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## Introduction

The Pearson Edexcel Level 3 Advanced Subsidiary GCE in English Literature is designed for use in schools and colleges. It is part of a suite of GCE qualifications offered by Pearson.

These sample assessment materials have been developed to support this qualification and will be used as the benchmark to develop the assessment students will take.



# General marking guidance

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the last candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the first.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than be penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification/indicative content will not be exhaustive.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, a senior examiner must be consulted before a mark is given.
- Crossed-out work should be marked unless the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

# Pearson Edexcel Level 3 GCE

# **English Literature**

# **Advanced Subsidiary**

Paper 1: Unseen Poetry and Drama

Sample assessment materials for first teaching

Paper Reference(s)

September 2015 Time: 2 hours

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You must have: prescribed texts (clean copies)

#### Instructions

- Use black pen or ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer the question in Section A and one question in Section B on your chosen text
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
  - there may be more space than you need.

#### Information

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- 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.



#### **SECTION A: Poetry**

Read the poem below before answering Question 1 in the space provided.

#### Somewhat Unravelled

Auntie stands by the kettle, looking at the kettle 1 and says, help me, help me, where is the kettle? I say, little auntie, the curlicues and hopscotch grids unfurling in your brain have hidden it from you. Let me make you a cup of tea. She says ah ha! But I do 5 my crossword, don't I, OK not the difficult one, the one with the wasname? Cryptic clues. Not that. I say, auntie, little auntie, we were never cryptic so let's not start that now. I appreciate your straight-on talk, the built-up toilet seats, the way you wish poetry 10 were just my hobby, our cruises on the stair lift, your concern about my weight, the special seat in the bath. We know where we are. She says, nurse told me I should furniture-walk around the house, holding on to it. I say, little auntie you are a plump armchair 15 in flight, a kitchen table on a difficult hike without boots. you do the sideboard crawl like no one else, you are a sofa rumba, you go to sleep like a rug. She says, I don't like eating. Just as well you've got a good appetite. I say littlest auntie, my very little auntie 20 (because she is shrinking now, in front of me) let me cook for you, a meal so wholesome and blimmin' pungent with garlic you will dance on it and eat it through your feet. Then she says don't you ever want to go to market and get lost 25 in pots, fruit and random fabric? Don't you want to experiment with rain, hide out in storms, cover your body with a layer only one raindrop thick? Don't you want to sell your nail-clippings online? She says, look at you, with all your language, 30 you never became the flower your mother wanted but it's not too late, come with me and rootle in the earth outside my front window,

set yourself in the special bed, the one only wasname is allowed to garden and we will practise opening and closing and we'll follow the sun with our faces until the cows come home.

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Jo Shapcott

From *Of Mutability* (Faber, 2010)



Question 1
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Write a commentary on the poem, exploring its meaning and effects.

In your answer you must consider the following:

- the poet's development of themes
- the poet's use of language and imagery
- the use of other poetic techniques.

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#### **SECTION B: Drama**

Answer ONE question on your chosen text. Write your answer in the space provided.

#### **TRAGEDY**

#### A Doll's House, Henrik Ibsen

#### Question 2

'Torvald Helmer is revealed to be a weak and self-centred character, obsessed with his own reputation.'

In the light of this comment, explore Ibsen's dramatic presentation of Torvald Helmer in *A Doll's House*. In your answer you must consider relevant contextual factors.

(40)

OR

#### Question 3

'In A Doll's House, first impressions are almost always deceptive.'

In the light of this comment, explore the dramatic presentation of appearance and reality in the play. In your answer you must consider relevant contextual factors.

#### A Streetcar Named Desire, Tennessee Williams

#### Question 4

'Elysian Fields is a world filled with violence, in which Blanche cannot survive.'

In the light of this comment, explore Williams' dramatic presentation of violence in the play. In your answer you must consider relevant contextual factors.

subject

(40)

OR

#### **Question 5**

'Mitch may be a weak character, but his treatment of Blanche is still disturbing and harmful.'

In the light of this comment, explore Williams' dramatic presentation of Mitch. In your answer you must consider relevant contextual factors.

#### Doctor Faustus, Christopher Marlowe

#### Question 6

'Repentance is never a serious possibility for Faustus: he is doomed from the start.'

In the light of this comment, explore Marlowe's dramatic presentation of repentance in the play. In your answer you must consider relevant contextual factors.

Subject

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OR

#### Question 7

'The forces of evil in the play can be funny as well as frightening.'

In the light of this comment, explore Marlowe's dramatic presentation of the forces of evil in *Doctor Faustus*. In your answer you must consider relevant contextual factors.

#### The Home Place, Brian Friel

#### **Question 8**

'Richard Gore is a complex creation - comic, sinister, and perhaps brave.'

In the light of this comment, explore Friel's dramatic presentation of Richard Gore. In your answer you must consider relevant contextual factors.

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OR

#### Question 9

'The domestic setting and music heard at the start of the play create a false sense of security.'

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In the light of this comment, explore the dramatic presentation of fear in the play. In your answer you must consider relevant contextual factors.

#### **COMEDY**

#### The Importance of Being Earnest, Oscar Wilde

#### Question 10

'Wilde constructs comedy by ruthlessly mocking marriage.'

In the light of this comment, explore Wilde's dramatic presentation of marriage in *The Importance of Being Earnest*. In your answer you must consider relevant contextual factors.

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OR

#### **Question 11**

'Gwendolen is comic because she is both outrageous and conventional.'

In the light of this comment, explore Wilde's dramatic presentation of Gwendolen in *The Importance of Being Earnest*. In your answer you must consider relevant contextual factors.

#### The Pitmen Painters, Lee Hall

#### Question 12

'Examining the lives of a group of ordinary men who do extraordinary things.'

In the light of this comment, explore the dramatic presentation of the men's working lives in the play. In your answer you must consider relevant contextual factors.

(40)

OR

#### Question 13

'Don't be scared of the world. Take chances. Make something new.'

In the light of this comment, explore the dramatic presentation of the character of Robert Lyon in *The Pitmen Painters*. In your answer you must consider relevant contextual factors.

#### The Rover, Aphra Behn

#### **Question 14**

'Behn's male characters are typical men - entirely concerned with their own pleasures.'

In the light of this comment, explore Behn's dramatic presentation of masculinity in The Rover. In your answer you must consider relevant contextual factors.

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#### Question 15

Subject 'Blunt brings comedy but also menace to the play.'

In the light of this comment, explore Behn's dramatic presentation of Blunt in The Rover. In your answer you must consider relevant contextual factors.

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#### Waiting for Godot, Samuel Beckett

#### **Question 16**

'Beckett makes entertaining drama out of two men simply filling time.'

In the light of this comment, explore Beckett's dramatic presentation of time in *Waiting* for *Godot*. In your answer you must consider relevant contextual factors.

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OR

#### **Question 17**

'Pozzo and Lucky bring tragedy as well as comedy to the play.'

In the light of this comment, explore Beckett's dramatic presentation of Pozzo and Lucky in *Waiting for Godot*. In your answer you must consider relevant contextual factors.

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## Paper 1 Mark scheme

Question Number	Indicative content
1	<ul> <li>Somewhat Unravelled by Jo Shapcott</li> <li>Students may refer to the following in their answers:</li> <li>complex and ambivalent relationship between speaker and Auntie</li> <li>the use of colloquial diction and direct speech to lend authenticity and drama</li> <li>use of imagery to suggest the totality of Auntie's life ('curlicues and hopscotch grids')</li> <li>extended imagery of the 'furniture-walk' to provide humour</li> <li>repetition of 'little', variously suggesting the power, tenderness and pity of the speaker</li> <li>Auntie's criticism of the speaker, perhaps suggesting a sense of regret in the latter</li> <li>complex effect of the final image of the two as flowers</li> <li>combined effects of metre and colloquial informality.</li> </ul>



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	0	No rewardable material.
Level 1	1-4	Recalls information
		Recalls basic points and limited terms. Makes few accurate
		references to the text. Ideas are unstructured with frequent errors
		and technical lapses.
		Uses a highly narrative or descriptive approach showing overall
		lack of understanding of the writer's craft.
Level 2	5-8	General understanding
		Makes general points and gives general explanation of terminology
		and its effects. Ideas are organised and expressed with some
		clarity, although there are still errors and technical lapses.
		Gives surface readings of texts and shows general understanding
		of writer's craft by commenting on straightforward elements.
Level 3	9-12	Detailed understanding
		Offers a clear response, providing examples with few errors and
		lapses in expression.
		Demonstrates clear interpretation of text and clear knowledge
	12.16	which shows understanding of the writer's craft.
Level 4	13-16	Consistent application
		Demonstrates a consistent argument with examples. Structure is
		confident with careful transitions and evidence of carefully chosen
		language. Use of appropriate concepts and terminology.
		Examines the effects of literary features with evidence of effective
Level 5	17-20	and secure interpretation of texts.
Level 5	17-20	<ul> <li>Discriminating application</li> <li>Provides a consistently effective argument with textual examples.</li> </ul>
		Assesses the effects of literary features and applies range of
		concepts and terminology.
		<ul> <li>Displays discrimination when evaluating different interpretations of</li> </ul>
		texts. Shows a critical understanding of the writer's craft.

Question Number	Indicative content				
2	A Doll's House				
_	Students may refer to the following in their answers:				
	Torvald's treatment of Nora in the first part of the play, such as the				
	macaroons as a dramatic symbol of power				
	Torvald's reaction to the illegal loan				
	Torvald's insistence on dismissing Krogstad, and his reasons				
	Torvald's motives for wanting to keep Nora to keep up appearances				
	Dr Rank's ironic assessment of him				
	portrayal of the destructive effects of his efforts to control the Helmer				
	family				
	disturbing dramatic effect of his sexual advances towards Nora				
	contemporary attitudes to marriage and public reputation.				
3	A Doll's House				
	Students may refer to the following in their answers:				
	<ul> <li>presentation of Nora's apparent weakness and dependency at the beginning of the play</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>dramatic impact of Nora's assertion of autonomy at the end</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>contrast between Torvald's self-image and his true nature</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>use of dramatic plot revelations such as Rank's love for Nora</li> </ul>				
	dramatic manipulation of the relationship between Krogstad and Mrs Linde				
	<ul> <li>developing awareness of Krogstad's character</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Torvald's attempted control of appearances in the Helmer family</li> </ul>				
	• contemporary attitudes to family, marriage and the position of women.				



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Level 1	1-4	<ul> <li>Recalls information</li> <li>Recalls basic points and limited terms. Makes few accurate references to the text. Ideas are unstructured with frequent errors and technical lapses.</li> </ul>
		Uses a highly narrative or descriptive approach showing overall lack of understanding of the writer's craft.
Level 2	5-8	<ul> <li>General understanding</li> <li>Makes general points and gives general explanation of terminology and its effects. Ideas are organised and expressed with some clarity, although there are still errors and technical lapses.</li> <li>Gives surface readings of texts and shows general understanding of writer's craft by commenting on straightforward elements.</li> </ul>
Level 3	9-12	<ul> <li>Detailed understanding</li> <li>Offers a clear response providing examples with few errors and lapses in expression.</li> <li>Demonstrates clear interpretation of text and clear knowledge which shows understanding of the writer's craft.</li> </ul>
Level 4	13-16	<ul> <li>Consistent application</li> <li>Demonstrates a consistent argument with examples. Structure is confident with careful transitions and evidence of carefully chosen language. Use of appropriate concepts and terminology.</li> <li>Examines the effects of literary features with evidence of effective and secure interpretation of texts.</li> </ul>
Level 5	17-20	<ul> <li>Discriminating application</li> <li>Provides a consistently effective argument with textual examples. Assesses the effects of literary features and applies range of concepts and terminology.</li> <li>Displays discrimination when evaluating different interpretations of texts. Shows a critical understanding of the writer's craft.</li> </ul>

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Level	Mark	Descriptor (AO3, AO5)
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Level 1	1-4	Descriptive and explanatory
		Uses a highly-descriptive approach treating the texts as separate  artition the reference in little approach of contents.
		entities, therefore there is little awareness of context.
		Has explanatory approach to reading texts and shows little awareness of different interpretations.
Level 2	5-8	General straightforward approach
		Makes general links between texts, though not always securely and
		has a general awareness of contextual factors.
		Gives straightforward explanations with general awareness of
	0.40	different reading.
Level 3	9–12	Detailed exploration
		Offers clear points supported by examples that show clear
		understanding of contextual significance and influence.
		Shows clear understanding of different interpretations and
	13-16	alternative readings of texts.
Level 4	13-16	Consistent and detailed exploration
		Deals in consistent way with how context is significant and
		influences the writer's craft. Able to explore links in detailed way.
ļ	17 20	Displays consistent analysis of different ways to approach texts.
Level 5	17–20	Discriminating exploration
		Displays evaluative approach that deals in discriminating way with
		the significance and influence of contextual factors.
		Evaluates different interpretations and alternative readings of
		texts. Able to explore confidently with discriminating use of
		evidence.

Question Number	Indicative content				
4	A Streetcar Named Desire				
4	Students may refer to the following in their answers:				
	<ul> <li>presentation of Stanley's generally violent behaviour, e.g. radio, trunk, plates</li> </ul>				
	Stanley's attack on Stella and her ambivalent response to violence				
	dramatic impact of Stanley's physical attack on Blanche				
	use of Stanley's psychological cruelty to Blanche to develop character and				
	plot, e.g. his exposure of her past, the ticket back to Laurel				
	Mitch's attempt to have sex with Blanche				
	Mitch's psychological cruelty, e.g. she being 'not clean enough' to meet his				
	mother				
	dramatic impact of the final scene as a challenge to the contention that she				
	'cannot survive'				
	contemporary social attitudes to male/female relationships etc.				
5	A Streetcar Named Desire				
	Students may refer to the following in their answers:				
	• contrast in his behaviour towards Blanche before and after learning the				
	truth C11D180				
	portrayal of his positive qualities, e.g. love for his mother				
	<ul> <li>structural parallels between his past and Blanche's, eliciting sympathy</li> </ul>				
	use of comedy to variegate the dramatic impact of the play				
	use of contrasts between Mitch and Blanche to develop themes of class and				
	education				
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Level 2	5-8	lack of understanding of the writer's craft.  General understanding
		<ul> <li>Makes general points and gives general explanation of terminology and its effects. Ideas are organised and expressed with some clarity, although there are still errors and technical lapses.</li> <li>Gives surface readings of texts and shows general understanding of writer's craft by commenting on straightforward elements.</li> </ul>
Level 3	9-12	<ul> <li>Detailed understanding</li> <li>Offers a clear response providing examples with few errors and lapses in expression.</li> <li>Demonstrates clear interpretation of text and clear knowledge which shows understanding of the writer's craft.</li> </ul>
Level 4	13-16	<ul> <li>Consistent application</li> <li>Demonstrates a consistent argument with examples. Structure is confident with careful transitions and evidence of carefully chosen language. Use of appropriate concepts and terminology.</li> <li>Examines the effects of literary features with evidence of effective and secure interpretation of texts.</li> </ul>
Level 5	17-20	<ul> <li>Discriminating application</li> <li>Provides a consistently effective argument with textual examples.         Assesses the effects of literary features and applies range of concepts and terminology.</li> <li>Displays discrimination when evaluating different interpretations of texts. Shows a critical understanding of the writer's craft.</li> </ul>

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Question Number	Indicative content				
6	Doctor Faustus				
	Students may refer to the following in their answers:				
	Faustus's moral dilemma at the beginning of the play				
	dramatic use of the Good and Bad Angels to embody Faustus's choice				
	gradual degradation of Faustus's use of his powers				
	delight Faustus takes in magic and trickery				
	complex dramatic effect of his final speech, eliciting pity as well as horror				
	occasions when Faustus considers asking forgiveness, e.g. the Good Angel,				
	the Old Man				
	use of the Chorus to comment and foreshadow				
	contemporary attitudes to sin, repentance, salvation.				
7	Doctor Faustus				
	Students may refer to the following in their answers:				
	dramatic presentation of the Seven Deadly Sins				
	growing abuse of his powers by Faustus in tricks and escapades				
	complex portrayal of Mephistopheles/Mephastophilis				
	graphic descriptions of Hell				
	comic contribution of Robin and Rafe				
	comic contribution of Wagner and the Clown				
	use of Lucifer as a witness to key decisions by Faustus				
	contemporary attitudes to sin and evil.				



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		Gives surface readings of texts and shows general understanding
		of writer's craft by commenting on straightforward elements.
Level 3	9-12	Detailed understanding
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Level 4	13-16	Consistent application
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Question	Indicative content				
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8	<ul> <li>The Home Place</li> <li>Students may refer to the following in their answers:</li> <li>various illustrations of Richard's racial attitudes and beliefs</li> <li>comic effect of the relationship with Perkins</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>complex dramatic impact of the measuring experiment</li> <li>Richard's attitude in the stand-off with Con Doherty</li> <li>Richard's comments on Christopher's response to the confrontation</li> <li>use of comedy in his exchange with Clement to develop the theme of English attitudes to Irish culture</li> <li>dramatic effect of Christopher ordering him to go</li> </ul>				
	contemporary attitudes to race, class and scientific truth.				
9	The Home Place Students may refer to the following in their answers:  dramatic metaphor of the marking of the trees  creation of mystery and fear around the death of the landowner and the 'list'  tension and menace in the confrontation between Richard and Con  use of the falcon as dramatic symbolism  use of domestic detail to emphasise confrontation, e.g. the bills  dramatic effect of Christopher's collapse at the end of the play  use of Con Doherty to foreshadow conflict  contemporary attitudes to culture, race, homeland.				

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	clarity, although there are still errors and technical lapses.
	Gives surface readings of texts and shows general understanding
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	lapses in expression.
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13-10	Consistent application
	<ul> <li>Demonstrates a consistent argument with examples. Structure is confident with careful transitions and evidence of carefully chosen</li> </ul>
	language. Use of appropriate concepts and terminology.
	<ul> <li>Examines the effects of literary features with evidence of effective</li> </ul>
	and secure interpretation of texts.
17-20	Discriminating application
	<ul> <li>Provides a consistently effective argument with textual examples.</li> </ul>
	Assesses the effects of literary features and applies range of
	concepts and terminology.
	Displays discrimination when evaluating different interpretations
	of texts. Shows a critical understanding of the writer's craft.
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Level	Mark	Descriptor (AO3, AO5)
	0	No rewardable material.
Level 1	1-4	Descriptive and explanatory
		Uses a highly-descriptive approach treating the texts as separate
		entities, therefore there is little awareness of context.
		Has explanatory approach to reading texts and shows little
		awareness of different interpretations.
Level 2	5-8	General straightforward approach
		Makes general links between texts, though not always securely and
		has a general awareness of contextual factors.
		Gives straightforward explanations with general awareness of
		different reading.
Level 3	9-12	Detailed exploration
		Offers clear points supported by examples that show clear
		understanding of contextual significance and influence.
		Shows clear understanding of different interpretations and
		alternative readings of texts.
Level 4	13-16	Consistent and detailed exploration
		Deals in consistent way with how context is significant and
		influences the writer's craft. Able to explore links in detailed way.
		Displays consistent analysis of different ways to approach texts.
Level 5	17-20	Discriminating exploration
		Displays evaluative approach that deals in discriminating way with
		the significance and influence of contextual factors.
		Evaluates different interpretations and alternative readings of
		texts. Able to explore confidently with discriminating use of
		evidence.
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Question Number	Indicative content		
10	The Importance of Being Earnest Students may refer to the following in their answers:     comic effect of Lady Bracknell's interview with Jack     Gwendolen's comic obsession with the name 'Earnest'     inversion of gender expectations in Gwendolen's relationship with Jack     witty conversations about marriage, e.g. between Algernon and Lane,     Algernon and Jack     Algernon's cynicism contrasted with Jack's romantic nature     Gwendolen's realistic view of marriage contrasted with Cecily's fantasies     dramatic resolution in the final betrothals     contemporary attitudes to love, marriage and social expectations.		
11	The Importance of Being Earnest Students may refer to the following in their answers:  Gwendolen as a satirical portrait of Victorian woman her comic obsession with the name 'Earnest' her resemblances to Lady Bracknell her pronouncements on marriage, fashion, behaviour and morality her strength in taking control of Jack use of her confrontation with Cecily to complicate plot and generate humour dramatic effect of the final betrothal to Jack contemporary attitudes to women and to relationships between women and men.		



Level	Mark	Descriptor (AO1, AO2)
	0	No rewardable material
Level 1	1-4	Recalls information
		Recalls basic points and limited terms. Makes few accurate
		references to the text. Ideas are unstructured with frequent errors
		and technical lapses.
		Uses a highly narrative or descriptive approach showing overall
		lack of understanding of the writer's craft.
Level 2	5–8	General understanding
		Makes general points and gives general explanation of terminology
		and its effects. Ideas are organised and expressed with some
		clarity, although there are still errors and technical lapses.
		Gives surface readings of texts and shows general understanding
		of writer's craft by commenting on straightforward elements.
Level 3	9-12	Detailed understanding
		Offers a clear response providing examples with few errors and
		lapses in expression.
		Demonstrates clear interpretation of text and clear knowledge
_	10.10	which shows understanding of the writer's craft.
Level 4	13-16	Consistent application
		Demonstrates a consistent argument with examples. Structure is
		confident with careful transitions and evidence of carefully chosen
		language. Use of appropriate concepts and terminology.
		Examines the effects of literary features with evidence of effective
	17 20	and secure interpretation of texts.
Level 5	17-20	Discriminating application
		Provides a consistently effective argument with textual examples.  Accorded the effects of literary features and applies range of
		Assesses the effects of literary features and applies range of
		concepts and terminology.
		Displays discrimination when evaluating different interpretations     of toyto. Shows a critical understanding of the writer's craft.
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Level	Mark	Descriptor (AO3, AO5)
	0	No rewardable material.
Level 1	1-4	Descriptive and explanatory
		Uses a highly-descriptive approach treating the texts as separate
		entities, therefore there is little awareness of context.
		Has explanatory approach to reading texts and shows little
		awareness of different interpretations.
Level 2	5–8	General straightforward approach
		Makes general links between texts, though not always securely and
		has a general awareness of contextual factors.
		Gives straightforward explanations with general awareness of
	0.40	different reading.
Level 3	9–12	Detailed exploration
		Offers clear points supported by examples that show clear  and another displayers and influence and influence.
		understanding of contextual significance and influence.
		Shows clear understanding of different interpretations and  Itempetites and dispress of boots.
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		influences the writer's craft. Able to explore links in detailed way.
		<ul> <li>Displays consistent analysis of different ways to approach texts.</li> </ul>
Level 5	17-20	Discriminating exploration
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		the significance and influence of contextual factors.
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12	The Pitmen Painters			
	Students may refer to the following in their answers:			
	<ul> <li>accounts of the men's experiences as children in the mines and possible</li> </ul>			
	audience responses to these, e.g. Jimmy's story			
	<ul> <li>telling details of physical hardship and how Hall uses these to engage the audience in the story of the miners</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>sense of the men's camaraderie – e.g. the crescendo effect of their joint</li> </ul>			
	voices at the end of the first act and the singing of the Miners' Hymn at the			
	end of the play			
	<ul> <li>pride/pomposity of the union official, George, e.g. his contemptuous</li> </ul>			
	comments about painting in the art class			
	• sense of pride in their work – e.g. Jimmy's boast: "Miners are small and			
	wiry like me."			
	<ul> <li>dramatic impact of men never being presented in their working clothes and of the absence of scenes in the mine itself</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>contemporary attitudes to social class and expectations, work, and art.</li> </ul>			
13	The Pitmen Painters			
''	Students may refer to the following in their answers:			
	Hall's use of speech to highlight class and other differences between Lyon			
	and the men			
	Hall's use of Lyon as a source of comedy, e.g. his lack of awareness in the			
	opening scenes etc			
	<ul> <li>Lyon as a link between the world of the miners and that of Helen Sutherland</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Lyon as a dramatic foil to Oliver – his optimism compared to Oliver's more</li> </ul>			
	grounded approach, e.g. the scene where Oliver offers a harsh critique of			
	Robert's portrait of him			
	Hall's use of Lyon to explore themes of aestheticism and education and lack			
	of opportunities given to working-class people			
	possible audience interpretations of Lyon's motives – e.g. were they			
	genuinely philanthropic or were the pitmen just a 'project'? For example,			
	his comments on the Chinese painters: "I don't think there's much evidence			
	of any real skill. Quite clearly generic scenes – perfectly ordinary, really."			
	• contemporary attitudes to social class and expectations, work, and art.			

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		and technical lapses.
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		lack of understanding of the writer's craft.
Level 2	5-8	General understanding
		Makes general points and gives general explanation of terminology
		and its effects. Ideas are organised and expressed with some
		clarity, although there are still errors and technical lapses.
		Gives surface readings of texts and shows general understanding
	9-12	of writer's craft by commenting on straightforward elements.
Level 3	9-12	Detailed understanding
		Offers a clear response providing examples with few errors and languaging expression.
		lapses in expression.  • Demonstrates clear interpretation of text and clear knowledge
		which shows understanding of the writer's craft.
Level 4	13-16	Consistent application
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		confident with careful transitions and evidence of carefully chosen
		language. Use of appropriate concepts and terminology.
		Examines the effects of literary features with evidence of effective
		and secure interpretation of texts.
Level 5	17-20	Discriminating application
		Provides a consistently effective argument with textual examples.
		Assesses the effects of literary features and applies range of
		concepts and terminology.
		Displays discrimination when evaluating different interpretations
		of texts. Shows a critical understanding of the writer's craft.

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Indicative content			
The Rover			
Students may refer to the following in their answers:			
• readiness of male characters to feign love, e.g. Willmore to Hellena			
<ul> <li>regular dramatic eruptions of violence, e.g. Antonio and Pedro</li> </ul>			
ambivalent dramatic effect of the betrothal of Willmore and Hellena			
Willmore's willingness to denigrate Hellena to Angellica			
dramatic portrayal of men's dependence on prostitutes			
dramatic effect of the hasty marriages			
<ul> <li>close connection between honour and relationships with women, e.g. the</li> </ul>			
duel			
contemporary attitudes to women, sexuality and honour.			
The Rover			
Students may refer to the following in their answers:			
Blunt's reaction to Lucetta's attempt to seduce him			
<ul> <li>language Behn gives him in order to mark him out from the other male</li> </ul>			
characters			
attitudes of Willmore, Belvile and Frederick to Blunt			
• ease with which he is cheated, e.g. by Lucetta			
<ul> <li>visual comedy of the trapdoor scene</li> </ul>			
Blunt's vengeful attempt to rape Florinda			
Blunt being excluded from the marriage and his comic reappearance			
<ul> <li>contemporary attitudes to sex, masculinity and provincialism.</li> </ul>			



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Question Number	Waiting for Godot		
16	<ul> <li>Waiting for Godot</li> <li>Students may refer to the following in their answers:</li> <li>any of the numerous references to time in the dialogue</li> <li>stratagems used to pass time – forced conversations, hat swapping, vegetables</li> <li>the dramatic significance of the tree</li> <li>the physical changes in Pozzo and Lucky across the Acts</li> <li>the dramatic implications of the non-appearance of Godot</li> <li>exploitation of time filling as a source of humour, e.g. the exchange of insults</li> <li>the use of repeated dramatic structures, exploiting the humour of personal intimacy and predictable routine</li> </ul>		
	contemporary attitudes to religion and human identity.		
17	<ul> <li>Waiting for Godot</li> <li>Students may refer to the following in their answers:</li> <li>structural contrasts between Pozzo/Lucky and Vladimir/Estragon, e.g. the degeneration of the former, the survival of the latter</li> <li>ways Pozzo and Lucky are used to elicit compassion, e.g. maltreatment, blindness</li> <li>contrast in the predicaments of the two pairs of characters</li> <li>changes undergone by Pozzo and Lucky across the Acts</li> <li>complex physical comedy, e.g. Lucky as Pozzo's beast of burden</li> <li>verbal comedy, e.g. Lucky's monologue</li> <li>complexity of the shifting power relationship between the two</li> <li>contemporary attitudes to freedom, identity and salvation.</li> </ul>		



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## Pearson Edexcel Level 3 GCE

# **English Literature**

## **Advanced Subsidiary**

Paper 2: Prose

Sample assessment materials for first teaching September 2015

Paper Reference(s)

Time: 1 hour

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You must have: prescribed texts (clean copies)

#### Instructions

- Use black pen or ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **one** question on your chosen theme.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
  - there may be more space than you need

#### Information

- The total mark for this paper is 40.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets
  - use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each questions.

#### **Advice**

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

#### Childhood

#### Texts:

pre-1900: What Maisie Knew, Henry James; Hard Times, Charles Dickens post-1900: Atonement, Ian McEwan; The Color Purple, Alice Walker

#### Question 1

Compare the ways in which the writers of your **two** chosen texts present moments in childhood that have lasting consequences.

In your answer you must consider the following:

- the writers' methods
- links between the texts

the relevance of contextual factors.

(40)

OR

#### Question 2

Compare the ways in which the writers of your **two** chosen texts present the loss of innocence.

In your answer you must consider the following:

- the writers' methods
- links between the texts
- the relevance of contextual factors.

#### Colonisation and its Aftermath

#### Texts:

pre-1900: Heart of Darkness, Joseph Conrad; The Adventures of Huckleberry

Finn, Mark Twain

post-1900: A Passage to India, E M Forster; The Lonely Londoners, Sam Selvon

#### Question 3

Compare the ways in which the writers of your **two** chosen texts present characters of different backgrounds.

In your answer you must consider the following:

- the writers' methods
- links between the texts

the relevance of contextual factors.

(40)

OR

#### Question 4

Compare the ways in which the writers of your **two** chosen texts present the idea that colonisation results in greed.

In your answer you must consider the following:

- the writers' methods
- links between the texts
- the relevance of contextual factors.

#### Crime and Detection

#### Texts:

pre-1900: A Study in Scarlet, Arthur Conan Doyle; The Moonstone, Wilkie Collins post-1900: In Cold Blood, Truman Capote; The Murder Room, P D James

#### Question 5

Compare the ways in which the writers of your **two** chosen texts present the methods of investigating crime.

In your answer you must consider the following:

• the writers' methods

• links between the texts

the relevance of contextual factors

(40)

OR

#### Question 6

Compare the ways in which the writers of your two chosen texts present suspicious behaviour. In your answer you must consider the following:

- the writers' methods
- links between the texts
- the relevance of contextual factors.

#### Science and Society

#### Texts:

pre-1900: Frankenstein, Mary Shelley; The War of the Worlds, H G Wells post-1900: Never Let Me Go, Kazuo Ishiguro; The Handmaid's Tale, Margaret

Atwood

#### Question 7

Compare the ways in which the writers of your **two** chosen texts attempt to make their stories believable.

In your answer you must consider the following:

- the writers' methods
- links between the texts

the relevance of contextual factors.

(40)

OR

#### **Question 8**

Compare the ways in which the writers of your **two** chosen texts portray the impact of science on social order.

In your answer you must consider the following:

- the writers' methods
- links between the texts
- the relevance of contextual factors.

#### The Supernatural

#### Texts:

pre-1900: The Picture of Dorian Gray, Oscar Wilde; Dracula, Bram Stoker post-1900: The Little Stranger, Sarah Waters; Beloved, Toni Morrison

#### Question 9

Compare the ways in which the writers of your **two** chosen texts convey the threat or presence of death.

In your answer you must consider the following:

- the writers' methods
- links between the texts

• the relevance of contextual factors.

(40)

OR

#### Question 10

Compare the ways in which the writers of your two chosen texts make use of significant locations in their texts.

In your answer you must consider the following:

- the writers' methods
- links between the texts
- the relevance of contextual factors.

#### **Women and Society**

#### Texts:

pre-1900: Wuthering Heights, Emily Brontë; Tess of the D'Urbervilles, Thomas

Hardy

post-1900: Mrs Dalloway, Virginia Woolf; A Thousand Splendid Suns, Khaled Hosseini

#### Question 11

Compare the ways in which the writers of your **two** chosen texts portray the experience of growing up.

In your answer you must consider the following:

- the writers' methods
- links between the texts

the relevance of contextual factors.

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OR

#### Question 12

Compare the ways in which the writers of your **two** chosen texts present difficulties in the lives of women.

In your answer you must consider the following:

- the writers' methods
- links between the texts
- the relevance of contextual factors.

Indicate which question you are answering by marking a cross [x] in the box. If you change your mind, put a line through the box [x] and then indicate your new question with a cross [x].							
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## Paper 2 Mark scheme

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1	Childhood Students may refer to the following in their answers:  comparison of how writers present moments of change, e.g. third-person narrative of how Sissy is taken into the Gradgrind household compared with Walker's use of first-person narrative to describe Nettie's flight from Mr  times when children are coerced, e.g. Louisa marrying Bounderby; Celie marrying Mr  the social context of children's rights  how writers present decisions, e.g. Maisie's thoughts when deciding whether or not to remain with her mother and Sir Claude; Briony's thoughts when she decides to accuse Robbie of rape  comparison of how writers present abandonment, e.g. how James and Dickens evoke sympathy for Maisie and Sissy  social context of parenthood and marriage and attitudes towards these  the effects of misunderstanding, e.g. Briony witnessing and misconstruing the love making of Robbie and Cecilia; Celie's belief that Nettie is dead and the effect this has on her  how writers present realisation of truth.
2	Childhood Students may refer to the following in their answers:  • whether the loss of innocence is sudden or gradual, e.g. for Dickens' Tom and Louisa and for James' Maisie it is a gradual process, while for McEwan's Briony it is a sudden trauma  • comparison of how writers present the causes of the loss of innocence  • comparison of how writers present the effects of loss of innocence, e.g. Louisa's inner turmoil or Maisie's astute assessment of her parents' failings  • how writers present the signs of loss of innocence, e.g. Dickens' portrayal of Tom's dissipation, McEwan's portrayal of the rift in the Tallis family  • the significance of social/cultural context in the loss of innocence  • consideration of whether the loss of innocence is in some way desirable, e.g. idea that both Maisie and Celie become stronger and more assertive.

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Level 4	13-16	<ul> <li>Consistent application</li> <li>Demonstrates a consistent argument with examples. Structure is confident with careful transitions and evidence of carefully chosen language. Use of appropriate concepts and terminology.</li> <li>Examines the effects of literary features with evidence of effective and secure interpretation of texts.</li> </ul>
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4	<ul> <li>Colonisation and its Aftermath</li> <li>Students may refer to the following in their answers:</li> <li>how writers show the exploitation of the colonised by the coloniser, e.g. the lives of West Indian immigrants in the context of Rachmanism; how the duke and dauphin exploit Jim's status as a runaway slave to 'sell' him to a farmer</li> <li>comparison of how writers present the materialism that accompanies colonisation</li> <li>consideration of types of greed other than financial, e.g. the greed for power and control in 'Heart of Darkness' and 'A Passage to India'</li> <li>comparison of how writers present the effects of greed on the colonisers, e.g. Conrad's portrayal of Kurtz's depravity; Twain's depiction of the itinerant life and scams of the duke and dauphin</li> <li>not all colonisers are motivated by greed in these texts: how Twain balances the slave hunters and con men with several kind characters such as the Grangerfords; characters such as Mrs Moore and Fielding act as a balance to the more arrogant aspects of British rule in India</li> <li>how writers present the effect of colonial greed on the colonised.</li> </ul>

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6	Crime and Detection Students may refer to the following in their answers:  • the extent to which suspects are given a guilty conscience  • whether writers present the behaviour of suspects in a way that makes them suspicious to the reader, e.g. Collins deliberately introduces Godfrey Ablewhite with qualities that would deflect suspicion before revealing him as a sham; Capote makes no attempt to hide the fact that Hickock and Smith are the murderers  • how writers use narrative structure in relation to suspicion/guilt  • how writers use dialogue to present suspects, e.g. Capote's presentation of the interrogation process that leads to the confessions of Hickock and Smith; James' use of dialogue to arouse suspicion in the reader, e.g. dialogue between Muriel and Tally  • comparison of how writers use narrative point of view  • the contextual factors that influence the presentation of suspects, e.g. the Mormon culture as the context for Stangerson and Drebber's actions; Hickock and Smith as marginalised characters excluded from the American Dream typified by the Clutter family.

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8	<ul> <li>concerns reflected in <i>The Handmaid's Tale</i>.</li> <li>Science and Society</li> <li>Students may refer to the following in their answers: <ul> <li>narrative and structural methods used by the writers, e.g. the first-person voice in Wells, Atwood and Ishiguro, compared to the ways Shelley uses letters and other framing devices in <i>Frankenstein</i></li> <li>how narrators portray the social order</li> <li>ways writers describe the impact of science behind their stories, e.g. the descriptions of the Martians' physiology and activities on Earth in contrast to the reactions of human society to the invasion</li> <li>the ways Gilead is organised in <i>The Handmaid's Tale</i>, e.g. the emphasis on childbearing, the indoctrination of the handmaids</li> <li>contexts such as the unease about the future of humanity at the end of <i>The War of the Worlds</i> and the environmental concerns reflected in <i>The Handmaid's Tale</i></li> <li>reflections of contemporary anxieties about the impact of science on social order, e.g. experiments on the human body in <i>Frankenstein</i>, cloning in <i>Never Let Me Go</i></li> <li>possible reactions of modern readers to concerns about the impact of science on social order and the ways they are portrayed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	multiple narrators in Wuthering Heights and their different views of women		
	growing up		
	ways in which key narrative details are presented as pivotal points in the		
	process of growing up, e.g. the description of the 'country girls' at the May- Day dance in <i>Tess of the D'Ubervilles</i> and Mrs Dalloway's recollections of her		
	life at 18		
	comparison of the ways writers describe women growing up, e.g. attitudes to		
	education of boys and girls in <i>A Thousand Splendid Suns</i> and in <i>Wuthering</i>		
	Heights		
	• use of contexts, especially attitudes to girls and young women: e.g. Afghan		
	society in Hosseini, the worlds of Wuthering Heights and Thruschcross		
	Grange, the social circles in which Clarissa moves, the pressures put on Tess by her family		
	<ul> <li>how writers state or imply views on social attitudes (such as those of Angel</li> </ul>		
	Clare and his family in <i>Tess of the D'Ubervilles</i> or of the Taliban on women in		
	A Thousand Splendid Suns); how readers today might respond.		
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	an illegitimate child, her marriage and her relationship with her husband and his second wife		
	<ul> <li>use of different viewpoints to convey difficulties the women face, such as Miss</li> </ul>		
	Kilman and Rezia Smith in <i>Mrs Dalloway</i> and Nelly Dean in <i>Wuthering Heights</i>		
	<ul> <li>ways writers convey the restrictions on the imaginative lives of female</li> </ul>		
	characters		
	• comparisons of the social expectations and restrictions on female characters,		
	e.g. expectations that press on Clarissa Dalloway compared to the pressures		
	on Tess to help her family		
	<ul> <li>exploration of attitudes to women at the time the texts were written: contrasts between the times before and after the Taliban take power;</li> </ul>		
	Clarissa's role as hostess in <i>Mrs Dalloway;</i> Hardy's comments on the		
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