



Checklist for English revision

Macbeth

A Christmas Carol

Animal Farm

Power and Conflict Poetry Anthology

Analysing a literary fiction extract

Descriptive/narrative writing

Analysing a viewpoint/perspective (non-fiction extract)

Presenting a viewpoint/perspective (non-fiction extract)

English Literature Components

AQA GCSE English Literature 

Paper 1 40%

Paper 2 60%

Section A:
Shakespeare
Macbeth

Section B:
19th Cent Prose
A Christmas Carol

Section A:
Modern Texts
Animal Farm

Section B:
Anthology poetry-
Power and Conflict

Section C:
Unseen Poetry

Total exam time:
1 hour and 45 minutes

Total exam time:
2 hours and 15 minutes

Literature Paper 1AB

Shakespeare and the 19th century novel 40%

Section A - Macbeth

Students given extract to answer 2 part question on either theme, character or setting. Students write about extract and the play as a whole

(34m=45-50mins)

Section B – A Christmas Carol

Students given extract to answer 2 part question on either theme, character or setting. Students write about extract and the novel as a whole

(30m=45-50mins)

Literature Paper 2ABC

Modern texts and Poetry 60%

Section A – Animal Farm

Students given option of 2 questions on their studied text: character, theme or setting

(34m=45mins)

Section B – Power and Conflict Poetry Anthology

Students answer comparative question on a given poem **and** one of their choice, from the studied cluster

(30m=45mins)

Section C – Unseen Poetry

Students answer a question on an unseen poem, then compare with a second unseen

(24m+8m=30mins+15mins)

English Language Components

AQA GCSE English Language 

Paper 1 50%

Paper 2 50%

Section A:

Reading

1 unseen literature fiction text

Section B:

Writing

Descriptive or narrative writing

Section A:

Reading

1 non-fiction and 1 literary non-fiction text

Section B:

Writing

Writing to present a viewpoint

**Total exam time:
1 hour and 45 minutes**

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Language Paper 1AB

Explorations in creative reading and writing 50% GCSE

Section A

Students given a 19th or 20th century literary extract to read

4 part response required:

1. List 4 things
2. How does the writer use language
3. How has the writer structured the text
4. Evaluate a part of the text

Section B

Students write descriptively or narratively (40m=55mins)

Language Paper 2AB

Writers viewpoints and perspectives 50% GCSE

Section A

Students are given 2 sources to read (19th and 20th or 21st C.)

4 part response required:

1. Identify 4 true statements
2. Summarise both sources
3. One source language focus
4. Comparing both sources

Section B

Students write to present a viewpoint (letter, speech, article, essay, text for a leaflet)

GCSE QUESTIONS BREAKDOWN

1hr

LANG P1

Q1 - List implicit/
explicit information

Q2 – Analyse
Language

Q3 – Analyse
Structure

Q4 – Evaluate
Language, structure
and **form**

45m

Q5 – Creative **writing**
focusing on **language,**
structure and
vocabulary

1hr

LANG P2

Q1 – Identify
true/false
information

Q2 – Summarise key
ideas

Q3 – Analyse
Language

Q4 – Compare
Language, structure
and **form**

45m

Q5 – Non-fiction writing
focusing on **language,**
structure and vocabulary

1hr45m

LIT P1

Q1 – Macbeth
Analyse **Language,**
structure, **form** and
context

Q2 – A Christmas
Carol
Analyse **Language,**
structure, **form**
and context

2h15m

LIT P2

Q1 – Animal Farm
Analyse **Language,**
structure, **form**
and context

Q2 – Comparative
poetry
Analyse **Language,**
structure, **form**
and context

Q3 – Unseen poetry
Analyse **Language,**
structure, **form**

Q4 – Unseen poetry
Analyse **Language,**
structure, **form**