

English Language

Exam Board: AQA (8700)

Key dates: March mock exams

Paper 1 – Tuesday 8th March (am)

Paper 2 – Friday 11th March (am)

Terminal exams:

Paper 1 – Wednesday 18th May (am)

Paper 2 – Friday 10th June (am)



Examined Components

Assessments

All texts in the examination will be unseen.

Paper 1: Explorations in Creative Reading and Writing

What's assessed

Section A: Reading

- one literature fiction text

Section B: Writing

- descriptive or narrative writing

Assessed

- written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes
- 80 marks
- 50% of GCSE

Questions

Reading (40 marks) (25%)– one single text

- 1 short form question (1 x 4 marks)
- 2 longer form questions (2 x 8 marks)
- 1 extended question (1 x 20 marks)

Writing (40 marks) (25%)

- 1 extended writing question (24 marks for content, 16 marks for technical accuracy)



Examined Components

Paper 2: Writers' Viewpoints and Perspectives

What's assessed

Section A: Reading

- one non-fiction text and one literary non-fiction text

Section B: Writing

- writing to present a viewpoint

Assessed

- written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes
- 80 marks
- 50% of GCSE

Questions

Reading (40 marks) (25%) – two linked texts

- 1 short form question (1 x 4 marks)
- 2 longer form questions (1 x 8, 1 x 12 marks)
- 1 extended question (1 x 16 marks)

Writing (40 marks) (25%)

- 1 extended writing question (24 marks for content, 16 marks for technical accuracy)

Pre-release information:

Source A – 19th century autobiographical text

Source B – 21st century essay text

Question 5: in the style of an article



How to revise: What teachers provide

Show My Homework (Satchel:ONE)

- Exploration a of a fiction or nonfiction extract, practising key shorter-answer exam skills
- Exploration of a short story with a quiz, to support with work on Paper 1 Section B.
- Practice papers



Issued	Due	Homework title
APRIL		
06/04/2022	20/04/2022	Navigating Narratives - Sensational Story 30 - Pass or Fail
06/04/2022	20/04/2022	Y11 Language Reading Spring HW- Booklet task 13
MARCH		
30/03/2022	06/04/2022	Navigating Narratives - Sensational Story 29 - Night Terrors in Cairo
23/03/2022	30/03/2022	Y11 Language Reading Spring HW- Booklet task 11
16/03/2022	23/03/2022	Navigating Narratives - Sensational Short Story 28 - Borough Market
09/03/2022	16/03/2022	Y11 Language Reading Spring HW- Booklet task 9
02/03/2022	09/03/2022	Navigating Narratives - Sensational Short Story 27 - Ten with a Flag
FEBRUARY		
16/02/2022	02/03/2022	Y11 Language Reading Spring HW- Booklet task 7
09/02/2022	02/03/2022	English Language Practice Papers Set 4
09/02/2022	02/03/2022	Navigating Narratives - Sensational Story 26 - The Visitor
02/02/2022	23/02/2022	English Language Practice Papers Set 3
02/02/2022	09/02/2022	Vocabulary Week 12
02/02/2022	09/02/2022	Y11 Language Reading Spring HW- Booklet task 5

How to revise: What students can do

Exercise books

- Post-it summaries
- Organise work
- RAG rate knowledge

