

# General Certificate of Secondary Education

# English 3702 Specification A

3702/2H Paper 2 Higher Tier

# Mark Scheme

# 2005 examination - June series

Mark schemes are prepared by the Principal Examiner and considered, together with the relevant questions, by a panel of subject teachers. This mark scheme includes any amendments made at the standardisation meeting attended by all examiners and is the scheme which was used by them in this examination. The standardisation meeting ensures that the mark scheme covers the candidates' responses to questions and that every examiner understands and applies it in the same correct way. As preparation for the standardisation meeting each examiner analyses a number of candidates' scripts: alternative answers not already covered by the mark scheme are discussed at the meeting and legislated for. If, after this meeting, examiners encounter unusual answers which have not been discussed at the meeting they are required to refer these to the Principal Examiner.

It must be stressed that a mark scheme is a working document, in many cases further developed and expanded on the basis of candidates' reactions to a particular paper. Assumptions about future mark schemes on the basis of one year's document should be avoided; whilst the guiding principles of assessment remain constant, details will change, depending on the content of a particular examination paper.

# GCSE English June 2005

## Paper 2 Tier H Mark Scheme

#### INTRODUCTION

Examiners will be expected to read the scripts in their allocation carefully and to make every effort to look positively for achievement throughout the ability range. They will be expected to annotate the scripts in order to show subsequent readers what evidence they have found for the achievement of the particular descriptors in the mark bands and will be expected to give a mark for each answer in the right-hand margin at the end of the answer.

There is a common marking spine which runs across all components. In this way the whole examination can be integrated by using a common grade related system for all components.

There are some rules, however, about the mark ranges that can be given.

#### TIER H

On Tier H, the questions are targeted at Grades A to D. However, it is quite possible that on an individual essay or component candidates may perform below grade D and so there are also descriptors for grades below D.

#### **DECIDING ON A MARK**

Examiners must use the full range of marks. Work exhibiting the highest skills should be considered for full marks.

Marking throughout must be on a 'best-fit' principle. Where there are both strengths and weaknesses in a particular answer, examiners should consider carefully which band is the best fit for the performance overall.

The descriptors are an attempt to guide examiners to an understanding of the qualities normally expected of, or 'typical' of, work in the band. **They must not be interpreted as hurdle statements**.

Once the mark has been decided upon, by the identification in the body of the script where the descriptor has been met, then the mark should be placed, in the right-hand margin.

#### ANNOTATION OF SCRIPTS

It is important that while they are marking in red, examiners note on the script where they have found specific evidence of candidates having achieved a descriptor. It is likely that examiners will be making more extensive annotations at the beginning of the marking period than at the end, but every mark must be justified by a written comment. Ticks should be used to identify evidence of particular skills. Random ticking is extremely unhelpful.

The best kinds of comments are where a particular element of the descriptors is identified clearly and concisely. The point of making such comments is to allow subsequent readers to understand what you are identifying as positive achievement and where you are seeing material which gains credit. It is to share your marking process with those reading your scripts later (Team Leaders, Assistant Principals, Principals, the Chief, Awarders, QCA, scrutineers etc.).

Examiners are asked to number the scripts in their allocation in the order in which they mark them. The first script marked is '1'. Go right through the allocation. Number the script in the top left-hand corner of the front cover of the script. If you do extra scripts (or 'balcony' marking, etc.) just keep numbering through.

#### **PROBLEMS**

Where an examiner has great difficulty in assessing a script, (s)he can draw it to the attention of the Principal Examiner at the end of the marking season by placing RSE (Refer to Senior Examiner) on the script and attaching the relevant Form EX/SRF. This means that it will be sent to the final meeting of examiners, the occasion where all the problems are looked at and a decision arrived at. Very occasionally a script is very hard to read or illegible. If you have one of these, you should give the mark you think it deserves, but you must also mark it RSE and complete Form EX/SRF so that it can be deciphered fully later on.

#### **RUBRIC INFRINGEMENTS**

There may well be a few candidates who answer the wrong number of questions. If so, mark them all and count the highest score for the three marks eligible under the terms of the rubric. Thus the marks should be entered which are the highest according to the allowable rubric.

#### RECORDING

In addition to recording the mark(s) for a question at the end of the answer, examiners must also fill in the marks on the front cover of the answer booklet.

The grid on the front of the answer booklet should look like this:

Then put the total for the paper in the box on the top right-hand corner of the cover marked 'For Office Use Only'. Put your initials underneath this total.

## GCSE English 2005

# Paper 2 Tier H

### **Section A: Reading**

This Section covers the following Assessment Objectives:

AO2 reading (EN2)

Candidates are required to demonstrate their ability to:

- (i) read with insight and engagement making appropriate reference to texts and developing and sustaining interpretations of them;
- (iv) select material appropriate to purpose, collate material from different sources, and make cross references;
- (v) understand and evaluate how writers use linguistic, structural and presentational devices to achieve their effects, and comment on ways language varies and changes.

The Higher Tier targets Grades D to A\*, but candidates may gain any mark on a particular component or question.

Descriptors and content guides have been included for performance from U to A\*.

The range of marks targeted by the paper (notional D to  $A^*$ ) is 13 - 27 for each question in Section A. Each of the questions in Section A is marked out of 27.

#### **Specification A Paper 2 H Assessment Grids**

Assessment Objectives	Question 1	Question 2
AO2(i)	✓	✓
AO2(iv)	✓	✓
AO2(v)	✓	✓

# SECTION A: READING

Compare the ways an event is described in *Blessing* (page 7) with the ways an event is described in **one** other poem. (27 marks)

	Skills Descriptors		<b>Content Descriptors</b>
Mark Band	Statements	Mark Band	Statements
0 marks	nothing written		
1-3 marks	some awareness of one or more texts	1-6 marks	some understanding of content of one or more poems
4-6 marks	<ul> <li>simple comment</li> <li>reference to some detail</li> <li>awareness of some aspect of presentation</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>mention of the event described</li> <li>simple statement on the way the event is described</li> </ul>
7-9 marks	<ul> <li>some simple comment supported</li> <li>reference to appropriate detail</li> <li>statement on some aspects of presentation</li> </ul>	7-12 marks	<ul> <li>accurate account of content of one or more relevant poems</li> <li>identification of ideas to do with the event(s) that is/are described</li> </ul>
10-12 marks	<ul> <li>extended unsupported comment</li> <li>appropriate reference/use of quotation</li> <li>simple comment on some aspects of presentation</li> </ul>		simple comment on some aspect(s) of the methods used to describe these events
13-15 marks	<ul> <li>awareness of feeling(s), attitude(s), idea(s)</li> <li>range of comment supported by textual details with some cross reference</li> <li>comment on effect achieved by writer</li> </ul>	13-18 marks	<ul> <li>some focus on the events described</li> <li>comments on the ways the poets describe the events</li> <li>relevant comparison of methods used to describe these events</li> </ul>
16-18 marks	<ul> <li>understanding of feelings, attitudes, ideas</li> <li>range of extended supported comment with some cross reference</li> <li>awareness of writer's techniques and purpose</li> </ul>		

	Skills Descriptors		<b>Content Descriptors</b>
Mark Band	Statements	Mark Band	Statements
19-21 marks 22-24 marks	<ul> <li>appreciation of feelings, attitudes and ideas</li> <li>effective use of textual detail with integrated cross reference</li> <li>understanding of a variety of writers' techniques</li> <li>exploration of and empathy with writers' feelings, attitudes and ideas</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>examination and analysis of the events</li> <li>examination and analysis of specific methods of describing the events</li> <li>integrated comparative approach</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>references integrated with argument and comparison</li> <li>analysis of a variety of writers' techniques</li> </ul>		
25-27 marks	<ul> <li>consistent insight and convincing/ imaginative interpretation</li> <li>conceptualised comparative response</li> <li>close textual analysis</li> </ul>		

2 Compare the methods the poets use to explore the connection between people and the places in which they live in *Hurricane Hits England* (page 18) and **one** other poem.

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Mark Band	Statements	Mark Band	Statements
0 marks	nothing written		
1-3 marks	some awareness of one or more texts	1-6 marks	some understanding of content of one or more poems
4-6 marks	<ul> <li>simple comment</li> <li>reference to some detail</li> <li>awareness of some aspects of presentation</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>mention of the methods used</li> <li>simple statement on the people and/or places</li> </ul>
7-9 marks	<ul> <li>some simple comment supported</li> <li>reference to appropriate detail</li> <li>statement on some aspect of presentation</li> </ul>	7-12 marks	<ul> <li>accurate account of content of one or more relevant poems</li> <li>identification of the people and/or the places</li> <li>simple comment on some aspect(s) of the</li> </ul>
10-12 marks	<ul> <li>extended unsupported comment</li> <li>appropriate reference/use of quotation</li> <li>simple comment on some aspects of presentation</li> </ul>		methods used to explore the connection between people and places
13-15 marks	<ul> <li>awareness of feeling(s), attitude(s), idea(s)</li> <li>range of comment supported by textual details with some cross reference</li> <li>comment on effect achieved by writer</li> </ul>	13-18 marks	<ul> <li>some focus on the connection between people and places in two poems</li> <li>comments on the methods used to explore the connection between people and places</li> <li>relevant comparison of the methods used to explore the connection between people and places</li> </ul>
16-18 marks	<ul> <li>understanding of feelings, attitudes, ideas</li> <li>range of extended supported comment with some cross reference</li> <li>awareness of writer's techniques and purpose</li> </ul>		

	Skills Descriptors		Content Descriptors
Mark Band	Statements	Mark Band	Statements
19-21 marks 22-24 marks	<ul> <li>appreciation of feelings, attitudes and ideas</li> <li>effective use of textual detail with integrated cross reference</li> <li>understanding of a variety of writers' techniques</li> <li>exploration of and empathy with writers' feelings, attitudes and ideas</li> <li>references integrated with argument and comparison</li> <li>analysis of a variety of writers' techniques</li> </ul>	19-27 marks	<ul> <li>examination and analysis of the connection between people and places in two poems</li> <li>examination and analysis of specific methods of exploring these connections</li> <li>integrated comparative approach</li> </ul>
25-27 marks	<ul> <li>consistent insight and convincing/imaginative interpretation</li> <li>conceptualised comparative response</li> <li>close textual analysis</li> </ul>		

#### SECTION B: WRITING TO INFORM, EXPLAIN OR DESCRIBE

#### **Assessment Objectives**

AO3 (i) communicate clearly and imaginatively, using and adapting forms for different readers and purposes

AO3 (ii) organise ideas into sentences, paragraphs and whole texts using a variety of linguistic and structural features

AO3 (iii) use a range of sentence structures effectively with accurate punctuation and spelling

Descriptors have been included for performance from U to A\*. The skills descriptors represent the base line generic expectations whilst the content descriptors offer guidance on how those expectations are likely to be demonstrated in a response.

For each question, examiners are to record one mark out of 18 for AO3 (i) and (ii) combined and a **separate** mark out of 9 for AO3 (iii). The total available mark for Section B questions is therefore 27.

For AO3 (i)/(ii), assess answers in terms of the levels below, i.e. the Communication and Organisation descriptors. For AO3 (iii), use the separate set of levels which follow. Ring the marks in the margin at the end of the answer, with the AO3 (i)/(ii) total above the AO3 (iii) total. Note that two marks will be awarded which must be added together.

The Skills descriptors embody the two equally weighted Assessment Objectives in the Communication and Organisation Mark Schemes. These are amplified and customised for the question in the Content Descriptors. Examiners will need to look closely at the Content Descriptors in order to find the appropriate band, and then to check across to the Skills Descriptors to confirm or modify the preliminary judgement. Taking both Skills and Content Descriptors together will determine how high or low in the band the mark should be. Remember that to be placed in a particular band the work will satisfy some (but not necessarily all) of the criteria at that level. The precise mark awarded will be determined by the extent to which the answer matches the descriptors set out in the appropriate level.

The one Assessment Objective tested in the sentence structures, punctuation and spelling Mark Scheme has been split into its three constituent parts. These are amplified and customised in the Content Descriptors. The same process should be followed as in the previous Mark Scheme to determine the mark to be awarded

In each case, a best fit principle may need to be applied where performance in response to the Assessment Objectives or parts of Assessment Objectives is uneven.

Any valid responses should be rewarded. Remember that candidates are writing under timed conditions.

Write a letter to the governors of your school **informing** them of the changes you would like to be made in your school and the reasons for these changes.

	AO3 (i)/(ii) Communication a	nd Organisation
Mark	Skills Descriptors	Content Descriptors
1-2	<ul><li>communicates some meaning</li><li>some simple sequencing of ideas</li></ul>	<ul><li>some words in appropriate order</li><li>one or more points made</li></ul>
3-4	<ul> <li>communicates some meaning with occasional sense of purpose and audience</li> <li>ideas are sequenced simply, but generally appropriately</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>makes one or more direct reference to changes</li> <li>an indication of awareness of need to inform</li> <li>may express personal feelings about the changes but with little relevant detail</li> <li>order of ideas can be followed by reader</li> </ul>
5-6	<ul> <li>clear communication of ideas with more sense of purpose and audience</li> <li>uses some organisational devices appropriately with occasional conscious selection of words</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>makes some linked points about changes</li> <li>some awareness of need to inform, demonstrated by selection of points, though likely to be underdeveloped</li> <li>may show awareness of audience by use of second person</li> <li>may demonstrate occasional attempt to paragraph though likely to be random</li> <li>some attempt to link ideas using connectives</li> <li>more evidence of vocabulary selected to inform</li> </ul>
7-8	<ul> <li>sustained awareness of purpose and audience</li> <li>more conscious attempt to organise sentences into paragraphs with some attempt to use vocabulary for effect</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>some focus on changes with more developed points</li> <li>may be mainly anecdotal and/or narrative in approach though clearly intended to inform</li> <li>may use simple rhetorical devices to interest reader e.g. Have you ever?</li> <li>paragraphing may be tabloid and/or, at times, correctly placed</li> <li>beginnings of variety in vocabulary</li> </ul>
9-10	conscious attempt to suit the needs of purpose and audience and begins to engage reader's response	<ul> <li>clear focus on changes with some range of information</li> <li>likely to describe in detail various aspects of the changes</li> <li>likely to maintain awareness of audience throughout</li> </ul>
	clear, if mechanical, paragraphing with more conscious use of vocabulary for effect	<ul> <li>information is logically sequenced with paragraphs usually marking shift in focus</li> <li>begins to convey feelings re. proposed changes, through vocabulary choices</li> </ul>

Mark	Skills Descriptors	<b>Content Descriptors</b>
11-12	clear identification with purpose and audience; begins to sustain reader's response	<ul> <li>more evidence of selection of points, linked to changes, for information and interest</li> <li>information likely to cover a range of aspects</li> <li>may address reader directly, offering reasons changes should be made</li> <li>paragraphs are competently linked by</li> </ul>
	evidence of structure with usually coherent paragraphs and clear selection of vocabulary for effect	<ul> <li>content and language</li> <li>control of question/answer approach, anecdote in context, emphasis etc. will be competent where used</li> <li>discursive markers are becoming more integrated and are used to enhance the organisation of the information</li> </ul>
13-14	form, content and style are generally matched to purpose and audience	<ul> <li>detailed and well developed with clear outline of changes and examples to support points</li> <li>begins to anticipate and respond to potential audience response</li> <li>may selectively use a range of devices/approaches to provide variety and sustain reader's interest</li> <li>range of paragraph structures coherently</li> </ul>
	well structured, starting to use paragraphs to enhance meaning and with increasing sophistication in vocabulary choice	<ul> <li>linked</li> <li>discursive markers are now coherently integrated</li> <li>technical vocabulary used effectively where appropriate</li> </ul>
15-16	form, content and style are consistently matched to purpose and audience	<ul> <li>cogent focus on area with wide range of interesting information</li> <li>growing subtlety of purpose and ability to</li> </ul>
	coherently structured with fluently linked sentence structures and paragraphs and evidence of conscious crafting	<ul> <li>manipulate reader's response</li> <li>structured and developed using a range of means to effectively inform audience about changes</li> <li>fluent control of range of devices and discursive markers</li> <li>extensive vocabulary range</li> </ul>
17-18	form, content and style are assuredly matched to purpose and audience; distinctive and consistently effective	<ul> <li>strong personal style</li> <li>may use satire, irony, humour etc. but always fittingly and in context</li> <li>demonstrates the ability to integrate a range of complex details from range of aspects about changes</li> <li>discursive markers and a range of stylistic techniques are integrated into whole seamlessly and informatively</li> </ul>
	controlled and sustained crafting with highly effective and delightful vocabulary choices	may use some inventive structural and/or linguistic devices

	AO3 (iii) Sentence Structures, Punctuation and Spelling		
Mark	Skills Descriptors	Content Descriptors	
1	<ul><li>some sentences</li><li>some accuracy in spelling of simple words</li><li>random punctuation</li></ul>	some monosyllabic words spelt correctly	
2-3	• in sentences	may use mainly simple and compound sentences with occasional complex sentences; may use discourse markers in a mechanical way	
	<ul><li>generally accurate basic spelling</li><li>evidence of conscious punctuation</li></ul>	some monosyllabic words spelt correctly	
4-5	uses a range of sentence structures	• some conscious variation of syntax though not always grammatically secure; may link complex sentences with appropriate discourse markers e.g. <i>because</i> , <i>another reason for</i> ; some use of modifiers;	
	<ul> <li>some accurate spelling of more complex words</li> </ul>	<ul><li>commonly used words spelt correctly</li><li>general accuracy in use of capital letters and</li></ul>	
	starts to use a range of punctuation	full stops.	
6-7	uses sentence forms for effect	• constructions linked securely to discourse markers; may use parallel constructions, syntactical lists, adjectives, adverbs, minor sentences, for effect.	
	• generally secure in spelling	• generally secure spelling of irregular, latinate, complex words.	
	• generally secure in punctuation which clarifies meaning and purpose	• generally accurate in sentence demarcation, use of commas, question marks etc.	
8-9	uses full range of appropriate sentence structures	clear and controlled manipulation of sentence structures for effect; may use wide range of appropriate discourse markers linked to syntactical choice; may use repetition, contrast, parallel phrases and clauses, verbal patterning to control sentence variety within paragraphs.	
	achieves a high level of technical accuracy	accurate spelling	
	in spelling (occasional lapses may occur)		
	achieves a high level of technical accuracy in punctuation (occasional lapses may occur)	<ul> <li>range of punctuation used in a sophisticated manner; colons and semi-colons used correctly when appropriate</li> </ul>	

**Explain** what your dreams and ambitions for the future are. **Explain**, also, how you could achieve them.

	AO3 (i)/(ii) Communication a	and Organisation
Mark	Skills Descriptors	Content Descriptors
1-2	<ul><li>communicates some meaning</li><li>some simple sequencing of ideas</li></ul>	<ul><li>some words in appropriate order</li><li>one or more points made</li></ul>
3-4	<ul> <li>communicates some meaning with occasional sense of purpose and audience</li> <li>ideas are sequenced simply, but generally</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>makes one or more direct reference to dreams and/or ambitions</li> <li>an indication of awareness of need to explain what they are and how they could be achieved: uses appropriate words to explain e.g. because</li> <li>may express personal feelings but with little relevant detail</li> <li>order of ideas can be followed by reader</li> </ul>
5-6	<ul> <li>appropriately</li> <li>clear communication of ideas with more sense of purpose and audience</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>makes some linked points about dreams and/or ambitions</li> <li>some awareness of need to explain demonstrated by selection of points, though likely to be underdeveloped</li> <li>may show awareness of purpose by use of first person</li> <li>may demonstrate occasional attempts to paragraph though likely to be random</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>uses some organisational devices appropriately with occasional conscious selection of words</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>some attempt to link ideas using connectives e.g. I could achieve this by</li> <li>more evidence of vocabulary selected to explain</li> </ul>
7-8	<ul> <li>sustained awareness of purpose and audience</li> <li>more conscious attempt to organise sentences into paragraphs with some attempt to use vocabulary for effect</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>some focus on dreams/ambitions with more developed points</li> <li>may be mainly anecdotal and/or narrative in approach though clearly intended to explain</li> <li>may use simple rhetorical devices to interest reader</li> <li>paragraphing may be tabloid and/or, at</li> </ul>
9-10	<ul> <li>conscious attempt to suit the needs of purpose and audience and begins to engage reader's response</li> <li>clear, if mechanical, paragraphing with more conscious use of vocabulary for effect</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>clear focus on dreams/ambitions/achievement</li> <li>evidence of a variety of explanations</li> <li>likely to describe in detail various reasons for dreams/ambitions</li> </ul>

Mark	Skills Descriptors	<b>Content Descriptors</b>
11-12	clear identification with purpose and audience; begins to sustain reader's response	<ul> <li>more evidence of selection of material for explanation and interest</li> <li>explanations likely to cover a range of aspects</li> <li>paragraphs are competently linked by content and language</li> </ul>
	evidence of structure with usually coherent paragraphs and clear selection of vocabulary for effect	<ul> <li>control of anecdote in context, emphasis etc. will be competent where used</li> <li>discursive markers are becoming more integrated and are used to enhance the organisation</li> </ul>
13-14	form, content and style are generally matched to purpose and audience	<ul> <li>detailed and well developed with clear outline and examples to support explanations</li> <li>begins to anticipate and respond to potential audience response</li> </ul>
	well structured, starting to use paragraphs to enhance meaning and with increasing sophistication in vocabulary choice	<ul> <li>may selectively use a range of devices/approaches to provide variety and sustain reader's interest e.g. rhetorical questions, anecdote, emotive language etc</li> <li>range of paragraph structures coherently linked</li> <li>discursive markers are now coherently integrated</li> <li>varied vocabulary used effectively</li> </ul>
15-16	form, content and style are consistently matched to purpose and audience	<ul> <li>cogent focus on dreams/ambitions with wide range of interesting explanations</li> <li>growing subtlety of purpose and ability to manipulate reader's response</li> </ul>
	coherently structured with fluently linked sentence structures and paragraphs and evidence of conscious crafting	<ul> <li>structured and developed using a range of means to explain state of mind effectively</li> <li>fluent control of range of devices and discursive markers</li> <li>extensive vocabulary range</li> </ul>
17-18	form, content and style are assuredly matched to purpose and audience; distinctive and consistently effective	<ul> <li>strong personal style</li> <li>may use satire, irony, humour etc. but always fittingly and in context</li> <li>demonstrates the ability to integrate a range of explanations</li> </ul>
	controlled and sustained crafting with highly effective and delightful vocabulary choices	<ul> <li>discursive markers and a range of stylistic techniques are integrated into whole seamlessly</li> <li>may use some inventive structural and/or linguistic devices</li> </ul>

	AO3 (iii) Sentence Structures, Punctuation and Spelling		
Mark	Skills Descriptors	Content Descriptors	
1	<ul> <li>some sentences</li> <li>some accuracy in spelling of simple words</li> <li>random punctuation</li> </ul>	some monosyllabic words spelt correctly	
2-3	• in sentences	may use mainly simple and compound sentences with occasional complex sentences; may use discourse markers in a mechanical way	
	<ul><li>generally accurate basic spelling</li><li>evidence of conscious punctuation</li></ul>	some monosyllabic words spelt correctly	
4-5	uses a range of sentence structures	some conscious variation of syntax though not always grammatically secure; may link complex sentences with appropriate discourse markers e.g. because, another reason for; some use of modifiers;	
	some accurate spelling of more complex words	commonly used words spelt correctly	
	starts to use a range of punctuation	<ul> <li>general accuracy in use of capital letters and full stops.</li> </ul>	
6-7	uses sentence forms for effect	<ul> <li>constructions linked securely to discourse markers; may use parallel constructions, syntactical lists, adjectives, adverbs, minor sentences, for effect.</li> </ul>	
	generally secure in spelling	• generally secure spelling of irregular, latinate, complex words.	
	• generally secure in punctuation which clarifies meaning and purpose	• generally accurate in sentence demarcation, use of commas, question marks etc.	
8-9	uses full range of appropriate sentence structures	clear and controlled manipulation of sentence structures for effect; may use wide range of appropriate discourse markers linked to syntactical choice; may use repetition, contrast, parallel phrases and clauses, verbal patterning to control sentence variety within paragraphs.	
	achieves a high level of technical accuracy in spelling (occasional lapses may occur)	accurate spelling	
	achieves a high level of technical accuracy in punctuation (occasional lapses may occur)	range of punctuation used in a sophisticated manner; colons and semi-colons used correctly when appropriate	

# 5 **Describe** a nightmare world.

	AO3(i)(ii) Communication and Organisation		
Mark	Skills Descriptors	Content Descriptors	
1-2	communicates some meaning	some words in appropriate order	
	• some simple sequencing of ideas	<ul> <li>one or more features mentioned</li> </ul>	
3-4	communicates some meaning with occasional sense of purpose and audience	<ul> <li>makes one or more direct reference to nightmare world</li> <li>an indication of awareness of need to describe: uses appropriate adjectives</li> <li>may express personal feelings about the nightmare world</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>ideas are sequenced simply, but generally appropriately</li> </ul>	order of ideas can be followed by reader	
5-6	clear communication of ideas with more sense of purpose and audience	<ul> <li>makes some linked points about the nightmare world</li> <li>some awareness of need to describe demonstrated by selection of aspects of the world though likely to be underdeveloped</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>uses some organisational devices appropriately with occasional conscious selection of words</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>may demonstrate occasional attempt to paragraph though likely to be random</li> <li>some attempt to link ideas using connectives</li> <li>more evidence of vocabulary selected to describe</li> </ul>	
7-8	sustained awareness of purpose and audience	<ul> <li>some focus on the nightmare world with more developed description</li> <li>may be anecdotal and/or narrative in approach though clearly intended to be descriptive</li> <li>may use simple rhetorical devices to interest reader</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>more conscious attempt to organise sentences into paragraphs with some attempt to use vocabulary for effect</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>paragraphing may be tabloid and/or, at times, correctly placed</li> <li>beginnings of variety in vocabulary</li> </ul>	
9-10	<ul> <li>conscious attempt to suit the needs of purpose and audience and begins to engage reader's response</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>clear focus on nightmare world</li> <li>evidence of description of a range of features</li> <li>likely to describe in detail various aspects of the nightmare world</li> </ul>	
	clear, if mechanical, paragraphing with more conscious use of vocabulary for effect	<ul> <li>description is logically sequenced with paragraphs usually marking shift in focus</li> <li>begins to convey enthusiasm for subject through vocabulary choices</li> </ul>	

Mark	Skills Descriptors	<b>Content Descriptors</b>
11-12	<ul> <li>clear identification with purpose and audience; begins to sustain reader's response</li> <li>evidence of structure with usually coherent paragraphs and clear selection of vocabulary for effect</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>more evidence of selection of detail for description and interest</li> <li>description likely to cover a range of aspects e.g. atmosphere</li> <li>paragraphs are competently linked by content and language</li> <li>control of parallel structure, shaping, links, modifiers will be competent where used</li> <li>discursive markers are becoming more integrated and are used to enhance the organisation of the description</li> </ul>
13-14	form, content and style are generally matched to purpose and audience	<ul> <li>detailed and well developed with clear outline and examples to build description</li> <li>begins to anticipate and respond to potential audience response</li> <li>may selectively use a range of devices/approaches to provide variety and sustain reader's interest e.g. sentence variation, parallelism</li> </ul>
	well structured, starting to use paragraphs to enhance meaning and with increasing sophistication in vocabulary choice	<ul> <li>range of paragraph structures coherently linked</li> <li>discursive markers are now coherently integrated</li> <li>wide vocabulary used effectively</li> </ul>
15-16	form, content and style are consistently matched to purpose and audience	<ul> <li>cogent focus on the nightmare world with a wide range of interesting description</li> <li>growing subtlety of purpose and ability to manipulate reader's response</li> </ul>
	coherently structured with fluently linked sentence structures and paragraphs and evidence of conscious crafting	<ul> <li>structured and developed using a range of means to convey atmosphere of place effectively</li> <li>fluent control of range of devices and discursive markers</li> <li>extensive vocabulary range</li> </ul>
17-18	form, content and style are assuredly matched to purpose and audience; distinctive and consistently effective	<ul> <li>strong personal style</li> <li>may use satire, irony, humour etc. but always fittingly and in context</li> <li>demonstrates the ability to integrate a range of complex details</li> <li>discursive markers and a range of stylistic techniques are integrated into whole seamlessly and informatively</li> </ul>
	controlled and sustained crafting with highly effective and delightful vocabulary choices	may use some inventive structural and/or linguistic devices

	AO3 (iii) Sentence Structures, Punctuation and Spelling		
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1	<ul> <li>some sentences</li> <li>some accuracy in spelling of simple words</li> <li>random punctuation</li> </ul>	some monosyllabic words spelt correctly	
2-3	<ul> <li>in sentences</li> <li>generally accurate basic spelling</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>may use mainly simple and compound sentences with occasional complex sentences; may use discourse markers in a mechanical way</li> <li>some monosyllabic words spelt correctly</li> </ul>	
	evidence of conscious punctuation		
4-5	uses a range of sentence structures	some conscious variation of syntax though not always grammatically secure; may link complex sentences with appropriate discourse markers e.g. because, another reason for; some use of modifiers;	
	• some accurate spelling of more complex	<ul> <li>commonly used words spelt correctly</li> </ul>	
	words	• general accuracy in use of capital letters	
	• starts to use a range of punctuation	and full stops	
6-7	uses sentence forms for effect	• constructions linked securely to discourse markers; may use parallel constructions, syntactical lists, adjectives, adverbs, minor sentences, for effect.	
	generally secure in spelling	• generally secure spelling of irregular, latinate, complex words	
	generally secure in punctuation which clarifies meaning and purpose	• generally accurate in sentence demarcation, use of commas, question marks etc.	
8-9	uses full range of appropriate sentence structures	clear and controlled manipulation of sentence structures for effect; may use wide range of appropriate discourse markers linked to syntactical choice; may use repetition, contrast, parallel phrases and clauses, verbal patterning to control sentence variety within paragraphs.	
	• achieves a high level of technical accuracy	• accurate spelling	
	in spelling (occasional lapses may occur)		
	achieves a high level of technical accuracy in punctuation (occasional lapses may occur)	<ul> <li>range of punctuation used in a sophisticated manner; colons and semi-colons used correctly when appropriate</li> </ul>	

6 Many young people have concerns about the world in which they live. Write **informatively** about one or more your concerns and **explain** the reasons for them.

	AO3(i)/(ii) Communication and Organisation		
Mark	Skills Descriptors	Content Descriptors	
1-2	communicates some meaning	some words in appropriate order	
	• some simple sequencing of ideas	one or more points made	
3-4	• communicates some meaning with	makes one or more direct reference to	
	occasional sense of purpose and audience	concerns	
		• an indication of awareness of need to inform	
		and explain	
		• may express personal feelings but with little	
		relevant detail	
	• ideas are sequenced simply, but generally	order of ideas can be followed by reader	
	appropriately		
5-6	• clear communication of ideas with more	makes some linked points	
	sense of purpose and audience	some awareness of need to inform and	
		explain demonstrated by selection of aspects	
		of concerns and reasons, though likely to be	
		<ul><li>underdeveloped</li><li>may show awareness of audience by use of</li></ul>	
		<ul> <li>may show awareness of audience by use of first person explanation</li> </ul>	
	uses some organisational devices	<ul> <li>may demonstrate occasional attempt to</li> </ul>	
	appropriately with occasional conscious	paragraph though likely to be random	
	selection of words	<ul> <li>some attempt to link ideas using connectives</li> </ul>	
		e.g. because	
		more evidence of vocabulary selected to	
		inform and explain	
7-8	• sustained awareness of purpose and audience	some focus on concerns with more	
		developed explanation of reasons	
		may be mainly anecdotal and/or narrative in	
		approach though clearly intended to inform	
		and explain	
		may use simple rhetorical device to interest	
		reader	
	more conscious attempt to organise	• paragraphing may be tabloid and/or, at	
	sentences into paragraphs with some attempt	times, correctly placed	
0.10	to use vocabulary for effect	beginnings of variety in vocabulary	
9-10	• conscious attempt to suit the needs of purpose and audience and begins to engage	• clear focus on concerns with more range in information and more developed explanation	
	reader's response	of reasons	
	reader s response	<ul> <li>likely to outline aspects of concerns in detail</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>detail is logically sequenced with paragraphs</li> </ul>	
		usually marking shift in focus	
	• clear, if mechanical, paragraphing with more	<ul> <li>begins to convey enthusiasm for subject</li> </ul>	
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13-14	<ul> <li>form, content and style are generally matched to purpose and audience</li> <li>well structured, starting to use paragraphs to</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>detailed and well developed with clear information and related explanation</li> <li>begins to anticipate and respond to potential audience response</li> <li>may selectively use a range of devices/approaches to provide variety and sustain reader's interest</li> <li>range of paragraph structures coherently</li> </ul>
	enhance meaning and with increasing sophistication in vocabulary choice	linked  discursive markers are now coherently integrated  wide vocabulary used effectively
15-16	form, content and style are consistently matched to purpose and audience	<ul> <li>cogent focus on concerns with wide range of interesting detail</li> <li>growing subtlety of purpose and ability to manipulate reader's response</li> </ul>
	coherently structured with fluently linked sentence structures and paragraphs and evidence of conscious crafting	<ul> <li>structured and developed using a range of means to provide explanations</li> <li>fluent control of range of devices and discursive markers</li> <li>extensive vocabulary range</li> </ul>
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