

TGS English Department: GCSE English Language Paper 1 Overview

Friday 23rd May 2025

<p>GCSE ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Use the following timing advice to help you prepare effectively. . Regular reading of more challenging fiction texts will help you prepare. . It is very important that you edit your work carefully. . Look very carefully at what the questions are asking you to do and pace yourself carefully! 	<p>ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 1: EXPLORATIONS IN CREATIVE READING + WRITING (50%) 1 HOUR 45 MINS (or 2 hrs 11 mins for students with extra time)</p> <p>Source: extract from a 20th or 21st century novel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Wording of the questions is always the same. In question 2, 3 and 4 bullet points provide help and guidance. . Reading time has been incorporated in to the timings for each question
<p>Q1 AO1 4 marks 6 mins</p>	<p>Read information given about the text at the start; List four things – quick comprehension question</p> <p>Identify information/ideas from the opening part of the extract. You can use quotes or phrase in your own words but write in short, full sentences</p>
<p>Q2 AO2 8 marks 12 mins</p>	<p>How does the writer’s use of language.....? 2-3 PEZZ paragraphs</p> <p>Select examples of interesting language use from sections of the text and then comment, explain and analyse.</p>
<p>Q3 AO2 8 marks 12 mins</p>	<p>How does the writer structure.....? 2-3 PEZZ paragraphs</p> <p>Write about how the writer has organised and structured the text - techniques such as narrative voice, sequencing, shifts in focus, time, place, atmosphere</p>
<p>Q4 AO4 20 marks 30 mins</p>	<p>To what extent do you agree.....? 2-3 more detailed PEZZ paragraphs</p> <p>Critical evaluation responding to a statement about part of the extract. Need to give detailed evidence as to how and why you feel and respond as you do.</p>
<p>Q5 WRITING</p> <p>40 marks 45 mins</p> <p style="text-align: right;">AO5 AO6</p>	<p>Choice of TWO writing tasks - either narrative or descriptive or one of each. The task loosely connects to themes of reading source.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . A picture will inspire one of the tasks . Plan your writing in your answer booklet (5 paragraph plan) - include the methods you are going to use . Check the accuracy of your writing <p>24 marks: content and organisation</p> <p>16 marks: use of vocabulary, grammar and accuracy of spelling and punctuation</p> <p>5 mins planning - 35 mins writing - 5 mins checking and editing</p>