General Certificate of Education June 2005 Advanced Level Examination



ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE (SPECIFICATION A) Unit 5 Texts and Audience

Tuesday 21 June 2005 1.30 pm to 3.45 pm

In addition to this paper you will require:

a 16-page answer book.

Time allowed: 2 hours 15 minutes

Instructions

- Use blue or black ink or ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The *Examining Body* for this paper is AQA. The *Paper Reference* is NTA5.

NTA5

• Answer one question from Section A and both parts of Question 13 in Section B.

Information

- The books prescribed for this paper **may not** be taken into the examination room.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 150.
- All questions carry 50 marks.
- Section A carries 50 marks and Section B carries 100 marks.
- You will be assessed on your ability to use an appropriate form and style of writing, to organise relevant information clearly and coherently, and to use specialist vocabulary, where appropriate. The degree of legibility of your handwriting and the level of accuracy of your spelling, punctuation and grammar will also be taken into account.

Advice

• You should spend no longer than 45 minutes on your question in Section A, and 45 minutes on Question 13(a) and 45 minutes on Question 13(b) in Section B.

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SECTION A Dramatic Study

Answer **one** question from this Section.

You should spend no longer than 45 minutes on this Section A question.

Othello – William Shakespeare

EITHER

1 Read the extract printed below.

Examine Shakespeare's presentation of female characters here and elsewhere in the play.

In your answer you should consider:

- Shakespeare's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

DESDEMONA

I have heard it said so. O, these men, these men!

Dost thou in conscience think – tell me, Emilia –

That there be women do abuse their husbands

In such gross kind?

EMILIA There be some such, no question.

DESDEMONA

Wouldst thou do such a deed for all the world?

EMILIA

Why, would not you?

DESDEMONA No, by this heavenly light!

EMILIA

Nor I neither, by this heavenly light:

I might do't as well i'th' dark.

DESDEMONA

Wouldst thou do such a deed for all the world?

EMILIA

The world's a huge thing: it is a great price

For a small vice.

DESDEMONA Good troth, I think thou wouldst not. EMILIA By my troth, I think I should, and undo't when I had done. Marry, I would not do such a thing for a joint-ring, nor for measures of lawn, nor for gowns, petticoats, nor caps, nor any petty exhibition. But for all the whole world? ud's pity, who would not make her husband a cuckold to make him a

monarch? I should venture purgatory for't.

DESDEMONA

Beshrew me, if I would do such a wrong

For the whole world!

EMILIA Why, the wrong is but a wrong i'th' world; and having the world for your labour, 'tis a wrong in your own world, and you might quickly make it right.

DESDEMONA I do not think there is any such woman.

EMILIA Yes, a dozen, and as many to th' vantage as would store the world they played for.

But I do think it is their husbands' faults

If wives do fall. Say that they slack their duties

And pour our treasures into foreign laps;

Or else break out in peevish jealousies,

Throwing restraint upon us; or say they strike us,

Or scant our former having in despite,

Why, we have galls: and though we have some grace

Yet have we some revenge. Let husbands know

Their wives have sense like them: they see, and smell,

And have their palates both for sweet and sour

As husbands have. (Act 4 Scene 3)

2 Read the extract printed below.

How far do you sympathise with Othello here and elsewhere in the play?

In your answer you should consider:

- Shakespeare's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

OTHELLO I am not valiant neither,

But every puny whipster gets my sword.

But why should honour outlive honesty?

Let it go all.

EMILIA What did thy song bode, lady?

Hark, canst thou hear me? I will play the swan

And die in music. [Sings.] Willow, willow, willow.

- Moor, she was chaste, she loved thee, cruel Moor,

So come my soul to bliss as I speak true!

So speaking as I think, alas, I die. She dies.

OTHELLO

I have another weapon in this chamber,

It is a sword of Spain, the ice-brook's temper;

O, here it is. Uncle, I must come forth.

GRATIANO [within]

If thou attempt it it will cost thee dear;

Thou hast no weapon, and perforce must suffer.

OTHELLO

Look in upon me then, and speak with me,

Or, naked as I am, I will assault thee.

[Enter GRATIANO.]

GRATIANO

What is the matter?

OTHELLO Behold, I have a weapon,

A better never did itself sustain

Upon a soldier's thigh. I have seen the day

That with this little arm and this good sword

I have made my way through more impediments

Than twenty times your stop: but, O vain boast,

Who can control his fate? 'Tis not so now.

Be not afraid, though you do see me weaponed:

Here is my journey's end, here is my butt

And very sea-mark of my utmost sail.

Do you go back dismayed? 'tis a lost fear:

Man but a rush against Othello's breast

And he retires. Where should Othello go?

Now: how dost thou look now? O ill-starred wench,

Pale as thy smock. When we shall meet at compt

This look of thine will hurl my soul from heaven

And fiends will snatch at it. Cold, cold, my girl, Even like thy chastity. O cursed, cursed slave!

Whip me, ye devils,

From the possession of this heavenly sight!

Blow me about in winds, roast me in sulphur,

Wash me in steep-down gulfs of liquid fire!

O Desdemon! dead, Desdemon. Dead! O, O!

(Act 5 Scene 2)

Measure for Measure – William Shakespeare

OR

Read the extract printed below.

Do you have sympathy for the feelings of Isabella here and elsewhere in the play?

In your answer you should consider:

- Shakespeare's language choices
 the ways in which attitudes and

the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.	
FRIAR PETER ISABELLA	Now is your time. Speak loud, and kneel before him. Justice, oh royal Duke! Vail your regard Upon a wronged – I would fain have said a maid. Oh worthy prince, dishonour not your eye By throwing it on any other object Till you have heard me in my true complaint And given me justice, justice, justice!
DUKE	Relate your wrongs: in what? By whom? Be brief. Here is Lord Angelo shall give you justice; Reveal yourself to him.
ISABELLA	Oh worthy Duke, You bid me seek redemption of the devil. Hear me yourself: for that which I must speak Must either punish me, not being believed, Or wring redress from you. Hear me, oh hear me, here!
ANGELO	My lord, her wits I fear me are not firm; She hath been a suitor to me for her brother Cut off by course of justice.
ISABELLA	By course of justice!
ANGELO	And she will speak most bitterly and strange.
ISABELLA	Most strange, but yet most truly will I speak.
	That Angelo's forsworn, is it not strange?
	That Angelo's a murderer, is't not strange?
	That Angelo is an adulterous thief,
	An hypocrite, a virgin-violator,
	Is it not strange, and strange?
DUKE	Nay, it is ten times strange.
ISABELLA	It is not truer he is Angelo
	Than this is all as true as it is strange;
	Nay, it is ten times true, for truth is truth
	To th'end of reck'ning.
DUKE	Away with her: poor soul,
	She speaks this in th'infirmity of sense.
ISABELLA	Oh prince, I conjure thee as thou believ'st
	There is another comfort than this world,
	That thou neglect me not with that opinion
	That I am touched with madness: make not impossible
	That which but seems unlike. 'Tis not impossible
	But one, the wicked'st caitiff on the ground,
	Management and the second and the se

May seem as shy, as grave, as just, as absolute

In all his dressings, characts, titles, forms, Be an arch-villain. Believe it, royal prince, If he be less, he's nothing, but he's more,

As Angelo; even so may Angelo

Had I more name for badness.

(Act 5 Scene 1)

Read the extract printed below.

How does Shakespeare present attitudes towards the law here and elsewhere in the play?

In your answer you should consider:

Shakespeare's language choices

the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

We must not make a scarecrow of the law, ANGELO

Setting it up to fear the birds of prey,

And let it keep one shape till custom make it

Their perch and not their terror.

ESCALUS Ay, but yet

> Let us be keen, and rather cut a little Than fall and bruise to death. Alas, this gentleman

Whom I would save had a most noble father.

Let but your honour know,

Whom I believe to be most strait in virtue, That in the working of your own affections,

Had time cohered with place, or place with wishing,

Or that the resolute acting of your blood

Could have attained th'effect of your own purpose,

Whether you had not sometime in your life Erred in this point which now you censure him,

And pulled the law upon you.

'Tis one thing to be tempted, Escalus, **ANGELO**

Another thing to fall. I not deny The jury passing on the prisoner's life May in the sworn twelve have a thief or two

Guiltier than him they try: what's open made to justice,

That justice seizes. What knows the laws

That thieves do pass on thieves? 'Tis very pregnant,

The jewel that we find, we stoop and take't, Because we see it; but what we do not see We tread upon and never think of it. You may not so extenuate his offence For I have had such faults: but rather tell me.

When I that censure him do so offend.

Let mine own judgement pattern out my death And nothing come in partial. Sir, he must die.

Enter PROVOST

Be it as your wisdom will. **ESCALUS**

ANGELO Where is the provost?

Here, if it like your honour. **PROVOST**

ANGELO See that Claudio

Be executed by nine tomorrow morning. Bring him his confessor, let him be prepared,

For that's the utmost of his pilgrimage.

[Exit Provost]

Well, heaven forgive him, and forgive us all. **ESCALUS**

Some rise by sin and some by virtue fall, Some run from breaks of ice and answer none,

And some condemnèd for a fault alone.

(Act 2 Scene 1)

Turn over ▶

The Alchemist – Ben Jonson

OR

5 Read the extract printed below.

How do you respond to the victims of Subtle and Face here and elsewhere in the play? You may refer to **two** or **three** characters, or range more widely.

In your answer you should consider:

- Jonson's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

[Enter] DAPPER [to them]

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FACE
   The Doctor is within, a-moving for you;
   (I have had the most ado to win him to it)
   He swears, you'll be the darling o' the dice:
   He never heard her Highness dote, till now (he says.)
   Your aunt has given you the most gracious words,
   That can be thought on.
                           Shall I see her Grace?
DAPPER
FACE
   See her, and kiss her, too.
               [Enter Drugger and Kastril]
                            What? Honest Nab!
   Hast brought the damask?
DRUGGER
                             No, sir, here's tobacco.
FACE
   'Tis well done, Nab: thou'lt bring the damask too?
DRUGGER
   Yes, here's the gentleman, Captain, Master Kastril,
   I have brought to see the Doctor.
                                    Where's the widow?
FACE
DRUGGER
   Sir, as he likes, his sister (he says) shall come.
   O, is it so? 'Good time. Is your name Kastril, sir?
KASTRIL
   Ay, and the best o' the Kastrils, I'd be sorry else,
   By fifteen hundred, a year. Where is this Doctor?
   My mad tobacco-boy, here, tells me of one,
   That can do things. Has he any skill?
                                         Wherein, sir?
FACE
KASTRIL
   To carry a business, manage a quarrel, fairly,
   Upon fit terms.
                  It seems sir, you're but young
FACE
   About the town, that can make that a question!
KASTRIL
   Sir, not so young, but I have heard some speech
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Of the angry boys, and seen 'em take tobacco;

And I would fain be one of 'em, and go down

(Act 3 Scene 4)

And in his shop: and I can take it too.

And practise i' the country.

6 Read the extract printed below.

Explore Jonson's presentation of Face here and elsewhere in the play.

In your answer you should consider:

- Jonson's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

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SUBTLE
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Yes. You were once (time's not long past) the good, Honest, plain, livery-three-pound-thrum; that kept Your master's worship's house, here, in the Friars, For the vacations—

FACE Will you be so loud?

SUBTLE

Since, by my means, translated suburb-Captain.

FACE

By your means, Doctor Dog?

SUBTLE Within man's memory,

All this, I speak of.

FACE Why, I pray you, have I

Been countenanced by you? Or you, by me?

Do but collect, sir, where I met you first.

SUBTLE

I do not hear well.

FACE Not of this, I think it.

But I shall put you in mind, sir, at Pie Corner, Taking your meal of steam in, from cooks' stalls, Where, like the father of hunger, you did walk Piteously costive, with your pinched-horn-nose, And your complexion, of the Roman wash, Stuck full of black, and melancholic worms,

Lilva marridan assuma alast at the antillana round

Like powder corns, shot, at th'artillery-yard.

SUBTLE

I wish, you could advance your voice, a little.

FACE

When you went pinned up, in the several rags You'd raked, and picked from dunghills, before day, Your feet in mouldy slippers, for your kibes,

A felt of rug, and a thin threaden cloak,

That scarce would cover your no-buttocks—

SUBTLE So, sir!

FACE

When all your alchemy, and your algebra,

Your minerals, vegetals, and animals,

Your conjuring, cozening, and your dozen of trades, Could not relieve your corps, with so much linen

Would make you tinder, but to see a fire;

I ga' you countenance, credit for your coals,

Your stills, your glasses, your materials,

Built you a furnace, drew you customers,

Advanced all your black arts; lent you, beside,

A house to practise in—

SUBTLE Your master's house?

FACE

Where you have studied the more thriving skill Of bawdry, since.

SUBTLE Yes, in your master's house.

You, and the rats, here, kept possession.

(Act 1 Scene 1)

Turn over ▶

The Recruiting Officer - George Farquhar

OR

7 Read the extract printed below.

Explore Farquhar's treatment of love and attraction here and elsewhere in the play.

In your answer you should consider:

- Farquhar's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

BALANCE

We must get this mad captain his complement of men, and send him a-packing, else he'll overrun the country.

WORTHY

You see, sir, how little he values your daughter's disdain.

BALANCE

I like him the better; I was much such another fellow at his age; I never set my heart upon any woman so much as to make me uneasy at the disappointment; but what was very surprising both to myself and friends, I changed o'th' sudden from the most fickle lover to the most constant husband in the world. But how goes your affair with Melinda?

WORTHY

Very slowly. Cupid had formerly wings, but I think in this age he goes upon crutches, or I fancy Venus had been dallying with her cripple Vulcan when my amour commenced, which has made it go on so lamely. My mistress has got a captain too, but such a captain! As I live, yonder he comes.

BALANCE

Who? That bluff fellow in the sash? I don't know him.

WORTHY

But I engage he knows you, and everybody at first sight; his impudence were a prodigy, were not his ignorance proportionable; he has the most universal acquaintance of any man living, for he won't be alone, and nobody will keep him company twice; then he's a Caesar among the women, *veni*, *vidi*, *vici*, that's all. If he has but talked with the maid, he swears he has lain with the mistress; but the most surprising part of his character is his memory, which is the most prodigious, and the most trifling in the world.

BALANCE

I have met with such men, and I take this good-for-nothing memory to proceed from a certain contexture of the brain, which is purely adapted to impertinencies, and there they lodge secure, the owner having no thoughts of his own to disturb them. I have known a man as perfect as a chronologer as to the day and year of most important transactions, but be altogether ignorant of the causes, springs, or consequences of any one thing of moment; I have known another acquire so much by travel, as to tell you the names of most places in Europe, with their distances of miles, leagues, or hours, as punctually as a post-boy; but for anything else, as ignorant as the horse that carries the mail.

WORTHY

This is your man, sir, add but the traveller's privilege of lying, and even that he abuses; this is the picture, behold the life!

(Act 3 Scene 1)

8 Read the extract printed below.

How do you respond to Kite here and elsewhere in the play?

In your answer you should consider:

- Farquhar's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

PLUME

Kite, you must father the child.

KITE

Humph – and so her friends will oblige me to marry the mother.

PLUME

If they should, we'll take her with us, she can wash, you know, and make a bed upon occasion.

KITE

Aye, or unmake it upon occasion. But your honour knows that I'm married already.

PLUME

To how many?

KITE

I can't tell readily – I have set them down here upon the back of the muster-roll. (*Draws it out*) Let me see – *Imprimis*, Mrs Sheely Snickereyes, she sells potatoes upon Ormonde Quay in Dublin – Peggy Guzzle, the brandy-woman at the Horse-guard at Whitehall – Dolly Waggon, the carrier's daughter in Hull – Mademoiselle Van-bottom-flat at the Buss – then Jenny Oakum, the ship-carpenter's widow at Portsmouth; but I don't reckon upon her, for she was married at the same time to two lieutenants of marines, and a man of war's boatswain.

PLUME

A full company – you have named five – come, make 'em half a dozen, Kite. Is the child a boy or a girl?

KITE

A chopping boy.

PLUME

Then set the mother down in your list, and the boy in mine; enter him a grenadier by the name of Francis Kite, absent upon furlough — I'll allow you a man's pay for his subsistence; and now go comfort the wench in the straw.

KITE

I shall, sir.

PLUME

But hold, have you made any use of your German doctor's habit since you arrived?

KITE

Yes, yes, sir; and my fame's all about the country for the most faithful fortune-teller that ever told a lie; I was obliged to let my landlord into the secret for the convenience of keeping it so, but he's an honest fellow and will be trusty to any roguery that is confided to him. This device, sir, will get you men, and me money, which I think is all we want at present – but yonder comes your friend Mr Worthy – has your honour any farther commands?

(Act 1 Scene 1)

Twelfth Night - William Shakespeare

OR

9 Read the extract printed below.

How does Shakespeare explore issues relating to gender here and elsewhere in the play?

In your answer you should consider:

- Shakespeare's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

CURIO He is not here, so please your lordship, that should sing it.

ORSINO Who was it?

CURIO Feste the jester, my lord, a fool that the Lady Olivia's father took much delight in. He is about the house.

ORSINO Seek him out, and play the tune the while.

Exit Curio.

Music plays

Come hither, boy. If ever thou shalt love,

In the sweet pangs of it, remember me.

For such as I am, all true lovers are:

Unstaid and skittish in all motions else,

Save in the constant image of the creature

That is beloved. How dost thou like this tune?

VIOLA

It gives a very echo to the seat

Where love is throned.

ORSINO Thou dost speak masterly.

My life upon't, young though thou art, thine eye Hath stayed upon some favour that it loves.

Hath it not, boy?

VIOLA A little, by your favour.

ORSINO

What kind of woman is't?

VIOLA Of your complexion.

ORSINO

She is not worth thee, then. What years, i'faith? VIOLA

About your years, my lord.

ORSINO

Too old, by heaven. Let still the woman take An elder than herself; so wears she to him;

So sways she level in her husband's heart.

For, boy, however we do praise ourselves,

Our fancies are more giddy and unfirm,

More longing, wavering, sooner lost and worn,

Than women's are.

VIOLA I think it well, my lord.

ORSINO

Then let thy love be younger than thyself,

Or thy affection cannot hold the bent.

For women are as roses whose fair flower,

Being once displayed, doth fall that very hour.

VIOLA

And so they are. Alas, that they are so,

To die, even when they to perfection grow.

(Act 2 Scene 4)

10 Read the extract printed below.

How does Shakespeare present Malvolio here and elsewhere in the play?

In your answer you should consider:

- Shakespeare's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

OLIVIA Go, call him hither.

Exit Maria

I am as mad as he

If sad and merry madness equal be.

Enter Malvolio and Maria

How now, Malvolio?

MALVOLIO Sweet lady! Ho! Ho!

OLIVIA Smil'st thou? I sent for thee upon a sad occasion.

MALVOLIO Sad, lady? I could be sad; this does make some obstruction in the blood, this cross-gartering — but what of that? If it please the eye of one, it is with me as the very true sonnet is: 'Please one and please all'.

OLIVIA Why, how dost thou, man? What is the matter with thee? MALVOLIO Not black in my mind, though yellow in my legs. It did come to his hands; and commands shall be executed. I think we do know the sweet Roman hand.

OLIVIA Wilt thou go to bed, Malvolio?

MALVOLIO To bed! 'Ay, sweetheart, and I'll come to thee!'

OLIVIA God comfort thee! Why dost thou smile so, and kiss thy hand so oft?

MARIA How do you, Malvolio?

MALVOLIO At your request? Yes; nightingales answer daws.

MARIA Why appear you with this ridiculous boldness before my lady?

MALVOLIO 'Be not afraid of greatness.' 'Twas well writ.

OLIVIA What mean'st thou by that, Malvolio?

MALVOLIO 'Some are born great -'

OLIVIA Ha?

MALVOLIO 'Some achieve greatness -'

OLIVIA What sayst thou?

MALVOLIO 'And some have greatness thrust upon them.'

OLIVIA Heaven restore thee!

MALVOLIO 'Remember who commended thy yellow stockings –'

OLIVIA Thy yellow stockings?

MALVOLIO '- and wished to see thee cross-gartered.'

OLIVIA Cross-gartered?

MALVOLIO 'Go to, thou art made if thou desir'st to be so.'

OLIVIA Am I maid!

MALVOLIO 'If not, let me see thee a servant still.'

OLIVIA Why, this is very midsummer madness.

(Act 3 Scene 4)

The Winter's Tale - William Shakespeare

OR

11 Read the extract printed below.

How does Shakespeare present Leontes here and elsewhere in the play?

In your answer you should consider:

- Shakespeare's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

LEONTES

You're liars all.

LORD

Beseech your highness, give us better credit. We have always truly served you, and beseech'

So to esteem of us; and on our knees we beg,

As recompense of our dear services

Past and to come, that you do change this purpose,

Which being so horrible, so bloody, must

Lead on to some foul issue. We all kneel.

LEONTES

I am a feather for each wind that blows.

Shall I live on to see this bastard kneel

And call me father? Better burn it now

Than curse it then. But be it: let it live.

It shall not neither. (*To Antigonus*) You, sir, come you hither:

You that have been so tenderly officious

With Lady Margery, your midwife there,

To save this bastard's life – for 'tis a bastard,

So sure as this beard's grey – what will you adventure

To save this brat's life?

ANTIGONUS Anything, my lord,

That my ability may undergo,

And nobleness impose – at least thus much:

I'll pawn the little blood which I have left

To save the innocent – anything possible.

LEONTES

It shall be possible. Swear by this sword

Thou wilt perform my bidding.

ANTIGONUS (his hand upon the hilt)

I will, my lord.

LEONTES

Mark and perform it, see'st thou? For the fail Of any point in't shall not only be Death to thyself, but to thy lewd-tongued wife, Whom for this time we pardon. We enjoin thee, As thou art liegeman to us, that thou carry This female bastard hence, and that thou bear it To some remote and desert place, quite out Of our dominions; and that there thou leave it, Without more mercy, to its own protection And favour of the climate. As by strange fortune It came to us, I do in justice charge thee, On thy soul's peril and thy body's torture, That thou commend it strangely to some place Where chance may nurse or end it. Take it up.

(Act 2 Scene 3)

12 Read the extract printed below.

Examine Shakespeare's treatment of love and attraction here and elsewhere in the play.

In your answer you should consider:

- Shakespeare's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

POLIXENES

Then make your garden rich in gillyvors,

And do not call them bastards.

PERDITA I'll not put

The dibble in earth to set one slip of them: No more than, were I painted, I would wish

This youth should say 'twere well, and only therefore

Desire to breed by me. Here's flowers for you:

Hot lavender, mints, savory, marjoram;

The marigold, that goes to bed with' sun

And with him rises weeping; these are flowers

Of middle summer, and I think they are given

To men of middle age. Y'are very welcome.

CAMILLO

I should leave grazing, were I of your flock,

And only live by gazing.

PERDITA Out, alas!

You'd be so lean that blasts of January

Would blow you through and through. (To Florizel)

Now, my fair'st friend,

I would I had some flowers o'th'spring, that might

Become your time of day – (to the Shepherdesses) and

yours, and yours,

That wear upon your virgin branches yet

Your maidenheads growing. O Proserpina,

For the flowers now that, frighted, thou let'st fall

From Dis's wagon! Daffodils,

That come before the swallow dares, and take

The winds of March with beauty; violets, dim,

But sweeter than the lids of Juno's eyes

Or Cytherea's breath; pale primroses,

That die unmarried ere they can behold

Bright Phoebus in his strength – a malady

Most incident to maids; bold oxlips and

The crown imperial; lilies of all kinds,

The flower-de-luce being one: O, these I lack

To make you garlands of, and my sweet friend

To strew him o'er and o'er!

FLORIZEL What, like a corse?

PERDITA

No, like a bank for Love to lie and play on,

Not like a corse; or if, not to be buried,

But quick and in mine arms. Come, take your flowers.

Methinks I play as I have seen them do

In Whitsun pastorals: sure this robe of mine

Does change my disposition.

(Act 4 Scene 4)

TURN OVER FOR SECTION B

SECTION B Adaptation of Texts for an Audience

Answer **both** parts of Question 13.

13 (a) Read the source material which follows. Texts A and B are taken from the 'Year Out Group' website.

Using relevant information from these texts, write the text of a talk, aimed at 17 to 18-year-olds, on organising a gap year between college or school and higher education.

You should adapt the source material, using your own words as far as possible. You are advised to write approximately 350 - 400 words.

- **(b)** Compare your own writing with **either** Text A **or** Text B in order to highlight the choices you have made in your writing. In your comparison you should show:
 - how language and form have been used to suit audience and purpose
 - how vocabulary and other stylistic features have been used to shape meaning and achieve particular effects.

You should aim to write about 400 - 500 words in this comparative commentary.

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