MOCK EXAM INFORMATION FOR PUPILS ENGLISH LANGUAGE









Which paper will I sit for the mock?

Full Component 1 English Language exam.

Section A tests your Reading skills with 5 questions on one piece of unseen Literature (from the 20th century).

Section B tests your creative writing skills with 1 task from a selection of 4 titles.

How long is the exam? I hour 45 minutes

What do I need to revise?

Section A:

20th Century Fiction Reading: Practise responding to past papers in timed conditions.

Section B:

Creative Prose Writing:

- Revise the conventions of description and narrative writing (beginnings, openings, story structure, paragraphing for effect, 'show not tell' technique, paragraphing for effect, using a range of vocabulary and punctuation for effect)
- 2. Practise planning and writing narrative writing responses in timed conditions

Where can I find this information?

Year 11 Revision Folder 'Blue tab' on the Studley High School website front page (link can be found here)

What are top revision tips for this paper?

- 1. Have a good knowledge of language techniques and devices used in transactional/persuasive writing so that you can identify and comment upon them in section A and apply them to your own writing in section B
- 2. Try to undertake as many practice questions as you can in timed conditions to build your confidence and exam stamina

Other useful links:

Component 2 English Language section of the 'blue tab'

BBC bitesize English Language resources - Edugas

BPC Revision

Edugas past papers

REVISION QUESTIONS

- (Reading section) What two time periods will your source material be taken from?
- 2. (Reading section) What types of texts might the extracts be?
- 3. (Reading section) Explain the difference between explicit and implicit information.
- 4. (Reading section) Question 2 is worth 10 marks. What do you need to do differently when compared to question 1?
- 5. (Reading section) Question 4 is also worth 10 marks, but covers a different skill to question 2. What does it test?
- 6. (Reading section) Question 5 asks you to 'synthesise' information. What does this mean?
- 7. (Reading section) Question 6 asks you to compare the two texts. How should you structure your answer?
- 8. (Writing section) What is the purpose of a report?
- 9. (Writing section) Name three things that you might be asked to review.
- 10.(Writing section) How long should you spend on each of the two writing tasks?
- 11. (Writing section) What are you advised to do before you finish the writing section?
- 12. (Writing section) What do P, A and F stand for?

REVISION ANSWERS

- 1. 21st century and 19th century.
- 2. Letters, extracts from autobiographies, diaries, reports or articles.
- 3. Explicit information is that which is clearly stated e.g. a date, a person's name or a place. Implicit information is when you need to read between the lines to infer meaning.
- 4. Embed textual evidence, analyse language and explore the impressions created on the reader.
- 5. Evaluation (asking you as a reader to give your thoughts and views about how the writer creates impressions).
- 6. Provide an overview of the two texts, identifying similarities and differences through appropriate textual examples.
- 7. Alternate between the two texts to ensure full coverage. Identify and analyse both similarities and differences.
- 8. Outline the situation as it currently is, make recommendations or suggestions and conclude with how effective these recommendations might be.
- 9. Novel, film/television programme or play.
- 10. Thirty minutes each.
- 11. Proof read and edit to eliminate spelling and grammatical errors.
- 12. P = Purpose, A = Audience and F = Form.