sustained	6 considered/ qualified
Details, use of (AO1)	1 reference to	2 range	3 comment(s) on	4 support range of comments	5 effective use	6 linked to interpretation
Writer's effects (AO2)	1 reference to	2 simple identification of method	3 awareness of choice(s)	4 identification of effect(s)	5 explanation of effect(s)	6 appreciation/ consideration of effect
Meanings (AO2)	1 simple statement of	2 some range explicit	3 generalisation	4 awareness of ideas / themes	5 understanding of ideas / themes	6 thoughtful consideration

4F Mark Scheme Template Section A

Explanation of descriptors

Question response

This measures how well the candidate has responded to the question.

Q1 Simple, basic response to something suggested by the terms of the task

Q2 Clear response to something in a way that's relevant to the task – not supported, but clear and sensible **Q3 supported** is a response to something suggested by the terms of the task, made by referring to a detail from it, which might or might not be in the form of a quotation.

Q4 Explained response is a response to something suggested by the terms of the task – they explain it, perhaps using 'because' or 'as', though it could be implicit. It's what they think and what makes them think it. Q5 Sustained response to task is likely to be a response that focuses on the task throughout, without becoming considered/developed. As below, this may be best decided summatively.

Q6 considered/qualified The whole response to the question is characterised by looking at more than one meaning, alternatives, or developing. They are starting to think.

Response

This measures how well the candidate has responded to an element of the text such as idea or character. **R1 Simple**, basic response to something in the text.

R2 Clear response to something in the text – not supported, but clear and sensible. You can follow what they mean

R3 Supported response is telling you what they think about something in the text by referring to a detail from it, which might or might not be in the form of a quotation.

R4 Explained is a response to something in the text – they explain it, perhaps using 'because' or 'as', though it could be implicit. It's what they think and what makes them think it.

R5 Sustained does not have to refer to the whole response to the text, and is more likely to be an extended paragraph, which might start with a comment, supported, then an explanation, perhaps with further comments and details in the rest of the paragraph. The annotation 'by now' is useful in this strand, at this level and higher.

R6 Considered/qualified - Element(s) of the text are 'considered' – so an idea about the text is developed or 'qualified'. Simply, two ideas might be offered about the same thing.

Details, use of

D1 Reference to two details or quotations

D2 Range of at least three details referred to or used

D3 Comment(s) on - Provides some comment on the detail(s) used, not just a literal gloss – 'this shows that' is typical. One example qualifies.

D4 Support range of comments - At its simplest there are comments on three or more separate details. There may be several comments on one detail also, though this could qualify for something in a higher band. **D5 Effective use** of details – often it can be embedded, but that's not a rule. They might use a quote really well. They might have chosen just the right bit to demonstrate.

D6 Linked to interpretation – They are often putting their interpretation first then using the details to exemplify what they mean. They will link the detail to ideas about the text or to writer's technique and purpose.

Writer's effects

W1 'Reference to' rather than 'identification' – 'Shakespeare uses language'; 'Austen makes him nasty' W2 A method is identified, such as foreshadowing or a metaphor, without support or identification of effect W3 Awareness of choice(s) - They show awareness of a device, such as foreshadowing, and give an example, but don't identify or explain effect on the reader.

W4 Identification of effect(s) - They identify the effect of a writer's choice or device, but don't explain what effect it has. Can be language (words) or structure or form. They only need to identify the effect of one detail in this band.

W5 Explanation of effect(s) - They explain the effect of a writer's choice or device. They don't have to demonstrate the skill more than once.

W6 Appreciation/consideration of effect - They suggest two possible effects of a writer's choice or device, or two alternative readings of it.

Meanings

M1 At least one simple statement about somebody or something in the text

M2 Some range of explicit meanings – At least three surface, literal meanings given (rather than comments)

M3 Generalisation – generalised comment about an idea in the text, which might be in the form of comment about a character or a character's attitude or feelings.

M4 Awareness of ideas/themes - This is more specific than M1, though it may be more about feelings and attitudes than themes and ideas, depending on the text, perhaps.

M5 Understanding of ideas/themes - They say something that means 'they've got it' – it will be more than feelings / attitudes. They will start thinking more about themes and ideas than feelings and attitudes at this level. Starting to think more in terms of abstract nouns such as 'guilt' etc in this band. It's 'this is what it means'.

M6 Thoughtful consideration - Thoughts about an idea or theme in the text are developed, or looked at in another way.

Section A

Question 1

0 1 Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

What do you learn in the following extract from Act 4 Scene 1 about Macbeth's state of mind and how Shakespeare presents it?

You should write about:

- what Macbeth says
- how Shakespeare presents Macbeth's state of mind by the ways he writes.

and then Part (b)

Explain how Shakespeare shows the witches as a powerful influence on Macbeth in another part of the play.

[30 marks]

Indicative content

Examiners are encouraged to reward any valid interpretations. Answers might, however, include some of the following:

Part (a)

AO1

- response to Macbeth's words to the witches, and their words to him
- details and interpretation of his words, and their words to him •

AO2

- comments on Shakespeare's language eg use of questions and answers, commands, imagery of natural order, use of verse
- reference to ideas / themes eg influence of supernatural, extent of evil in • Macbeth and witches, upsetting of natural order

Part (b)

AO1

Response to extent of witches' influence over Macbeth

AO2

- comment on ideas/themes, eg responsibility, guilt, good vs evil
- details of Shakespeare's craft and purpose, including characterisation, use of imagery, presentation of evil in Macbeth and witches

0 2 Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

What does the following extract from Act 5 Scene 3 tell you about Macbeth's thoughts and feelings at this point in the play?

You should write about:

- what Macbeth says and does
- how Shakespeare presents Macbeth by the ways he writes.

and then Part (b)

Write about how Shakespeare shows Macbeth behaving differently in **another** part of the play.

[30 marks]

Indicative content

Examiners are encouraged to reward any valid interpretations. Answers might, however, include some of the following:

Part (a)

AO1

- Macbeth does not seem to be concerned about Lady Macbeth
- · Macbeth is aware of the mental effects of evil deeds
- details of Macbeth's statements, indicating mood changes

AO2

- language to suggest determination, aggression
- use of commands, eg 'Give me mine armour'
- use of medical imagery

Part (b)

AO1

• response to character/plot/change in Macbeth, possibly linked to passage in (a)

AO2

- comments about language and structure showing knowledge and appreciation of Shakespeare's uses of language and structure to pinpoint the difference in Macbeth
- details of Shakespeare's craft and purpose, with comments on Shakespeare's use of language and dramatic devices relevant to the differences in his thoughts and feelings.

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3 Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

How does Shakespeare present Hero and Beatrice in the following extract from Act 5 Scene 4?

Write about:

- what we learn about Hero and Beatrice in the extract
- how Shakespeare presents Hero and Beatrice by the ways he writes.

and then Part (b)

How does Shakespeare present Hero in the rest of the play?

[30 marks]

Indicative content

Examiners are encouraged to reward any valid interpretations. Answers might, however, include some of the following:

Part (a)

AO1

- Hero's strength of character and new assertiveness
- Beatrice's apparent ambiguity about her love for Benedick

AO2

- Shakespeare's craft and purpose re presentation of the characters' dialogue eg use of verse
- religious and legal language
- appropriate details of Hero and Beatrice's feelings and attitudes

Part (b)

AO1

- Hero's earlier submissiveness and Beatrice's rejection of love and marriage
- explanation of these in context

AO2

- explanation of context of chosen scene
- Shakespeare's craft and purpose, including staging, development of plot, revelation of character, imagery, verse forms and so on.

0 4 Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

How does Shakespeare present the thoughts and feelings of Don John and Borachio in the following extract from Act 2 Scene 2?

Write about:

- what the thoughts and feelings of Don John and Borachio are
- how Shakespeare shows their thoughts and feelings by the ways he writes.

and then Part (b)

How does Shakespeare present the thoughts and feelings of Don John in a **different** part of the play?

[30 marks]

Indicative content Examiners are encouraged to reward any valid interpretations. Answers might, however, include some of the following: Part (a) AO1 Don John's melancholy, scheming and aggression • his determination to cause mischief Borachio's cunning Borachio's ability to manipulate Don John • **AO2** Shakespeare's craft and purpose re presentation of the two men from different • social backgrounds Don John's taciturnity and laconic speech use of language to do with medicine and prostitution • ironic (?) skill of Borachio, a servant, in persuading Don John • appropriate details of the two men's feelings and attitudes Part (b) AO1 interpretation of/response to Don John in another part of the play explanation of this in context • AO2 explanation of context of chosen scene • Shakespeare's craft and purpose, including staging, development of plot, • revelation of character, imagery, verse forms and so on.

0 5 Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

How does Shakespeare present Romeo and Juliet's feelings for each other in the following extract from Act 1 Scene 5?

You should write about:

- what Romeo and Juliet say and do
- how Shakespeare presents Romeo and Juliet's feelings for each other by the ways he writes.

and then Part (b)

Write about how Shakespeare presents Romeo and Juliet's feelings for each other in **another** of the play.

[30 marks]

Indicative content

Examiners are encouraged to reward any valid interpretations. Answers might, however, include some of the following:

Part (a)

AO1

- response to Romeo and Juliet's words, feelings, actions, eg the touching of hands and lips, the nature of the interaction in their dialogue
- details and interpretation of their words, and how they use them to show their attraction for each other, physically and mentally

AO2

- reference to ideas/themes, eg love, religion: 'pilgrims' and 'saints'
- comment on Shakespeare's language, eg use of religious imagery
- comment on structure via what happens here and later
- comment on form via the handling of the dialogue between Romeo and Juliet

Part (a)

AO1

• response to characters/plot/feelings, possibly linked to first passage

AO2

 details of Shakespeare's craft and purpose, with comments on Shakespeare's use of language and dramatic devices relevant to the their feelings.

0 6 Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

In the following passage from Act 3 Scene 2, Juliet has just learned from the Nurse that Romeo has killed Tybalt, and been banished. How do you respond to her feelings in this passage?

You should write about:

- her mixed feelings about Romeo
- how Shakespeare presents her feelings by the ways he writes.

and then Part (b)

Write about the ways Shakespeare presents Juliet's feelings about Romeo in **another** part of the play.

[30 marks]

Indicative content

Examiners are encouraged to reward any valid interpretations. Answers might, however, include some of the following:

Part (a)

AO1

- Juliet both loves and hates Romeo by turns
- she wants advice/help from Nurse, but dismisses it here
- Juliet is angry, confused, torn

AO2

- Juliet's use of natural predator imagery, eg serpent, dragon, wolf
- Juliet's use of natural contrast between reality and appearance, eg beautiful tyrant, fiend angelical
- impact of exchange of lines indication of conflict between Nurse and Juliet
- use of diction eg 'Blister'd'

Part (b)

AO1

 response to character/plot/feelings, possibly linked to first passage, when discussing Juliet's feelings

AO2

• details of Shakespeare's craft and purpose, with comments on Shakespeare's use of language and dramatic devices relevant to Juliet's feelings.

0 7 Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

How does Shakespeare present the thoughts and feelings of Orsino and Viola in the following extract from Act 1 Scene 4?

Write about:

- what the thoughts and feelings of Orsino and Viola are
- how Shakespeare shows us their thoughts and feelings by the ways he writes.

and then Part (b)

How does Shakespeare present Orsino in a different part of the play?

[30 marks]

Indicative content

Examiners are encouraged to reward any valid interpretations. Answers might, however, include some of the following:

Part (a)

AO1

- interpretation of/response to Orsino and Viola (in disguise)
- explanation of the thoughts and feelings in the scene

AO2

- Shakespeare's craft and purpose re imagery, questioning, verse forms
- classical imagery and romantic language
- appropriate details of characters' responses

Part (b)

AO1

- interpretation of/response to the dramatic qualities of the chosen scene
- explanation of these in context

AO2

- explanation of context of chosen scene
- Shakespeare's craft and purpose, including staging, development of plot, revelation of character, imagery, verse forms and so on.

0 8 Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

How does Shakespeare present the relationship between Sir Toby and Maria in the following extract from Act 1 Scene 3?

Write about:

- what we learn about the relationship between Sir Toby and Maria
- how Shakespeare presents this relationship by the ways he writes.

and then Part (b)

How does Shakespeare present the relationship between Sir Toby and Maria in a **different** part of the play?

[30 marks]

Indicative content

Examiners are encouraged to reward any valid interpretations. Answers might, however, include some of the following:

Part (a)

AO1

- interpretation of/response to the different attitudes and feelings of Sir Toby and Maria
- explanation of the dramatic situation here

AO2

- Shakespeare's craft and purpose re imagery, questioning, use of prose
- conversational nature of the prose exchange
- Sir Toby's hyperbole, Maria's irony
- appropriate details of characters' exchanges

Part (b)

AO1

- interpretation of/response to their relationship in the chosen scene
- explanation of this in context

AO2

- explanation of context of chosen scene
- Shakespeare's craft and purpose, including staging, development of plot, revelation of character, imagery, verse forms and so on.

0 9 Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

How does Shakespeare present Mark Antony in the following extract from Act 3 Scene 1?

Write about:

- what you learn about Mark Antony in this extract
- how Shakespeare presents Mark Antony by the ways he writes.

and then Part (b)

How does Shakespeare present Antony in a different part of the play?

[30 marks]

Indicative content

Examiners are encouraged to reward any valid interpretations. Answers might, however, include some of the following:

Part (a)

AO1

- interpretation of/response to Antony's feelings and attitudes
- explanation of these feelings and attitudes

AO2

- Shakespeare's craft and purpose re dialogue, imagery, sentence patterns
- appropriate details of Antony's speech: names conspirators, addresses Caesar's corpse, rhetorical questions, hunting imagery

Part (b)

AO1

- interpretation of/response to his attitudes in the chosen scene
- explanation of this in context

AO2

- explanation of context of chosen scene
- Shakespeare's craft and purpose, including staging, development of plot, revelation of character, imagery, verse forms and so on.

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0 Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

How does Shakespeare present the relationship between Brutus and Cassius before the battle of Philippi in the following extract from Act 5 Scene 1?

Write about:

- what you learn about the relationship between Brutus and Cassius in this extract
- how Shakespeare presents the relationship by the ways he writes.

and then Part (b)

How does Shakespeare present the relationship between Brutus and Cassius in an **earlier** part of the play?

[30 marks]

Indicative content

Examiners are encouraged to reward any valid interpretations. Answers might, however, include some of the following:

Part (a)

AO1

- interpretation of/response to Brutus and Cassius
- explanation of the situation and their relationship

AO2

- Shakespeare's craft and purpose re Brutus' pomposity, Cassius' magnanimity, use of first person plural pronoun, complex sentences, addresses himself in third person, moral judgements etc.
- appropriate details of the exchange

Part (b)

AO1

- interpretation of/response to the drama and excitement in the chosen scene
- explanation of these in context

AO2

- explanation of context of chosen scene
- Shakespeare's craft and purpose, including staging, development of plot, revelation of character, imagery, verse forms and so on.

Response	1 simple	2 some clear	3 supported	4 explained	5 Sustained understanding	6 thoughtful consideration
Writer's effects	1 reference to	2 simple identification of method	3 awareness of choice(s)	4 identification of effect(s)	5 explanation of effect(s)	6 appreciation/ consideration of effect
Context	1 reference to	2 some clear response to	3 supported response to	4 explained response to	5 sustained response to	6 considered/ qualified response to
Details, use of	1 reference to	2 range	3 comment(s) on	4 support range of comments	5 effective use	6 linked to interpretation/ response

4F Mark Scheme Template Section B

Explanation of descriptors

Response

This measures how well the candidate has responded to an element of the text such as idea or character.

R1 Simple, basic response to something in the text.

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R3 supported Supported response is telling you what they think about something in the text by referring to a detail from it, which might or might not be in the form of a quotation.

R4 explained is a response to something in the text – they explain it, perhaps using 'because' or 'as', though it could be implicit. It's what they think and what makes them think it.

R5 sustained does not have to refer to the whole response to the text, and is more likely to be an extended paragraph, which might start with a comment, supported, then an explanation, perhaps with further comments and details in the rest of the paragraph. The annotation 'by now' is useful in this strand, at this level and higher.

R6 considered/qualified Element(s) of the text are 'considered' – so an idea about the text is developed or 'qualified'. Simply, two ideas might be offered about the same thing.

Writer's effects

W1 '**reference to'** rather than 'identification' – 'Shakespeareuses language'; 'Austen makes him nasty'

W2 A method is identified, such as foreshadowing or a metaphor, without support or identification of effect

W3 awareness of choice(s) They show awareness of a device, such as foreshadowing, and give an example, but don't identify or explain effect on the reader.

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W5 explanation of effect(s) they explain the effect of a writer's choice or device. They don't have to demonstrate the skill more than once.

W6 appreciation/consideration of effect They suggest two possible effects of a writer's choice or device, or two alternative readings of it.

Context

C1 This is a simple response to a context of the text

C2 At least two **clear responses** to something relevant to a context of the text, as identified in the question. Not supported, but clear and sensible. You can follow what they mean

C3 supported response to A supported response to a context of the text, as identified in the question.

C4 explained response to This is an explained (see R2) response to a context of the text, as identified in the question.

C5 sustained response This is a sustained (see R3) response to a context of the text, as identified in the question.

C6 considered/qualified response to This is a thoughtful (see R4) response to a context of the text, as identified in the question.

Details, use of

D1 Reference to two details or quotations

D2 Range of at least three details referred to or used

D3 comment(s) on Provides some comment on the detail(s) used, not just a literal gloss – 'this shows that' is typical. One example qualifies.

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D5 Effective use of details – often it can be embedded, but that's not a rule. They might use a quote really well. They might have chosen just the right bit to demonstrate.

D6 linked to interpretation They are often putting their interpretation first then using the details to exemplify what they mean. They will link the detail to ideas about the text or to writer's technique and purpose.

Section B

Question 11

1 1 Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

How do you respond to Mr Bennet as a husband and as a parent in Pride and Prejudice?

You should write about:

- what Mr Bennet says and does
- how Austen presents Mr Bennet by the ways she writes.

and then Part (b)

How much is Mr Bennet affected by the society he lives in, do you think?

[24 marks]

Indicative content

Examiners are encouraged to reward any valid interpretations. Answers might, however, include some of the following:

AO1

- response to Mr Bennet's behaviour towards Elizabeth, Mrs Bennet, Lydia, and others; his affection for Elizabeth, disdain for Mrs Bennet
- specific details of what Mr Bennet says and does at various times, and the ways he speaks

AO2

- details and interpretation of Austen's purposes in presenting Mr Bennet
- details and interpretation of Austen's use of incidents and speech to convey Mr Bennet's character and attitudes, eg his sarcasm

AO4

 ideas about attitudes to social class, money and marriage relevant to Mr Bennet's behaviour and attitudes; evaluation of the extent to which he is unaffected by the norms of societal pressures.

1 2

Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

How does Austen present the difficulties in the relationship between Elizabeth and Mr Darcy?

You should write about:

- the difficulties they have at different times in the novel
- how Austen presents their difficulties by the ways she writes.

and then Part (b)

How are the difficulties in their relationship caused by the society the novel is set in, do you think?

[24 marks]

Indicative content

Examiners are encouraged to reward any valid interpretations. Answers might, however, include some of the following:

AO1

- effect of Darcy's behaviour at the dance
- effect of Wickham's view of Darcy on Elizabeth
- effect of Darcy's first proposal, and separation of Jane and Bingley
- effect on Elizabeth and Darcy of Lady Catherine's views
- effect on Elizabeth and Darcy of the Bennet family's view of him, including Mr Bennet's view of him

AO2

- Austen's portrayal of Elizabeth's character, including her responses to Darcy and other characters
- Austen's portrayal of Darcy's character
- Austen's manipulation of characters' views of each other via omniscient narrative voice
- effects of Austen's use of dialogue

AO4

• importance of wealth/status/connections, and the effect of this on the relationship

1 3 Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

How do you respond to Catherine Earnshaw in Wuthering Heights?

You should write about:

- what Catherine Earnshaw says and does
- how Brontë presents Catherine Earnshaw by the ways she writes.

and then Part (b)

How much do you think Catherine Earnshaw is affected by the society she lives in? Give reasons for your response.

[24 marks]

Indicative content

Examiners are encouraged to reward any valid interpretations. Answers might, however, include some of the following:

AO1

- response to Cathy's behaviour, eg her treatment of Heathcliff, her response to Heathcliff's treatment of her, her relationship with Nellie Dean
- specific details of Cathy's behaviour relevant to any of the above

AO2

- details and interpretation of Brontë's purpose in presentation of Cathy, eg to show the effect of class differences between Cathy and Heathcliff, to show wildness of nature
- details and interpretation of Brontë's use of incidents and speech to present chosen character

AO4

• ideas about the society in the novel relevant to Cathy's speech and behaviour, eg place, class, religion.

1 4 Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

and then Part (b)

Which character in Wuthering Heights do you most dislike?

You should write about:

- what your chosen character says and does to make you dislike him or her
- how Brontë presents the character to make you respond in the way you do.

and then Part (b)

How is your chosen character affected by the society shown in the novel?

[24 marks]

Indicative content

Examiners are encouraged to reward any valid interpretations. Answers might, however, include some of the following:

AO1

- response to chosen character's behaviour, eg Cathy's treatment of Heathcliff, Heathcliff's treatment of Linton, Old Joseph's behaviour and speech
- specific details of chosen character's behaviour relevant, as above

AO2

- details and interpretation of Brontë's purpose in presentation of chosen character, eg to show the effect of class differences on Heathcliff in his treatment of Linton
- details and interpretation of Brontë's use of incidents and speech to present chosen character

AO4

 ideas about the society in the novel relevant to chosen character's speech and behaviour, eg place, class, religion.

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5 Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

How do you respond to Joe Gargery in Great Expectations?

You should write about:

- · how Joe behaves with other characters
- how Dickens presents Joe by the ways he writes.

and then Part (b)

How is Joe's behaviour affected by the society he lives in?

[24 marks]

Indicative content

Examiners are encouraged to reward any valid interpretations. Answers might, however, include some of the following:

AO1

- response to Joe's behaviour towards Pip, Mrs Joe and Magwitch; his affection for Pip, subjection by Mrs Joe, gentlemanly behaviour towards Magwitch
- specific details of what Joe says and does at various times, and the ways he speaks: his affectionate terms and speech towards Pip, his discomfort shown in details of behaviour and speech when he meets Pip and Herbert in London

AO2

- details and interpretation of Dickens' purposes in presenting Joe, eg as a contrast to Pip's behaviour, and to reveal Pip's snobbishness in London
- details and interpretation of Dickens' use of incidents and speech to convey Joes' character and attitudes, eg his sarcasm

AO4

 ideas about attitudes to social class, money and power relevant to Joe's behaviour at different times, and the way Pip comes to value his attributes

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6 Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

How is Pip changed by his 'great expectations', do you think?

You should write about:

- what Pip is like before and after he learns of his expectations
- how Dickens presents the changes in Pip.

and then Part (b)

What do the changes in Pip show about the society in which the novel is set?

[24 marks]

Indicative content

Examiners are encouraged to reward any valid interpretations. Answers might, however, include some of the following:

AO1

- response to what Pip says and does before and after his expectations are revealed
- specific details of Pip's behaviour before and after, eg his acceptance of acting as apprentice to Joe, and then his rejection of it; his responses to Joe at different times.

AO2

- details and interpretation of Dickens' purpose in presentation of the effects of Pip's expectations
- details and interpretation of Dickens' use of description, incidents and speech to present Pip's behaviour before and after the expectations, eg the effect of the mockery by Trabb's boy

AO4

 ideas about the society the novel is set in, relevant to Pip's change as a result of the expectations, eg the damaging effects on character brought about by money and social position.

1 7 Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

How does Hardy make the story 'Absent-mindedness in a Parish Choir' funny?

Write about:

- what happens in the story that is funny
- how Hardy makes it funny by the ways he writes

and then Part (b)

How does Hardy make **another** story in the collection funny? What do we learn about the society of the time from **one** of these two stories?

[24 marks]

Indicative content

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Part (a)

AO1

- response to members of the choir and their behaviour and how it is funny
- · specific details of what they do and say
- interpretation of/response to the choir's punishment

AO2

- Hardy's craft in characterisation, narrative tension, dialogue and so on to portray attitudes and behaviour
- Hardy's use of dialect, comedy of character, actions, incongruity of behaviour in settings
- Hardy's skill in the creation of character

AO4

- explicit/implicit aspects of the story in the context of C19th rural Wessex
- interpretation of/response to ideas or beliefs eg. working class behaviour, 'respectability', religion

Part (b)

AO1

- response to the chosen story
- specific details about why chosen story amusing
- interpretation of/response to amusing nature of chosen story

AO2

- Hardy's craft in characterisation, narrative, dialogue and so on to portray attitudes, beliefs and behaviour
- Hardy's evocation of the period and setting through the narrative voice **AO4**
- explicit/implicit aspects of the story in the context of C19th rural Wessex
- interpretation of/response to ideas or beliefs eg. working class behaviour,

'respectability', religion.

1 8 Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

How does Hardy make the story of 'The Melancholy Hussar of the German Legion' sad?

Write about:

- what happens in the story that is sad
- how Hardy makes it sad by the ways he writes.

and then Part (b)

How does Hardy make **another** story in the collection sad? What do we learn about the society of the time from **one** of these two stories?

[24 marks]

Indicative content

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Part (a)

AO1

- response to Phyllis and Matthaus and their situation in society
- specific details of the characters' behaviour, relationships and feelings
- interpretation of/response to their characters and situations

AO2

- Hardy's craft in characterisation, narrative tension, dialogue and so on to portray characters' attitudes and behaviour
- Hardy's skill in the creation of character and situation
- AO4
- explicit/implicit aspects of the story in the context of C19th rural Wessex
- interpretation of/response to the characters and how they behave eg. scandal of their relationship, prior 'engagement', German soldiers' presence in England

Part (b)

AO1

- response to the chosen story
- specific details about what is tragic in chosen story
- interpretation of/response to tragic situation in chosen story

AO2

- Hardy's craft in characterisation, narrative, dialogue and so on to portray attitudes, beliefs and behaviour
- Hardy's evocation of the period and setting through the narrative voice **AO4**
- explicit/implicit aspects of the story in the context of C19th rural Wessex
- interpretation of/response to tragedy eg. male attitudes.

1 9 Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

How do you respond to the ending of *Animal Farm* from 'It was a pig walking on its hind legs' to the end?

Write about:

- what happens at the end of the novel
- how Orwell presents the ending by the ways he writes.

and then Part (b)

What do you think Orwell is trying to tell us about society by ending the novel in this way?

[24 marks]

Indicative content

Examiners are encouraged to reward any valid interpretations. Answers might, however, include some of the following:

AO1

- response to the novel's ending (final page? Final chapter?)
- specific details about what happens at the novel's ending
- interpretation of/response to the ending

AO2

- Orwell's craft in characterisation, narrative tension, dialogue and so on to portray attitudes and behaviour
- Orwell's skill in drawing together the novel's themes and ideas **AO4**
- explicit/implicit aspects of the novel's ending and how it relates to the Russian Revolution/other contextual elements
- interpretation of/response to ideas of idealism, selfishness, cynicism, the betrayal of the revolution, pigs now like humans etc.

2 0 Answer Part (a) and Part (b)

Part (a)

How do you respond to the relationship between Napoleon and Snowball in the novel?

Write about:

- what happens in the relationship between Napoleon and Snowball
- how Orwell presents their relationship by the ways he writes.

and then Part (b)

How does Orwell use the relationship between Napoleon and Snowball to tell us something about society?

[24 marks]

Indicative content

Examiners are encouraged to reward any valid interpretations. Answers might, however, include some of the following:

AO1

- response to their relationship
- specific details about their relationship throughout the story
- interpretation of/response to their relationship

AO2

- Orwell's craft in narrative tension, description, characterisation, dialogue and so on to portray attitudes and behaviour
- Orwell's skill in the description of Napoleon and Snowball and their relationships with other characters

AO4

- explicit/implicit aspects of characters of Napoleon and Snowball and their link to Lenin, Stalin and Trotsky
- interpretation of/response to ideas of the characters' link to the Russian Revolution.

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