

AQA Language Overview

Language Paper 1 Explorations in Creative Reading and Writing (Fiction extract and Creative Writing Task) 1 hour 45 minutes (1 hour reading section / 45 minutes writing section)		
Question/Assessment Objective	Timing / Marks	Question stem / What will the question look like?
Read Extract & Answer Question 1 – AO1 Identify explicit information from a text	10 minutes 4 Marks	List 4 things... Read again the first part of the source, lines __-__ List four things from this part of the text that we learn about...
Question 2 – AO2 Explain, comment and analyse how writers use language to achieve effects and influence readers, using relevant subject terminology	15 minutes (5 mins planning 10 mins writing) 8 marks	How does the writer use language...? Look in detail at lines __-__ of the source. How does the writer use language here to...? You could include the writer’s choice of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Words and phrases - Language features and techniques - Sentence forms
Question 3 – AO2 Explain, comment and analyse how writers use structure to achieve effects and influence readers, using relevant subject terminology	15 minutes (5 mins planning 10 mins writing) 8 Marks	How does the writer structure...? You need to think about the whole of the source. How has the writer structured the text to interest you as a reader? You could write about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What the writer focuses on at the beginning - How and why the writer changes this focus as the source develops - Any other structural features that interest you.
Question 4 – AO4 Evaluate texts critically and support this with appropriate textual reference	20 minutes (5 mins planning 15 mins writing) 20 Marks	To what extent do you agree... A student, having read this section of the text, said: “This part of the extract makes me think _____ and realise _____”. To what extent do you agree? In your response, you could: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consider your own impressions of... - Evaluate how the writer creates these impressions - Support your opinions with quotations from the text
Question 5 – AO5 and AO6 AO5 – Communicate clearly, organise information, use a range of vocab and sentences AO6 – Accurate spelling, punctuation and grammar	45 minutes (10 mins planning 30 mins writing 5 mins editing) 40 Marks (24 for AO5 / 16 for AO6)	Creative Writing: Descriptive or narrative writing E.g. Your school has decided to enter a creative writing competition. Either: Write a description suggested by this picture: Or: Write the opening of a story with the title, ‘The Outsider’.

Language Paper 2 Writers' Attitudes and Viewpoints (2 x non-fiction extracts and Transactional Writing) 1 hour 45 minutes (1 hour reading section / 45 minutes writing section)		
Read Extract A & Answer Question 1 – AO1	10 minutes	True or False Statements
Identify and interpret implicit and explicit information from a text	4 Marks	Read Source ___ from _____ Tick four statements below that are true:
Read Extract B & Answer Question 2 – AO1	15 minutes (5 mins planning 10 mins writing)	Write a summary...
Select and synthesise evidence from different sources	8 Marks	Refer to source A and B for this question. Use details from both sources. Write a summary of the differences/similarities between...
Question 3 – AO2	15 minutes (5 mins planning 10 mins writing)	How does the writer's use of language...?
Explain, comment and analyse how writers use language to achieve effects and influence readers, using relevant subject terminology	12 Marks	You now need to refer only to source _____. How does the writer use language to...
Question 4 – AO3	20 minutes (5 mins planning 15 mins writing)	Compare how the writers convey...
Compare writers' ideas and perspectives, as well as how these are conveyed.	20 Marks	E.g. Compare how the writers convey their experiences of... In your answer, you should: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Compare their different/similar experiences - Compare the methods they use to convey their experiences - Support your views with quotations from both texts
Question 5 – AO5 and AO6	45 minutes (10 mins planning 30 mins writing 5 mins editing)	Transactional Writing: Writing to argue, persuade, advise, explain. Inform responding to a statement
AO5 – Communicate clearly, organise information, use a range of vocab and sentences	40 Marks	E.g. "Nobody with any sense would want to live in a noisy, crowded, polluted city when they could live on a remote island surrounded by fresh air and natural beauty." Write an article for a lifestyle magazine in which you explain your point of view on this statement.
AO6 – Accurate spelling, punctuation and grammar	(14 for AO5 / 16 for AO6)	You could be asked to write the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Magazine article - Newspaper article - Blog - Email - Leaflet - Letter (formal or informal) - Speech - Report