

Paper Reference(s) 9EL0/02  
Pearson Edexcel Level 3 GCE

English Language and Literature  
Advanced  
PAPER 2: Varieties in Language  
and Literature

Total Marks
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Monday 5 June 2023 – Morning

Time: 2 hours 30 minutes

In the boxes below, write your name, centre number and candidate number.

Surname					
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**YOU MUST HAVE**

**Prescribed texts (clean copies)**

**Source Booklet (enclosed)**

**YOU WILL BE GIVEN**

**Nil**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

**Answer ONE question in Section A on your chosen theme and ONE question in Section B on your chosen texts. You MUST choose the SAME THEME in both sections.**

**Answer the questions in the spaces provided – there may be more space than you need.**

**In your answers to Section B, you must NOT use texts that you have studied for coursework.**

## **INFORMATION**

**The total mark for this paper is 50.**

**The marks for EACH question are shown in brackets – use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.**

## **ADVICE**

**Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.**

**Check your answers if you have time at the end.**

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## **SECTION A**

### **Unseen Prose Non-fiction Texts**

**Answer ONE question on your chosen theme.**

**Write your answer in the space provided.**

**EITHER**

**Theme: Society and the Individual**

**Read Text A on pages 3–10 of the Source Booklet.**

- 1 Critically evaluate how Matilda Marcus presents her work on the campaign to change the history curriculum in schools.**

**In your answer you must comment on linguistic and literary features and relevant contextual factors.**

**(Total for Question 1 = 20 marks)**

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**OR**

**Theme: Love and Loss**

**Read Text B on pages 11–17 of the Source Booklet.**

- 2 Critically evaluate how Nick Cave explains the ending of his relationship with PJ Harvey.**

**In your answer you must comment on linguistic and literary features and relevant contextual factors.**

**(Total for Question 2 = 20 marks)**

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**OR**

**Theme: Encounters**

**Read Text C on pages 18–23 of the Source Booklet.**

- 3 Critically evaluate how Vivian Yee recounts her various encounters on the day of the Port of Beirut explosion.**

**In your answer you must comment on linguistic and literary features and relevant contextual factors.**

**(Total for Question 3 = 20 marks)**

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**OR**

**Theme: Crossing Boundaries**

**Read Text D on pages 24–29 of the Source Booklet.**

- 4 Critically evaluate the ways in which Stuart Maconie introduces his book *Pies and Prejudice*.**

**In your answer you must comment on linguistic and literary features and relevant contextual factors.**

**(Total for Question 4 = 20 marks)**

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## **SECTION B**

### **Prose Fiction and Other Genres**

**Answer ONE question on your chosen theme.**

**EITHER**

**Theme: Society and the Individual**

**Answer this question with reference to the TWO texts that you have studied from the list below. Begin your answer on page 42.**

**ANCHOR TEXTS**

**The Great Gatsby, F Scott Fitzgerald**

**Great Expectations, Charles Dickens**

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**Society and the Individual continued.**

**OTHER TEXTS**

**The Bone People, Keri Hulme**

**Othello, William Shakespeare**

**A Raisin in the Sun, Lorraine Hansberry**

**The Wife of Bath's Prologue and Tale,  
Geoffrey Chaucer**

**The Whitsun Weddings, Philip Larkin**

**5 Evaluate the effectiveness of the methods used by the writers of your two studied texts to present individuals who deceive others and/or themselves.**

**In your answer you must consider the use of linguistic and literary features, connections across texts and relevant contextual factors.**

**(Total for Question 5 = 30 marks)**

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**OR**

**Theme: Love and Loss**

**Answer this question with reference to the TWO texts that you have studied from the list below. Begin your answer on page 42.**

**ANCHOR TEXTS**

**A Single Man, Christopher Isherwood**

**Tess of the D'Urbervilles, Thomas Hardy**

**OTHER TEXTS**

**Enduring Love, Ian McEwan**

**Much Ado About Nothing,  
William Shakespeare**

**Betrayal, Harold Pinter**

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**Love and Loss continued.**

**Metaphysical Poetry, editor Colin Burrow**

**Sylvia Plath Selected Poems,  
Sylvia Plath**

- 6 Evaluate the effectiveness of the methods used by the writers of your two studied texts to present the influence of time on experiences of love and/or loss.**

**In your answer you must consider the use of linguistic and literary features, connections across texts and relevant contextual factors.**

**(Total for Question 6 = 30 marks)**

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**OR**

**Theme: Encounters**

**Answer this question with reference to the TWO texts that you have studied from the list below. Begin your answer on page 42.**

**ANCHOR TEXTS**

**A Room with a View, E M Forster**

**Wuthering Heights, Emily Brontë**

**OTHER TEXTS**

**The Bloody Chamber, Angela Carter**

**Hamlet, William Shakespeare**

**Rock 'N' Roll, Tom Stoppard**

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**Encounters continued.**

**The Waste Land and Other Poems,  
T S Eliot**

**The New Penguin Book of Romantic  
Poetry, editor J Wordsworth**

- 7 Evaluate the effectiveness of the methods used by the writers of your two studied texts to present encounters that have a decisive effect on the future lives of the participants.**

**In your answer you must consider the use of linguistic and literary features, connections across texts and relevant contextual factors.**

**(Total for Question 7 = 30 marks)**

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**OR**

**Theme: Crossing Boundaries**

**Answer this question with reference to the TWO texts that you have studied from the list below. Begin your answer on page 42.**

**ANCHOR TEXTS**

**Wide Sargasso Sea, Jean Rhys**

**Dracula, Bram Stoker**

**OTHER TEXTS**

**The Lowland, Jhumpa Lahiri**

**Twelfth Night, William Shakespeare**

**Oleanna, David Mamet**

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**Encounters continued.**

**Goblin Market, The Prince's Progress,  
and Other Poems, Christina Rossetti**

**North, Seamus Heaney**

- 8 Evaluate the effectiveness of the methods used by the writers of your two studied texts to present strong reactions to the crossing of a boundary.**

**In your answer you must consider the use of linguistic and literary features, connections across texts and relevant contextual factors.**

**(Total for Question 8 = 30 marks)**

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Chosen question number:

Question 5 ☐

Question 6 ☐

Question 7 ☐

Question 8 ☐

Please write the name of your two studied texts below:

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